

**ASX ANNOUNCEMENT**

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## RINCON 2,000TPA $\text{Li}_2\text{CO}_3$ CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

### HIGHLIGHTS

- ✦ 2,000tpa lithium carbonate process plant development works progressing on schedule
- ✦ 10% of scheduled total construction works completed to date
- ✦ First commercial production of battery quality  $\text{Li}_2\text{CO}_3$  product targeted by mid-2022

Argosy Minerals Limited (ASX: **AGY**) ("**Argosy**" or "**Company**") is pleased to advise that 10% of construction works have been completed for the development of the modular 2,000tpa lithium carbonate production operation at the Rincon Lithium Project, located in Salta Province, Argentina.

The Company remains on schedule to achieve the first commercial production of >99.5% battery quality lithium carbonate production from mid-2022 target.

Argosy's construction and development schedule to construct the 2,000tpa lithium carbonate production operation – with major works comprising the construction of the process plant, equipment and associated installations, earthworks and site construction (including additional camp development and associated site infrastructure), and expansion of the brine system (pumping station, plant settling ponds) – has progressed well since commencement (from late-February), with;

- 8% of earthworks/land movements completed;
- 8% of site works completed (comprising site camp/accommodation, laboratory and office, and other works);
- 16% of the brine system completed (comprising pumping station and plant settling ponds works);
- 16% of the process plant completed (comprising plant equipment acquisition and plant warehouse works);
- 3% of utilities and associated services (comprising vapour system, communication system and ancillary services works); and
- 3% plant commissioning works completed (comprising raw materials acquisition and team development works).

The Company's schedule targets the construction phase of works to be completed in early-2022, with plant commissioning, test-works and ramp-up to be conducted over approximately four months, with production operations to commence thereafter.

Argosy Managing Director, Jerko Zuvela said "***The Company's Puna operations team have started positively with the 2,000tpa lithium carbonate production operation construction and development works.***"

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*We are excited as we continue our works to transform Argosy into a battery quality lithium carbonate producer and cashflow generator, and further progress toward the 10,000tpa enlarged commercial scale development. We look forward to a significant near-term growth phase with increasing development activity at the Rincon Lithium Project"*



Figures 1-2. Rincon Lithium Project – New Brine Pump Installation Works

With lithium market sentiment and lithium carbonate prices specifically continuing to increase considerably during 2021, and the Company being fully funded to 2,000tpa scale production, Argosy remains a lithium sector peer leader that is the only new developer able to supply battery quality lithium carbonate product at commercial quantities from a new project in the near-term. This enhances Argosy's strategic value to all end-user customers across the battery and EV industry supply chain.



Figure 3. Rincon Lithium Project – 38Ha Operational Evaporation Ponds



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*This announcement has been authorised by Jerko Zuvela, the Company's Managing Director*

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### ASX Listing Rules Compliance

Argosy advises references to the Company's current target of producing 2,000tpa of high purity battery quality lithium carbonate product at the Rincon Lithium Project should be read subject to and clarified by the Company's current intention that the 2,000tpa production target does not extend beyond a two-year period from the Clarifying Announcement (lodged 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021, available at [www.argosyminerals.com.au](http://www.argosyminerals.com.au) and [www.asx.com](http://www.asx.com)).

At the conclusion of the two-year period, it is the Company's current intention that, subject to feasibility, finance, market conditions and completion of development works at the Rincon Lithium Project, the Company's 10,000tpa production target will apply. The current 2,000tpa production target is intended to form a modular part of the 10,000tpa operation from its commencement.

Argosy further advises that references in this ASX release in relation to the 10,000tpa production target are extracted from the report entitled "Argosy delivers exceptional PEA results for Rincon Project" dated 28 November 2018, available at [www.argosyminerals.com.au](http://www.argosyminerals.com.au) and [www.asx.com](http://www.asx.com). Argosy confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Announcement and, in the case of the Production Target, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves contained in the Announcement, that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the PEA announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. Argosy confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the PEA announcement.

### Reference to Previous ASX Releases:

This document refers to the following previous ASX releases:

28<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018 - Argosy delivers exceptional PEA results for Rincon Project

8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021 - \$30M Placement to Fund 2,000tpa Production

10<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021 - Clarifying Announcement

## ABOUT ARGOSY MINERALS LIMITED

Argosy Minerals Limited (ASX: AGY) is an Australian company with a current 77.5% (and ultimate 90%) interest in the Rincon Lithium Project in Salta Province, Argentina and a 100% interest in the Tonopah Lithium Project in Nevada, USA.





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The Company is focused on its flagship Rincon Lithium Project – potentially a game-changing proposition given its location within the world renowned “Lithium Triangle” – host to the world’s largest lithium resources, and its fast-track development strategy toward production of LCE product.

Argosy is committed to building a sustainable lithium production company, highly leveraged to the forecast growth in the lithium-ion battery sector.

### Appendix 1: AGY’s Argentina Project Location Map

