

# Element 25 Limited

## Investor Update – Commissioning for Growth

Building a world-class Zero Carbon Manganese™ business

August 2021 - Investor Update



# Introduction

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## Overview

Developing the world class **Butcherbird Manganese Project** in Western Australia to produce high quality manganese concentrate and High Purity Manganese (HPM) products for traditional and new energy markets.

### Financial Information

ASX Ticker	E25
Shares on Issue	149M
Share Price	\$1.83 (24 August 2021)
Debt	Nil

- Australia's largest onshore manganese deposit.
- >260 Mt of manganese ore in JORC resources<sup>1</sup>.
- Reserve containing 5.22 Mt of manganese<sup>2</sup>.
- 100% owned by Element 25 Limited.
- Located in WA, ranked #1 for mining investment<sup>3</sup>.
- Ethical, proven, sustainably regulated jurisdiction.
- Simple low-cost mining and processing.
- No blasting or dewatering required.
- Long mine life – 42 years using only 20% of the global resource, potential to improve.
- Outstanding economics<sup>2</sup>
- Excellent infrastructure: highway and gas pipeline



<sup>1</sup>Reference: Company ASX release 17 April 2019. <sup>2</sup>Reference: Company ASX Release 3 December 2020. <sup>3</sup>Reference: Fraser Institute Annual Survey of Mining Companies, 2019, <sup>3</sup>Reference: Company ASX Release 26 May 2021, <sup>4</sup>Reference: Company ASX Release 16 June 2021



# Not all manganese is created equal

E25 Manganese

## Serving the Old...

- Manganese (**Mn**) is the fourth most used metal on earth in terms of tonnage.
- Used in steel, specialty alloys and aluminium products.
- Traditionally the market has been dominated by the steel and alkaline battery industries.
- There is no substitute for manganese in steel.
- **E25 manganese concentrate and EMM feed this market.**

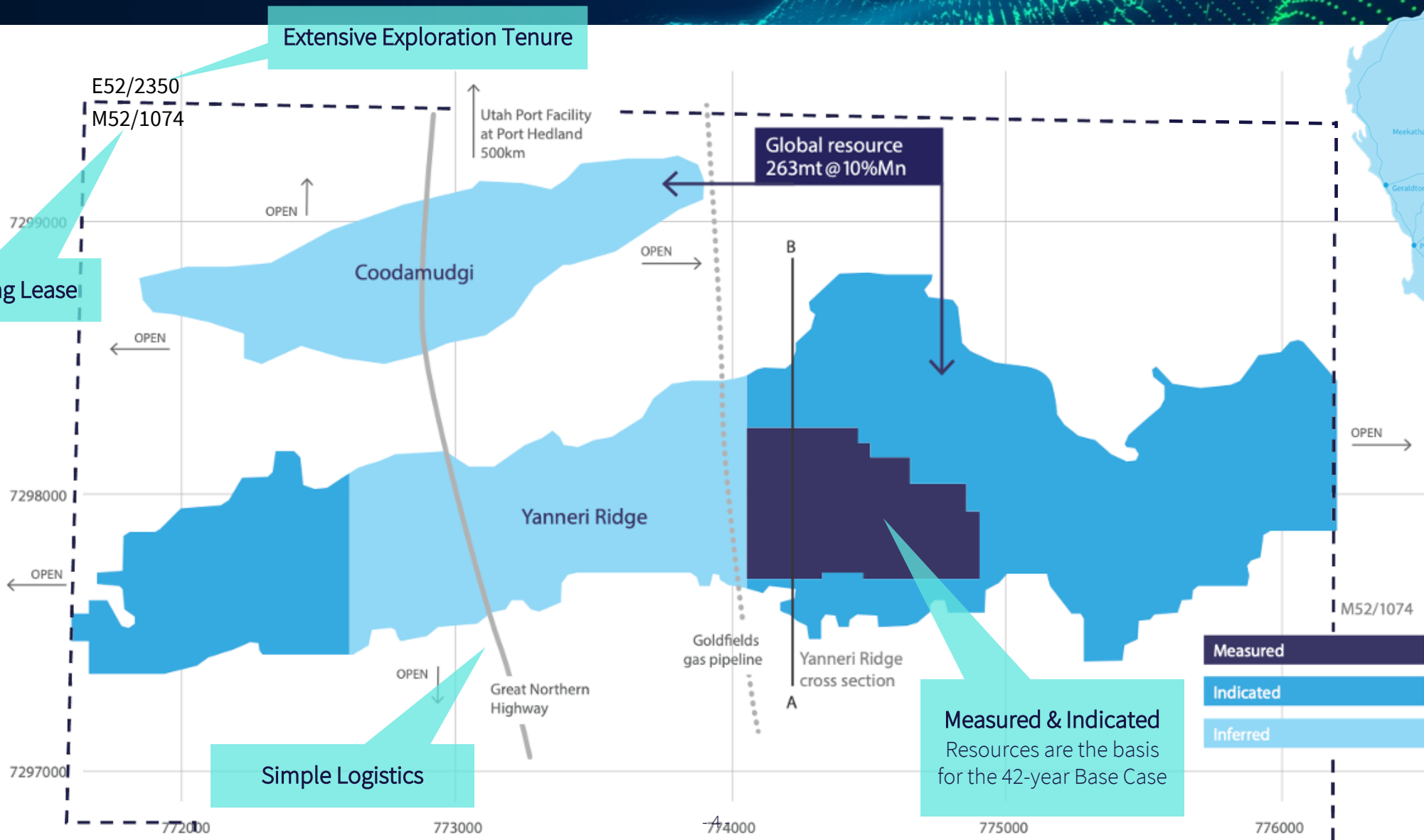
## And the New...

