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**Kore Potash Plc**  
("Kore Potash" or the "Company")

**Kola Project Optimised DFS update**

Kore Potash, the potash development company with 97% ownership of the Kola and DX Potash Projects in the Sintoukola Basin, located within the Republic of Congo ("**RoC**"), is pleased to provide an update in relation to the optimised Kola Definitive Feasibility Study ("**Optimised DFS**") for the Kola Project ("**Kola**" or "**Kola Project**") further to the announcement regarding the signing of the Engineering, Procurement and Construction contract ("**EPC**") for the Kola Project with PowerChina International Group Limited ("**PowerChina**") on 20 November 2024.

Prior to signing an EPC agreement, two studies have been completed by the Company: the Kola Definitive Feasibility Study ("**DFS**") in January 2019 and the Kola Project Optimisation Study ("**Optimisation Study**") in June 2022, details of both of which have been released to AIM, JSE and ASX on 29 January 2019 and 28 June 2022 respectively. Following signing of the EPC contract, the Company undertook an exercise to optimise the DFS to account for the EPC contract, including updating the Kola production schedule and the forecast financial information. The Company has now completed its review of the Optimised DFS, with the results summarised herein by way of update.

The results of the Optimised DFS incorporate the most current information available to the Company, and have been updated from the DFS and Optimisation Study to ensure compliance with the latest applicable listing rule requirements and other regulatory policies of the Australian Stock Exchange Limited, and therefore should be considered as superseding the results of both the DFS and the earlier Optimisation Study.

Unlike the DFS and the Optimisation Study, the Optimised DFS is based on a production period which utilizes all Proved and Probable Ore Reserves and only 6% of Inferred Minerals Resources, giving a Life of Mine ("**LoM**") of 23 years.

Kore Potash considers there is strong potential for the mine plan on which this Optimised DFS is based to be extended beyond 23 years by upgrading a portion of the 340 Mt of Inferred Mineral Resources to Measured or Indicated Resources through further exploration during the 23 years of operations.

**Highlights of the Optimised DFS**

- Capital cost of US\$2.07 billion (nominal basis) on a signed fixed price EPC basis, including owner's costs.
- Assumed construction start date of 1 January 2026, with construction period of 43 months.
- Kola designed with a nameplate capacity of 2.2 million tonnes per annum ("**Mtpa**") of Muriate of Potash ("**MoP**").
- Average MoP production per year of 2.2 Mtpa of MoP for total MoP production of 50Mt over a 23-year life of mine.
- Average cost of MoP delivered to Brazil is US\$128/t. Based on an independent MoP market study commissioned by the Company, management considers Kore Potash is projected to become one of the lowest cost producers in the global agricultural market to Brazil.
- Average annual EBITDA is approximately US\$733 million. Kore Potash is projected to continue to enjoy a very high average EBITDA margin of 74%.
- Key financial metrics, at MoP CFR Brazil pricing averaging US\$449/tonne and on a 90% attributable basis (reflecting Kore's future holding of 90% and the RoC government 10%):

- Kola NPV<sub>10%</sub> (real) post-tax US\$1.7 billion
- IRR 18% (real) on ungeared post-tax basis
- Kola is designed as a conventional mechanised underground potash mine with shallow shaft access. Ore from underground is transported to the processing plant via an approximately 25.5 km long overland conveyor. After processing, the finished product is conveyed 8.5 km to the marine export facility. MoP is transferred from the storage area onto barges via a dedicated barge loading jetty before being transhipped into ocean-going vessels for export.

**Cautionary Statement:**

*The production target (and the forecast financial information derived from this production target) includes all of Kore Potash's reported Ore Reserve estimates, together with a proportion of Inferred Mineral Resources. The production target includes relative portions of ore by category of Proved and Probable Ore Reserves (94%) and Inferred Mineral Resources (6%). The Company is satisfied that the proportion of Inferred Mineral Resources is not the determining factor in project viability as the project demonstrates positive economic outcomes with the Inferred Mineral Resources excluded. There is a low level of geological confidence associated with Inferred Mineral Resources and there is no certainty that further exploration work will result in the determination of Indicated Mineral Resources or that the production targets will be realised.*

*The forecast financial information derived from the production target uses Argus Media Marketing's forecast annual MoP CFR Brazil prices to 2047 and then an incremental increase of US\$2/t annually post 2047, which annual prices imply an average MoP CFR Brazil price of US\$449/t over the 23 years of scheduled production in the Optimised DFS. As discussed in section 12 (Potash Marketing), Kore Potash has concluded it has a reasonable basis for the use of those prices, but there is no guarantee that such prices will be realised and lower product pricing will significantly affect the financial performance of the Kola Project. Refer to the sensitivity analysis in section 14 (Economic Evaluation) for further details, together with the Forward Looking Statements notice below.*

*To achieve the range of outcomes indicated in the Optimised DFS, the Optimised DFS estimates that funding in the order of US\$2.07 billion (nominal basis) in construction capital will be required. Shareholders and investors should be aware that there is no certainty that Kore Potash will be able to raise the required funding when needed and it is possible that such funding may only be available on terms that may be highly dilutive or otherwise adversely affect Kore Potash shareholders' exposure to the Kola Project economics. Whilst the Company has made progress towards financing the development of the Kola Project as discussed further in section 15 (Project Funding) of Appendix A, those arrangements are currently non-binding and therefore there is currently no certainty that the Company will be able to raise the funds required to develop the Kola Project, or if funding is available, the terms of such funding.*

**Andre Baya, Chief Executive Officer of Kore Potash, commented:**

*"The Kola Project is of global significance as the security of the world's food supply is at the mercy of global disruptions to fertilizer supply. Recent geopolitical events have highlighted this risk as potash production is concentrated among a small number of companies and countries.*

*Furthermore, to reduce the carbon footprint of our industry, new potash producers need to be geographically closer to end users with reduced freight cost and environmental impact. In that sense, Kola's location is ideal to supply environmentally-friendly potash to meet the growing demand of the Brazilian market.*

*As our operating cost, inclusive of freight, is of USD 128.19/MT (CFR Brazil), we can vie for a higher profit margin than any existing potash mine worldwide when it comes to serving our target market. With an NPV10 of USD 1.7 Billion for our production target, the Kola project reaches an enticing IRR of 18%.*

*The execution of the Kola EPC contract with PowerChina now moves Kore Potash one gigantic step closer to production and we eagerly await financial close to start construction.”*

### **Kola Project Optimised DFS update, EPC**

On 6 April 2021, Kore Potash announced the signing of a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding (“**MoU**”) with the Summit Consortium (“**Summit**”) to arrange the full financing required for the construction of the Kola Project.

The Optimisation Study, which represented the first part of the financing process, was undertaken by SEPCO Electric Power Construction Corporation (“**SEPCO**”). PowerChina is SEPCO’s parent company. The key goals of the Optimisation Study were to improve Kola’s value through reductions in capital costs and by shortening the construction schedule.

During the Optimisation Study, SEPCO employed two key subcontractors: China ENFI Engineering Corporation to review the mining, processing, and infrastructure aspects of the Project, and CCCC-FHDI Engineering Co Limited to optimise the marine facilities.

The optimisations continued in 2023 and 2024 and included in-country work to better define geotechnical conditions. These works culminated in signing a US\$1.929 billion fixed-cost EPC agreement on 19 November 2024. The EPC included refined cost estimates with a knowledge of conditions at each construction location. The Company worked with certain potential suppliers and vendors to refine the Kola Project requirements and obtained pricing updates where necessary.

A summary of the key Kola Project parameters and assumptions adopted in the Optimised DFS update post signing EPC agreement are summarised in Table 1 below.

**Table 1: Key Project Parameters and Assumptions**

<b>Result</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Production Target</b>
Total MOP production	Mt	50
Initial project life	Years	23
Average scheduled mining rate	Mtpa ore	7.0
KCl recovery in process plant	% KCl	89.9%
Average MOP production per year	Mtpa	2.20 Mtpa
Capital Cost EPC basis (real)*	US\$ billion	2.01
Sustaining capital	US\$/t MOP	13.06
Construction schedule	months	43
Steady state operating cost (Mine gate)	US\$/t MOP	74.94
Operating cost (CFR Brazil)	US\$/t MOP	128.19
Forecast average MoP granular price (CFR Brazil)**	US\$/t MOP	449
Post tax, real un-g geared NPV <sub>10%</sub>	US\$ million	1,675
Post tax, real un-g geared IRR	%	18%
Average EBITDA per annum real	US\$ million	733
Average EBITDA margin	%	74%

Notes:

\* The US\$2.01 billion capital cost (real) includes US\$141 million for Kore’s owner’s costs during the EPC phase.

\*\* US\$449/t is Argus Media Group’s forecast real average future potash CFR Brazil prices over the project life. Further details in Item 12 Potash Marketing below.

Key assumptions related to the ore reserves, production schedules and financial evaluation of the project have been updated in Appendix B of this announcement.

### Ore Reserves and Mineral Resources

The Kola Potash Ore Reserves (Table 2) are based on the Kola Sylvinite Mineral Resources (Table 3) as confirmed on 27 Feb 2025. Further detail on the Ore Reserve Estimate is provided in Appendix B: Summary of Information required according to ASX Listing Rule 5.9.1 and Appendix C: JORC 2012 – Table 1, Section 4 Ore Reserves. All of the Ore Reserves and Mineral Resources reported here for Kola are Sylvinite.

**Table 2: Kola Sylvinite Ore Reserves**

Classification	Ore Reserves (Mt)	KCl grade (% KCl)	Mg (% Mg)	Insolubles (% Insol.)
Proved	61.8	32.1	0.11	0.15
Probable	90.6	32.8	0.10	0.15
<b>Total Ore Reserves</b>	<b>152.4</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>0.15</b>

**Table 3: Kola Sylvinite Mineral Resources (inclusive of Ore Reserves) \***

Classification	Million Tonnes (Mt)	KCl (% KCl)	Mg (% Mg)	Insoluble (% Insol.)
Total Measured	215.7	35.0	0.08	0.13
Total Indicated	292.0	35.7	0.06	0.14
Total Inferred	340.0	34.0	0.08	0.25
<b>Total Mineral Resources</b>	<b>847.7</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>0.18</b>

\* The Kola Mineral Resource Estimate was confirmed on 27 Feb 2025 in an announcement titled "Confirmation of Mineral Resource for Kola Deposit".

### Production targets and forecast financial information derived from production targets

This release contains information that constitutes a production target for the Kola Project (and forecast financial information derived from that production target) for the purposes of the ASX Listing Rules.

Ore Reserve and Mineral Resource estimates underpinning the production target for the Kola Project referred to in this release were prepared by, or under the supervision of, a Competent Person in accordance with the JORC Code, 2012 Edition. Competent Person's statements are set out on page 6. Details of those Ore Reserves and Mineral Resources are set out in this announcement (including, in relation to the Ore Reserves, the details in Appendix B and Appendix C).

The production target includes relative portions of ore by category of Proved and Probable Ore Reserves (94%) and Inferred Mineral Resources (6%).

The material assumptions applied in the estimation of the production target for the Kola Project project and forecast financial information derived from those production target are set out in the summaries of the study outcomes accompanying this announcement.

The Company is satisfied that in each case, the proportion of Inferred Mineral Resources is not the determining factor in project viability as the project demonstrates positive economic outcomes with the Inferred Mineral Resources excluded. There is a low level of geological confidence associated with Inferred Mineral Resources and there is no certainty that further exploration work will result in the determination of Indicated Mineral Resources or that the production target will be realised.

