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## Hilix Lithium Project - Fieldwork Begins

### HIGHLIGHTS

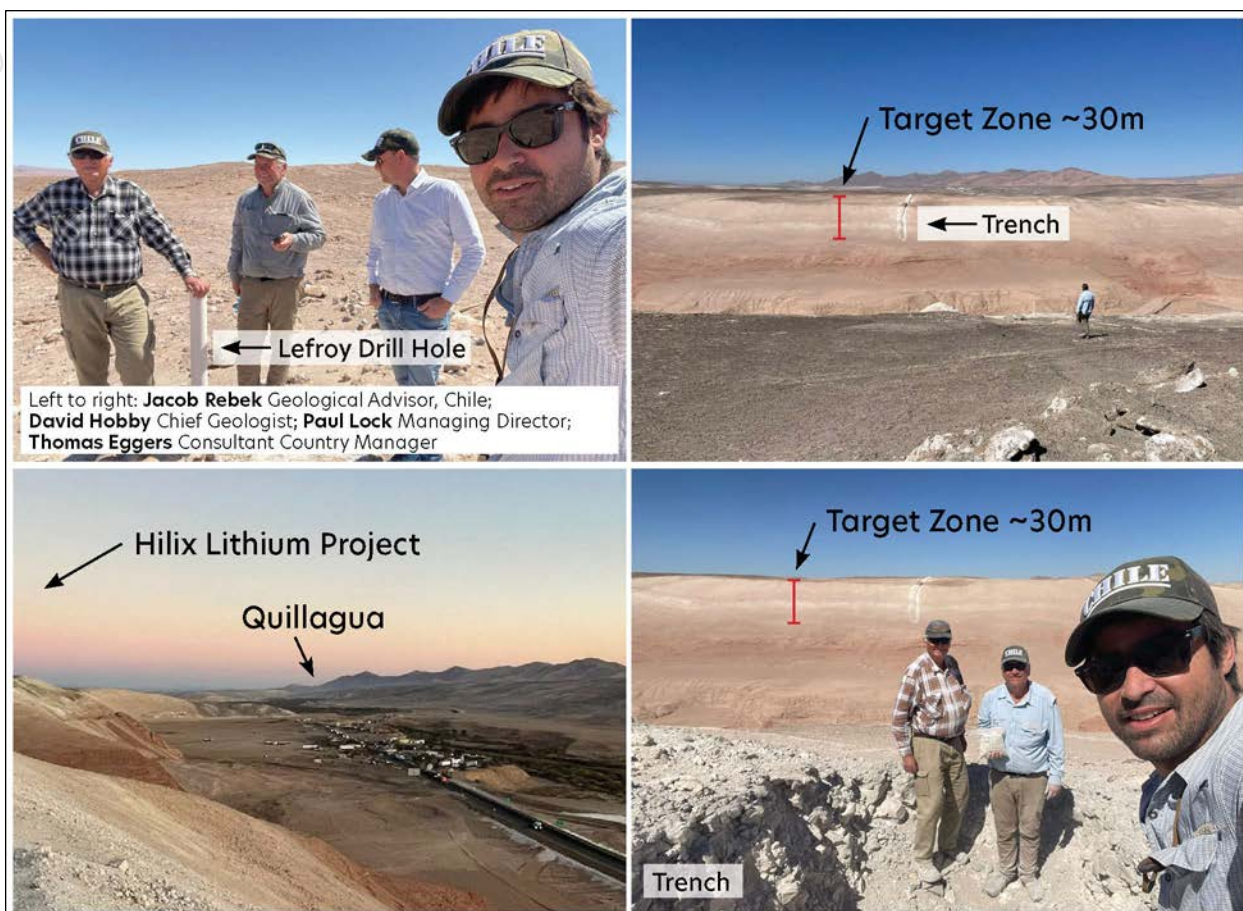
- Fieldwork has begun with the collection of 30 surface and trenching samples
- Prospective white clay layer identified throughout concession area
- Large 9kg sample collected for preliminary metallurgical test-work
- Discussions underway with drilling contractors, aiming for a September start
- Homogeneous nature of mineralisation amenable to wide-spaced shallow drilling
- Project well located adjacent to major transport and power infrastructure
- Targeting inaugural Mineral Resource later this year

**21 August 2023 - Battery Materials explorer and developer Pan Asia Metals Limited (ASX: PAM) ('PAM' or 'the Company')** is pleased to report that field work has begun at the Hilix Lithium Prospect, one of 7 target prospect areas which form the Tama Atacama Lithium Project.

**Pan Asia Metals Managing Director, Paul Lock, said:** *"We are very pleased to get started on field work in preparation for drilling. The Hilix Lithium Prospect is an easy project, located 5 minutes drive from the Quillagua village, with Chile's main north south transport and power infrastructure adjacent to the project. The lithium mineralisation is found in a ~30m thick layer of soft friable, porous, typically white, clay rich sediments which start at or near surface. Although yet to be tested, general observations suggest the mineralisation is homogeneous in nature and laterally extensive, and is considered amenable to a wide spaced drill pattern which will facilitate a relatively cheap and quick pathway to an inaugural Mineral Resource later this year. The core target area is about 6km<sup>2</sup>, with previous sampling in and near the block returning values of 920ppm Li and 1,210ppm Li, and previous drilling over 1km<sup>2</sup> returning an average thickness in the mineralised zone of 16.6m at 1003ppm Li. The grades, nature of mineralisation, and geography, set Hilix up to be a relatively easy project to evaluate and potentially develop.*

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### Project Overview

The Hilix Lithium Prospect is located near the Quillagua village in the Antofagasta/Tarapaca Regions of northern Chile. The project comprises five exploration concessions covering about 13km<sup>2</sup> (see Figure 1). Quillagua is considered one of the driest places on earth, even though it is only 60km from the coast.