- The electrification of the global vehicle fleet requires vast amounts of cathode materials.
- Nickel and cobalt supplies cannot meet projected demand for new energy vehicle (NEV) growth.
- Batteries are trending toward higher manganese content for safer, more cost-effective solutions.
- **E25 high purity manganese will feed these markets.**



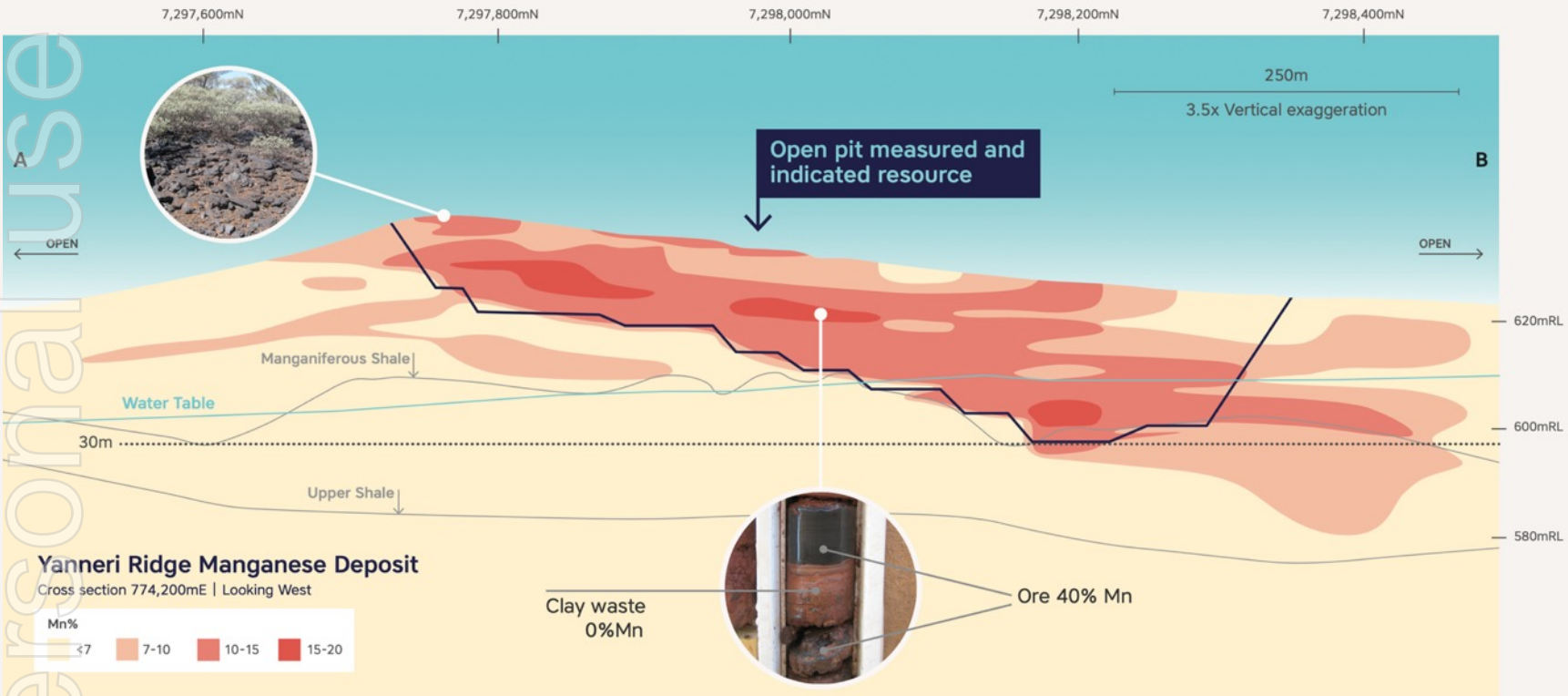
# Great infrastructure endowment, fully permitted