### **Market Abuse Regulation**

This announcement contains inside information for the purposes of Article 7 of the Market Abuse Regulation (EU) 596/2014 as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("**MAR**"), and is disclosed in accordance with the Company's obligations under Article 17 of MAR.

This announcement has been approved for release by the Board.

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## **Competent Persons Statement**

The estimated Ore Reserves and Mineral Resources underpinning the production target have been prepared by a competent person in accordance with the requirements of the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (**JORC Code, 2012 Edition**).

The information relating to Exploration Results and Mineral Resources in this announcement is based on, or extracted from previous reports referred to herein, and available to view on the Company's website <https://korepotash.com>. The Kola Mineral Resource Estimate was confirmed on 27 Feb 2025 in an announcement titled "Confirmation of Mineral Resource for Kola Deposit". The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

The information in this announcement that relates to Mineral Resources is based on information compiled or reviewed by, Garth Kirkham, P.Geo., who has read and understood the requirements of the JORC Code, 2012 Edition. Mr. Kirkham is a Competent Person as defined by the JORC Code, 2012 Edition, having a minimum of five years of experience that is relevant to the style of mineralization and type of deposit described in this announcement, and to the activity for which he is accepting responsibility. Mr. Kirkham is member in good standing of Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia (Registration Number 30043) which is an ASX-Recognized Professional Organization (RPO). Mr. Kirkham is a consultant engaged by Kore Potash Plc to review the documentation for Kola Deposit, on which this announcement is based, for the period ended 29 October 2018. Mr. Kirkham has verified that this announcement is based on and fairly and accurately reflects in the form and context in which it appears, the information in the supporting documentation relating to preparation of the review of the Mineral Resources.

The information in this announcement that relates to Ore Reserves is based on information compiled or reviewed by, Mo Molavi, P. Eng., who has read and understood the requirements of the JORC Code, 2012 Edition. Mr. Molavi is a Competent Person as defined by the JORC Code, 2012 Edition, having a minimum of five years of experience that is relevant to the style of mineralization and type of deposit described in this announcement, and to the activity for which he is accepting responsibility. Mr. Molavi is member good standing of Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia (Registration Number 37594) which is an ASX-Recognized Professional Organization (RPO). Mr. Molavi is a consultant engaged by Kore Potash Plc to review the documentation for Kola Deposit, on which this announcement is based, for the period ended 29 October 2018. Mr. Molavi has verified that this announcement is based on and fairly and accurately reflects in the form and context in which it appears, the information in the supporting documentation relating to preparation of the review of the Ore Reserves.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This announcement contains certain statements that are "forward-looking" with respect to the financial condition, results of operations, projects and business of the Company and certain plans and objectives of the management of the Company. Forward-looking statements include those containing words such as: "anticipate", "believe", "expect," "forecast", "potential", "intends," "estimate," "will", "plan", "could", "may", "project", "target", "likely" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. By their very nature forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties and other factors which are subject to change without notice and may involve significant elements of subjective judgement and assumptions as to future events which may or may not be correct, which may cause the Company's actual results, performance or achievements, to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any of our forward-looking statements, which are not guarantees of future performance. There are a number of risks, both specific to Kore Potash, and of a general nature, which may affect the future operating and financial performance of Kore Potash, and the value of an investment in

Kore Potash including and not limited to title risk, renewal risk, economic conditions, stock market fluctuations, commodity demand and price movements, timing of access to infrastructure, environmental risks, regulatory risks, operational risks, reliance on key personnel, Ore Reserve estimations, local communities risks, foreign currency fluctuations, and mining development, construction and commissioning risks.

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In particular, statements in this announcement regarding the Company's business or proposed business, which are not historical facts, are "forward-looking" statements that involve risks and uncertainties, such as Mineral Resource estimates market prices of potash, capital and operating costs, changes in project parameters as plans continue to be evaluated, continued availability of capital and financing and general economic, market or business conditions, and statements that describe the Company's future plans, objectives or goals, including words to the effect that the Company or management expects a stated condition or result to occur. Since forward-looking statements address future events and conditions, by their very nature, they involve inherent risks and uncertainties. Actual results in each case could differ materially from those currently anticipated in such statements. Shareholders are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date they are made. The forward-looking statements are based on information available to the Company as at the date of this release. Except as required by law or regulation (including the ASX Listing Rules), the Company is under no obligation to provide any additional or updated information whether as a result of new information, future events, or results or otherwise.

### **Summary information**

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## Appendix A: Summary of Kola Project Optimised DFS update – December 2024

### 1. Project Introduction:

Kore Potash is a mineral exploration and development company that is incorporated in the United Kingdom and listed on the AIM (a sub-market of the London Stock Exchange, as KP2), the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX, as KP2), the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE, as KP2) and A2X Proprietary Limited (an independent stock exchange in South Africa, A2X, as KP2) Markets.

The primary asset of Kore is the Kola Project located in the RoC, held by the 97%-owned Sintoukola Potash SA (“**SPSA**”). SPSA has 100% ownership of the Kola Mining Lease, on which the Kola Project is located.

The Kola Project is situated in the Kouilou Province of the RoC, within 40 km of the Atlantic Coast and approximately 70 km north of the port city of Pointe Noire.

The Kola DFS considers the mining of the Kola Sylvinite, and the production of approximately 2.2 Mtpa of MoP and its export to its target markets and considers all associated infrastructure. It delivers an economic model based on life of project of 23 years that is based upon 23 production years exploiting Ore Reserves of 152.4 Mt and 9.7 Mt of Inferred Mineral Resource.

In 2017, Kore commissioned a consortium of French companies (“**FC**”) to conduct a DFS for the Kola Project. The FC included: Technip France (“**TPF**”), Vinci Construction Grands Projets (“**VCGP**”), Egis International (“**EGIS**”) and Louis Dreyfus Armateurs (“**LDA**”).

Met-Chem DRA Global (“**MTC**”) and AMC Consulting (“**AMC**”) were appointed by the FC as their specialist subconsultants.

Kore directly contracted with MTC for the Mineral Resource Estimate (“**MRE**”), and SRK Consulting (UK) Limited (“**SRK**”) for undertaking the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (“**ESIA**”).

The Kola DFS was finalised in January, 2019.

On 6 April 2021, Kore Potash announced the signing of a non-binding MoU with Summit to arrange the full financing required for the construction of the Kola Project.

The Optimisation Study, which represented the first part of the financing process, has been undertaken by SEPCO. PowerChina is SEPCO’s parent company. The key goals of the Optimisation Study were to improve the value of Kola through reductions in the capital cost and by shortening



the construction schedule.

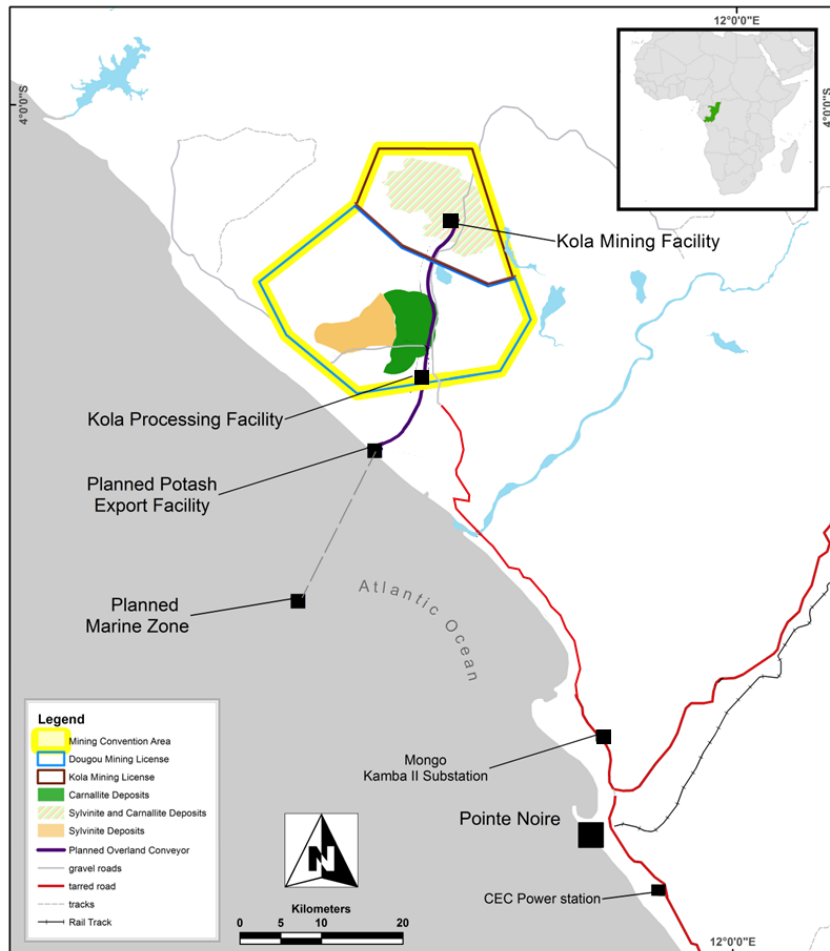
During the Optimisation Study, SEPCO employed two key sub-contractors, China ENFI Engineering Corporation to review the mining, processing and infrastructure aspects of the Project and CCCCFHDI Engineering Co Limited to consider the optimisation of the marine facilities.

A Deepening Design Study phase was conducted in 2023 and included in-country work to better define geotechnical conditions. The Deepening Design Study also refined cost estimates with a knowledge of conditions at each construction location. These works culminated in signing a US\$1.929 billion fixed-cost EPC agreement on 19 November 2024. The Company worked with certain potential suppliers and vendors to refine the Kola Project requirements and obtained pricing updates where necessary.

Prior to 2019, Kore directly contracted with MTC for the Mineral Resource Estimate, and SRK for undertaking an ESIA. The ESIA received a 25-year approval from the Congolese Environmental authorities and while still valid, it will require a minor amendment linked to the change of location of the Process plant. The MRE has remained unchanged and has been incorporated into the Optimisation Study update together with the ESIA recommendations.

Figure 1 shows the Location Map for the Optimised Kola Project

**Figure 1: Location Map showing Optimised Kola Project**



## 2. Mineral Resource

The Kola Mineral Resources are summarised in Table 4 below.

The total Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources are 508 Mt with an average grade of 35.4% KCl and provides the basis for the Ore Reserve statement. Sections 1 to 3 of the JORC 2012 Table 1 Checklist of Assessment and Reporting Criteria for that Mineral Resource estimate remain unchanged as confirmed to shareholders on 27 Feb 2025, and can be found in Appendix D.

The Company confirms there has been no material change to those Mineral Resources. The Company advises that the Mineral Resources are inclusive of Mineral Resources to which modifying factors have been applied to be reported as Ore Reserves.

In accordance with JORC 2012, the Competent Persons (“CP”) for the Kola MRE is:

- Mr. Kirkham P. Geo of MTC. Mr Kirkham is a member of good standing of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia.