The project is adjacent to the main N-S Highway in Chile (Ruta 5). The major ports/cities of Antofagasta and Iquique are 280km and 230km by road from Hilix respectively. Other smaller port cities such as Tocopilla are also nearby. The whole region is geared towards the support of exploration, mining and related industries.

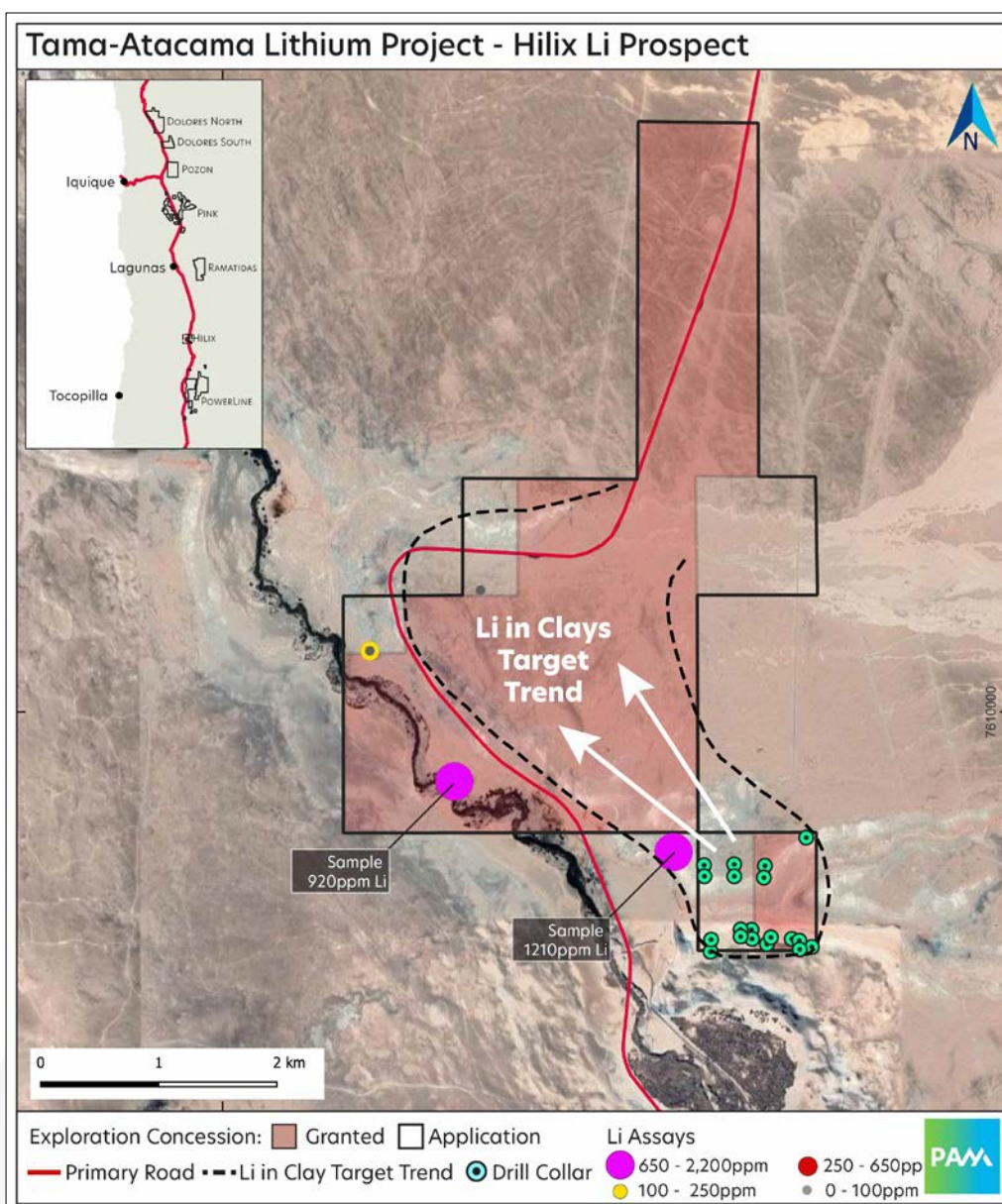


Figure 1. Hilix Lithium Prospect

### Previous Mining and Exploration

Some areas west, south and north of Hilix were mined extensively for nitrates from the mid-19th to mid-20th centuries. There is little record of any of these past mining activities as there is no requirement to lodge reports for exploration or mining activity.

### Deposit Model

Lithium and related mineralisation in the project area is hosted in soft friable, porous, typically white, clay rich sediments. In 2010, Lefroy Exploration Ltd (ASX:LEX) identified



hectorite as a Li bearing clay mineral occurring at Hilix. The upper Rio Loa Formation is often overlain by a thin veneer of recent alluvium and/or dust that may mask the white clays. The style of Li mineralisation at Hilix is interpreted as similar to the clay hosted Li deposits occurring in western US and northern Mexico. This style of mineralisation is not well documented in Chile.

#### Modern Exploration

Recent exploration has been conducted by the Rajo Partnership (Rajo), one of PAM's counterparties to the Tama Atacama Brine-Clay Lithium Project, see ASX announcement dated 28 July, 2023, and titled '*Tama-Atacama Brine-Clay Lithium Project - PAM Enters the South American Lithium Triangle*'. Most of this work has been undertaken since 2016. Rajo collected about 25 samples around the project area. These samples are mostly of the near surface clay rich zones taken from gullies, road cuts or rail cuttings and other exposures. The work conducted by Rajo is quite instructive.

