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Drilling delivers 10.2m @ 2.3% CuEq, and DHEM expands further potential in all three directions at Horden Lake

Pivotal Metals Limited (ASX:PVT) ('Pivotal' or the 'Company') is pleased to provide the assay results of four further drill holes, and their associated downhole electromagnetic survey (DHEM) results, from its 2024 diamond drill program completed at its 100% owned Horden Lake Project in Ouebec, Canada.

## **Projects** CANADA

- Horden Lake Ni-Cu-PGM development
- Belleterre-Angliers Ni-Cu-PGM exploration

# **Highlights**

- Shallow drilling delivers 10.2m @ 2.3% CuEq<sup>1</sup> in HN-24-103
  - Sits within wider 28.6m @ 1.05% CuEq from 74m.
  - Expands the width of expected mineralisation in the open pit zone of the deposit.
- Assays confirm 270m down-plunge continuity from surface, linking with previously reported HN-24-100
  - **14.6m @ 0.84% CuEq** from 272m, incl 5.7m at 1.41% CuEq in HN-24-104.
  - 7.3m @ 0.78% CuEq from 165m, and 13.2m @ 0.77% CuEq from 180.1m
- Up to 600m SW extended zone now defined by both DHEM and drilling as having strong potential for down-plunge extensions
  - HN-24-104 off-hole conductor extends 170m down-dip, for a potential 400m total depth extent, which may remain open.
  - Plates continue to extend the mineralised zones and connect with previously reported drilling and plates in HN-24-96,-97 and -98, highlighting the potential for southern zone mineralisation continuity from the central zone.
- Infill delivers continuity of mineralisation within the 2022 resource open pit shell
  - 15.6m @ 0.88% CuEq from 121m, incl 5.7m @ 1.41% CuEq in HN-24-101.
- All intersections show mineralisation in Au, Ag, PGM and Co by-products never previously assayed in this area, and represent important upside to the metal endowment reported in the 2022 mineral resource estimate.
- Assays from 21 holes remain pending, including multiple step-out and DHEM results across zones of open mineralisation.

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#### Managing Director, Mr Fairhall said:

"Horden Lake continues to deliver - from both step-out, and infill from historical drilling. In the shallow areas, results indicate excellent continuity, in places widening, of expected mineralisation, along with a suite of valuable by-products which were overlooked in previous drilling.

Excitingly, deeper drilling and DHEM again combine to show excellent down plunge continuity of the deposit, and the huge potential for it to continue at depth. We now have a zone over 600m extending the mineralisation strike length that exhibits strong potential for expansive down-plunge extension with further drilling, potentially similar to that observed in the central zone which extends to over 490m vertical (and remains open).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CuEq formula per the 2022 MRE. CuEq = Cu(%) + Ni(%)\*2.59 + Au(ppm)\*0.63 + Pd(ppm)\*0.74. Assumes (recovery / US\$ prices): Cu 90% / \$7,300, Ni 80% / \$21,300, Au 80% / \$1,600, Pd 80% / 1,900. Excludes any Pt, Co or Ag credit.



#### Overview

Horden Lake is a copper dominant Cu-Ni-Au-PGM-Co Project located 131km north-northwest of Matagami, in Quebec Canada. The Project hosts an indicated and inferred mineral resource estimate of 28mt at 1.5% CuEq, as a result of over 52,464m of drilling previously completed on the property. Pivotal has recently completed a 7,097m / 34 hole diamond drilling campaign of which 1,800m / 9 holes have been reported prior to this announcement.

The objectives of the drilling program were to infill missing by-product multi-element assay information, target resource expansion potential (which remains open at depth across its full extent) and collect a distribution of metallurgical sample for a complete test work program. Downhole EM surveys have also been completed to dimension future exploration potential and targeting.

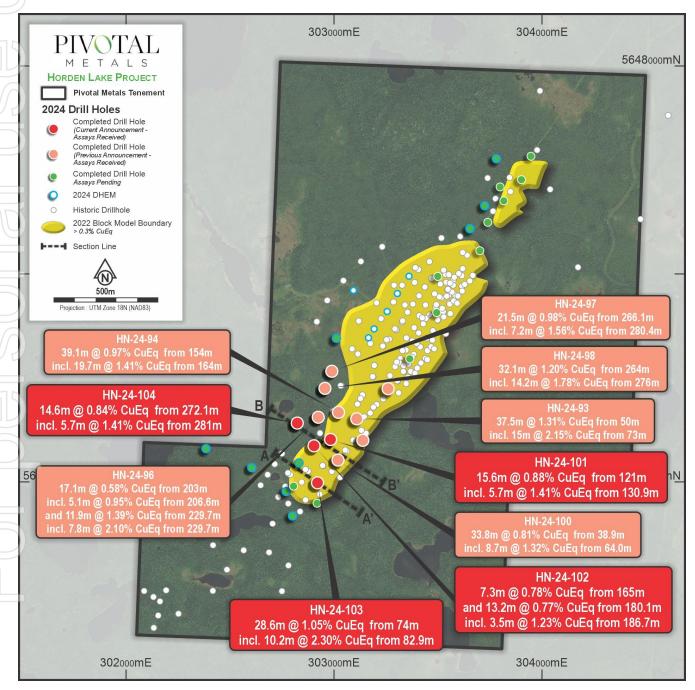


Figure 1: Drill plan map with significant 2024 results, Horden Lake Cu-Ni-Au-PGM Project



### **Drill Hole and DHEM Discussion**

The results reported in this announcement are again focused in the southern portion of the Horden Lake deposit and exhibit good continuity with existing drilling. They also expand on the previously reported extensive down-plunge extension potential of this part of the deposit.

Table 1 contains the significant intersections, and Figure 2 is a longitudinal section showing the spatial distribution of historical and new drill hole pierce points, and DHEM plates associated with the reported survey holes.

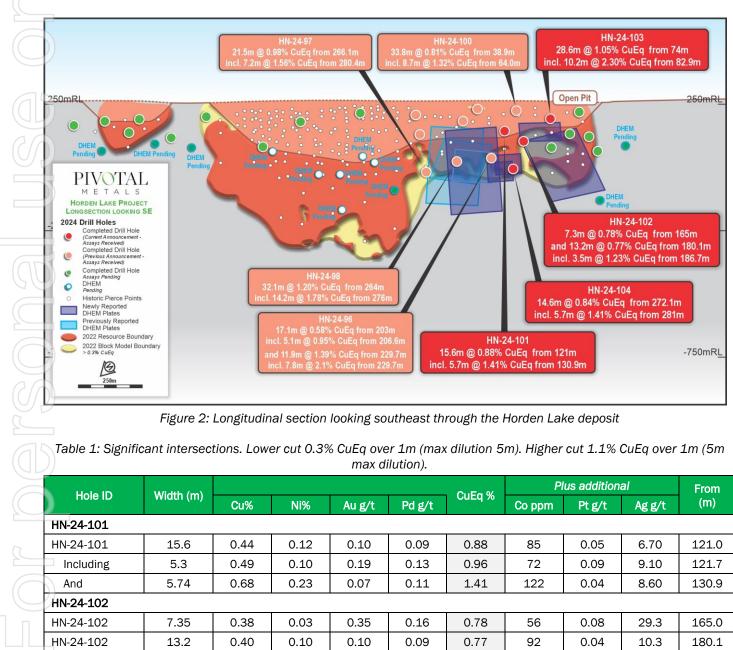


Figure 2: Longitudinal section looking southeast through the Horden Lake deposit

Table 1: Significant intersections. Lower cut 0.3% CuEq over 1m (max dilution 5m). Higher cut 1.1% CuEq over 1m (5m max dilution).