**Table 4 July 2017 Kola Mineral Resources for Sylvinite**

<b>July 2017 - Kola Deposit Potash Mineral Resources - SYLVINITE</b>					
		<b>Million Tonnes</b>	<b>KCl</b>	<b>Mg</b>	<b>Insoluble</b>
		<b>Mt</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
Hanging wall Seam	Measured	–	–	–	–
	Indicated	29.6	58.5	0.05	0.16
	Inferred	18.2	55.1	0.05	0.16
	<b>Total Mineral Resources</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>57.2</b>	<b>0.02</b>	<b>0.16</b>
Upper Seam	Measured	153.7	36.7	0.04	0.14
	Indicated	169.9	34.6	0.04	0.14
	Inferred	220.7	34.3	0.04	0.15
	<b>Total Mineral Resources</b>	<b>544.3</b>	<b>35.1</b>	<b>0.04</b>	<b>0.14</b>
Lower Seam	Measured	62.0	30.7	0.19	0.12
	Indicated	92.5	30.5	0.13	0.13
	Inferred	59.9	30.5	0.08	0.11
	<b>Total Mineral Resources</b>	<b>214.4</b>	<b>30.6</b>	<b>0.13</b>	<b>0.12</b>
Footwall Seam	Measured	–	–	–	–
	Indicated	–	–	–	–
	Inferred	41.2	28.5	0.33	1.03
	<b>Total Mineral Resources</b>	<b>41.2</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>0.33</b>	<b>1.03</b>
<b>Total Measured + Indicated</b>		<b>507.7</b>	<b>35.4</b>	<b>0.07</b>	<b>0.14</b>
<b>Total Inferred</b>		<b>340.0</b>	<b>34.0</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>0.25</b>
<b>Total Mineral Resources</b>		<b>847.7</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>0.18</b>

### 3. Ore Reserves

The Kola Ore Reserves are summarised in Table 5 below.

The Kola Sylvinite Ore Reserves are 152.4 Mt with average grade of 32.5% KCl. Section 4 of the JORC 2012 Table 1 as reported to shareholders on 29 January 2019 has been updated based on the Optimised DFS and is included in this announcement in Attachment C.

The original statement of Ore Reserves was prepared by Met-Chem DRA Global and was reported in accordance with JORC 2012.

In conjunction with the Optimised DFS the Ore Reserves have been reviewed and restated in accordance with JORC 2012 by the CP for the Kola Ore Reserves:

- Mr. Molavi P. Eng. of AMC, for the Reserve Review (“RR”). Mr Molavi is a member of good standing of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia.

There is no change to the Kola Sylvinite Ore Reserves from those previously reported.

**Table 5: Kola Sylvinite Ore Reserves**



Ore Reserve Category	Million Tonnes	Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes	Million Tonnes	Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes
Proved	62	32.1	20	56	34.9	19
Probable	91	32.8	30	82	35.7	29
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>35.4</b>	<b>49</b>

Table provided as Gross and Net Attributable (reflecting Kore’s future holding of 90% and the RoC government 10%), prepared and reported according to the JORC Code, 2012 edition. Table entries are rounded to the appropriate significant figure.

Ore Reserves are not in addition to Mineral Resources but are derived from them by the application of modifying factors.

#### 4. Mining

The Kola mine design utilised in the Optimised DFS remains materially unchanged from the design used in the DFS and is described below:

The Kola orebody is planned to be mined using conventional underground mechanised methods, extracting the ore within ‘panels’, using Continuous Miner (“CM”) machines of the drum-cutting type. This is the most widely used method of potash mining world-wide and is considered a low-risk method. The mine design adopts a relatively typical layout including panels, comprised of rooms and pillars. Pillars are the support rock left in place to provide stable ground support during the operation of the mine.

The mine design is based on a minimum mining height of 2.5 m with mining being undertaken by a CM which is capable of mining seam heights of between 2.5 m and 6 m. Each panel is accessed by 4 entries. Each entry is 8m wide and 3m to 6m high depending on the seam height. The rooms are mined in a chevron pattern at an angle of 65 degrees from the middle entry, each with a length of approximately 150 m.

Key geotechnical parameters evaluated in the mine design were:

- support interval between potash seams to be minimum of 3 m thick,
- 8 m wide pillar between consecutive production rooms (of 8 m each)
- 50 m wide pillar between Production Panels and between the side of the Production Panel and the Main Haulage
- minimum thickness of 10 m to 15 m of the Salt Member between the mine openings and the floor of the overlying Anhydrite Member (referred to as the ‘salt back’)
- stand-off distance of 20 m from any exploration holes
- stand-off distance of between 30 m – 60 m from significant geological anomalies
- pillar of 300 m in radius around Shafts

Mine access is provided by two vertical Shafts, each 8 m in diameter. The shafts will be sunk near the center of the orebody. To provide access to the underground, the Intake Shaft will be equipped with a hoist and cage system for transportation of persons and material. The Exhaust Shaft will be equipped with a Pocket Lift conveyor system to continuously convey the mined-out ore to the surface. Both shafts

are approximately 270 m deep.

Mining equipment selected for the Kola Project Mine includes a fleet of 7 electrically powered continuous miners. Ore haulage from the CMs to the feeder breaker apron feeder will be done using electrically-powered Shuttle Cars, with a rated payload of 30 t and a 250 m power supply cable.

Underground conveyor belts will be used for ore transportation to the shaft. The belt conveyors are distributed in the haulages and into the working panels near the CM working face. The ore will be placed on the belts from feeder breakers that are fed by the Shuttle Cars. Belt conveyors will carry the ore loaded by the feeder breakers to the ore bins. The ore is then conveyed from the ore bins to the vertical conveyor (Pocket Lift) system located in the Exhaust Shaft.

## 5. Life of Project schedule

The LoM production schedule reported in the Optimised DFS is as summarized below.

The project LoM production schedule, including tonnes of ROM, tonnes of MoP product, and the average KCl grade of the Run-Of-Mine ("**ROM**") material, is summarized in Figure 2.

The Life of Ore Reserves for the Kola Project is estimated at 23 years, and full-scale production averaging approximately 2.1 million tonnes per annum of MoP from Ore Reserves occurs for approximately 21 years post commissioning and ramp up. During the exploitation of Ore Reserves, 9.7 Mt of Inferred Mineral Resources are scheduled to be mined and processed. This represents approximately 6.0% of the total amount of ROM material processed in the first 23 years. This portion of the Inferred Mineral Resources is at the periphery of the Mineral Resources envelope and immediately adjacent to the Ore Reserves and logically would be extracted in conjunction with the adjacent Ore Reserves.

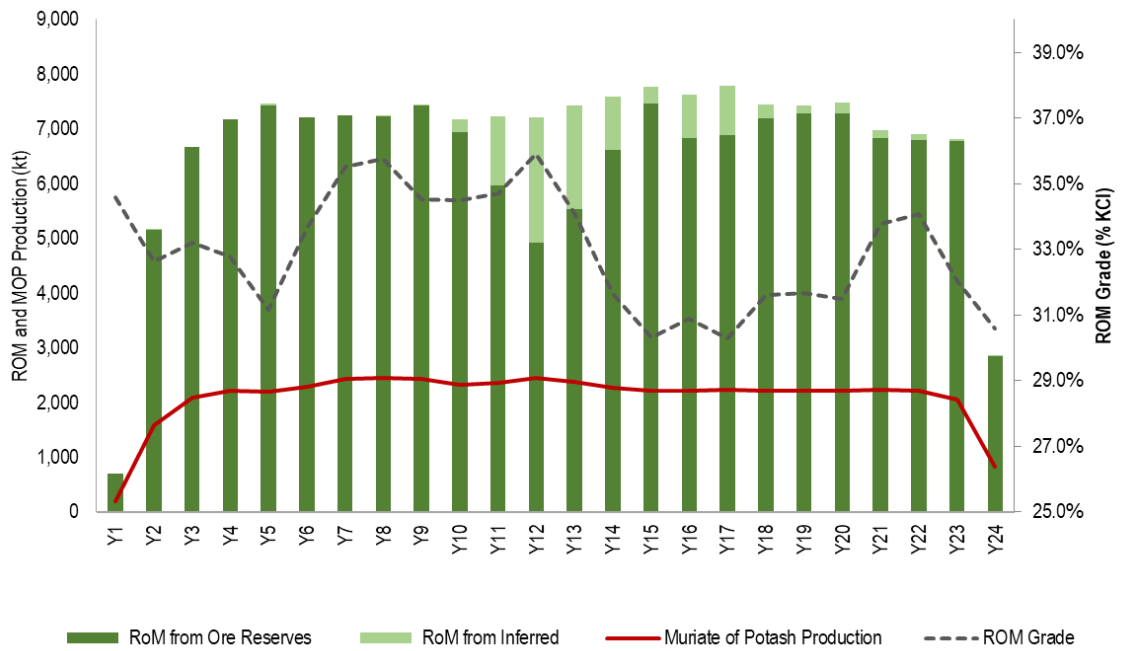
In preparing the production target and economic evaluation, each of the modifying factors was considered and applied and the Company considers there are reasonable grounds for the inclusion of Inferred Mineral Resources in the production target for the Kola Project.

There is a low level of geological confidence associated with Inferred Mineral Resources and there is no certainty that further exploration work will result in the determination of Indicated Mineral Resources or that the production target itself will be realized.

The Ore Reserves (Proved and Probable) and Inferred Mineral Resources underpinning the production target have been prepared by a competent person in accordance with the requirements of JORC 2012. Details of those Ore Reserves and Mineral Resources are set out in this announcement (including, in relation to the Ore Reserves, the details in Appendix B and Appendix C).

No Exploration Target material has been included in the economic evaluation for the Kola Project.

### Figure 2 - Life-of-Mine Production Summary of the Kola Mine



Kore Potash believes there is a strong potential for the LoM Production to be extended beyond 23 years by upgrading a portion of the 340Mt of Inferred Mineral Resources to Measured or Indicated resource, through further exploration during operations.

## 6. Hydrogeology

The DFS hydrogeological investigations have been used in the Optimised DFS and there are no changes to the information or assumptions related to hydrogeology. The hydrogeology test work that was carried out, is summarised below:

1. Identify sources of fresh water supply for construction and operations.

These tests concluded that process plant area water supply is available at required rate of 150 m<sup>3</sup>/hr utilising 5 wells at a depth of 120 m. Similarly, the required water supply at the mine site of 30 m<sup>3</sup>/hr can be supplied via 2 wells sunk to 120 m depth. Hydrogeological modelling indicates that extraction of these quantities of water over the project life will not adversely impact the aquifers and minor drawdown in the aquifers is expected over the life of the project.

2. Understand the risk that aquifer system poses to mining operations and how to mitigate this risk.

The risk of water ingress to the mining areas is a common risk in almost all salt and potash mines. These mines are typically overlain by water-bearing sediments. At operating potash mines in Canada and Europe, the hydrogeological risk is considered higher in areas of disturbance of the stratigraphy, referred to as geological or subsidence anomalies. At Kola, a detailed understanding of the aquifers overlying the evaporite rocks, as well as of the aquitards (or barriers to water flow), has been developed over a number of years. The conclusions drawn following hydrogeological testing were:

- A problematic water ingress is considered a low probability as no linear faults have been identified and all potential subsidence features can be accurately delineated using (proposed 50 m spaced line) 3D seismic surveying, to add to the existing 186 km of seismic survey data over the Deposit.
- No mining or shaft sinking is planned within areas of subsidence. In addition, horizontal 'cover drilling' and ground penetrating radar ("GPR") will be employed as forward-looking actions to improve understanding of ground conditions in advance of mining and further mitigate the risk of intersecting a structure or area of disturbance.
- The mine design incorporates a 10-15 m minimum 'salt-back' barrier between the mining area and the anhydrite aquitard, effectively reinforcing the anhydrite member aquitard layer.

3. Understand the impacts of groundwater composition and the aquifers on the shaft



sinking operation.