During PAM's visit earlier in 2023, six samples were collected at or near the Rajo sample sites. Results for the samples inside, or immediately adjacent to, the Concessions showed three of six samples averaged 993ppm Li with commonly associated elevated levels of B, Ca, Mg and K. The results for Li from the Rajo/PAM sampling located inside or adjacent to the Exploration Concessions are shown in Figure 1.

#### Current Field Program

During PAM's current field program an additional 30 surface samples have been collected inside or immediately adjacent to the Concession area. Most of these samples represent outcrop of the targeted clay layer or float samples interpreted to be immediately above the clay layer. Some samples were collected from historic trenches that exposed the clay layer. All sample locations are shown in Figure 2. These samples will be submitted for analysis in the near term. PAM has also collected a 'bulk' sample of approximately 9kg that will be used for preliminary metallurgical evaluation.

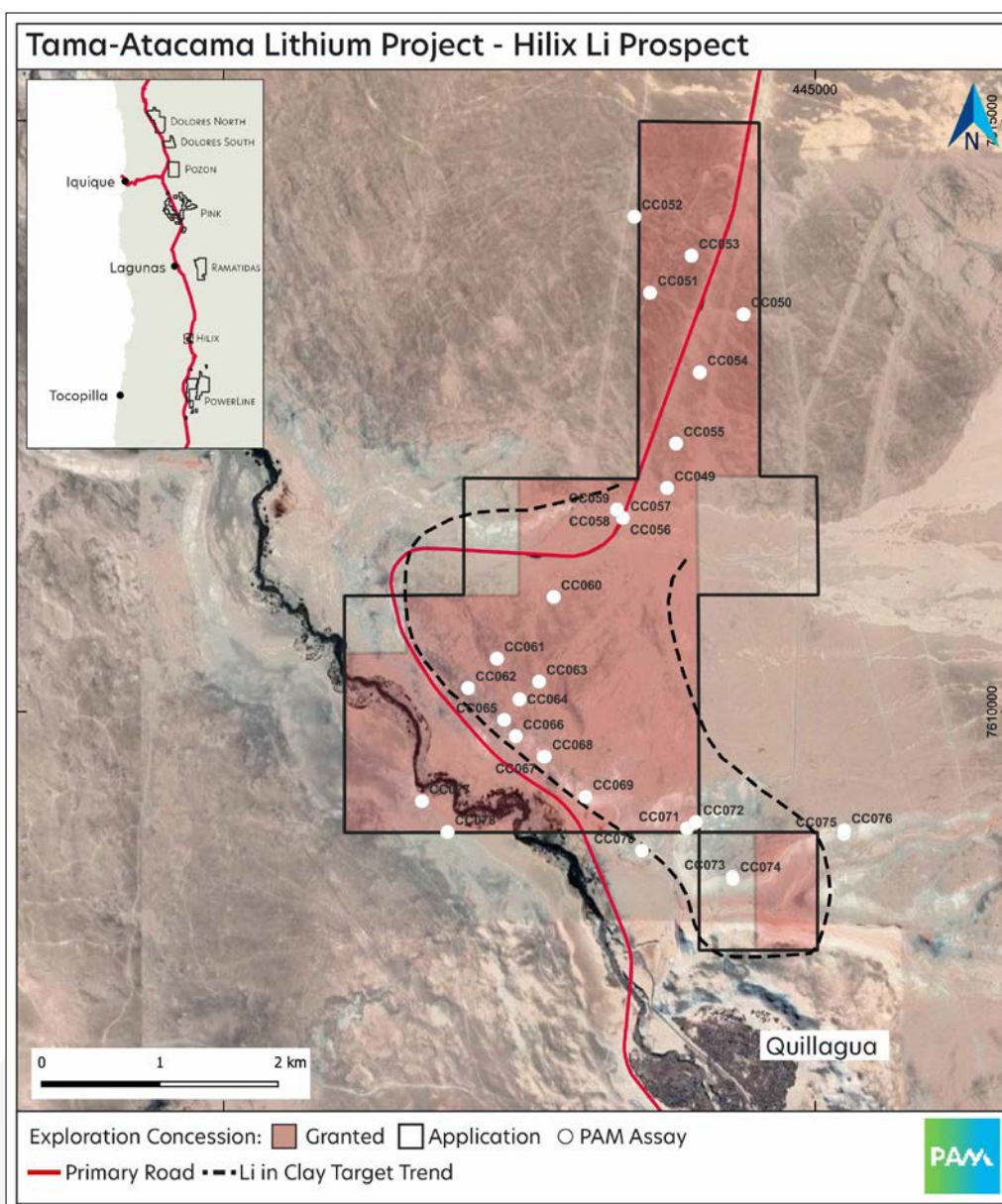


Figure 2. Hilix Lithium Prospect- PAM Surface Samples

In 2008-2009, the then ASX listed Lefroy Resources Limited (Lefroy) conducted an RC drilling program in the project area. A total of 19 holes for 570m were drilled inside or immediately adjacent to the Hilix exploration concessions (see Figure 3). Lefroy was targeting radiometric anomalies for potential uranium mineralisation. Little uranium was discovered however, lithium mineralisation generally associated with white clays of lacustrine-evaporite origin was discovered. The drillholes cover an area of approximately 1km<sup>2</sup>. Eighteen of 19 holes returned intersections between 9m-29m horizontal thickness at greater than 900ppm Li. The average thickness was 16.6m at an average grade of

1003ppm Li. Collar details and Li intersections for these drillholes is presented in Appendix 1.