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Hole ID	Width (m)	Cu%	Ni%	Au g/t	Pd g/t	CuEq %	Co ppm	Pt g/t	Ag g/t	(m)
HN-24-101										
HN-24-101	15.6	0.44	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.88	85	0.05	6.70	121.0
Including	5.3	0.49	0.10	0.19	0.13	0.96	72	0.09	9.10	121.7
And	5.74	0.68	0.23	0.07	0.11	1.41	122	0.04	8.60	130.9
HN-24-102										
HN-24-102	7.35	0.38	0.03	0.35	0.16	0.78	56	0.08	29.3	165.0
HN-24-102	13.2	0.40	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.77	92	0.04	10.3	180.1
Including	3.45	0.64	0.17	0.09	0.13	1.23	132	0.07	13.1	186.7
HN-24-103										
HN-24-103	28.6	0.43	0.20	0.05	0.11	1.05	180	0.02	5.90	74.0
Including	10.2	0.89	0.47	0.04	0.21	2.30	399	0.02	11.1	82.9
HN-24-104										
HN-24-104	14.6	0.25	0.18	0.03	0.15	0.84	126	0.06	4.30	272.1
Including	5.7	0.36	0.33	0.04	0.23	1.41	158	0.07	5.70	281.0



### HN-24-103

HN-24-103 was an infill hole to confirm continuity with historical drilling, and sits 150m southwest from the section with the 2024 holes HN-24-100, HN-24-102 and HN-24-104. Drilling intersected:

- 28.58m @ 1.05% CuEq (0.43% Cu, 0.20% Ni, 0.05g /t Au, 0.11 g/t Pd), with additional 0.02 g/t Pt, 5.9 g/t Ag, and 180ppm Co from 74.02m.
  - o Including 10.23m @ 2.3% CuEq from 82m (full grade breakdown refer Table 4).

The DHEM plates extending to this section (measured in HN-24-102, 120m NE) show continuity of mineralisation to 500m dip plunge passed HN-24-103 (and open). Deeper historical drilling indicates localised tapering of grade at depth at ~290m depth, but DHEM confirms mineralisation remains open.

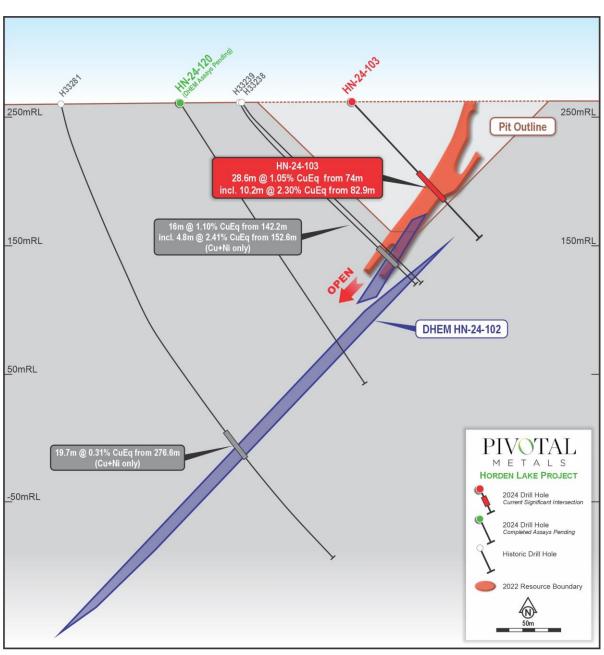


Figure 3: Cross section A-A' through HN-24-103 (±10m), Horden Lake deposit

The mineralisation encountered between 74.02m to 84.14m consisted of meta-pyroxenites mineralised in visible pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite. Between 84.14m to 102.6m are mainly metasediments with 7 massive sulphide zones and 2 semi-massive sulphide zones. The massive sulphide zones grade from 2.43% CuEq to 4.25% CuEq and with assays of 1.63% to 2.53% Cu and 0.52% to 0.65% Ni, and 0.28% to 1.1% Cu and 0.64% to 1.38% Ni.



## HN-24-102 and HN 24-104 drilling and DHEM

The holes HN-24-102 and HN-24-104 are both on the same section and 50m southwest of the section with the hole HN-24-101. Drilling on this section has intersected moderately wide zones of mineralisation, including high grade cores, and confirmed continuity of down plunge extent of 270m.

DHEM from HN-24-102 and HN-24-104 identified several off-hole conductors which extend mineralisation down plunge and along strike to both the NE and SW.

- In the NE, of note is a high conductance, off-hole anomaly (200x400m best fit) extending down to a total potential down-plunge length of 440m from near surface. Combined with drilling from HN-24-96, 97 and 98, shows the potential of the central zone extending southwest a distance of 600m.
- In the SE, of note is a high conductance, off-hole anomaly (225x350m best fit), and historical drilling indicates strong potential for down plunge extent to 420m from near surface.

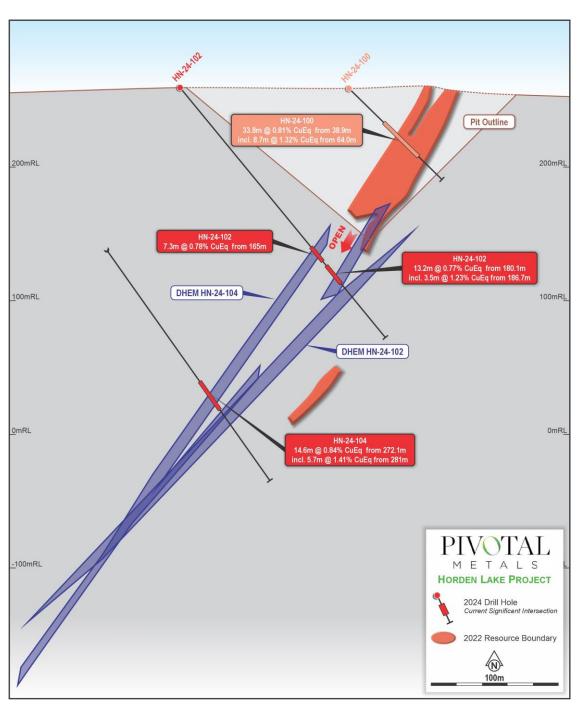


Figure 4: Cross section B-B' through HN-24-102/104 (±10m), Horden Lake deposit



HN-24-102 showed continuity in the surrounding 2024 and historic drilling, intersecting;

- 7.35m @ 0.78% CuEq from 165m (0.38% Cu, 0.03% Ni, 0.35 g/t Au, 0.16 g/t Pd) plus additional 0.08g/t Pt, 29.30g/t Ag, and 56ppm Co.
  - o Including 5.0m @ 0.90% CuEq from 165.0m
  - And 13.17m @ 0.77% CuEq from 180.1m (0.40% Cu, 0.10% Ni, 0.10 g/t Au, 0.09 g/t Pd), plus additional <math>0.04g/t Pt, 10.3g/t Ag, and 92ppm Co.
    - Including 8.17m @ 0.97% CuEq from 181.98m
      - Including 3.45m @ 1.23% CuEq from 186.7m

The mineralised interval 165.0m to 172.35m occurs in gabbros mineralized with pyrite and chalcopyrite.

HN-24-104, the deepest hole on the same section as HN-24-102 intersected:

- $_{\odot}$  14.57m @ 0.84% CuEq from 272.1m (0.25% Cu, 0.18% Ni, 0.03 g/t Au, 0.15 g/t Pd) plus additional 0.06 g/t Pt 4.3 g/t Ag and 126ppm Co.
  - o Including 4.59m @ 0.69% CuEq 272.1m (0.31% Cu, 0.11% Ni, 0.06 g/t Au, 0.09 g/t Pd) plus additional 0.03 g/t Pt, 6.4g/t Ag, and 134ppm Co.
  - And 5.7m @ 1.41% CuEq from 281.0m (0.36% Cu, 0.33% Ni, 0.04 g/t Au, 0.23 g/t Pd) plus additional 0.07 g/t Pt, 5.7g/t Ag, and 158ppm Co.
    - Including 3.33m @ 1.32% CuEq from 281.02m (0.46% Cu, 0.24% Ni, 0.04 g/t Au, 0.28 g/t Pd) plus additional 0.08 g/t Pt, 6.7 g/t Ag, and 155ppm Co.

The mineralised interval between 165.0m to 172.35m intersected a gabbro and a mafic dyke mineralised with pyrite. Between 180.1m to 193.27m intersected fine gabbros, mineralised with pyrite, pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite. From 180.1m to 193.27m intersected metasediments with some quartzites with three semi-massive sulphide zones with visible pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite grading 1.51% CuEq to 2.17% CuEq, and two massive sulphide zones with visible pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite grading 1.01% CuEq and 2.06% CuEq.