The results of this testing confirmed:

- That ground freezing during shaft sinking will not be impacted by hydraulic flow or high salinity in the deep aquifer. In fact, low permeability, and low total dissolve solids (“TDS”) and salinity in both aquifers is to be expected, supporting the planned freeze-hole spacing and comparatively low energy consumption for the ground freezing operation.
- The presence of a thick Anhydrite Member (12 m) overlying the salt member which acts as an aquitard and reduces risk of water inflow into the salt member.

## **7. Metallurgy and Process**

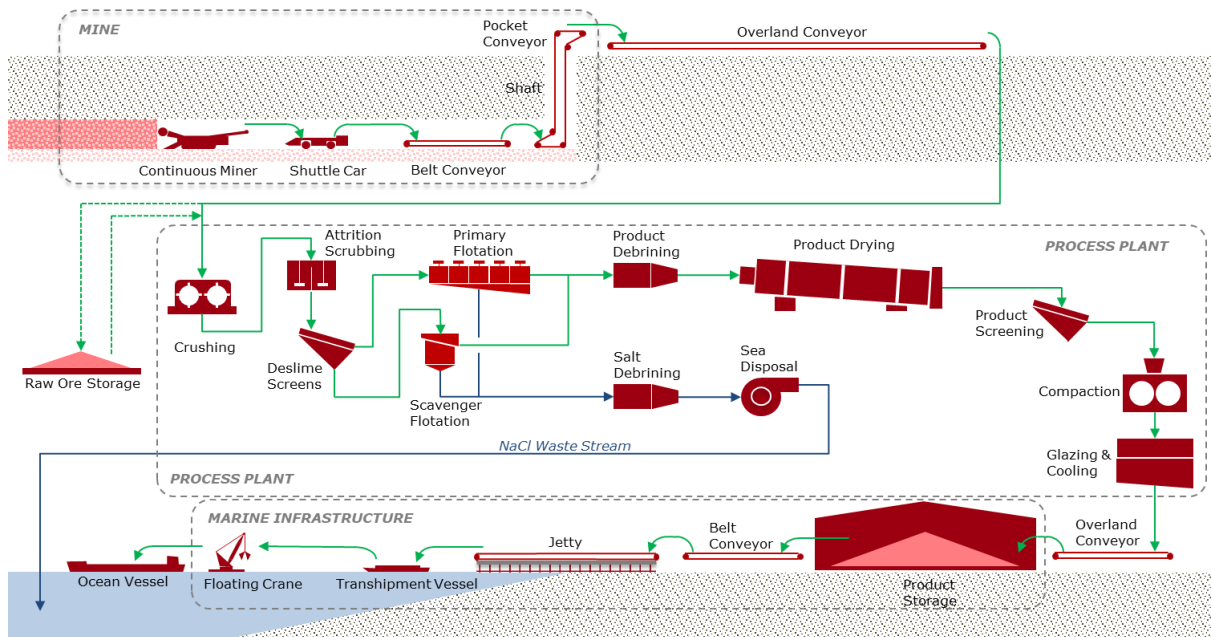
Ore from underground is transported to the process plant via an overland conveyor approximately 24 kilometers long.

A conventional potash flotation plant with a maximum designed production of 2.2 million tonnes per annum of MoP has been designed for the Kola Project. As a result of the low Insolubles content, no separate process circuit is required to remove Insoluble material.

The final MoP product is then transported 11 km by conveyor belt from process plant to the marine export facility at the coast.

A schematic of the full process to extract ore and produce MoP product is shown in Figure 3.

**Figure 3: Process flow from mine to ship**



The design strategy adopted delivers a Process Plant designed to produce 2.2 Mtpa of MoP at a KCl grade of 95.3 %w and that will accommodate the variety of ROM feedstock characteristics expected to be encountered during the Life of the project.

The optimised process design references the DFS metallurgical test work in 2017 and 2018. The description of the test work used in the Optimised DFS is summarised below.

Characterisation tests were performed on pure seam samples (*USS, LSS and HWS*) expected to be mined as part of the mine schedule. Composite samples of multiple seams, prepared to be as representative as possible of the expected range of Run of Mine Ore characteristics foreseen in the mine schedule, were prepared from the seam samples.

The insoluble content of the samples was less than 0.5%w and close to 0.1%w in the composite from the USS and LSS. The characterisation of both the composite samples and the pure seam samples established that the KCl content in the composite was 32.2%w.

A process plant KCl recovery rate of 89.9% has been used in the economic evaluation.

## 8. Marine Facilities

The marine facility used in the Optimised DFS was based on the DFS design. A summary of the design is given below.

A trans-shipment arrangement has been designed whereby MoP for export is loaded from a dedicated Jetty into self-propelled shuttle Barges (two units), which then travel to the Ocean-Going Vessels (“**OGVs**”) anchored 11 nautical

miles (20 km) offshore at a dedicated transshipment zone. The MoP is transferred from the Barges to the OGVs using a Floating Crane Transhipper Unit (“**FCU**”).

Transshipping was selected over direct ship loading from the export jetty. The ocean depth along the coastline is shallow and it was not considered feasible to construct the length of jetty required to facilitate direct ship loading.

To ensure sufficient year-round operational availability of the Jetty, a breakwater structure has been designed to shelter the berthing area for Barge loading operations.

The Jetty has been widened to accommodate both a Seawater Intake (“**SWI**”) and a Seawater Outfall (“**SWO**”) system.

## **9. Residue and Brine Disposal**

The Kola Project’s process residue is combined into a single waste stream composed of the NaCl (the brine from product and salt de-brining – bulk of the effluent) and the residue stream which originates from the insoluble de-brining circuit within the Process Plant. The residue is collected in onshore dissolution/dilution tanks and then discharged at sea via the SWO pipe and diffuser. The discharge stream’s dispersion characteristics comply with the applicable environmental criteria.

Ecotoxicological test work of the expected discharge confirms that the discharge at sea of the combined salt and insoluble tails stream does not place undue stress on the marine environment.

No onshore tails storage facility is therefore required for the Kola Project.

## **10. General Infrastructure**

There have been no material changes to the mining, processing, export and marine facility locations since the Optimisation Study in 2022.

### **a. Mine Site – Infrastructure**

The Mine Site is located near the village of Koutou and the current KP2 Exploration Camp. It is 24 km north and inland of the Project Process Plant Site.

The sites can be accessed from Pointe Noire through the existing National Road (*Route Nationale*) RN5 which crosses Madingo Kayes and then by driving into RN6 as from Kilounga village.

The Mine Site surface facilities and infrastructure provides access and support facilities for the Underground Mining operations.

No permanent living accommodation is planned at the Mine Site for the Operational phase of the Project.

**b. Process Plant Site - Infrastructure**

The Process Plant Site is located 11 km inland from the marine facilities, next to the village of Tchizalamou, approximately 60 km northwest of Pointe Noire. ROM ore is transferred from the Mine Site via the Overland Long Conveyor (“**OLC**”).

The Process Plant Site facilities and infrastructure produces granular MoP, which is transferred to the Marine Facilities for export. The main administration, control and support functions (Maintenance, Storage, Logistics, Training, etc.) are also located within the Process Plant Site.

**c. Mining Complex & Off-Site - Infrastructure**

The operation of the Kola Project’s Mine and Process Plant sites are supported by ancillary sites (Accommodation Camp and Solid Waste Management Centre) and interconnecting infrastructures (Roads, Power, Water and Gas supply, and Communications).

The permanent accommodation camp will be located approximately 3 km from the Process Plant and will accommodate up to 950 people.

**d. Power**

Operational electrical power is guaranteed from the RoC national grid. This would require a 57 km long 220 kV transmission line to be built from the Mongo Kamba II substation, situated north of Pointe Noire, to the Process Plant. The power demand is estimated to be 25 MVA at the Mine Site and 50 MVA at the Process Plant.

To reduce the Kola Project's environmental footprint, the Company initiated discussions with a new local oil and gas producer in RoC. This potential new supplier’s project includes both gas and electricity. As a result of preliminary negotiations, the Company received competitive rates, which were used in the revised economics.

**e. Natural Gas**

Initially, the natural gas needed for product drying was to be supplied by a 73-kilometer pipeline from the M’Boundi gas treatment plant. However, a recent marketing decision by this potential supplier has reduced availability in the country, as the supplier now plans to export at higher prices.

In the above context, the new local oil and gas producer (cited in the Power paragraph above) stepped in to propose gas from the oilfield they are developing. This potential supplier plans to start production before Kola does.

**f. Water**

Raw water will be supplied from wells located at the Mine Site (2 wells), the process plant site (5 wells) and at the Accommodation Camp (4 wells).

**11. Environmental and Social Impact Assessment**

The ESIA was prepared managed by SRK Consulting (UK) Limited's environmental and social (E&S) team. SRK partnered with "Cabinet Management & Etudes Environnementales S.A.R.L." ("CM2E"), which acted as the Congolese-registered consultancy.

The Kola ESIA, initially approved on 10 October 2013, was amended to reflect the design changes made to the Kola Project as part of the DFS and has been amended to include the service corridors for a gas pipeline and overhead power line. The application and terms of reference for amending the ESIA were approved on 12 April 2018 by the Minister of Tourism and Environment.

The ESIA for the Kola Mining License was approved on 31 March 2020 granting a 25-year approval.

The change of location of the process plant, accommodation camp and some other minor OLC track changes which occurred prior to the 2022 Optimization Study require an ESIA update which shall be effected in the first half of the 2025 calendar year.

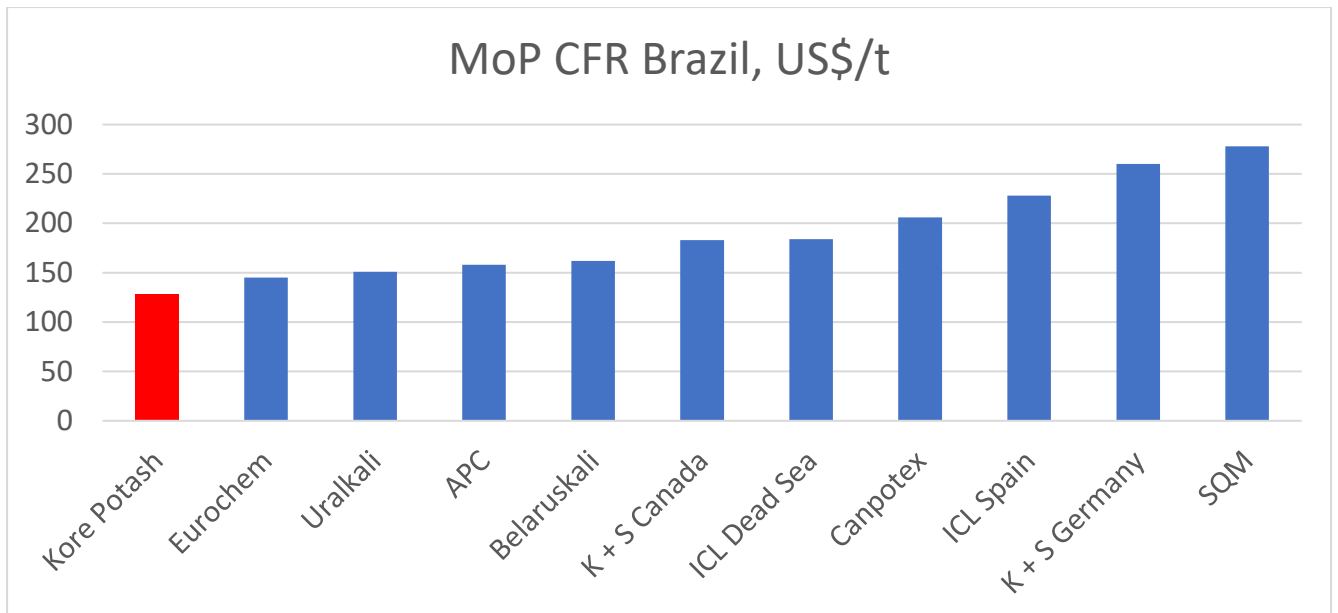
There have also been conflicting reports as to whether part of the transshipment route between the proposed jetty and the offshore transshipment location being converted into a marine reserve. If confirmed during the ESIA update, this might require a small diversion of the route to be taken by barges transporting the finished product to ocean-going vessels.