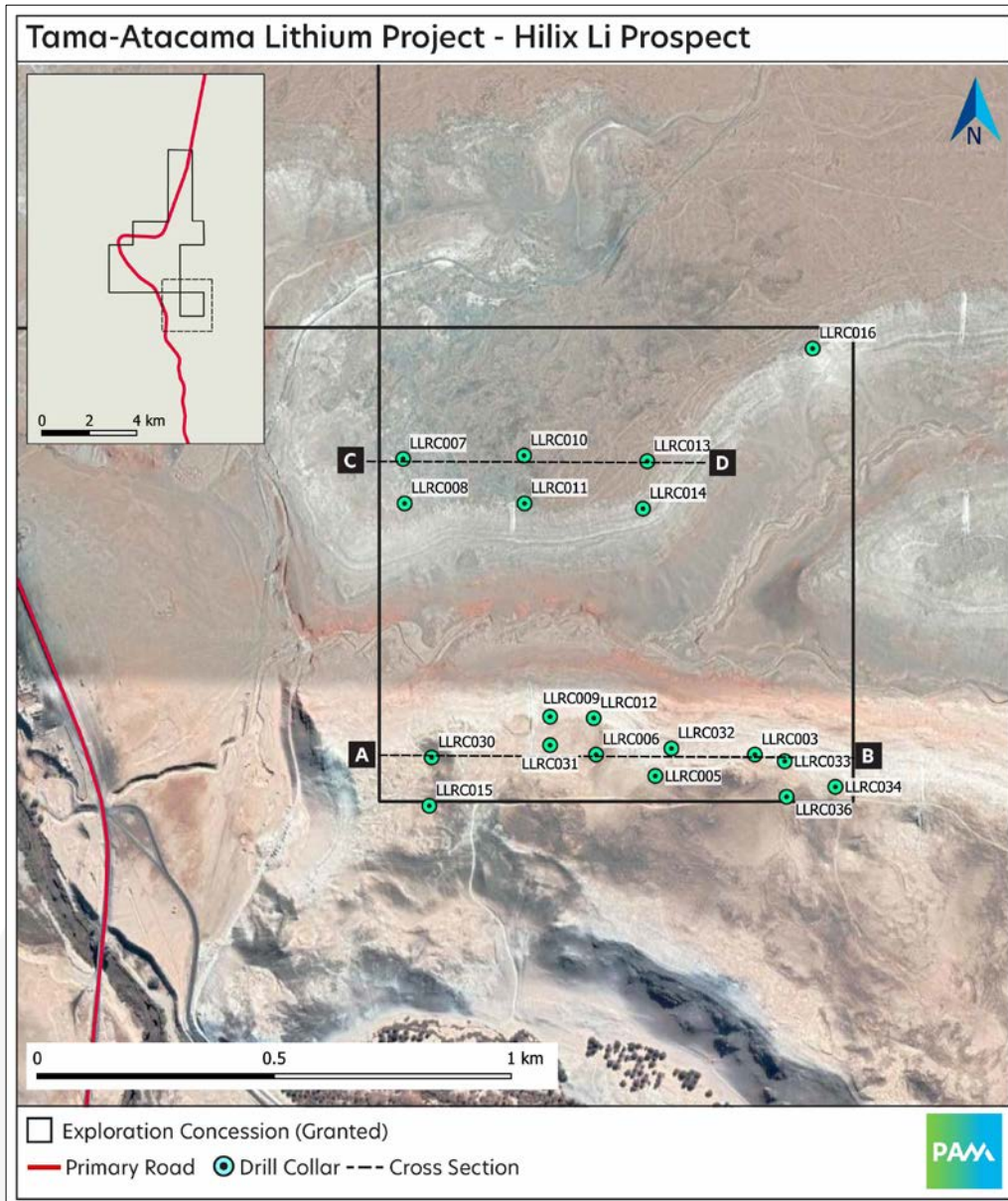


Figure 3. Hilix Lithium Prospect- Lefroy Exploration Ltd RC drilling program

Cross sections for some of the drilling are presented in Figures 4 and 5. It is worth noting that there appears to be an increase in grade x thickness as the drilling moves north towards the Li clay target zone as shown in Figure 1.



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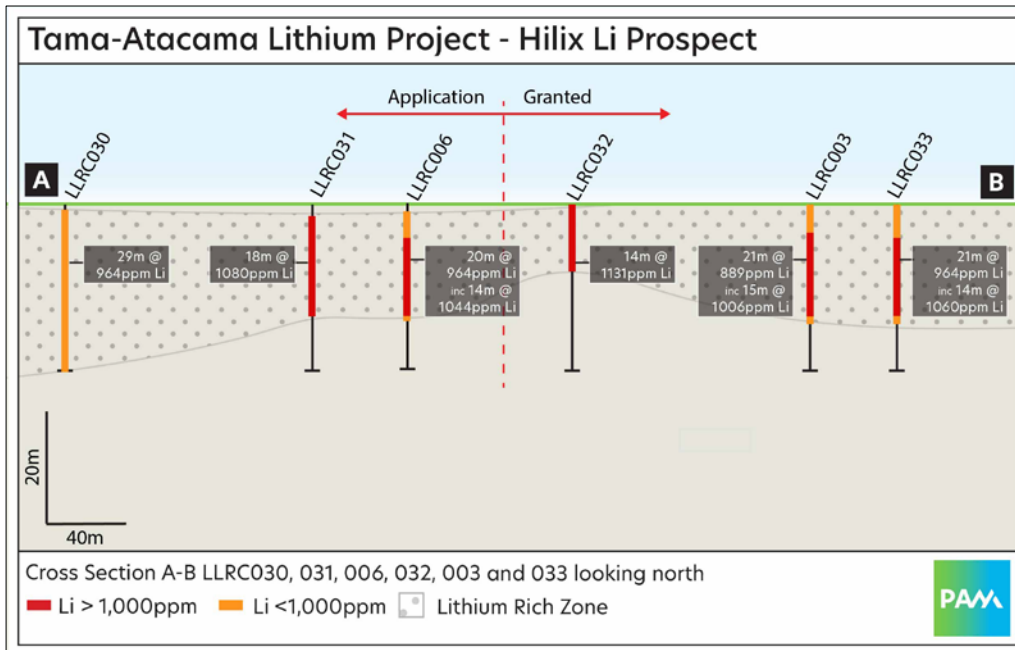