HN-24-102 > 6 DHEM model scenarios/plate provided for two anomaly centres

- Localised in-hole/off-hole, high conductance source centred at ~180-190m DH, source is centred dominantly above and strongly SW of hole, with high conductance areal size variation of ~70x100m to ~125x>250m. Most likely best fit is mid-range scenario ~160x80m.
- Dominant high conductance off-hole source centred at ~190m DH, source is positioned below and strongly SW of hole, with high conductance, and areal size variation of ~200x300m to ~250x400m. Most likely best fit is mid-range scenario ~225x350m.

HN-24-104 > 6 DHEM model scenarios/plate provided for three anomaly centres

- Localised in-hole/off-hole, high conductance source centred at ~275-285m DH, source is centred somewhat below and NE of hole, with high conductance, and areal size ~100x100m.
- Localised off-hole, high conductance source centred at ~275-285m DH, source is positioned below and NE of the hole, with high conductance, and areal size ~100x100m.
- Dominant high conductance off-hole source centred at ~260-270m DH, source is positioned NE of the hole, with high conductance, and areal size ~200x400m.

## HN-24-101

HN-24-101 is located at 50 m SSW from HN-24-96 (announced 6 June, 2024), and within the open pit outline of the 2022 mineral resource estimate. Drilling intersected a wide zone of mineralisation at 90m vertical, continuous with surrounding holes. DHEM extending to this section also has picked up mineralisation at 150m-300m down plunge from the hole and at 60-220 m down plunge passed the historical drill hole (H26817).

Key intersections included:

- 15.64m @ 0.88% CuEq from 121.0m (0.44% Cu, 0.12% Ni, 0.10 g/t Au, 0.09 g/t Pd), plus additional 0.05g/t Pt, 6.7g/t Ag and 85ppm Co.
  - o Including 5.3m @ 0.96% CuEq from 121.7m.
    - Including 2.55m @ 1.41% CuEq from 124.5m.
  - And 5.74m @ 1.41% CuEq from 130.9m



At 121.03m to 121.7m occurs within the melano-gabbro grading 0.42% CuEq, 0.25% Cu, and 0.02% Ni and with visible pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite mineralisation. The remaining interval 121.7m to 136.67m occurs within metasediments with six massive sulphide intervals and one interval of semi-massive sulphides. The massive sulphide intervals grade from 1.73% CuEq to 3.82% CuEq, 0.85% Cu to 2.36% Cu, and 0.25% Ni to 1.03% Ni.

#### Background

The Horden Lake deposit was discovered by INCO Ltd. in the 1960s. Between 1962 and 1969, INCO completed geophysics and 157 diamond drill holes totalling 32,229m. At the time the Project was remote, with access only possible via float plane or helicopter. INCO focused solely on the nickel and copper content, without assaying for other metals, and given the difficult access, metal prices, and its primary nickel focus on the larger Sudbury Nickel Camp, did not proceed, working only sporadically on the Project into the 1970s.

Subsequent drilling programs by Southampton and El Condor in 2008 and 2012 completed a further 18,136m and 2,037m respectively. Multi-element assays taken as part of these programs confirmed the existence of valuable by-products such as platinum, palladium, gold, silver and cobalt, however these did not appear to be of focus, and were constrained to the central part of the deposit. In 2013, the Project was forfeited as security for a delinquent loan, and the Project sat dormant in private ownership prior to Pivotal's 100% acquisition in late-2022.

In 2022, Pivotal completed a comprehensive evaluation of all historical data, and calculated an updated Inferred and Indicated Mineral Resource Estimate totalling 27.8mt at 1.49% CuEq (refer Table 2). Owing to the limited distribution of multi-element assays, gold was only domained in the central portion of the deposit. Palladium showed high correlation to nickel and was therefore able to be extrapolated. The balance of the gold, platinum, cobalt and silver which have been observed, but not modelled, represents potential upside on the Project.

Table 2: 2022 Horden Lake Mineral Resource Estimate, broken down by resource category and open pit/underground

Cotogony	Tonnes			Grade				Co	ontained Me	tal	
Category	Torines	CuEq (%)	Cu (%)	Ni (%)	Au (g/t)	Pd (g/t)	CuEq (kt)	Cu (kt)	Ni (kt)	<b>Au (koz)</b> 59.4	Pd (koz)
Indicated	15.2	1.50	0.77	0.20	0.13	0.19	228.6	117.6	30.5	59.4	91.3
Inferred	12.5	1.47	0.67	0.25	0.02	0.20	184.3	84.0	31.4	6.9	76.7
Total	27.8	1.49	0.74	0.22	0.08	0.19	413.9	201.6	61.9	66.2	168.0

	Category Tonnes			Grade				Co	ontained Me	tal			
1		Tonnes	CuEq (%)	Cu (%)	Ni (%)	Au (g/t)	Pd (g/t)	CuEq (kt)	Cu (kt)	Ni (kt)	Au (koz)	Pd (koz)	
	Open Pit	17.3	1.38	0.67	0.21	0.08	0.19	239.6	115.7	35.6	43.9	100.5	
77	Underground	10.5	1.66	0.82	0.25	0.01	0.13	173.9	85.9	26.3	22.3	67.5	
1	Total	27.8	1.49	0.74	0.22	0.08	0.19	413.9	201.6	61.9	66.2	168.0	

The Horden Lake Mineral Resource Estimate has been prepared and reported in accordance with the JORC Code (2012). The information in the Report that relates to Technical Assessment of the Mineral Assets or Exploration Results is based on information compiled and conclusions derived by Dr. Jobin-Bevans and Mr. Simon Mortimer, both Competent Persons as defined by JORC Code (2012). Nothing has come to the attention of the Company that causes it to question the accuracy or reliability of the former owner's estimates, but the acquirer has not independently validated the former owners' estimates and therefore is not to be regarded as reporting, adopting or endorsing those estimates.

Refer to ASX announcement dated 16 November 2022 "Outstanding Horden Lake 27.8Mt JORC estimate". The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the relevant market announcement and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.

This announcement has been authorised by the Board of Directors of the Company.



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### **About Pivotal Metals**

Pivotal Metals Limited (ASX:PVT) is an explorer and developer of world-class mineral projects. Pivotal holds 100% of the flagship Horden Lake property, which contains a JORC compliant pit constrained Inferred and Indicated Mineral Resource Estimate of 27.8Mt at 1.49% CuEq, comprising copper, nickel, palladium and gold.

Horden Lake is complemented by a battery metals exploration portfolio in Canada located within the prolific Belleterre-Angliers Greenstone Belt comprised of the 100% owned Midrim, Laforce, Alotta and Lorraine high-grade nickel copper PGM sulphide projects in Quebec.

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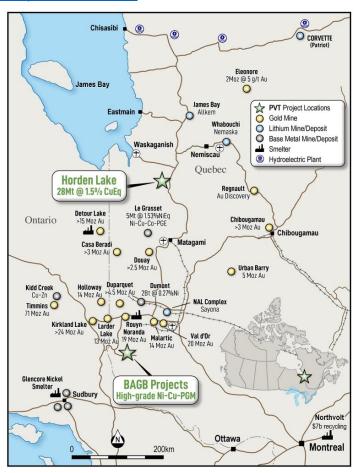


Figure 5: Pivotal Metals Quebec battery metals portfolio



## Forward Looking Statements Disclaimer

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### Competent Person Statement

The information in this announcement that relates to Horden Lake exploration results has been prepared and reported in accordance with the JORC Code (2012). The information in this announcement that relates to Technical Assessment of the Mineral Assets or Exploration Results is based on information compiled and conclusions derived by Mr Eddy Canova, a Competent Person as defined by JORC Code (2012). Mr Canova is a Professional Geologist Ordre des géologues du Québec OGQ PGeo and an employee of Pivotal Metals. Mr Canova has sufficient experience that is relevant to the Technical Assessment of the Mineral Assets under consideration, the style of mineralisation and types of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Practitioner as defined in the 2015 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Public Reporting of Technical Assessments and Valuations of Mineral Assets", and as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". The Author consents to the inclusion in the Announcement of the matters and the supporting information based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

Certain information in this announcement also relates to prior drill hole exploration results, are extracted from the following announcements, which are available to view on www.pivotalmetals.com.