The Company shall carry out their construction operations in compliance with the environmental and social management plan as part of the approved ESIA and will be subject to Regulator's environmental management compliance audits.

## **12. Potash Marketing**

Kore's potash marketing strategy recognises the supply opportunities arising from MoP market growth in Brazil, the project's proximity to Brazil and African markets and the cost competitiveness of the Kola Project. The DFS, Optimisation Study and Optimised DFS demonstrate that the Kola project can deliver MoP into Brazilian and ports on the west coast of Africa at lower cost than all other international suppliers. Figure 4 shows a comparison of delivered MoP costs to Brazil.

**Figure 4 – Brazil delivered MoP cost comparison**



Source: August 2024 Argus Media Marketing Report. Kore Potash CFR Cost Brazil calculated per Table 8.

In August 2024, the Company commissioned a MoP market study and specification marketing report (“**Argus Media Marketing Report**”) from one of the leading global consultancy firms, Argus Media Group. According to this report, Kore Potash is ideally located for exports to Brazil from an inland and seaborne freight perspective. The Argus Media Marketing Report indicates that the Company has the shortest distance to the Paranagua port in Brazil and that, in 2023, 59% of Brazil MoP imports entered via three key ports: Santos, Paranagua and Rio Grande. The total estimated approximate 4,600km transportation distance from the Kola mine is the shortest distance among all key exporting mines globally to Paranagua, Brazil. While Canpotex is the largest exporter to Brazil in the year 2023 and K+S fifth largest importer in 2023 via Vancouver, Canada, to Paranagua, port total transportation distance is approximately 12,000km, which is almost triple the distance from the Kola Project mine.

The design of the processing plant allows Kore to produce red MoP granular for the Brazil market.

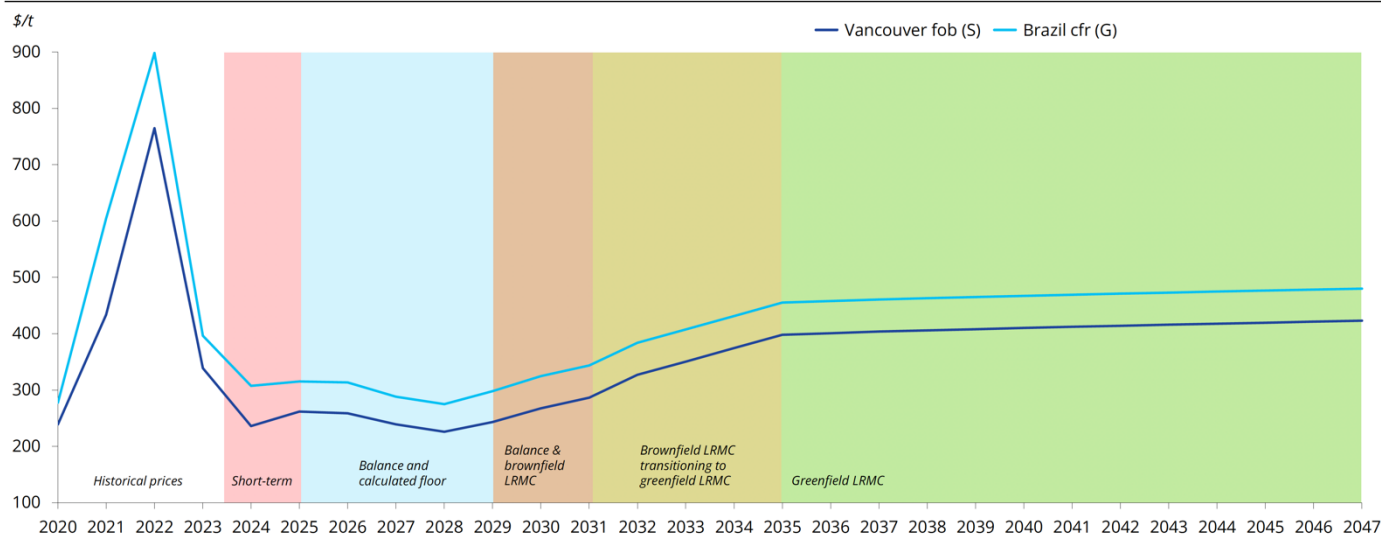
Potash market research specialist Argus Media provided the Company with historical and forecast pricing trends for the MoP CFR Brazil benchmarks over the period up to 2047 (see Figure 5 below). The Argus Media Marketing Report’s estimates are provided in MoP CFR Brazil Real US\$/t 2023 values for calendar years 2024 to 2047. The Company considers that it is reasonable to apply Argus Media’s estimates over that period given Argus Media is independent and reputable international market research group which has deep knowledge of the current potash market and its trends. After 2047, prices are indexed by the Company using a US\$2/t incremental annual increase to the 2047 price as in the Argus Media Marketing Report. As a result, the estimated forecast average granular MoP price is US\$449/t (see Appendix A, section 12) for the life of the mine operations (with the US\$449/t being the simple average

of the forecast price in each year of production over the 23 years of scheduled production, where the forecast price in each year to 2047 is that in the Argus Media Marketing Report and for each year after 2047, is the forecast 2047 price with a US\$2/t incremental annual increase applied in each year, as discussed above).

It should be noted that current red granular MoP CFR Brazil prices are around c.US\$300/t, which is less than the average of the granular MoP prices used in the Optimised DFS (being US\$449/t). There is no guarantee that the forecast annual granular MoP prices used in the Optimised DFS will be realised and lower realised prices will adversely affect the financial performance of the Kola Project as demonstrated in the sensitivity analysis in section 14(b) below. The price at which Kola Project NPV<sub>10%</sub> is greater than zero is flat c.US\$271/t MoP CFR for the life of the mine operations. Please also refer to the Cautionary Statement on page 3 of this announcement.

**Figure 5 – Historical and forecast MoP CFR Brazil Real US\$/t 2023. Extract from Argus Media Marketing Report**

**Long-term MOP price forecast, 2020-47 (real, 2023\$)**



As stated in the Argus Media Marketing Report MoP prices are currently reaching their lowest levels over the past 5 years. Short-term pricing in the next 12 months is based on the current market developments, such as weather events, planned or unplanned plant outages and market participant sentiment. Argus Media sees limited upside in medium-term (5 - 7 years) as the market reaches floor around the year 2028 with the ramp-up of BHP’s Jansen project in Canada. The potash market is facing transition to supply surplus with recovering Russian and Belarusian and new capacity in Canada and Laos. Argus Media believes that the long-term price of MoP is dictated by the industry’s Long-Run Marginal Cost (“LRMC”) for adding new potash supply.

Total LRMC is the sum of:

- Mine capital costs, adjusted for location and the weighted average cost of capital, amortised over the mine’s life span;
- Mine operating costs, including fuel, labour, materials, sustaining capital and royalties; and
- Value-in-use considerations, crediting or debiting total cost to consider access to target markets.

The LRMC base year is then inflated by Argus Media over the forecast period to provide their long-term price forecast. Each LRMC element is inflated using the appropriate inflator from Argus Media’s forecasts of fuel, energy and macro inflators. The LRMC is a long-term trend forecast, meaning Argus Media expects short-term oscillations around the calculated LRMC, driven by factors such as weather and supply disruptions that cannot be predicted this far in advance. Russian MoP development is no longer included in the LRMC set. As the war in Ukraine continues, Argus Media assumes the impact on Russia as a destination for investment will be more prolonged and this is reflected in a higher-risk premium. Argus Media’s view is that incremental tonnage from Canada and Israel are expected to dictate long-run LRMC.

### 13. Capital and Operating Costs

#### a. Capital Cost

The pre-production capital cost for the Kola Project is now estimated at US\$2.07 billion (nominal basis), which includes a fixed price EPC contract of US\$1.929 billion and US\$141 million owner’s costs. The breakdown of the EPC capital cost is presented in Table 7 below.

The EPC fixed price is of significant benefit to the Company, as it minimises the risk of cost overruns. Of the total Contract Price, approximately US\$708.9 million is allocated for building transportation links and utility pipelines, which will make the Kola Project self-reliant without depending on state infrastructure except for the RoC national grid. The Company considers this to be a significant advantage compared to other potash projects worldwide. To accelerate progress during the financing process, Kore Potash and PowerChina have committed to an Early Works Agreement (“EWA”), which forms part of the EPC and is targeted to be completed by the end of June 2025.

The owner’s costs during the 43-month construction period are projected to be approximately US\$141 million. The EPC also includes provisions for penalties in the event of delayed completion and non-compliance to performance metrics.

**Table 7 – Breakdown of Contract Price**

Description	Amount (US\$ million)
Underground Works (shafts and mine face preparation)	319.7
Processing plant and auxiliary facilities	609.6



Surface over land belt conveyor transportation (OLC)*	229.3
Marine Works*	223.1
Roads*	111.3
Utilities (electricity overhead line & gas pipeline) *	145.2
Administration facilities	58.9
General items	231.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,929.0</b>

\* Total US\$708.9 million for transportation and related utilities.

Sustaining Capital Costs of US\$924 million have been included in the financial analysis, which is equivalent to US\$13.06/t MoP and disclosed in Table 8 below.

Sustaining capital costs cover expenditures required to ensure the operation can sustain the production at nameplate capacity. These costs include overhaul parts and labour, replacement of equipment, maintenance of infrastructures (road, jetty etc.), shut down costs, additional continuous miner and additional underground conveyor costs, and the inspection and maintenance of the trans-shipment vessels

#### b. Operating Cost

The Operating Costs are expressed in US dollars on a real basis and are based on average annual production of 2.2 Mtpa of MoP over the life of mine. All costs have been prepared on an owner operated basis and are shown in Table 8.

**Table 8 – Summary of Operating Costs**

Cost Category	Real costs (US\$/t MOP)
<b>Opex</b>	
Mining Cost	25.17
Process Cost	29.08
Other Cost	20.69
<b>Mine Gate Operating Costs</b>	<b>74.94</b>
Sustaining Capex	13.06
Product Realisation Charges and Allowances	4.08
Royalties	11.74
<b>Ex Works Cost</b>	<b>103.81</b>
Logistics to FOB point	5.81
Ocean Shipping	18.58
<b>CFR Cost (Landed in Brazil)</b>	<b>128.19</b>

## 14. Economic Evaluation

### a. Summary Economics

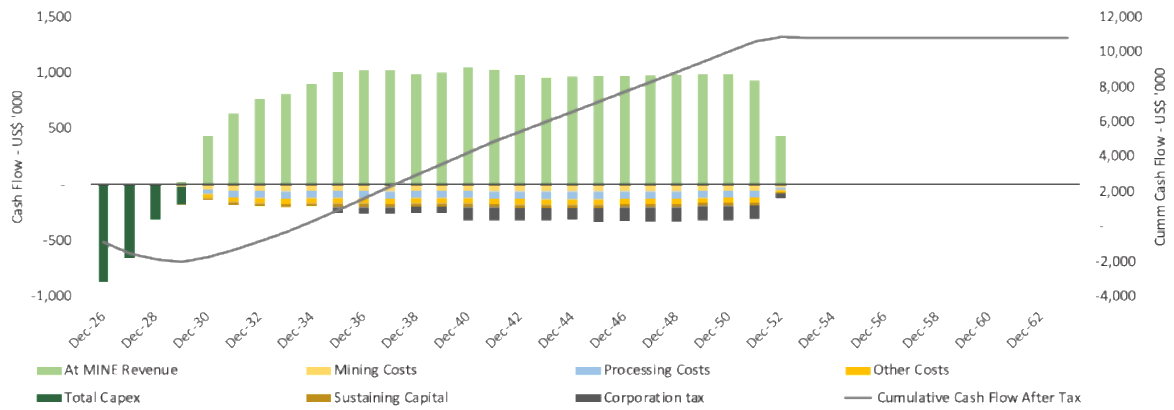
The economic evaluation delivers a post-tax NPV<sub>10%</sub> (real 2024) of US\$1.7 billion and a real ungeared IRR of 18% on a 90% attributable basis. The evaluation is based on a forecast average MoP granular price of US\$449/t MoP CFR Brazil (real 2024) as outlined in section 12 above.