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# Very simple geology equals low-cost, low environmental impact manganese units

Classification	Tonnes (Mt)	Mn (%)	Contained Mn (Mt)
Resource	263	10.0	20.8
Reserve	50.6	10.3	5.22



## RESOURCE GROWTH POTENTIAL

- Enough resource base for multi-decade long expansion pathway.
- Can produce concentrate, battery grade HPMSM and EMM without resource limitation.

## ENVIRONMENTALLY BENIGN OPERATION

- Ore from surface
- No explosives required
- No waste water
- One reagent – water
- Extremely low levels of contaminants



# Stage 1: Operational, Ramp Up Underway

- 20-year Mining Lease granted
- All Stakeholder Agreements finalised
- Processing water confirmed and permitted
- Fully funded with no debt
- Operation is fully permitted
- Stage 1 is operational
- Stage 2 fully funded to provide material for  $\text{MnSO}_4$  conversion

Maiden  
product  
shipment  
June 2021

## Stage 1

### Low impurity Mn concentrate

Operating and ramping up  
First shipment June 2021



## Stage 2

### Expanded Mn concentrate for $\text{MnSO}_4$

PFS study near complete, fully funded  
Startup 2024/25





# Stage 1: Project Delivery Complete – Ramp Up Underway



ROM Stocks

Process Water  
Storage

Tails Storage

Main Access  
Road

Ore Stockpiles

Processing  
Plant



# Stage 2 expansion turbocharging cashflows to fund HPM

- Incremental capital required.
- Financing discussions advanced.
- Flowsheet process proven.
- Rapid deployment.
- Fund High Purity Manganese from strengthened balance sheet.

**Establishing a globally significant, low carbon manganese business in record time, with minimal dilution**

Mn<sup>25</sup>

**1,023,000 t/a**

Annual Production over 40-year mine life



**\$1.138 billion**

NPV<sub>5</sub> pre-tax



**359%**

IRR pre-tax



**\$20.3 million**

Incremental capital cost including working capital



**6 months**

Payback period  
Semeru Energy U\$5M debt



**February 2022**

Commissioning scheduled



## Stage 1: Project Delivery – E25 Concentrate in Port Hedland

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E25 Manganese Ore

# New Energy Vehicle (NEV) Demand Growing MUCH Faster

**58% by 2040**

percentage of new vehicles that will be EV or hybrid

**54 million**

EV passenger sales by 2040

**from 2033**

decline emissions from road transport

**17.6M by 2040**

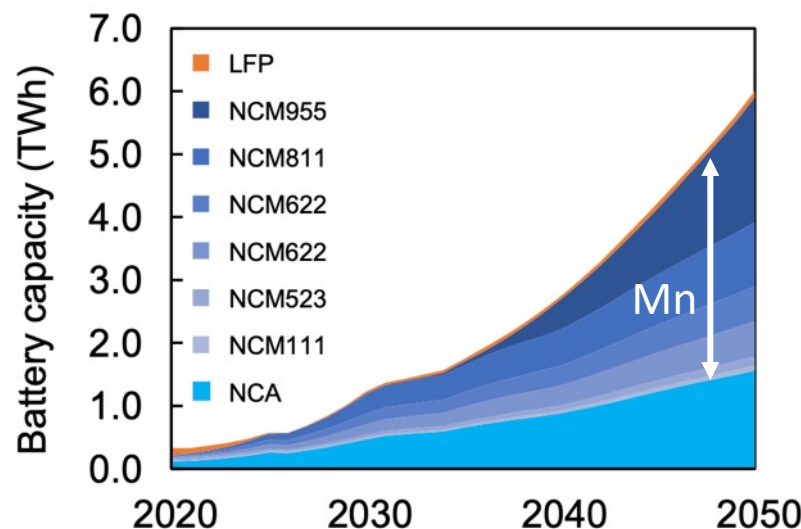
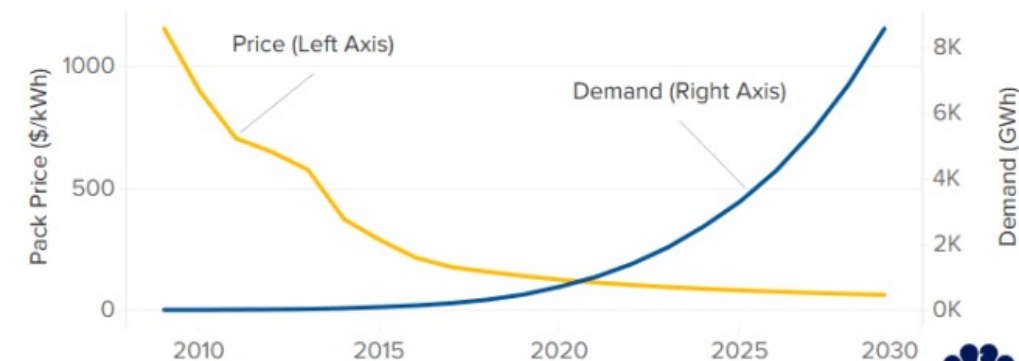
barrels of oil displaced by EVs each day