Figure 4. Hilix Lithium Prospect- Cross Section A-B

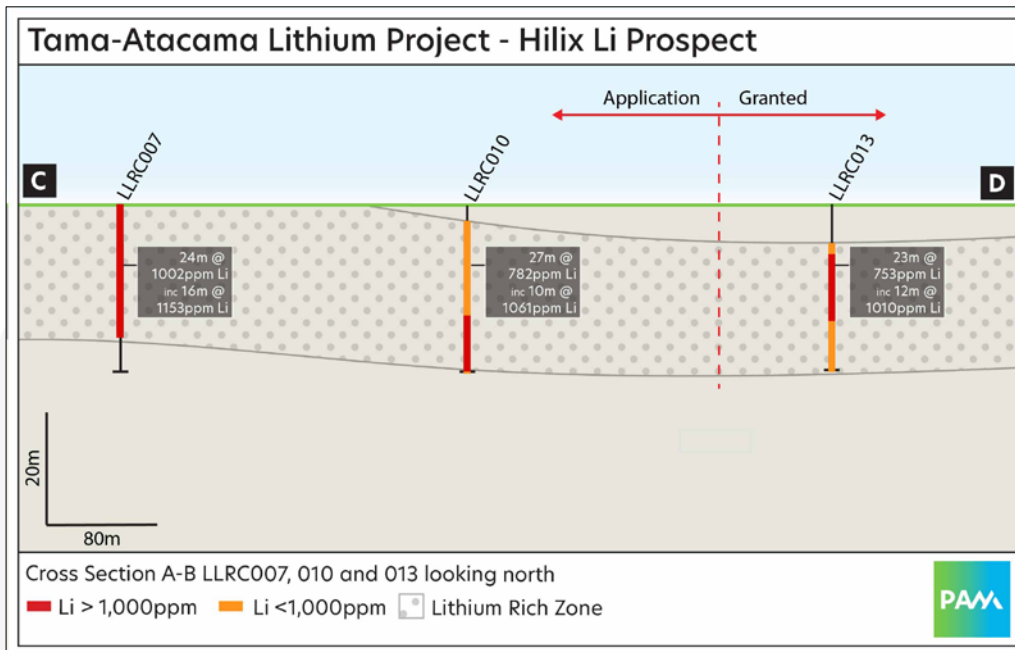


Figure 5. Hilix Lithium Prospect- Cross Section C-D

Lefroy conducted a mineralogical study and identified hectorite as the Li bearing clay. Testwork also concluded that potential Li feed grade could be increased by rejecting the coarser grained and lower grade gangue contained in the mineralised clays.

### **Conclusions and Future Work**

To evaluate the potential of the clay horizon surface sampling has been undertaken in many exposures and two trenches inside or immediately adjacent to the concession area. These samples will shortly be submitted for analysis.

Preliminary metallurgical test-work regarding lithium extraction methods and the production of lithium compounds from the Li-clay mineralisation will be undertaken as a priority. PAM has collected approximately 9kg of samples for this purpose.

The lithium in clay target zone will be tested by broad spaced RC/aircore drilling to about 40m depth. This would only require about 15 holes as a first pass. PAM is in discussions with drilling contractors and expects to commence drilling in September, and with drilling success PAM is aiming to generate an inaugural Mineral Resource later this year.

The Company looks forward to keeping Shareholders and the market updated on the drilling results obtained and other activities related to the Company's ongoing evaluation of the Hilix Lithium Project, as well as its broader activities in Chile to secure its position in the global lithium supply chain.

### **Ends**

**Authorised by:**  
**Chairman and Managing Director**



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PAM's Asian assets are strategically located in Thailand - the largest vehicle producer in the region. With Asia accounting for more than half of the global annual vehicle production, PAM is uniquely positioned to capitalize on the soaring demand for battery minerals in the region. PAM's South American assets are strategically located in the Atacama region of Chile, with both lithium brine and lithium clay assets located on key infrastructure 40km from the coast and 75km from Iquique with a large port and commercial airport.

PAM's dedication to producing innovative, high-value products with a minimal carbon footprint makes us an ideal partner for meeting our needs in both battery chemicals and sustainable energy. PAM is also a respected local company, with a strategy focused on developing an integrated supply chain to cost-effectively deliver relevant and in-demand products to the Li-ion battery market.

PAM is rapidly advancing its lithium projects through to feasibility and plans to expand its global lithium resource sustainably through its extensive holdings in Asia and South America.