The key assumptions underpinning the economic evaluation are as follows:

- Construction start date: 1 January 2026.
- 23-year project life from first production based on depletion of Ore Reserves.
- 2.2 Mtpa average production of MoP.
- Granulated MoP represents 100 % of total MOP production and sales.
- All cashflows are on a real 2024 basis
- NPVs are ungeared and calculated after-tax applying a real discount rate of 10%.
- NPVs are calculated at a base date of 1 January 2026 prior to the potential dates for commencement of project construction
- Fiscal regime assumptions are aligned with the recently finalised Mining Convention:
  - Corporate tax of 15% of taxable profit with concessions for the first 10 years of production (0% for the first 5 years and 7.5% for years 6 – 10).
  - Mining royalty of 3% of the Ex-Mine Market Value (defined as the value of the Product (determined by the export market price obtained for the Product when sold) less the cost of all Mining and Processing Operations, all costs of Transport (including any demurrage), and all insurance costs).
  - Exemption from withholding taxes during the term of the Mining Convention.
  - Exemption from VAT and import duty during construction; and
  - Congo Government receives 10% of the shares in KPM which owns the Kola Project.

The forecast project cash flow on a 90% attributable basis for 23 years of production is illustrated in Figure 6.

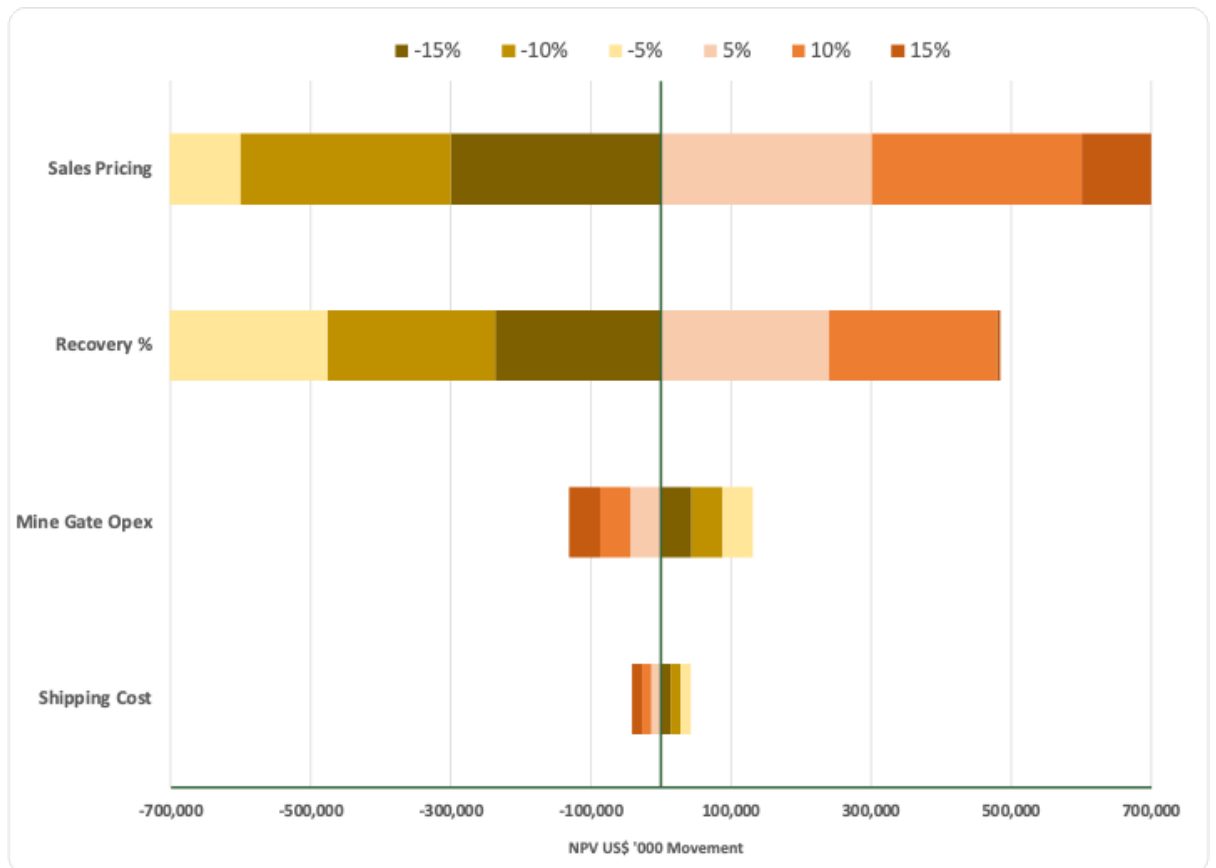
**Figure 6 – Project Cash Flow Forecast (real 2024) on a 90% Attributable Basis**



**b. Sensitivity Analysis**

Kola Project returns have been calculated on a real 10% post-tax unleveraged basis with the key financial results and assumptions provided in Table 1. Figure 7 below shows the sensitivity to the four variables that have the most impact on the real post-tax NPV<sub>10%</sub> and 90% attributable basis (reflecting Kore’s future holding of 90% and the RoC government 10%) of the project, in descending order of most sensitive to least sensitive. No capital cost sensitivities were included as the EPC is a fixed price contract. The financial outcomes of the project are most sensitive to changes in revenue and, therefore, future MoP prices as well as KCl recovery in the process plant.

**Figure 7 – NPV real 10% post-tax US\$’000 movement sensitivities\*.**



\* KCl recovery sensitivities are in incremental steps of 5%, 10% and 15% increases or decreases relative to the base of 89.9%; increases are: +5% = 94.9%, +10% = 99.9%, +15% = 100% maximum. All other sensitivities are % changes on the base number.

## 15. Project Funding

As announced on 6 April 2021, a non-binding memorandum of understanding was signed with Summit to arrange the full financing required for the construction of the Kola Project ("**Summit MOU**").

In line with this memorandum of understanding, following signing the EPC, Summit is expected to deliver a non-binding financing term sheet within three months. This term sheet will be subject to the completion of detailed and definitive legal documentation.

The Company confirms its confidence in the Summit Consortium as a financier for the construction of the Kola Project. This confidence is based on the Company having worked with the Summit Consortium for the past 10 years and their track record in assisting with financing for Kore Potash including sourcing the approximately US\$40 million equity investment provided by the Oman Investment Authority ("**OIA**") and Sociedad Quimica y Minera de Chile S.A. ("**SQM**") in 2016. OIA and SQM are among top three largest shareholders of the Company who together hold 27.58% in the issued share capital of the Company.

The material terms of the Summit MOU were set out in the 6 April 2021 announcement and are reaffirmed as follows:

- The Summit MOU outlines a roadmap to optimise the capital design to fully finance and construct Kola via a mix of debt and royalty financing.

- Under the proposed financing arrangements, the RoC Government will retain their 10% shareholding in Kola.
- Under the Summit's proposed financing structure, the Company will not contribute to the capital needed to build the Kola Project and will retain a 90% equity interest in Kola.

The Company retains the right not to accept any finance proposal presented by Summit and there is no guarantee that any proposal or legally binding agreement will be forthcoming. The Company provides no assurance to shareholders that the Summit Consortium will provide the financing required on terms which are acceptable to the Company. If the Summit Consortium does not provide an acceptable financing package leading to binding legal documents, the Company will need to explore other debt, equity and structured finance alternatives having regard to then prevailing capital market conditions.

The Company expects any financing provided by the Summit Consortium to be subject to the Summit Consortium being granted full security over the Kola Project, however (as noted above) the full terms of any financing proposal from the Summit Consortium (including any security package) will be subject to further discussions.

As previously announced on 30 January 2025 the Summit Consortium was expected to deliver this financial proposal by the end of February 2025. Due to delay in publication of the Kola Project Optimised DFS update the new expected delivery date of the financial proposal is now before the end of March 2025.

The Company confirms the Summit Consortium is not a related party of the Company.

Further details about the financing arrangements will be notified to the market in accordance with the Company's continuous disclosure obligations

## **Appendix B: Summary of Information required under ASX Listing Rule 5.9.1 (Ore Reserves), Listing Rule 5.16.1 (production target) and Listing Rule 5.17.1 (forecast financial information derived from a production target).**

Pursuant to ASX Listing Rules 5.9.1, 5.16.1 and 5.17.1, and in addition to the information contained in the body of this release, the Company provides the following summary information.

### **Kola Project Ore Reserves and related production target and forecast financial information derived from the production target**

#### **Summary of Material Assumptions**

Material assumptions relating to the Kola Project are summarised below:

- Production life - LoM of 23 years at an average annual production of 2.2 Mtpa MoP production. The production life fully depletes Ore Reserves and incorporates a portion of Inferred Mineral Resource into the production target.
- Product pricing - Potash market research specialist Argus Media provided the Company with historical and forecast pricing trends for the MoP CFR Brazil benchmarks over the period up to 2047 (see Figure 5 above). Kola's proposed mine life covers the period from 2029 through to 2052 (23 years). The Argus Media Marketing Report's estimates are provided in MoP CFR Brazil Real US\$/t 2023 values for calendar years 2024 to 2047. After 2047, prices are indexed by the Company using a US\$2/t incremental annual increase to the 2047 price as in the Argus Media Marketing Report. As a result, the estimated forecast average red granular MoP price is US\$449/t for the life of the mine operations. For more details on product pricing refer to Section 12.
- MoP Product – The process design is based on a single product type, Red Granular MOP. (The MoP produced will comprise at least 95.3% KCl, with a maximum of 0.2% Mg and 0.3% Insolubles).
- Project duration – A project execution duration of 43 months was specified in the EPC contract.
- Project Capital – The total nominal Project Capital of US\$2.07 billion includes both EPC costs and owner's cost.
- Working capital assumptions – Working capital based on 30 days Debtors and Creditors, 60 days Stores.
- Operating cost - mine gate operating cost of US\$74.94/t and CFR cost of US\$128.19/t were reported in the Kola Project Optimised DFS update.
- Shipping costs - LoM Shipping costs (trans-shipment and sea freight) of US\$24.38 /MoP t were based on updated ocean freight quotations received in 2024.
- Fiscal parameters – The mining convention between the Company and the Republic of Congo specifies the fiscal parameters summarised below:
  - Company tax rate (15%),
  - Initial tax rates (5 years at 0% + 5 years at 7.5%)
  - Royalties (3% of revenue) (Mining Convention)
  - Government free carry (10%) (Mining Convention)
  - Other minor duties and taxes (Mining Convention)

## Criteria for Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve Classification

The criteria for Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve Classification remain unchanged from the DFS.