“It is reasonably straight forward to do a cathode that is two-thirds nickel and one-third manganese...”

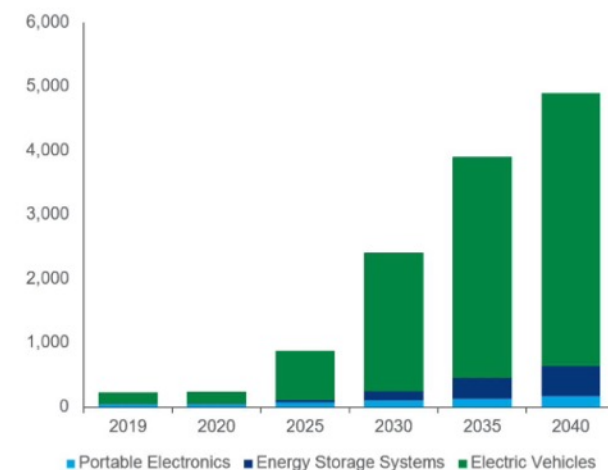
Elon Musk, Tesla

Reference: <https://about.newenergyfinance.com/electric-vehicle-outlook/>

## Li-ion battery market development for electric vehicles



## Global battery sector demand by capacity (GWh)



Reference: Wood Mckenzie



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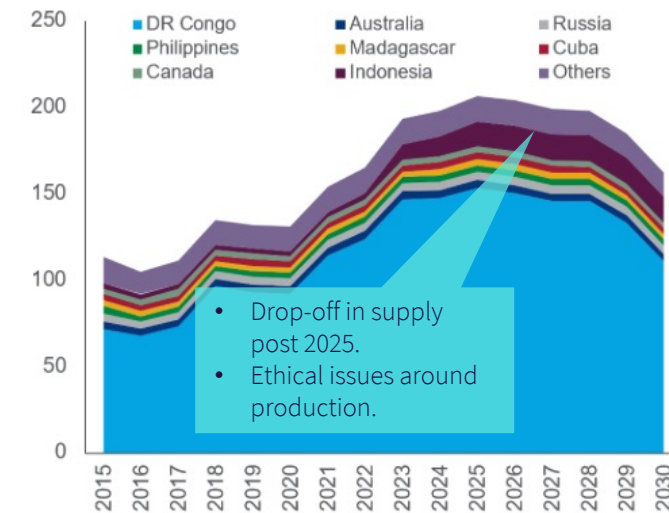
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“In order to save battery costs, VW wants to use nickel and manganese for the cells in the volume segment and, if possible, do without the – more expensive – cobalt....”