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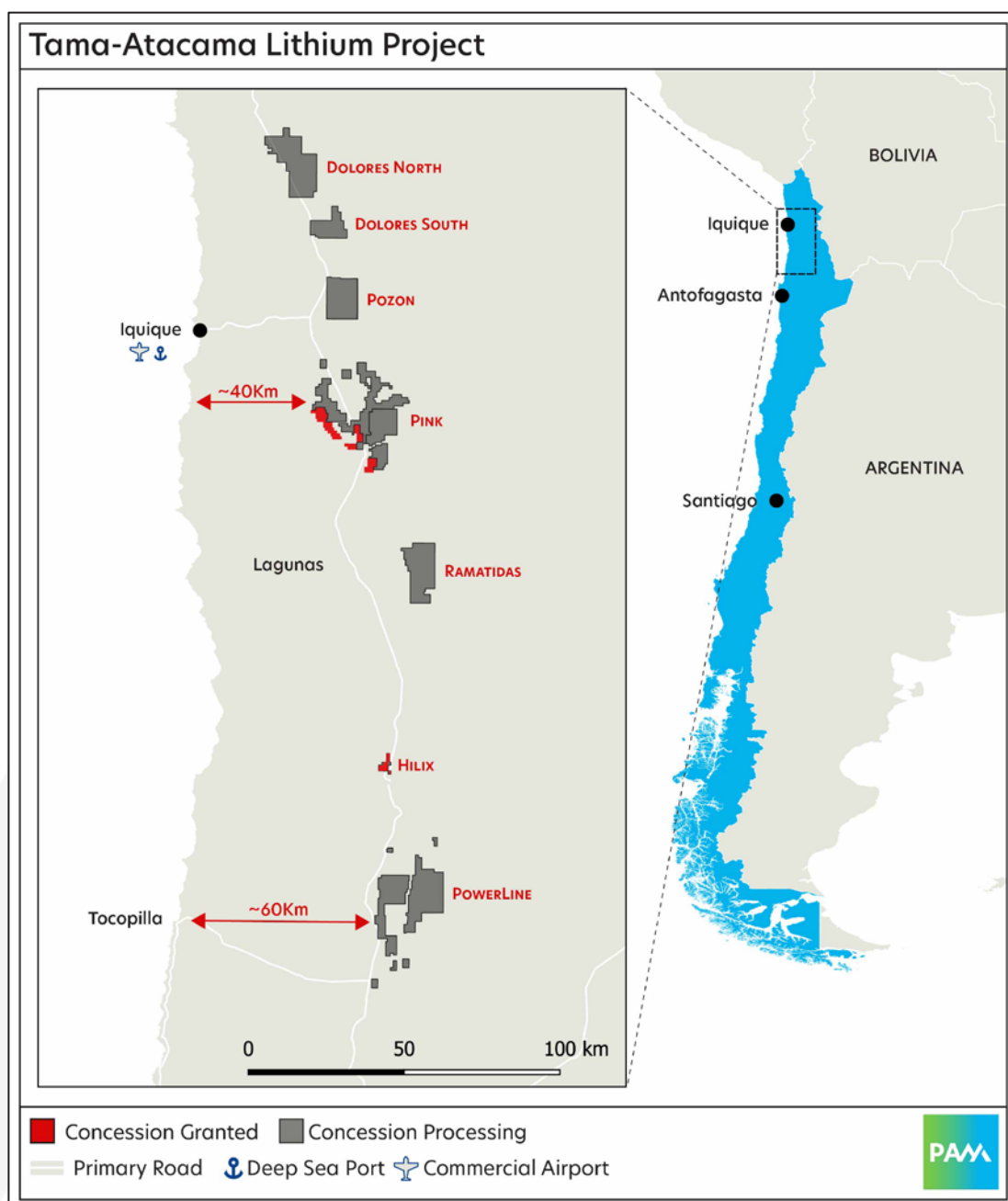
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### ABOUT THE TAMA ATACAMA LITHIUM PROJECT

The Tama-Atacama Lithium Project is located in the Pampa del Tamarugal basin in the northern part of the Atacama Desert, in northern Chile. PAM's holdings include brine and clay style projects covering over 1400km<sup>2</sup>. In many areas surface samples >2200ppm Li have been generated and parts of the Project are supported by historical drilling, with many intersections greater than 1,000ppm Li over substantial widths.



Regional map identifying the location of the Tama Atacama Lithium Project

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### **Competent Persons Statement**

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Targets and Exploration Results, is based on information compiled by Mr. David Hobby, is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr. Hobby is a full time employee, Director and Shareholder of Pan Asia Metals Limited. Mr. Hobby has sufficient experience, relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity that he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC Code). Mr. Hobby consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

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APPENDIX 1

Table 1 - Hilix Lithium Project (Lefroy) Drillhole Collars

Hole ID	East	North	mASL	Dip	Azimuth (mag)	EOH Depth (m)
LLRC003	444790	7608078	890	-90	0	30
LLRC005	444580	7608033	893	-90	0	30
LLRC006	444455	7608078	893	-90	0	30
LLRC007	444048	7608702	883	-90	0	30
LLRC008	444051	7608608	880	-90	0	30
LLRC009	444358	7608158	880	-90	0	30
LLRC010	444303	7608709	900	-90	0	30
LLRC011	444304	7608608	890	-90	0	30
LLRC012	444450	7608155	883	-90	0	30
LLRC013	444563	7608697	893	-90	0	30
LLRC014	444554	7608597	881	-90	0	30
LLRC015	444103	7607970	886	-90	0	30
LLRC016	444912	7608935	893	-90	0	30
LLRC030	444108	7608072	883	-90	0	30
LLRC031	444358	7608098	889	-90	0	30
LLRC032	444614	7608091	885	-90	0	30
LLRC033	444853	7608064	892	-90	0	30
LLRC034	444960	7608010	899	-90	0	30
LLRC036	444857	7607989	899	-90	0	30

