

## UPDATE FROM MANAGING DIRECTOR

Dear Shareholders, Stakeholders and Friends,

In view of the COVID-19 pandemic and turbulent financial markets, I want to provide you with an update on our activities at Black Rock Mining ("Black Rock" or the "Company").

Our sympathies and thoughts are with anyone directly or indirectly affected by COVID-19, be these our family, our friends and critically our front line medical and first responders, wherever they may be and operate from across the globe.

To preserve existing cash, the Board has approved further significant reductions in cash remuneration for all Directors, staff and FTE contractors. Effective 1st April 2020, cash remuneration levels will be further reduced to 25%, down from 50% of agreed packages adopted in November. Non business critical activities will be suspended.

The Company continues to pursue two immediate objectives, being completion of the Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) field activities at Mahenge, and resolution on the structure and nature of the Government of Tanzania's 16% Free Carried Interest.

In February 2020, Black Rock's 100% owned Tanzanian subsidiary completed construction and handed over three village offices in the Mahenge project area. The goodwill generated from this has allowed RAP to be conducted in an atmosphere supportive of our planned development. It has also provided a positive platform for engagement with the Government of Tanzania.



COVID-19 has offered up a number of challenges to the way in which we as a business interact with you, our Shareholders and Stakeholders. We have turned this challenge into an opportunity to modify our approach from presenting at meetings and investment conferences, to instead leverage our digital capabilities and present directly to you, wherever you are, using video. We call this BKT-TV.

Our first broadcast on BKT-TV (<https://bit.ly/2yeNE21>) is a presentation that was intended to be delivered at the Mining Journal Select Investment Conference in Sydney on the 23rd and 24th of March. In this video, we discuss the logic of our development strategy and reflect on the lessons learnt on our journey thus far. In July 2019, Mining Journal recognised Mahenge as being in the Top Five development stage projects globally.

These are turbulent times. We wish you and your families good health and safety. Know that our team is safe and we continue to advance our project and prepare for a time when business, industry and financial markets return to normal levels.

This ASX release was authorised on behalf of the Black Rock Board by:

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## About Black Rock Mining

Black Rock Mining Limited is an Australian based company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX:BKT). The Company has a 100% interest in the Mahenge Graphite Project (the "Project") located in Tanzania. The Project has a JORC compliant Mineral Resource Estimate of 212m tonnes at 7.8% TGC. It also has Ore Reserves of 70m tonnes at 8.5% TGC. The Ore Reserves support a mine life of up to 350k tonnes of graphite per annum for a reserve life of 16 years. Since the release of the Mineral Resource Estimate, the Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the Mineral Resource Estimate.

In October 2018, the Company released a Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) for the Project, which was based on strong customer demand. This DFS was enhanced in July 2019, and demonstrates exceptional financial metrics including:

- *Low Capex:* Lowest peak capital expenditure of US\$116M for phase one\*;
- *High Margin:* AISC margin of 63.1%;
- *Low Technical Risk:* Substantial pilot plant operations run of 110 tonnes; and
- *Superior Economics:* IRR of 44.8% with NPV<sub>10</sub> of US\$1.16bn (A\$1.65bn\*\*).

Following release of the Enhanced DFS in July 2019, the Company confirms that it is not aware of any new data or information that materially affects the results of the Enhanced DFS and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcements continue to apply and have not materially changed.

In February 2019, the Company announced receipt of its mining licence for the DFS Project. In May 2019, the Company announced it had substantially allocated planned production with up to 255k tonnes per annum of graphite committed to sale by year three of production, through Pricing Framework Agreements.

The Company is currently progressing financing discussions and detailed engineering with a view to commencing construction of the Project.

### JORC Compliant Mineral Resource Estimate and Ore Reserve

Ore Reserves	Tonnes (Mt)	Grade (% TGC)	Contained Graphite (Mt)
- Proven	0	0.0	0.0
- Probable	70	8.5	6.0
<b>Total Ore Reserves</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>6.0</b>
Mineral Resources			
- Measured	25.5	8.6	2.2
- Indicated	88.1	7.9	6.9
<b>Total M&amp;I</b>	<b>113.6</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>9.1</b>
- Inferred	98.3	7.6	7.4
<b>Total M, I &amp; I</b>	<b>211.9</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>16.6</b>



Location of Black Rock's Mahenge Graphite Project in Tanzania

For further information on Black Rock Mining Ltd, please visit [www.blackrockmining.com.au](http://www.blackrockmining.com.au)

\* Forecast Capex has been classified as a Class 3 estimate with accuracy of ±10% as defined by AACE  
 \*\* \$AUD/USD 0.70