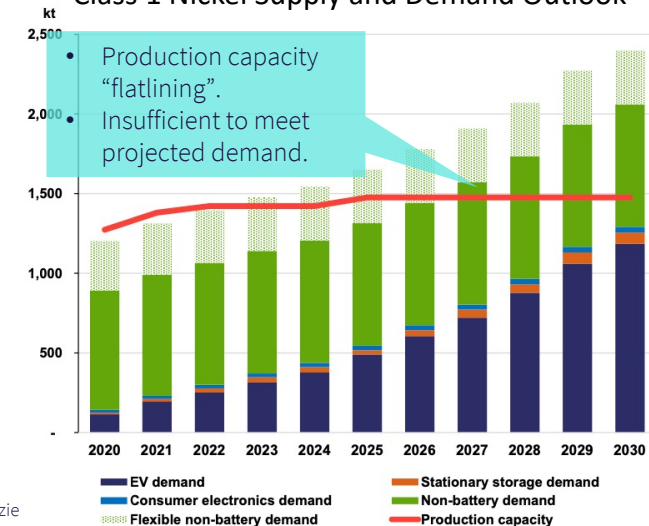
*The Driven, March 2021*

- Manganese (**Mn**) is the fourth most utilised metal globally.
- It is the cheapest, most abundant of the NMC cathode materials (**Ni,Mn,C**).
- Nickel and cobalt have supply constraints, manganese does not.
- For cobalt, there are serious ethical concerns around production methods<sup>1</sup>.
- Manganese is perfectly placed to provide the material needed to satisfy the worlds hunger to electrify.
- **Battery makers have manganese rich cathode designs in their roadmaps post 2025.**

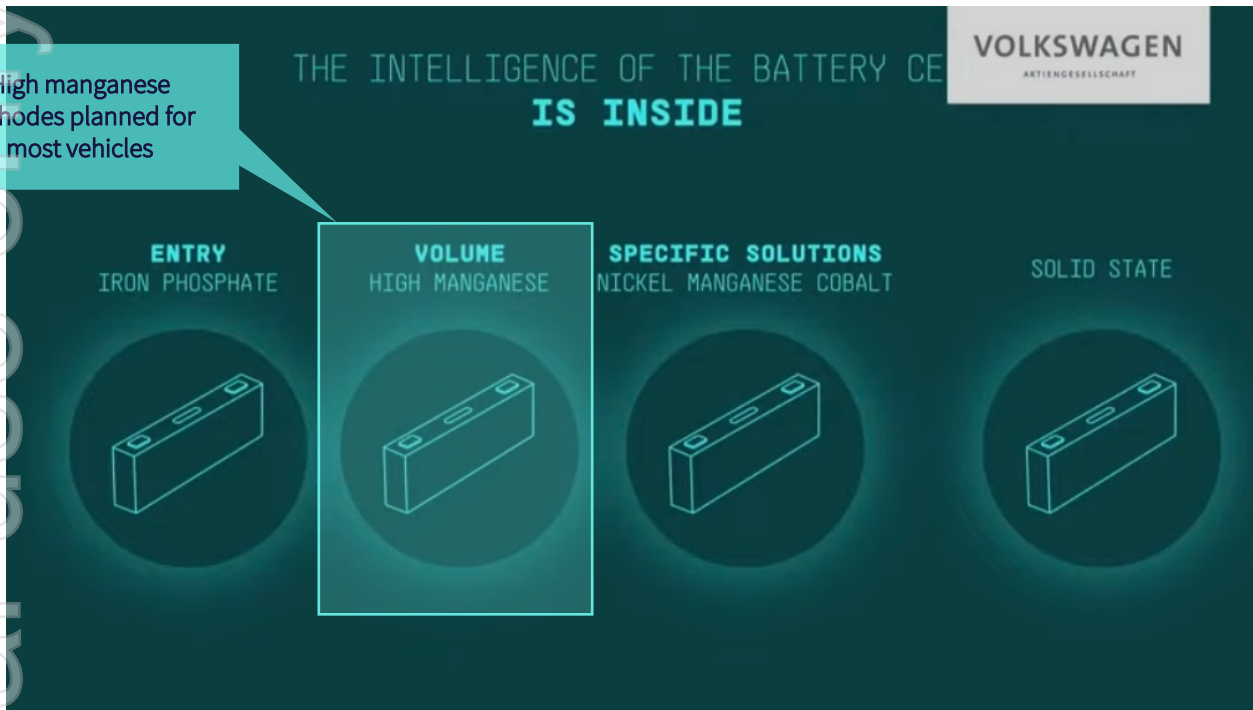
Global mined cobalt output (Kt)