Table 2 - Hilix Lithium Project (Lefroy) Drilling Intersections

Hole ID	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)	Li (ppm)
LLRC003	0	21	21	889
<i>inc.</i>	5	20	15	1006
LLRC005	0	20	20	986
<i>inc.</i>	5	17	12	1094
LLRC006	1	21	20	964

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<i>inc.</i>	6	20	14	1044
LLRC007	0	24	24	1002
<i>inc.</i>	7	23	16	1153
LLRC008	0	23	23	988
<i>inc.</i>	6	22	16	1083
LLRC009	0	18	18	1004
<i>inc.</i>	2	15	13	1070
LLRC010	3	30	27	782
<i>inc.</i>	20	30	10	1061
LLRC011	0	24	24	824
LLRC012	0	21	21	964
<i>inc.</i>	3	17	14	1074
LLRC013	7	30	23	753
<i>inc.</i>	9	21	12	1010
LLRC014	0	13	13	955
LLRC015	0	30	30	853
<i>inc.</i>	7	23	16	1143
LLRC016	0	28	28	887
<i>inc.</i>	11	22	11	1101
LLRC030	1	30	29	964
LLRC031	2	20	18	1080
LLRC032	0	12	12	1131
LLRC033	0	21	21	946
<i>inc.</i>	6	20	14	1060
LLRC034	1	24	23	960
LLRC036	21	30	9	934

APPENDIX 2 - JORC Code, 2012 Edition - Table 1

PAM, Rajo geochemical sampling

Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

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<b>Sampling techniques</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.</li> <li>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</li> <li>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</li> <li>In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In many areas samples of salt crust or clays exposed at surface have been collected.</li> <li>Samples were taken as random rock (rock salt or clay) chips</li> <li>Samples were sent to ALS Geochemistry laboratory in La Serena Chile.</li> <li>In the laboratory, standard sample preparation methods were used (crushing and pulverisation)</li> </ul>
<b>Drilling techniques</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not applicable – no drilling undertaken.</li> </ul>
<b>Drill sample recovery</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</li> <li>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</li> <li>Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not applicable – no drilling undertaken.</li> </ul>

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<b>Logging</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.</li> <li>• Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.</li> <li>• The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not applicable – no drilling undertaken.</li> </ul>
<b>Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</li> <li>• If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.</li> <li>• For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.</li> <li>• Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not applicable – no drill samples taken, full description of sampling provided above.</li> </ul>

## Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
<b>Mineral tenement and land tenure status</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.</li> <li>• The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pan Asia has MOU's and option agreements with Rajo and Kura. Kura have about 84km<sup>2</sup> of Exploration Concessions and Rajo/PAM have about 1330km<sup>2</sup> of Exploration Concession applications.</li> <li>• Each concession measures 1kmx3km, with some 2 x 1 or 1 x 1 and are held for 2 years.</li> <li>• No known impediments for future exploration and development</li> </ul>
<b>Exploration done by other parties</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Little to no information for any prior exploration is available, aside from PAM/Rajo data which is contained in the public report.</li> <li>• In vicinity of many Exploration Concessions Concessions/applications and there was previous nitrate, borate, iodine mining from near surface rich layers.</li> </ul>
<b>Geology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deposit types include near surface Li in evaporite and/or clays, and Li hosted in deeper brine aquifers which occur in zones within the Pampa del Tamarugal sedimentary basin</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Drill hole Information</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ easting and northing of the drill hole collar</li> <li>○ elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</li> <li>○ dip and azimuth of the hole</li> <li>○ down hole length and interception depth</li> <li>○ hole length.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not applicable – no drilling undertaken.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Data aggregation methods</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</li> <li>• Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.</li> <li>• The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not applicable – no cut offs applied, assay values only limited by limits of detection and in the results reported few values below limit of detection are reported.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>• If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</li> <li>• If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known').</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not applicable – no drilling undertaken.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Diagrams</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate diagrams with Li geochemical information are reported in body of public report.</li> </ul>

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	<i>reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.</i>	
<b>Balanced reporting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The objective is lithium in saline groundwater brine or near surface clays/evaporites</li> <li>The assays for lithium in salt crusts and clays which were sampled because they are exposed at surface, may be related to lithium contents in saline groundwater at depth and/or near surface zones.</li> <li>To date no drilling has been done so that it is not known what the relationship between assays for lithium in salt crusts and lithium contents in saline groundwater at depth may be</li> </ul>
<b>Other substantive exploration data</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is a lack of published information for much of the Concession areas.</li> </ul>
<b>Further work</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).</li> <li>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The ultimate aim is drill testing to obtain samples of near surface clays and evaporites as well as deeper drilling to obtain saline groundwater brine for assay for lithium and related elements</li> </ul>



APPENDIX 4 - JORC Code, 2012 Edition - Table 1

## Hilix Li Project Drilling

### Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.</li> <li>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</li> <li>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</li> <li>In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reverse circulation drilling was utilised</li> <li>Samples collected on 1m interval via a cyclone and passed through a riffle splitter to generate a 1-2kg sample. Samples were analysed by ALS laboratories in La Serena Chile using XRF for uranium and ICP for Li, V, Sr</li> </ul>
Drilling techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reverse circulation percussion – 1-2kg riffle split sample from cyclone</li> <li>It is not known if a face sampling hammer or aircore was used.</li> </ul>