The Ore Reserve estimate is based on the Kola Sylvinite Indicated and Measured Mineral Resources reported by Met-Chem DRA in accordance with the JORC Code (2012 edition) and confirmed by the Company on 27 Feb 2025.

Drill-hole and seismic data were relied upon in the geological modelling and grade estimation. Across the deposit the reliability of the geological and grade data is high. Grade variation is small within each domain reflecting the continuity of the depositional environment and ‘all or nothing’ style of Sylvinite formation.

Drill hole data spacing determines confidence in the interpretation of the seam continuity and therefore confidence and classification; the further away from seismic and drill-hole data the lower the confidence in the Mineral Resource classification. In the assigning confidence category, all relevant factors were considered, and the final assignment reflects the Competent Person’s view of the deposit.

**Table B1: Summary of Criteria used for the Classification of the Kola Mineral Resource**

	Drill-hole required	Seismic data required	Classification extent
Measured	Average of 1 km spacing	Within area of close spaced 2010/2011 seismic data (100 – 200 m spacing)	Not beyond the seismic requirement
Indicated	1-1.5 km spacing	1 to 2.5 km spaced 2010/2011 seismic data <b>and</b> 1 to 2 km spaced oil industry seismic data	Maximum of 1.5 km beyond the seismic data requirement if sufficient drill-hole support
Inferred	Few holes, none more than 2 km from another	1-3 km spaced oil industry seismic data	Seismic data required and maximum of 3.5 km from drill-holes

The Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources for sylvinite are hosted by 3 layers (or ‘seams’) which are from uppermost; the Hanging Wall Seam (HWS), the Upper Seam (US) and the Lower Seam (LS), each separated by rock-salt (a rock-type typically comprised of >95% halite).

Magnesium and insoluble content are considered deleterious but are present in only very small amounts in the ore (average of 0.07% and 0.14% respectively).

The Mineral Resource Estimate was delivered to the Ore Reserve consultants in the form of a standard block model, blocks having dimensions 250 x 250 x 1 m, each block having a KCl grade, a density, and magnesium and insoluble content.

The Mineral Resources are inclusive of the Ore Reserves i.e. the Ore Reserves are the mineable part of the Mineral Resources after the application of technical, economic and other modifying factors.

Areas of potential structural disturbance, referred to as geological anomalies were excluded from the Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource. They were identified from seismic data as is standard in potash mining districts elsewhere.

A 10% CoG was used in the Mineral Resource Estimate.

### **Mining Method and assumptions**

The mining method and assumptions remain unchanged from the DFS.

Mining factors and assumptions have been derived from the historical information available for mature potash mines, and the current best mining practices. The Kola orebody will be mined using conventional underground (“**UG**”) mining method consisting of room and pillar in a ‘chevron’ (or herringbone) pattern, with Continuous Miners (“**CM**”) mining machines of the drum-cutting type.

Most of the mining will be on one level only where only the US will be extracted. In some areas, both the US and the LS will be mined, in which case the LS will only be mined after the US. In other areas only the HWS will be mined.

In determining the Ore Reserves, a minimum mining height of 2.5 m was selected based on capability of the selected CM which is also capable of mining up to 6 m. Areas of the Mineral Resource with a seam height of less than 2.5 m were excluded from the Ore Reserves.

The mine design is typical of potash mines, having 4 entries for accessing panels. Each drive will typically be 8 m wide and 3 m to 6 m high depending on the seam height. The typical configuration for the chevron pattern is an angle of 65 degrees from the middle entry, and length of 150 m approximately.

The Mine design relies on geotechnical modelling, carried out in FLAC 3D software. The modelling was based on geotechnical test-work carried out on representative core samples from the sylvinite seams and host rocks (rock-salt and lesser carnallite). The geotechnical modelling established that the mine design is stable over the LoM and includes the following geotechnical parameters:

- Where both the US and LS seams are to be mined, the support interval between the US and LS must be at least 3 m thick.
- An 8 m wide pillar between two consecutive production rooms (of 8 m each).
- A 50 m wide pillar between two production panels. Similarly, a 50 m wide pillar will be left in place between the side of the production panel and the main haulage access drift.
- The interval of rock-salt between the mine openings and the floor of the overlying anhydrite member is referred to as the ‘salt back’. This is typically over 30 m but is less in some areas. The



DFS design allows that it may be a minimum of 15 m unless the Anhydrite Member is well developed where it may be 10 m. This is based on the results of the geotechnical model.

- A stand-off distance of 20 m radius from the exploration holes.
- A stand-off distance of 30 m radius from class 2 geological anomalies and 60 m radius from class 3 geological anomalies.
- A pillar of 300 m in radius around the exhaust and intake shafts.

Based on the selected CMs, it is anticipated that a good cutting selectivity would be achieved, and that a maximum of 0.2 m of dilution material above and/or below the potash seam is likely. Carnallite is present in the floor of the seam in some areas. The roof is always of rock-salt.

On average, the dilution material is equivalent to approximately 10% of the tonnage of the Ore Reserves. Dilution material was assigned a grade of 3% KCl if rock-salt and 0% KCl if Carnallite.

Based on the configuration of the proposed mining layout, and the anticipated fleet of mining equipment, it is assumed that the mining recovery in the different extraction chambers will be 90% on average (i.e. mining losses will be 10%). This considers the mining action which will lead to some losses such as material being excavated and left in the production chamber, or mineralized material left in the floor or roof, etc.

The Global extraction ratio is 30% (25% in the LS, 33% in the US and 28% in the HWS). This is after the removal from Ore Reserves of all pillars (pillars around the geological anomalies, the barrier pillars, the shaft pillar, the pillars between chevrons and main access drifts), the stand-off distance around boreholes, mining losses and the exclusion of sylvinite <2.5 m thick.

Two vertical shafts, each of 8 m internal diameter, will be sunk at a central location in the Ore Reserves, to provide access to the underground. The intake shaft will be equipped with a hoist and cage system for transportation of persons and material, while the exhaust shaft will be equipped with a vertical conveyor system to convey the mined-out ore to the surface. Both shafts are approximately 270 m deep.

Ore haulage from the CMs to the feeder breaker apron feeder will be done using electrically-powered Shuttle Cars.

Underground conveyor belts will be used for ore transportation in all the areas of the mine. The belts are distributed in the mains and submains and ultimately in the working panels near the CM working face. The ore will be placed on the belts from the feeder breakers that were fed by the shuttle cars.

The belt conveyors will carry the ore loaded by the feeder breakers to the ore bins. Then the ore is conveyed from the ore bins to the Pocket Lift system located in the exhaust shaft.

### **Processing Method and Assumptions**

The changes to the processing method and assumptions arising from the Optimisation Study are as follows.

- The product will be granular MoP K60, comprising at least 95.3% KCl. The Optimisation Study design allows for the production of a single product, red granular MOP.
- The process flow sheets were optimised to produce a maximum of 2.2 Mtpa of MoP, at 95.3% KCl purity, with a minimum KCl recovery of 89.9% of the KCl content in the ROM fed to the Process Plant.
- Eight key areas of process design were changed in the Optimisation Study
  - The crushing circuit was changed from 3 stage crushing to 2 stage crushing
  - The mixing tanks post crushing were replaced with a combination of screens and tanks
  - The scrubbing capacity has been reduced
  - The thickening capacity has been increased
  - Column cells have been replaced with floatation cells
  - Re-grind flows have been re-routed
  - Tailings centrifuges has been replaced with a belt filters
  - Compaction circuit has been simplified

A conventional flotation process will be utilised for potash concentration. This method is well established and is the most widely used method in the potash industry.

The metallurgical test work campaigns were based on representative core samples of the three seams, collected from the exploration drill hole cores. They comprised US (114.5 kg), LS (102.0 kg) and HWS (10.3 kg). All test work was carried out at the Saskatchewan Research Council (“SRC”) laboratory in Saskatoon, Canada.

Two metallurgical test work campaigns were conducted during the DFS in 2017 and 2018. The main philosophy of the first DFS test work campaign was to prepare representative test feedstocks for each seam, confirm KCl liberation, characterize the feedstock, perform flotation tests, optimize the operating conditions, optimize reagent consumption for optimum KCl recovery and grade performance, perform a sensitivity test on flotation.

The objective of the second test work campaign was to optimize the flotation process and improve the plant recovery from the initial flow sheet. The results of this second test work campaign demonstrated that the new flotation process performed above the project performance minimum target.

Magnesium and insoluble material are considered deleterious. The extremely low content of these materials in the ore mean that their removal is relatively straightforward. Insoluble material is removed by attrition scrubbing and magnesium removed by brine purge.

### **Cut-off Grades**

The cut off grades remain consistent with the original DFS Ore Reserves.

A CoG of 10% KCl has been calculated within the process to state Ore Reserves. The CoG calculation included all operating costs associated with the extraction, processing and marketing of ore material. The cut-offs are based on a MoP price of US\$250 per tonne of MoP. Inputs to the calculation of CoG included:

- Mining costs
- Metallurgical recoveries
- Processing costs
- Shipping costs
- General and administrative costs

All sylvinite of the Measured and Indicated Resource is above 9.9% KCl (the Ore Reserve calculated CoG), therefore all the Measured and Indicated Sylvinite Resources have been considered for the Ore Reserve Estimate by application of the other modifying factors.

The uniformly very low content of deleterious elements (magnesium and insoluble material) meant that these did not require consideration in the CoG determination.

### **Cost Estimation Methodology**

#### **Capital Cost:**

- The pre-production nominal capital cost for the Kola Project is now estimated at US\$2.07 billion, which includes a fixed price EPC contract of US\$1.929 billion and US\$141 million owner's costs.

#### **Operating Cost:**

- Operating Cost covering the Life of Mine (23 years) was estimated in US dollars and reported in the Kola DFS in 2019. They include costs for Electric power, Fuel, Gas, Labour, Maintenance parts, Operating Consumables, General and Administration costs and Contract for Employee Facilities.
- These 2019 Operating Costs were all revised to reflect current conditions, as follows:
  - Exchange rates (vs US\$) for Euro, British Pound, Canadian Dollar, South African Rand, and Congolese Franc (Central African Franc) were updated;
  - Production split was updated to 100% red granular MOP;
  - Plant KCl recovery was reduced from 91.9% to 89.9%;
  - Plant operating hours were updated according to PC's assumption of 7,920 h/y;
  - Electricity costs were updated according to current budgetary pricing;
  - Natural gas costs were updated according to current budgetary pricing;
  - Labour costs were escalated a flat 10%, in consultation with third-party labour experts;
  - All other operating costs were escalated a flat 25% to simulate US CPI.
- Transshipment costs were supplied by an experienced marine broker.
- Ocean Freight Transportation estimate produced were based on work done by the marine brokers.