Class 1 Nickel Supply and Demand Outlook



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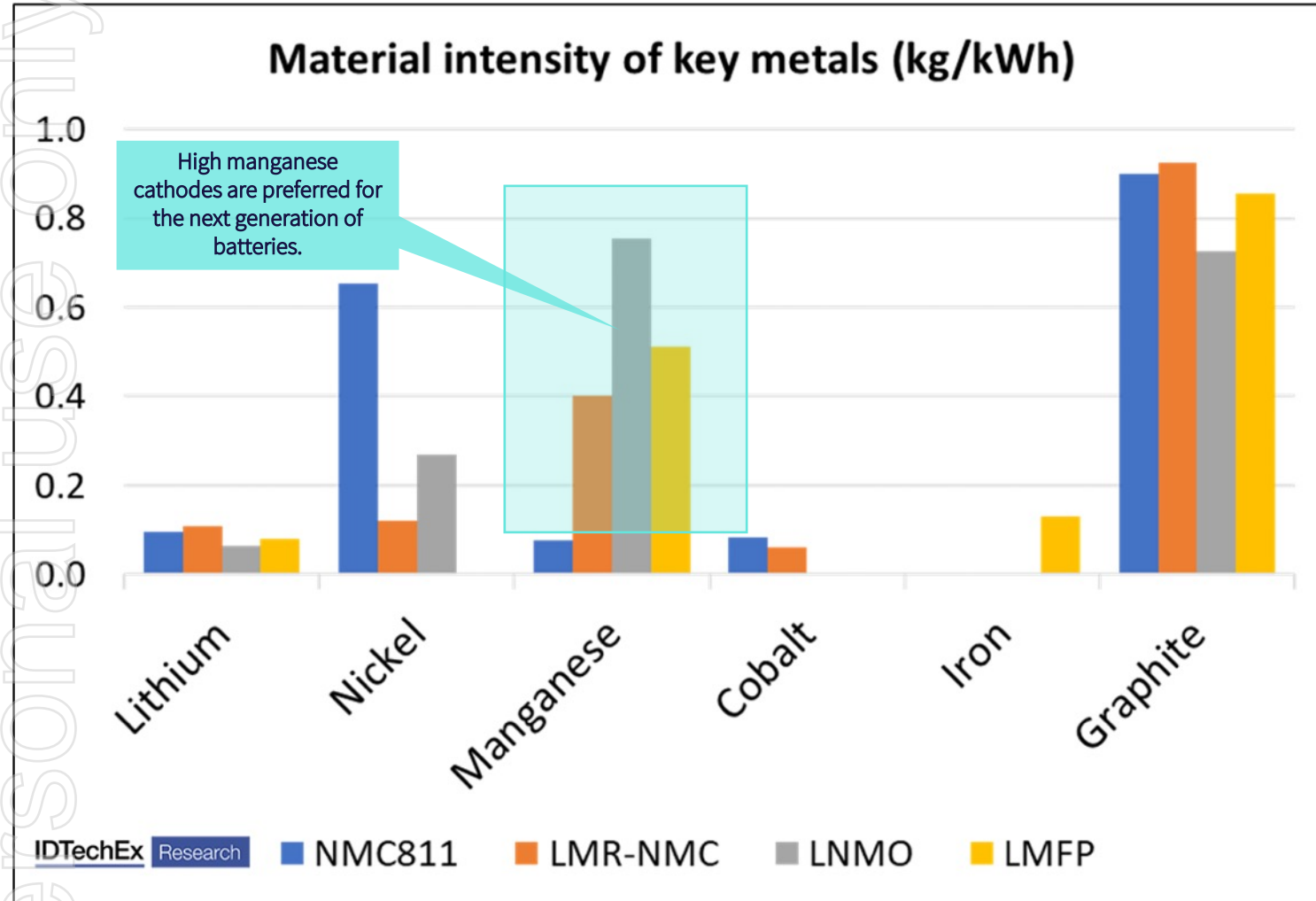
- VW moving to a high manganese cathode for most of its vehicles.
- High manganese means better energy density and lower cost.
- Requires large volumes of high purity manganese sulphate.
- Element 25 is targeting this market for its long term growth strategy.
- Discussions underway in relation to potential offtake partners in this segment.

“Our transformation will be fast, it will be unprecedented...”

VW Group CEO Herbert Diess



# If not manganese, then what?



- A number of different high manganese chemistries being commercialised.
- High manganese means better energy density and lower cost over NMC.
- Positive for HPMSM demand.
- Element 25 is targeting this market for its long term growth strategy.
- Discussions underway in relation to potential offtake partners in this segment.