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Drill sample recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</li> <li>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</li> <li>Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measures of sample recovery were not recorded</li> </ul>
Logging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.</li> <li>Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.</li> <li>The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All chip samples were geologically logged in sufficient detail to be utilised in mineral resource estimation</li> <li>Logging was qualitative in nature</li> <li>All intervals including those with no significant intersections were logged</li> </ul>
Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</li> <li>If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.</li> <li>For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.</li> <li>Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.</li> <li>Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling.</li> <li>Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sampled at 1m intervals via a cyclone and passed through a riffle splitter to generate a 1-2kg sample.</li> <li>Sample preparation completed by ALS Laboratories La Serena using their standard protocols</li> <li>No QAQC samples were reported in the data provided</li> <li>Sample size is sufficient for the style of mineralisation</li> </ul>
Quality of assay data and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>XRF was utilised to assay for U and ICP for Li, V, Sr which is considered appropriate</li> <li>Down hole spectrometer was</li> </ul>

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laboratory tests	<p><i>considered partial or total.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc, the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.</i></li> <li>• <i>Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established.</i></li> </ul>	<p>utilised to assess the uranium mineralisation potential</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No documented QAQC procedures</li> </ul>
Verification of sampling and assaying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.</i></li> <li>• <i>The use of twinned holes.</i></li> <li>• <i>Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.</i></li> <li>• <i>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Significant intercepts have not been verified by independent or alternative company personnel</li> <li>• No drillholes have been twinned, although some relatively close spaced drilling was undertaken</li> <li>• Historical data was derived from ASX releases. No protocols for data capture were provided</li> <li>• As far as the CP is aware, no adjustments have been made to assay data.</li> </ul>
Location of data points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.</i></li> <li>• <i>Specification of the grid system used.</i></li> <li>• <i>Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drillhole locations were located using handheld GPS and plotted onto plans. The drill plan was registered "in space" the collar coordinate was derived. The accuracy is about +/-10m in X-Y and Z. Elevation was derived from drill collar plotted onto Google Earth. The topography is essentially flat and this is reflected in collar elevations derived from Google Earth.</li> <li>• All drilling was vertical</li> <li>• Co-ordinates are provided in the PSAD56/UTM Zone 19S</li> </ul>
Data spacing and distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.</i></li> <li>• <i>Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drilling was conducted on 60-100m line spacing with holes spaced 60-250m on sections</li> <li>• Drilling is not being used to report a Mineral Resource or Ore Reserve</li> <li>• Sample compositing has been</li> </ul>

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	<p><i>Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Whether sample compositing has been applied.</i></li> </ul>	<p>applied to calculate intersections.</p>
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.</i></li> <li>• <i>If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mineralisation is interpreted as flat lying to gently dipping and as such the vertical holes approximate a true width of mineralisation</li> <li>• Further drilling is required in order to adequately define the geometry of mineralisation in order to determine if any bias has been introduced</li> </ul>
Sample security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The measures taken to ensure sample security.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sample security measures are not known.</li> </ul>
Audits or reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No reviews or audits have been undertaken.</li> </ul>

## Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

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Mineral tenement and land tenure status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.</i></li> <li>• <i>The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Hilix Project has been secured by Kura Minerals under 5 granted Exploration Concessions covering 13km<sup>2</sup>. Pan Asia has an MOU and exclusive option to conduct due diligence on the project with a view to formally acquiring</li> <li>• Kura Minerals under 5 granted Exploration Concessions covering 13km<sup>2</sup>. Tenement/project due diligence is ongoing as part of the transaction. Pan Asia is currently not aware of any impediments to operating in the area.</li> </ul>
Exploration done by other parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lefroy exploration completed predominantly uranium focused exploration across the Project and through the process of the evaluation of uranium potential, lithium was also analysed and</li> </ul>

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		was determined to be significant
Geology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The main lithological units comprise fluvo-lacustrine sediments largely exposed in the Loa River canyon and its tributaries, represented by the Quillagua Formation of Miocene to Pliocene age and Soledad Formation of Pliocene in age. Both formations include strata of diatomites, fine sandstones, claystone, tuffs, gypsum and subordinate halite in evaporites deposited into the Pampa del Tamarugal basin. All of this units has been formed during an exceptional aridity conditions, particularly during the post-Oligocene period (from ~25 M.a. to the present), considered today the most driest place on Earth:</li> <li>• Two target mineralisation styles are present inclusive of lithium brines hosted within the sedimentary package and lithium clays nearer surface.</li> </ul>
Drill hole Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>easting and northing of the drill hole collar</i></li> <li>○ <i>elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</i></li> <li>○ <i>dip and azimuth of the hole</i></li> <li>○ <i>down hole length and interception depth</i></li> <li>○ <i>hole length.</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drillhole data are tabulated in Appendices of the announcement.</li> <li>• All information available has been published</li> </ul>



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Data aggregation methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</li> <li>Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.</li> <li>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Length weighted averaging has been applied</li> <li>No metal equivalents have been utilised</li> </ul>
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</li> <li>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known').</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intercepts are quoted as downhole lengths, it is interpreted that the flat lying geology and vertical drill holes mean that intercepts approximate true width</li> </ul>
Diagrams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported. These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maps and cross sections are included in the body of the announcement.</li> </ul>
Balanced reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All results are reported.</li> </ul>
Other substantive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All relevant data are reported in this release.</li> </ul>

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exploration data	<i>results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</i>	
Further work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).</i></li> <li><i>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exploration targeting is to be conducted to prioritise areas of further sampling prior to drilling to test the extents of mineralisation within the Concessions, an area of about 3km long by 1-2km wide will be targeted.</li> </ul>