- 2 May 2024: HN-24-92/93, 16 May 2024: HN-24-94/95, 6 June 2024: HN-24-96/97, 2 July 2024 HN-24-98-100
- 16 November 2022: Historic holes

Table 3: Drill hole collar summary for 2024 program<sup>2</sup>

		HN-24-98-10			, , ,		,	
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	Hole ID	Depth	UTM-E	UTM-N	Elevation	Azimuth	Dip	Size
	HN-24-92	138.00	303259.16	5646449.27	259.38	146.35	-44.47	NQ
	HN-24-93	125.80	303109.13	5646296.70	259.56	125.86	-46.19	NQ
7	HN-24-94	215.90	303016.88	5646335.21	259.12	125.87	-52.29	NQ
(UL)	HN-24-95	223.75	303168.04	5646470.02	259.78	125.83	-55.15	NQ
	HN-24-96	288.00	302920.62	5646302.30	259.74	126.62	-58.29	NQ
	HN-24-97	323.08	302989.88	5646528.89	258.07	113.61	-52.50	NQ
	HN-24-98	311.11	302950.59	5646448.73	257.43	127.02	-57.48	NQ
7	HN-24-99	69.00	303136.95	5646199.85	259.16	126.13	-47.10	NQ
	HN-24-100	102.00	303019.99	5646107.38	255.51	124.70	-41.05	NQ
	HN-24-101	192.00	302986.79	5646203.08	259.00	125.78	-51.31	NQ
	HN-24-102	255.00	302905.17	5646171.52	258.83	126.18	-59.09	NQ
П	HN-24-103	148.50	302924.43	5645990.17	259.91	105.35	-45.46	NQ
	HN-24-104	354.00	302820.50	5646278.68	258.04	127.35	-57.10	NQ
	HN-24-105	268.70	303495.71	5646987.22	259.12	123.99	-70.41	HQ
	HN-24-106	108.00	302918.05	5645901.22	262.91	125.23	-51.96	NQ
	HN-24-107	159.00	303495.59	5646810.58	259.49	123.99	-65.58	HQ
	HN-24-108	213.00	302802.32	5645839.30	259.41	153.83	-49.38	NQ
	HN-24-109	156.00	303366.75	5646592.16	259.84	85.29	-58.36	HQ
	HN-24-110	216.00	302806.30	5645979.34	259.29	110.12	-47.71	NQ
	HN-24-111	210.00	302770.39	5645953.69	259.38	126.03	-51.86	NQ
	HN-24-112	399.60	303012.86	5646687.64	257.38	118.25	-61.53	NQ

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For details of the historical holes referenced in this release, refer to ASX announcement dated 16 November, 2022 "Outstanding Horden Lake 27.8Mt JORC estimate".



HN-24-113	252.00	302386.00	5646163.00	259.44	120.00	-45.00	NQ
HN-24-114*	78.00	302603.57	5646068.66	259.12	127.87	-55.63	NQ
HN-24-114A	471.00	302603.77	5646068.86	259.12	127.87	-55.63	NQ
HN-24-115	213.80	303654.53	5647219.23	262.40	126.11	-57.95	NQ
HN-24-116	219.00	303728.31	5647324.10	265.21	126.04	-56.27	NQ
HN-24-117	126.00	303704.24	5647108.31	259.35	124.98	-53.50	NQ
HN-24-118	120.00	303817.70	5647328.22	267.62	125.04	-45.00	NQ
HN-24-119	204.00	303795.86	5647415.47	266.88	125.72	-51.97	NQ
HN-24-120	246.00	302836.47	5646089.35	259.45	126.30	-58.51	NQ
HN-24-121	123.00	303900.90	5647450.51	268.93	124.57	-52.57	NQ
HN-24-122	277.20	303781.48	5647552.91	268.94	126.80	-51.96	NQ
HN-24-123	171.00	303742.05	5647246.25	264.10	125.09	-62.43	NQ
HN-24-124	120.00	303924.07	5647556.29	268.02	125.00	-55.00	NQ

<sup>\*</sup> hole abandoned

Table 4: All intersections. Lower cut 0.3% CuEq over 1m (max dilution 5m). Higher cut 1.1% CuEq over 1m (5m max dilution).

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Justa ID	Wildelp (ma)					Ov.E. W	PI	us additior	nal	Fuero (m)
Hole ID	Width (m)	Cu%	Ni%	Au g/t	Pd g/t	CuEq %	Co ppm	Pt g/t	Ag g/t	From (m)
HN-24-101										
HN-24-101	15.6	0.44	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.88	85	0.05	6.70	121.0
Including	5.3	0.49	0.10	0.19	0.13	0.96	72	0.09	9.10	121.7
Including	2.6	0.67	0.17	0.21	0.23	1.41	113	0.17	10.90	124.5
And	5.7	0.68	0.23	0.07	0.11	1.41	122	0.04	8.60	130.9
HN-24-101	1.0	1.06	0.00	0.15	0.00	1.17	17	0.00	9.90	147.6
HN-24-101	1.0	0.36	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.41	10	0.00	7.00	152.6
HN-24-102			•	•	•	•	•	•		•
HN-24-102	7.3	0.38	0.03	0.35	0.16	0.78	56	0.08	29.30	165.0
Including	5.0	0.45	0.03	0.40	0.16	0.90	56	0.08	33.30	165.0
HN-24-102	13.2	0.40	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.77	92	0.04	10.30	180.1
Including	8.2	0.50	0.12	0.13	0.11	0.97	104	0.05	13.10	182.0
Including	3.5	0.64	0.17	0.09	0.13	1.23	132	0.07	13.10	186.7
HN-24-102	1.3	0.56	0.01	0.15	0.00	0.67	38	0.00	5.60	229.2
HN-24-103										
HN-24-103	28.6	0.43	0.20	0.05	0.11	1.05	180	0.02	5.90	74.0
Including	10.2	0.89	0.47	0.04	0.21	2.30	399	0.02	11.10	82.9
HN-24-104										
HN-24-104	14.6	0.25	0.18	0.03	0.15	0.84	126	0.06	4.30	272.1
Including	4.6	0.31	0.11	0.06	0.09	0.69	134	0.03	6.40	272.1
Including	5.7	0.36	0.33	0.04	0.23	1.41	158	0.07	5.70	281.0
Including	3.3	0.46	0.24	0.04	0.28	1.32	155	0.08	6.70	281.0
HN-24-104	1.0	0.48	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.50	25	0.00	10.10	304.1