# Element 25 Well Down the Path to HPMSM

Test Number	Feed Size	Duration (min)	Temp (C)	Pulp Density (%)	Reductant Stoichiometric Ratio (%)	H2SO4 Stoichiometric Ratio(%)	Feed Ore Conc (%)		Final Residue Conc (%)		Final Filtrate Conc (mg/L)		Dissolution from Solids (%)	
							Mn	Fe	Mn	Fe	Mn	Fe	Mn	Fe
HY10563	-.5 mm	60	90	20	150	200	33.7	10.5	2.8	14.3	104900	16800	97.1	52.99
HY10564	-.5 mm	60	90	20	100	200	33.7	10.5	10.7	16.2	84350	10860	86.6	34.73

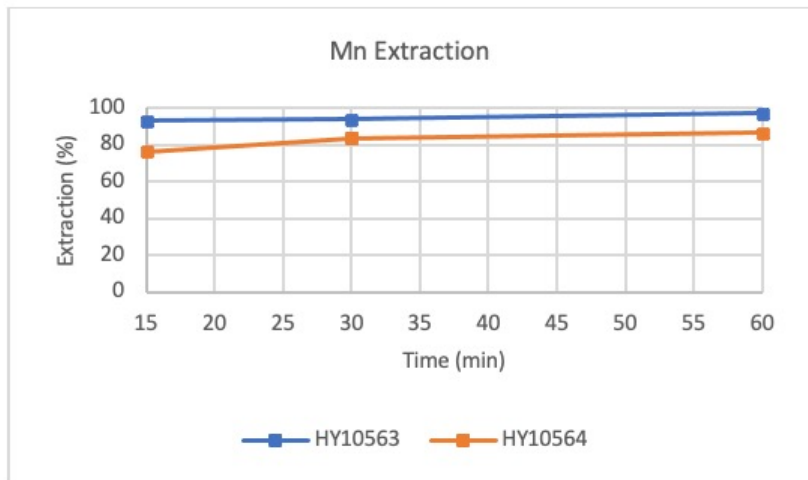


Figure 1. Manganese extraction over time

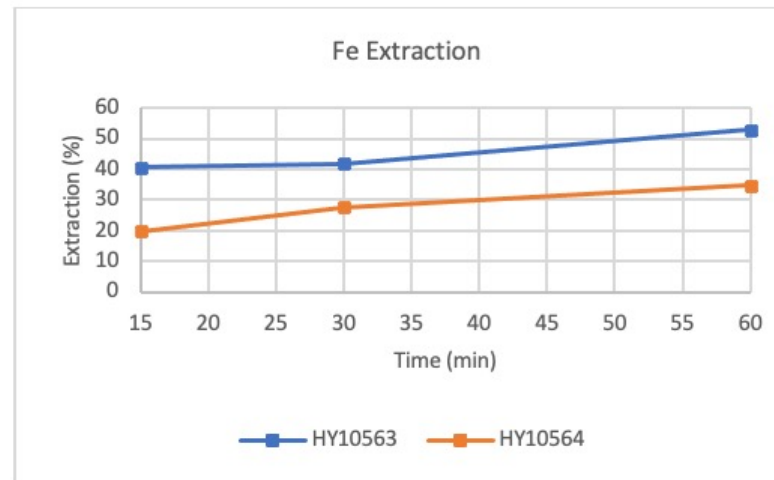


Figure 2. Iron extraction over time



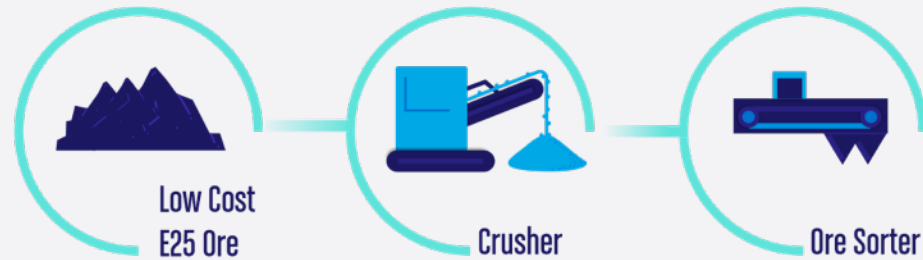


# Our Journey- Element 25 has a well advanced flowsheet and business strategy...

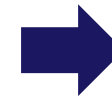


References: ASX Company releases 6 June 2017, 12 February 2019, 16 April 2019, 15 April 2021

# Our Goal- Zero Carbon High Purity Manganese for New Energy Vehicles...

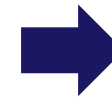
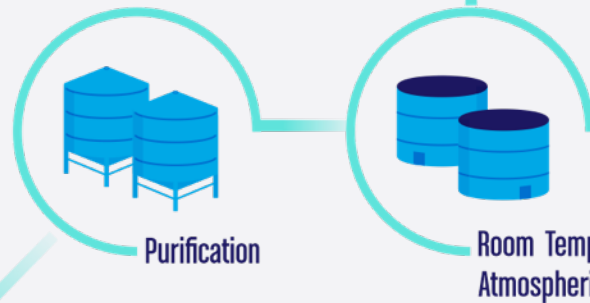


- In Production
- First Shipment June 2021



## Stage 1

First production of manganese concentrate to sell to steel alloy manufacturers



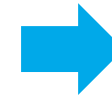
## Stage 2

Expansion of the concentrate production to produce manganese feedstock to convert to HPMSM



### Proposed Timeline:

- Pre-Feasibility Study completed 2021
- Full Feasibility Study - H1 2022
- Product Qualification - H2 2022
- First Production Scheduled for 2024/2025

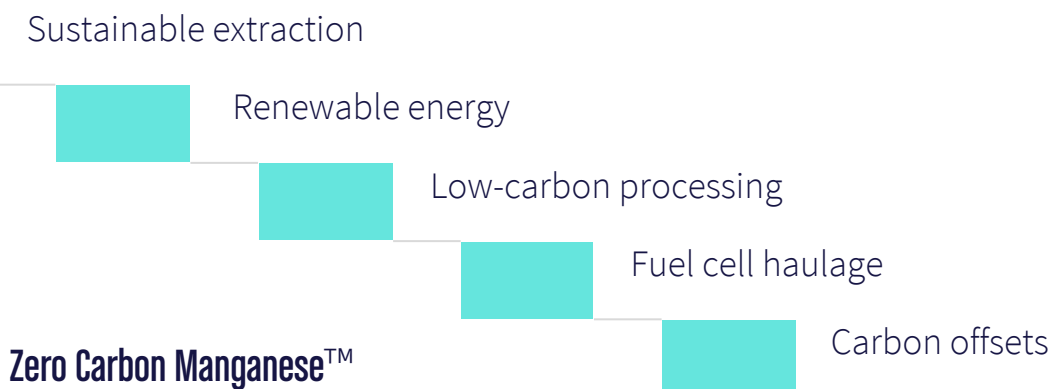


## Stage 3

Serving the New Energy Vehicle Markets by converting the concentrate to HPMSM using renewable energy



# Zero Carbon Manganese™ – ESG Considerations Integral to Our Thinking



## Other potential pathways that Element 25 is investigating:

- Extensive wind and solar resource data set collected at site (>1 year)
- Energy modelling confirmed cost advantage with renewable solutions
- Green hydrogen powered mine fleet and bulk haulage
- Battery powered bulk haulage trucks to be made available in Australia shortly
- Green hydrogen reduction reagent potential (similar to “Green Steel”)
- Supply chain transparency and ESG accounting
- Collaboration with other ESG focused companies to pursue new solutions

Sustainable Extraction



Renewable Energy  
Powered Processing



New Energy Fuel

# Our Journey...

## Stage 1

**\$583 million NPV**

Commissioning and ramp-up underway



## Stage 2

**\$1.14 billion NPV**

PFS study complete, startup 2022



## Stage 3

**High Purity Mn**

PFS study anticipated for completion 2021



## Stage 4

**Decarbonise**

Global benchmark for Zero Carbon Manganese™

9 month plan

1.5 year plan

5 year plan

### Cashflow

Low capital cost, rapid start up to establish E25 as a producer while minimising dilution.

### Expansion

Improved resource utilisation, reduction in unit operating costs, increased operating cash.

### The Prize

Position E25 as a globally dominant producer of high purity, sustainable manganese products.

### Zero Carbon Manganese™

Best in class, zero carbon, ethically produced, scalable high purity manganese for global markets.



# Thank you

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# Reserves and Resources

## Maiden Ore Reserve<sup>1</sup>

Category	Tonnes (Mt)	Mn (%)	Contained Mn (Mt)
Proved	14.4	11.5	1.65
Probable	36.2	9.8	3.56
Total	50.6	10.3	5.22

## Global Mineral Resource<sup>2</sup>

Category	Tonnes (Mt)	Mn (%)	Si (%)	Fe (%)	Al (%)
Measured	16	11.6	20.6	11.7	5.7
Indicated	41	10.0	20.9	11.0	5.8
Inferred	206	9.8	20.8	11.4	5.9
Total	263	10.0	20.8	11.4	5.9

- 89% conversion of measured and indicated resources to reserve.
- Maiden Reserve only exploits approximately 20% of global mineral resource.
- Excellent potential for future expansion.
- More drilling has potential to add to global resource.

<sup>1</sup>Reference: Element 25 Limited ASX release dated 19 May 2020.

<sup>2</sup>Reference: Element 25 Limited ASX releases dated 17 April 2019.



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