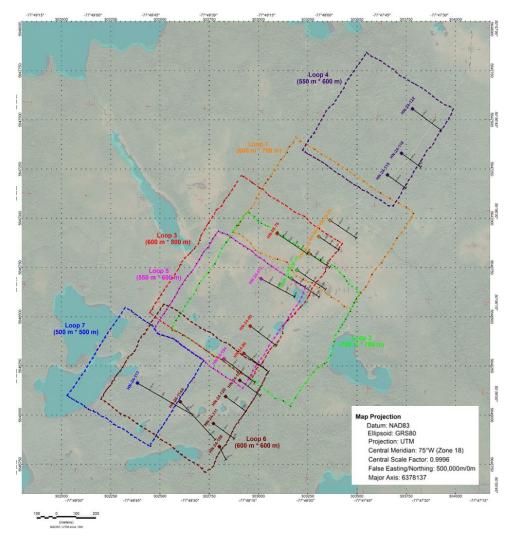


Figure 6: DHEM Loop Locations



# JORC Code, 2012 Edition – Table 1

## Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

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Sampling techniques	2024 Pivotal Diamond Drilling
<ul> <li>Nature and quality of sampling (e.g., 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</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Drilling performed by Forage Orbit Garant, January 26 to March 20, 2024. All holes spotted in the field with a Garmin GPS MAP 65s, and drill hole orientations all marked in the field with a Suunto MC-2 Compass (Declination 13.5°W). During drill setup, the TN-14 instrument was used to align the drill with an allowed error of less than 0.5° and set drill tower to the drill hole inclination, allowing an error of less than 0.5°.</li> <li>Drilled 34 holes, 31 NQ holes (47.6mm dia.) and 3 HQ holes (63.5 mm dia.) for a total of 7097.44 m. The casing depth and bedrock were marked on wooden blocks in the core boxes, then 3 m drill runs were marked on wood blocks in 3 m intervals (eg.15 m, 18, 21 etc). Any lost core was also marked in the box.</li> <li>A field quick-log was carried out in the field to follow the geology and mineralized zones, entered into a logging software, Geotic, and holes were stopped 30 m after the mineralized zones, usually in baren metasediments way passed the gabbro/metasediment contact.</li> <li>A technician would all orient the core and measure the core from the start to the end of the hole in 1 m intervals and marked. The core recoveries are marked over a 3 m interval, RQD (Rock Quality Determination all competent core greater than 10 cm), logging was done identifying major units using the Quebec Ministry Lithology codes, minor units (narrower), and description of other characteristics as alterations, structures, veins, and mineralization. Any core orientations that was less than 15° off the previous or following recording would qualify and allowed the measurements of structures put into Geotic calculating the orientation of the structure. The down hole survey was recorded at every 3 m with a Gyro allowing for the follow-up of the hole in 3-D space, these all appear in Geotic. Magnetics was recorded at every meter with an MPP-EM2S and Androide recorder, the readings are entered into Geotic and viewable in section. Sampling is marked on the core, sample widths of 0.5 m to 1.5 m and in</li></ul>
	recorded the densities by water displacement and weight of core dry and core wet and with the formula obtain the Specific Gravity or Density (PS/VOL(PS-PE).
	Three historical diamond drilling programs with data available: 2008 Southampton Diamond Drilling (Kelso et al., 2009):
	<ul> <li>NQ diamond drill core (47.6 mm dia.) was mechanically split in half; half for sample and half for reference.</li> <li>Typical sample intervals were from 0.5 to 2.0 m, based upon lithology and mineralization, but smaller</li> </ul>

• Core samples collected from mineralized intervals and from 10 to 15 m of the hanging and footwall of the



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Drilling techniques  Drill type (e.g., core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (e.g., 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).	mineralized section.  In total, 6,551 samples were collected.  Descriptive information, including drill hole number, sample interval and character of mineralization, recorded using DHLogger software.  Due to limited early-stage understanding of mineralized zone geometry, samples were not necessarily 'true' thickness  2012 El Condor Drilling (El Condor, 2012):  HQ diamond drill core (63.5 mm dia.) was mechanically split in half; half for sample and half for reference.  Typical sample intervals were from 0.5 to 1.5 m, based upon lithology and mineralization, but smaller intervals taken where appropriate.  Descriptive information, including drill hole number, survey information, downhole survey, magnetic susceptibility, RQD, specific gravity, sample interval and character of mineralization, alteration recorded in Excel spreadsheets  1963-1968 INCO Drilling (WGM, 1993; INCO, 1963-1969):  Some holes noted as BQ size core (36.5 mm dia.).  Details of sampling techniques not available and not reviewed by Competent Person  Pivotal: Diamond core size are specified above NQ (47.6 mm diameter) and HQ (63.5 mm diameter) refer to 2 May 2024: HN-24-92/93, 16 May 2024: HN-24-94/95, 6 June 2024: HN-24-96/97, 2 July 2024 HN-24-98-100  16 November 2022: Historic holes  Table 3. Casing, HW, was driven through the overburden and 0.5 m to 2 or 3 m into the bedrock to stabilize the casing, the rods were then reduced to NQ for the drilling into the bedrock. 2 shells of 45 cm and 1 hexagonal stabilizing bar used to keep the hole stable reduce deviation. Core orienter, tool ACTIII used at every 3 m and marking the core at the end of the run and marking a line representing the bottom of the core in the hole and allowing for structural reading if 2 sections 3 m apart can have lines less than 15° apart. A Gyro Sprint IQ Tool used to record the hole orientation at every 3 m heading up the hole while pulling out the rods.  Southampton: NW casing (76.2 mm dia.) set through overburden. Bedrock diamond drilling standard tube HQ core (El Condor;
Drill sample recovery	Pivotal (2024)
<ul> <li>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</li> <li>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and</li> </ul>	• A technician would all orient the core and measure the core from the start to the end of the hole in 1 m intervals and marked. All of the core is assembled together and fitted together and to follow through to the end of the hole, sections that are broken or fragmented core will be gathered together, this would be the
ensure representative nature of the samples.	only areas of poor recoveries. The geotechnical table in Geotic will have the actual core recoveries over a



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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.	<ul> <li>3 m interval and are marked in a table and only if the core is broken would the meterage be less than 3m, RQD (Rock Quality Determination all competent core greater than 10 cm), Number of fractures and joints are recorded and with the most frequent angle marked. The rock competency and hardness are recorded as well</li> <li>El Condor (2012)</li> <li>Average core recovery in 2012 drilling ranged from 93.4% to 98.3%</li> <li>No description of RQD estimation method accompanied drill core logs.</li> <li>Overall recovery good enough to avoid sample bias.</li> <li>Southampton (2008):</li> <li>Average core recovery ranged from 90% to 95% (Kelso et al., 2009).</li> <li>No description of core recovery estimation method is provided in historical Technical Report (Kelso et al., 2009).</li> <li>INCO (1960s):</li> <li>Details of core recovery for INCO drilling were not available or reviewed by a Competent Person.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Logging</li> <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> <li>Oriented core was logged for geology, structural, technical, veins, and minerals (RQD, Magnetism, Main Lithology, Sub-Lithology, Structures, Alteration, Veins, Minerals (Sulphides), and Samples. Samples were marked and referred to the meterage markings on the core and marked in the sample booklet and in the Geotic assay table.</li> <li>The Competent Persons have reviewed historical drill logs (El Condor, 2012) but have not verified the information independently for quality control and quality assurance nor been to site. In the CPs opinion the historical core has been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support future Mineral Resource Estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies. Core logs were made for the full length of the core and are qualitative in nature. Both wet and dry core photographs exist for 2008 and 2012 drilling programs.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation</li> <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</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The core was marked for the sampling, markings in red crayon with meterage corresponding to the measurements marked in the sample booklet and in Geotic assays. The core is half cut by rock saw with the bottom half of the core (quarter core if size is HQ) is placed in plastic sample bags with the sample tag and sample number on the plastic bag. The sample booklet tag is put at the beginning of the sample, samples are minimum 0.5 m to 1 m in mineralized sections and up to 1.5 m in lightly or unmineralized sections. Sample limits always respect lithology contacts, veins, structures and alteration limits. There are in a sequence of 100 samples, 5 blanks (put at 10, 30, 50, 70 and 90) and 5 standards alternating between 2 OREAS Standards especially selected for magmatic, mafic intrusive and metasediments with Cu+Ni+Pd+Pt+Au mineralization, standards OREAS683 and OREAS86, 5 standard samples (put at 20, 40, 60, 80, and 100). Assay results of 2 standard deviations off the mean value for the standards is allowed before triggering a reanalysis of 10 samples around the standard or blank. The marked core for sampling is split with a diamond rock saw with water, the upper half of NQ core is kept in the core box for record and review and the bottom half is put into a sample bag with an ALS sample tag, zip locked and put into a white</li> </ul>



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of the material being sampled.	rice bag and filled with 5 or 6 samples in the white rice bags, with sample numbers marked on the transparent individual sample bags and the sequence on the larger white rice bags, then marked and sealed with a zip lock tie. The lab will also include its standards, blanks and duplicates. Eventually a check on the lab, ALS Global will be carried out Historical Drilling  It is reported (Kelso et al., 2009; El Condor, 2012) that core was split or sawn and sampled as half-core in marked intervals with remaining core kept for reference and stored. The Competent Person has not independently verified this information for quality control and quality assurance nor been to the sites and therefore reporting as stated.  Samples for both programs were prepared and analysed by standard mineral geochemistry methods at a primary certified lab (Activation Laboratories (Actlabs), Ancaster Ontario) and to Laboratoire Expert Inc. of Rouyn-Noranda, Quebec (Kelso et al., 2009).  Quality control procedures for 2008 drilling were reviewed, and included field reject and pulp duplicates (Kelso et al., 2009). Some inefficiencies in in core processing procedures were noted.  Quality control procedures for 2012 drilling were reviewed, and included field duplicates, and insertion of
	quartz blanks and blind standards (El Condor, 2012).
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	2024 Pivotal Drilling
<ul> <li>The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Nature of quality control procedures adopted (e.g., standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The samples are all sent to ALS Val-d'Or for analysis. All samples were prepped by PREP-31 method, samples are weighed, wet and dry, samples dried overnight in an oven, crushed to 70% passing -2mm, then riffle split to create a 250g sample and pulverized split to 85% passing 75 microns (0.075mm), then samples prepared for ME-ICP61 4 acid ICP-AES Multi-Element Package with 48 elements with principles being Ag+Co+Cu+Ni+Pb+Zn in a sample of 10g of pulp, and PGM-ICP23 analysis for Pt+Pd+Au by fire assay and ICP-AES finish, a 30g pulverized sample. The assays are in g/t for Au+Pd+Pt, % for samples over 10,000ppm with Cu+Ni+Co, Ag is in ppm, all the other elements are in ppm and %. The QA/QC samples inserted in the core samples is described above and a QA/QC sample is inserted at every 10th sample. The specific gravity sampling is done in every unit and at every sample in the mineralized sections, done with OA-GRA08 method and specific gravity is done on the core. Verifications are carried out of the Specific Gravity by carrying out water displacement of the core measured, weight is measure when dry and when wet (trained technician at the ACT Lab facilities over several days). Samples are also selected for whole rock analysis with oxides, 14 oxides and LOI and total oxides that should total 100%.</li> <li>Tools used to help in the logging is an MPP-EM2S with Androide to record the readings, readings taken every meter to record the magnetic susceptibility of the rock. The OXFORD X-MET7500 PXRF handheld Mining Analyzer for various elements or minerals used to identify sulfides and rock units. Used to assist the geologist in identifying minerals and metal assays as well.</li> <li>Historical Drilling</li> <li>Both the 2008 and 2012 drilling programs included a QA/QC program.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Both the 2008 and 2012 drilling programs included a QA/QC program.</li> <li>No details of QA/QC procedures for INCO drilling were available or reviewed by a Competent Person.</li> <li>The 2008 drilling program sampling included one blank and two of three (high, medium, and low) Cu-Ni-</li> </ul>



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	analysed using aqua regia digestion coarse reject samples) and 17 QC sa control check.  Extensive QA/QC checks, including re outliers were acceptable for resource used in the resource model calculati (Kelso et al., 2009).  The Competent person has not indeassurance to comment on the naturorocedures used  2012 drilling program sampling incluevery 25 samples, as well as laborato Samples were analysed for gold (Au elements (36) by four-acid digestion a OES (El Condor, 2012).  It is not clear whether external check 2024 DHEM  The 2024 DHEM survey was completed. The surveys were completed with time TX loop: Refer table below loop details. Transmitter: 4.8kw for up to 30 amps. Receiver: CDR-4, 24-bit ADC resolutio. Sensor: B Field X-Y-Z Components. Fluaxis accelerometer  Sensor dB/dt in 3 components, ferrorientation with 3 axis magnetometer. Nominal sample interval of 5 or 10 neach station, the standard Primary Pushut-off ramp time.	), palladium (Pd), and platinum (Pt) through fire assay, and other and ICP-MS analysis. Overlimit for Cu and Ni were reanalysed by ICP-analysis was performed in the 2012 drilling.  ed by TMC Geophysics. e domain EM equipment s, Figure 6 for loop location. , of 60 amps in dual mode n, operated in cable synchronization mode.  lixgate Sensor, RAD tool orientation with 3 axis magnetometer, and 3 write cored induction sensor. Pressure tested to 2800m, RAD tool
	Hole	Type of EM Sensor & Tx Loop & Dimensions Time Base (ms) Channels (ms) Current (A)
	HN-08-14, HN-08-25, HN-08-40	Fluxgate-BField Loop 1 600 m * 700 m 150 28 1.5 19.1
1	HN-08-32	Induction-dB/dt Loop 2 700 m * 700 m 16.66 20 1.5 19



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	HN-08-60	Fluxgate-B-Field	Loop 2 700 m * 700 m	50	22	1.5	19
	HN-08-60	Fluxgate-B-Field	Loop 2 700 m * 700 m	150	28	1.5	19
	HN-08-78, HN-24-96, HN-24-98	Fluxgate-B-Field	Loop 3 600 m * 800 m	500	39	1.5	18
	HN-24-115, HN-24-116, HN-24-122	Fluxgate-B-Field	Loop 4 550 m * 600 m	500	39	1.5	20
	HN-24-104, HN-24-112	Fluxgate-B-Field	Loop 5 550 m * 600 m	500	39	1.5	18
	HN-24-102, HN-24-108, HN-24-111, HN-24-114A, HN-24-120 HN-24-113	Fluxgate-B-Field Fluxgate-B-Field	Loop 6 600 m * 600 m Loop 7 500 m * 500 m	500 500	39 39	1.5 1.5	16 18
	numerical solution by trying to simultaneous components. The modeling presented by R channels/strongest conductors relating to the Lake=. EM plate modeling is the best fit measured field responses, it can only "global modeling has been focussed on the high commodeling generates plates where BHEM surfor away from the hole as off-hole anomalies."	ussell Mortimer the semi-massive for this Horder ally" reproduce to nductance cond	r provides multiple ve to massive sul n Lake sulphide the shape of the r uctive plates (10,	e model s phide mi mineralis neasured 000 to 30	scenarios neralisat sation ar I data pr 0,000+ S	for the ion at land representation of the ion of the io	e latest Horden oduces The EM s). EM
<ul> <li>Verification of sampling and assaying</li> <li>The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.</li> <li>The use of twinned holes.</li> <li>Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.</li> <li>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The significant intersections are selected the best intersections throughout the hole</li> <li>No twinned holes were used to verify gratighten the spacing of the drill holes and mineralized zone and to the north of the depth. The use of Bore Hole EM (BHEM) around the holes surveyed. Survey shou</li> <li>Significant intersections have been repoverified this information for quality control.</li> <li>The 2008 drilling program informing the (Accurassay Laboratory) (Kelso et al., 200). No external check lab appears to have been not being a complete record available find personnel who oversaw the 2008 Sout followed.</li> </ul>	e, and the intersedes in an adjacent to extend the remarked zero with Crone instructed historically. It is and quality as the entitle of the core inserted for the QA/QC,	section is verified cent hole; however mineralized zones cone, and also to umentations and sions downhole at The Competent Fasurance.  The competent Fasurance estimate en e 2012 drilling pathe program was	and the I r, the pro to the s extend r four loops nd off hol Persons h mployed rogram. I manage	imits ma ogram wa outh of t mineraliz s (Diagra le along s ave not an exter dowever, d by the	y be most seed to be most seed	odified. gned to e of the lown at e setup ndently eck lab e there QA/QC



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Location of data points  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.  Specification of the grid system used.  Quality and adequacy of topographic control.	The grid system is in UTM NAD 83 Zone 18 SCRS HT2 CGVD28.  2024 Pivotal Drilling and 2024 Downhole EM  2024 Pivotal Drilling and 2024 Downhole EM  2024 drill hole collars were surveyed with a Trimble mobile receptor GNSS R12i precision of 2cm or 0.02 m for UTM-E, UTM-N and Elevations precision is 5cm or +/-0.05m, and a base station Trimble R10. There were 3 control points put in on the Project, metallic stakes with a medallion with the following identifications JCL-2024-1, JCL-2024-2 and JCL-2024-3. The point JCL-2024-1, a base station GPS Trimble R10 was installed to do satellite recording reading during 8 hours to do a precise point positioning so that the surveying of all the points were recorded.  All down hole survey orientations were taken with a Gyro Sprint IQ Tool Multishot taken every 3m up the hole while pulling out the rods, After 15 m passed the casing a singleshot was taken to control the orientation of the hole and at every 50 m down the hole. The Core Orientation Tool ACTIII was used at every 3 m and marked on the core for core orientation.  Refer to 2 May 2024: HN-24-92/93, 16 May 2024: HN-24-94/95, 6 June 2024: HN-24-96/97, 2 July 2024 HN-24-98-100  16 November 2022: Historic holes  Table 3 in this announcement body for locations of 2024 drill holes, and announcement dated 16 November, 2022 for historic drilling. Figure 6 for loop location.  A handheld non-differential GPS was used to determine positioning of the loop for the DHEM survey. This GPS has an accuracy greater than +/- 5m for topographic and spatial control.  Historical drilling  2008 and 2012 drill hole collars were surveyed using Trimble GEO XH using Zephyr™ external antenna and base corrected using GPS Pathfinder software. The results of the DGPS survey were utilized for the transformation of historical INCO data from local grid to UTM space (+/- 10cm accuracy).  Location accuracy of drill collars is considered adequate for early-stage resource estimation.  Down hole survey data collected with Flexit and Reflex Maxibore instrumen
<ul> <li>Data spacing and distribution</li> <li>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Southampton (2008) drill holes spaced 50 m apart along gridlines (Kelso et al., 2009).</li> <li>The mineralized zone was modelled on sections at intervals of approximately 50 m. The zones were extended 25 m along strike to the north-east and south-west, beyond the last section drilled.</li> <li>Drill density (168 holes) sufficient for an Inferred and Indicated resource estimate (Kelso et al., 2009).</li> <li>Sample compositing at 1.5 m in mineralized zones applied (Kelso et al., 2009).</li> </ul>



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estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.  • Whether sample compositing has been applied.	The data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.
<ul> <li>Orientation of data in relation to geological structure</li> <li>Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Oriented core allows measurement of Alpha angle of the structure and using a grid transparency graph sheet to measure the Beta. The Geotic logging software calculates the angle and the orientation of the structure, structure of foliation, shears, contacts, and veins</li> <li>From map presentation and cross-sections, drill hole azimuth and inclination appear to have been designed to minimize sample bias (Kelso et al., 2009; El Condor, 2012).</li> <li>No bias is considered to have been introduced to the sampling.</li> </ul>
• The measures taken to ensure sample security.	<ul> <li>The 2024 core quick log description and orientation was carried out at the drilling camp, ~45km from the drill site, a camp site at the 167km on the Route 109. All the core was packed tightly and transported to a logging facility in Val-d'Or, 450 km south of the Project. All samples are precisely marked and recorded in the sample booklet and in the Geotic database. The core is half cut by rock saw with the bottom half of the core put into the plastic sample bags with the sample tag and sample number on the plastic bag. Five or six samples are put into a white rice bag, identified and with sample sequence marked. The sample requisition sheet for assay sample list and assay methods is brought with the rice bags to ALS in Val-d'Or and handed over to the reception area for the sample. An email for the reception of the samples and work order sheet is sent to Pivotal Metals.</li> <li>All samples in 2008 were tagged using pre-printed sample tags with a unique 5-digit number and bagged in individual plastic bags. Ten individual bags were collected in rice bags prior to shipping. the core was stored at Horden Lake camp which was a very remote location., Only drilling company staff and the Caracle Creek geologists had access.</li> <li>The samples were transported from Matagami to Laboratoire Expert, in Noranda by bus (Expedibus) and by a private freight company (Rona Inc.) to Actlabs in Ancaster Ontario (Kelso et al., 2009).</li> <li>2012 drilling program conducted by Caracle Creek using same camp and laboratory (El Condor, 2012). No details of sample security procedures were available or reviewed by the Competent Persons.</li> </ul>
Audits or reviews     The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.	<ul> <li>Any sample audits will have to be executed and reported by the PGeo(OGQ) on the Project, Mario Justino (OGQ) and E.Canova (OGQ) spotting all the holes and carrying out the Quick Logs of each hole.</li> <li>The 2009 Technical Report and Mineral Resource Estimation was signed off by Luc Harnois, Ph.D., and P.Geo., (OGQ, APGO) who also reviewed the 2008 drilling program while underway. His review included:</li> <li>Core logging and sampling of 21 diamond drill holes totalling 5.2 km.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Locating several drill holes on the grid.</li> <li>The azimuth and dip of these drill holes were verified (Kelso et al., 2009).</li> <li>The Competent Person has not independently verified this historical information.</li> </ul>



## **Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results**

(Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Mineral tenement and land tenure status	The Horden Lake Cu-Ni-Au-PGM-Co Project is located approximately 131 km north-northwest of the town
Type, reference name/number, location and ownership	of Matagami in the NTS sheet 32K13, James Bay District (Eeyou Istchee James Bay Regional
including agreements or material issues with third	Gouvernment), Quebec. It is located approximately 9.6 km west and 11.6 km west on a winter road from
parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding	the kilometre 197 on Route 109 (Billy Diamond James Bay Highway), an all-weather road connecting
royalties, native title interests, historical sites,	Matagami to the Hydro-Québec James Bay power complex at Radisson, Quebec. The approximate location
wilderness or national park and environmental settings.	of the Horden Lake Deposit (the "Deposit") is UTM 303367mE, 5646592mN, Elevation 259.5m ASL map
The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting	32K13 datum NAD83 Zone 18 North, equivalent to 50.9374°N latitude and 77.7988°W longitude.

- The boundaries of the Property have not been legally determined by surveying. Claim outlines are obtained from GESTIM website, the online title management system of the Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources of Quebec.
  - The Project consists of 18 mining claims (CDCs) in two non-contiguous groups, totalling 814.81 ha as of April 26, 2024.
  - The Project is 100 owned by 9426-9198 Quebec Inc, a wholly owned Quebec registered subsidiary of Pivotal Metals Ltd ("Pivotal"). Pivotal does not own the surface rights over the mining claims, these rights remain with the Crown.
  - Based on the current fee schedule, the government fee for renewing the 18 mining claims through the standard 2 year term total C\$1,273, and for the work requirement through the 2 year term is C\$34,500. There is currently enough credit in "Excess Work" (C\$4,606,029.94) that can be applied (distributed) amongst the current mining claims, circumventing the immediate need for the filing of additional exploration expenditures.
  - The 18 mining claims are subject to two (2) separate Net Smelter Return Royalties ("NSR"), defined as a production royalty, each of which is payable at a rate of 1.0% (2% total) from material derived from the Property during production.
  - There are no issues with native title issues, historical sites, wilderness or national parks and environmental settings.
  - Permits are required to conduct exploration programs that will disturb the surface (e.g., surface trenching, diamond drilling) and, typically, for any associated environment-altering work (e.g., watercourse diversion, water crossings, clear-cutting). 9426-9198 Quebec Inc/Pivotal must file the permit applications for these activities with the appropriate government departments in a timely fashion, allowing a minimum of 4 weeks, but ideally 6 to 8 weeks, for the processing period, inclusive of any required First Nation consultation.
  - In Quebec, forest management permits are required before trees can be cut when building access roads and drill sites. These permits are issued by the Ministry of Forests, Wildlife and Parks ("MFFP"). The time frame in obtaining this type of permit is usually 4 to 8 weeks.

- along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.



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<ul> <li>Exploration done by other parties</li> <li>Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.</li> </ul>	• Exploration to date has been completed by other parties including INCO and Caracle Creek International Consulting Inc. on behalf of Southampton ventures and El Condor Minerals (Kelso et al., 2009; El Condor, 2012). The Competent Person has reviewed reports and files pertaining to the 1960s, 2008 and 2012 exploration work and drilling campaigns but has not independently verified the contained information.
Geology     Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	<ul> <li>Magmatic Cu-Ni-PGE (platinum-group element) sulphide mineralization within the Frotet-Evans Greenstone Belt in the Opatica Subprovince. Dominant rock types are metavolcanic and metasedimentary rocks. Metagabbro occurs as a long and narrow, concordant body and with inclusions of metasedimentary rocks. Granites intrude the metasedimentary and metavolcanic package and are cut by granitic dikes and pegmatites. The youngest rocks in the area are gabbro and diabase dikes.</li> <li>Host of the mineralization is variable between the gabbroic rocks and the footwall metasedimentary rocks, with up to 5% disseminated to massive pyrrhotite, pentlandite, pyrite and chalcopyrite, and blebby sulphides also occur in shear zones within the gabbro, along the contact and within the metasediments (Kelso et al., 2009; El Condor, 2012). Local sphalerite and galena occur in altered gabbro and metasediments (Kelso et al., 2009).</li> </ul>
Drill hole Information  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:  easting and northing of the drill hole collar  elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar  dip and azimuth of the hole  down hole length and interception depth  hole length.  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.	<ul> <li>Refer to Table 1 for drill collar information relevant to this ASX announcement. Mineralisation is described in the body of the announcement.</li> <li>For details of the historical holes referenced in this release, refer to ASX announcement dated 16 November, 2022 "Outstanding Horden Lake 27.8Mt JORC estimate"</li> </ul>
Data aggregation methods  In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (e.g., cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.  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	<ul> <li>Reporting of the metal concentrations in drill hole intercepts is done through the weighted averaging of the assays over the given sample intervals.</li> <li>Selection of potential mineralized intervals for drilling (prior to any resource update) are outlined by running a grade cut-off of using the same formula as used in the 2022 Technical Report (below).</li> <li>CuEq = Cu(%) + Ni(%)*2.59 + Au(ppm)*0.63 + Pd(ppm)*0.74.         Assumed recovery / US\$ prices:         <ul> <li>Cu 90% / \$7,300/t Cu</li> <li>Ni 80% / \$21,300/t Cu</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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<ul> <li>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> <li>Au 80% / \$1,600/ oz Au</li> <li>Pd 80% / 1,900/oz Pd</li> <li>CuEq excludes any Pt, Co or Ag credit.</li> <li>Criteria are minimum mineralised zones of 1.5m, minimum zone spacings of 3m and maximum waste of 5 m. CuEq 0.3% (lower) and 1.1% (upper) are indicative of the open pit and underground cut-offs used in the calculation of the 2022 Mineral Resource Estimate.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths</li> <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 (e.g., 'down hole length, true width not known').</li> </ul>	True widths of the mineralized intercepts are estimated to be 70-100%, but not certain and as such are reported as drill hole core lengths.
Diagrams     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.	<ul> <li>Refer to the body of this ASX Announcement for plans, sections and tabulations of the exploration results being disclosed.</li> </ul>
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.	All results above 0.3% CuEq cut-off have been tabulated in this announcement. The results are considered representative with no intended bias
Other substantive exploration data  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.	• In 2023 and 2024, optical mineralogical examination of 25 samples of rock units (gabbros and metasediments) and 28 polished mineralized samples (heavy net-textured, semi-massive, to massive sulfides) were performed by Vancouver Petrographics on the historical holes HN-08-05, 26, 27, 29, 30, 37, 38, 71, 73 and 74. Host rocks, as determined from the thin sections, may be roughly grouped into mafic intrusives (mostly gabbro, 7 samples; minor ultramafic, 2 samples, mafic dyke, 2 samples, pegmatite, 1 sample) and meta-sedimentary/minor meta-volcanic rocks (schist/gneiss, 5 samples, meta-psammite, 2 samples, meta-pelite and possible meta-conglomerate, 1 sample each; mafic volcanic, 3 samples; felsic volcanic, 1 sample, as follows (with few exceptions, most of the included fragments in the massive sulfides analysed in the polished thin sections can be similarly ascribed to mainly metasediment and lesser meta-gabbro host rocks, but with less confidence due to their mainly strongly altered and deformed nature). Gabbros will be richer in Amphiboles 50% and Plagioclase 40%, Melanogabbros and



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	Leuco gabbros will be richer in Feldspars with 55-70%Plagioclase, and 30-35%Amphiboles. Metasediments will have the presence of cordierite, sillimanite, quartz, plagioclase, biotite, sericite and carbonate and occasionally some serpentine. Sulphide mineralization is massive and semi-massive with massive pyrrhotite ±chalcopyrite-pyrite containing rounded magnetite-quartz-tremolite?-biotite inclusions, in fine grained Mg chlorite-quartz ±amphibole-biotite, carbonate -epidote altered rock containing vein-like chalcopyrite-pyrrhotite-pyrite ±ilmenite-sphalerite. May also observe massive pyrrhotite-chalcopyrite-minor ilmenite/sphene ±sphalerite, with gangues of amphibole-biotite-local plagioclase and quartz,
	variably altered to chlorite-epidote-sericite, suggestive of former meta-mafic volcanic and meta-sediment. Semi-massive sulfides (pyrrhotite-minor pyrite-chalcopyrite-significant intergranular pentlandite) in a weakly foliated/crenulated matrix of mafic gangues (amphibole-biotite both commonly replaced by Mg-chlorite; minor quartz and virtually fresh, unaltered plagioclase) suggestive of gabbro possibly contaminated by meta-psammite. Also semi-massive sulfides (mainly pyrrhotite-minor chalcopyrite-trace pentlandite-sphalerite) with wall-rock lenses of foliated quartz-chlorite-sericite-relict biotite-minor local carbonate-trace ilmenite suggestive of meta-psammite (?). Polished section examination notes coarse
	pyrrhotite grains with chalcopyrite and pyrite being medium grained and pentlandite on the margins of the pyrrhotite and within the pyrrhotite grains.
	<ul> <li>Historical exploration in the area included airborne magnetic/EM survey (Noranda Mines 1957/58) and regional airborne geophysical surveys, and 32,229 m of diamond drilling (157 holes) culminating in an historical resource estimate of 6,088,900 t @ 1.24 % Cu, 0.33 % Ni, 18.40 g/t Ag (INCO 1963-69) (Kelso et al., 2009) on three properties including Horden Lake. A Pre-Feasibility Study in 1993 identified an historical resource of 1,238,333 t @ 1.91% Cu 0.40% Ni. (Kingswood Resources Inc.) (WGM, 1993; Kelso et al., 2009).</li> </ul>
	These historical resources have not been reviewed by a Competent person and cannot be considered compliant under JORC guidelines.
	• In the early 1970s, INCO performed preliminary flotation testing on five drill core samples from the Horden Lake Deposit. The tests showed recoveries from 85% to 96% Cu with concentrates of Ni, Cu, Ag and traces of Au and platinum-group elements (PGE), demonstrating the presence of significant cobalt from the
	composite sampling. Copper grades in the concentrate range from 21.5% to 30.4% Cu (WGM, 1993; Kelso et al., 2009; Thompson, 1981).
	• A Fugro DIGHEM EM-Mag survey was completed in the area 2005 by Pacific North West Capital Corp., consisting of 445.5 line-km and identifying multiple EM conductors in the region.
	<ul> <li>A Fugro HeliGEOTEM® was flown in 2008 (Southampton Ventures): three profile lines over the Horden Lake Deposit and 131 and 35 lines over the exploration areas to the NE and SW exploration blocks respectively. The mineralized zone at Horden Lake showed a clear association with magnetic and conductive responses (Kelso et al., 2009). Six targets were selected from the northeast block and may represent a grouping of several conductive targets. It was difficult to select isolated magnetic/conductive</li> </ul>
	targets because magnetic features in this block had strong conductive association. One target was selected (Kelso et al., 2009). The geophysical work has not been directly reviewed by the Competent Person.



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Further work  The nature and scale of planned further work (e.g., tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).  Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.	<ul> <li>Pending the completed results of the 2024 drilling and geophysics program, additional drilling to test open extensions of the mineralisation.</li> <li>In-fill drilling to improve the confidence and upgrade the categorization of the resources from Inferred to Indicated and eventually Indicated to Measured for future higher level economic studies.</li> <li>Metallurgical testwork on fresh core representative of the style of mineralization found to date in the Deposit.</li> <li>Mineralogical investigations to better characterize target sulphide mineralization (pyrrhotite, pentlandite, chalcopyrite and pyrite) and secondary sulphides such as galena and sphalerite.</li> <li>In order to gain a better understanding of the structures within the Deposit and the host rocks and their bearing on the distribution and grade of mineralization, a selected number of oriented drill cores should be considered as part of the geotechnical drilling program.</li> <li>Additional specific gravity measurements should be made by an accredited laboratory in order to develop a robust density library for various lithology types and styles of mineralisation Presently being done by ALS Global Laboratory.</li> <li>As much as possible, previous drill core logs (1960s, 2008, 2012 and 2013) should be reviewed prior to beginning a new drilling program and a new set of standardized lithological, alteration, mineralisation and structural codes be determined. Presently included in the database and included.</li> <li>Information and data from the hard copy drill core logs from the 1960s INCO drilling should be digitally captured, reviewed and incorporated into any future modelling and mineral resource estimation.</li> <li>Initiation of an Environmental Baseline Study to be expanded upon as the Project moves toward higher levels of economic evaluations.</li> <li>Completion of an airborne LIDAR (Light Detection And Ranging) survey in order to utilize an accurate Digital Elevation Model (DEM) in future exploration work, technical studies, and fut</li></ul>