- Mine Closure cost is estimated in accordance with the Conceptual Rehabilitation and Closure Plan developed by SRK Consulting during the DFS, assuming a Mine Closure duration of 24 months (2 years).
- For the purpose of Operating Cost and Sustaining Capital, the quantities of equipment, materials and works were directly assessed from the Material Take-off prepared within the framework of the Kola DFS.
- State mineral royalties of 3% of Net Revenue were applied
- Measured Mineral Resources were used for the estimation of the Proved Ore Reserves. Indicated Mineral Resources were used for the estimation of Probable Ore Reserves.
- The conversion of Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource to Proved and Probable Ore Reserve reflects the Competent Person's view of the deposit.
- 40.6% of the Ore Reserves are classified in the Proved category and 59.4% of the Ore Reserves are classified in the Probable category

### **Material Modifying Factors**

- **Status of Environmental Approvals**

The Kola ESIA, initially approved on 10 October 2013, was amended to reflect the design changes made to the Kola Project as part of the DFS and has been amended to include the service corridors for a gas pipeline and overhead power line. The application and terms of reference for amending the ESIA were approved on 12 April 2018 by the Minister of Tourism and Environment.

The ESIA for the Kola Mining License was approved on 31 March 2020 for 25 years.

The proposed new position of the process plant resulting from the Optimisation Study creates a requirement to issue an addendum to the ESIA. It is intended that work on this addendum will commence in the second half of 2025.

- **Status of Mining Tenements and Approvals**

Kore has a 97%-holding in SPSA, a company registered in the RoC. The remaining 3% in SPSA is held by "Les Etablissements Congolais MGM" (RoC). SPSA in turn has a 100% interest in its two ROC subsidiaries, Kola Potash Mining SA ("KPM") and Dougou Potash Mining SA ("DPM"). The Mining Convention includes a requirement for 10% of free-carry shares in KPM and DPM to be assigned to the Government of the Congo. The Company is currently awaiting Government instructions as to the share transfer process.

The Kola Deposit is within the Kola Mining Lease which is 100% owned by KPM

- In May 2008, a non-exclusive Prospecting Authorisation was granted to Sintoukola Potash covering an area of 1,436.5 km<sup>2</sup>. On 13 August 2009, this was changed to a "Permis de Recherches" (Exploration Permit) named 'Permis Sintoukola' under decree No. 2009-237 giving the Company exclusive rights to explore.
- On 27 November 2012, the first renewal of the permit was made, by decree No. 2012-1193 and reduced in size to 1,408 km<sup>2</sup>.

- On the 9 August 2013, a Mining Lease for Kola issued under decree No. 2013-312, totaling 204.52 km<sup>2</sup> falling entirely within the Exploration Permit.
- **Déclaration d’Utilité Publique or “DUP”**  
Exclusive land acquisition rights have been granted to the Project company for plant development through ministerial order gazetted on 30 August 2018 (the “**Déclaration d’Utilité Publique**” or “**DUP**”) valid for three years and renewable once for a two-year period.

As a result of the optimization of the processing plant and camp location, a new DUP process needs to be initiated with the approval and support of the Government after receipt and acceptance of the financing proposal from Summit. A subcontractor with prior experience on the previous DUP is awaiting the greenlight of Kore to start the work.

- **Other Governmental Factors**  
The Company entered into a mining convention with RoC government on 8 June 2017 and it was gazetted into law on 7 December 2018. The Mining Convention provides certainty and enforceability of the key fiscal arrangements for the development and operation of the Kola Project. This includes clarifying import duty and VAT exemptions and agreed tax rates during mine operations. The Mining Convention provides strengthened legal protection of the Company’s investments in the RoC through the settlement of any disputes by international arbitration.

### **Infrastructure Requirements for Selected Mining, Processing and Product Transportation to Market**

The project infrastructure is comprised of the mine-site (shaft and offices), the process plant 24 km from the mine and a product and marine export facility at the coast (at Tchiboula), the 34 km infrastructure corridor between these (including the overland conveyor, service road and power line), the gas line from M’boundi gas field, overhead line from the MKII substation, the accommodation and administrative camp and the transshipment facilities.

Changes to the infrastructure requirements that arise from the Optimisation Study and Optimised DFS, and are thus different from the DFS are summarised below.

- The process plant position has been moved 11 km inland which has allowed optimisation of the foundation design, the resultant infrastructure at the coast consists of the product storage building and marine export facilities. The design of the barge loading jetty has also been optimised.
- Road access to the Kola Potash Project sites will be via the existing Route Nationale 5 (RN5). Two external access roads will be built, which are respectively connected from RN5 to the mining site and from RN5 to the mineral processing site and living quarter, with a length of 2.0 km and 4.3 km respectively. Two maintenance roads for long-distance belt conveyors will be built. One of the roads for RoM belt conveyor maintenance is about 24.0 km, connecting Koutou camp and the mineral processing site. The other road is for MOP belt conveyor maintenance,
- Raw Water will be supplied from wells located at the Mine Site and at the Accommodation Camp close to the Process Plant Site.

- The Accommodation Camp has been sized for a capacity of 950 beds and will be located about 2 km away from the Process Plant
- Electrical Power will be sourced from the ROC national grid. A 57 km long 220 kV transmission line will be built from the Mongo Kamba II substation north of Pointe Noire to the Process Plant Site. A second 34 km long 220 kV transmission line will be built from the Process Plant Site to the Mine Site and the marine facility at the coast.
- The Natural Gas needed for product drying will be supplied by a local Oil and Gas producer who has plans to build a gas treatment plant some 35 km away from the Kora processing plant. The same company is also planning to supply electricity to the Kola Project from the same offtake point. This will be an interesting option to the Mongo Kamba II substation as it has a lower environmental impact.

The infrastructure requirements that have not been modified in the Optimisation Study or Optimised DFS, and thus remain the same as the DFS are summarised below.

- Ongoing operational labour will be a combination of permanent employees, permanent contract services, and part-time contract services for intermittent needs. The total requirement for permanent employees is expected to be 731. Local labour resources will be used for the majority of labour requirements, while some selected positions are planned as expat roles.
- The Kola Potash Project intends to export up to 2.2 Mt MoP to world markets each year. A transshipment solution has been developed, whereby MoP for export is loaded at a dedicated jetty onto self-propelled shuttle barges (two units), which will then travel to OGVs anchored 11 nautical miles (20 km) offshore in a dedicated transshipment area. The cargo will be transferred from the Barges to the OGVs using a Floating Crane Transhipper Unit (“**FACTU**”).

## Appendix C: JORC 2012 – Table 1, Section 4 Ore Reserves

The Company has relied upon its previously reported information, in particular the announcement of 27 Feb 2025, in respect of the matters related to sections 1, 2 and 3.

The Company confirms that the information in sections 1, 2 and 3 has not changed since it was last reported and has been included in Appendix D of this announcement for compliance with ASX requirements and ease of reference.

### Section 4 Estimation and Reporting of Ore Reserves

(Criteria listed in section 1, and where relevant in sections 2 and 3, also apply to this section)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
<b>Mineral Resource estimate for conversion to Ore Reserves</b>	<p><i>Description of the Mineral Resource estimate used as a basis for the conversion to an Ore Reserve.</i></p> <p><i>Clear statement as to whether the Mineral Resources are reported additional to, or inclusive of, the Ore Reserves.</i></p>	<p>The Ore Reserves are based on the Indicated and Measured Mineral Resource estimate for sylvinite carried out by Met-Chem DRA and reported in accordance with the JORC Code (2012 edition), confirmed by the Company on 27 Feb 2025.</p> <p>The Measured Mineral Resource is 216 Mt with an average grade of 35.0% KCl. The Indicated Mineral Resource is 292 Mt with an average grade of 35.7% KCl.</p> <p>The total combined Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources are 508 Mt with an average grade of 35.4% KCl.</p> <p>The Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources for sylvinite are hosted by 3 layers (or ‘seams’) which are as follows from uppermost; the Hanging Wall Seam, the Upper Seam and the Lower Seam, each separated by rock-salt (a rock-type typically comprised of &gt;95% halite).</p> <p>Magnesium and insoluble content are considered deleterious but are present in only very small amounts in the ore (average of 0.07% and 0.14% respectively).</p> <p>The Mineral Resource Estimate was delivered to the Ore Reserve consultants in the form of a standard block model, blocks having dimensions 250 x 250 x 1 m, each block having a KCl grade, a density, and magnesium and insoluble content.</p> <p>The Mineral Resources are inclusive of the Ore Reserves (i.e. the Ore Reserves are the mineable part of the Mineral Resources after the application of technical, economic and other modifying factors.)</p> <p>Areas of potential structural disturbance, referred to as geological anomalies were excluded from the Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource. They were identified from seismic data as is standard in potash mining districts</p>

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		elsewhere.) A 10% cut-off grade was used in the Mineral Resource Estimate.
<b>Site visits</b>	<i>Comment on any site visits undertaken by the Competent Person and the outcome of those visits.  If no site visits have been undertaken indicate why this is the case.</i>	A site visit was conducted by the Competent Person for the Ore Reserve Estimate between June 26 to June 28, 2017. The visit included exploration camp inspection, core viewing, site of shafts and process plant, access route from Pointe Noire. The site visit supported the findings of the Competent Person.
<b>Study status</b>	<i>The type and level of study undertaken to enable Mineral Resources to be converted to Ore Reserves.  The Code requires that a study to at least Pre-Feasibility Study level has been undertaken to convert Mineral Resources to Ore Reserves. Such studies will have been carried out and will have determined a mine plan that is technically achievable and economically viable, and that material modifying factors have been considered.</i>	Prior to signing an EPC agreement, two studies have been completed by the Company: the Kola Definitive Feasibility Study (“DFS”) in January 2019 and the Kola Project Optimisation Study (“Optimisation Study”) in June 2022. Following signing of the EPC contract, the Company undertook an exercise to optimise the DFS to account for the EPC contract, including updating the Kola production schedule and the forecast financial information. The Company has now completed its review of the Optimised DFS, with the results summarised herein by way of update.  The results of the Optimised DFS incorporate the most current information available to the Company, and have been updated from the DFS and Optimisation Study to ensure compliance with the latest applicable listing rule requirements and other regulatory policies of the Australian Stock Exchange Limited, and therefore should be considered as superseding the results of both the DFS and the earlier Optimisation Study.
<b>Cut-off parameters</b>	<i>The basis of the cut-off grade(s) or quality parameters applied.</i>	A CoG of 9.9% KCl has been calculated for the Ore Reserve Estimation based on forecast revenue and estimated operating costs. The cut-off calculation included all operating costs associated with the extraction, processing and marketing of ore material. The cut-offs are based on a conservative MoP price of US\$250 per tonne of MoP. Inputs to the calculation of cut-off grades included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mining costs</li> <li>○ Metallurgical recoveries</li> </ul>



Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Processing costs</li> <li>○ Shipping costs</li> <li>○ General and administrative costs</li> </ul> <p>All sylvinite of the Measured and Indicated Resource is present at a grade significantly above 9.9% KCl (the Ore Reserve calculated CoG), therefore all the Measured and Indicated Sylvinitic Resources have been considered for the Ore Reserve Estimate by application of the other modifying factors.</p> <p>The uniformly very low content of deleterious elements (magnesium and insoluble material) meant that these did not require consideration in the CoG determination.</p>
<p><b>Mining factors or assumptions</b></p>	<p><i>The method and assumptions used as reported in the Pre-Feasibility or Feasibility Study to convert the Mineral Resource to an Ore Reserve (i.e. either by application of appropriate factors by optimisation or by preliminary or detailed design).</i></p> <p><i>The choice, nature and appropriateness of the selected mining method(s) and other mining parameters including associated design issues such as pre-strip, access, etc.</i></p> <p><i>The assumptions made regarding geotechnical parameters (e.g. pit slopes, stope sizes, etc.), grade control and pre-production drilling.</i></p> <p><i>The major assumptions made and Mineral Resource model</i></p>	<p>Mining factors and assumptions have been derived from the historical information available for mature potash mines, the current best mining practices and the outcomes of the various technical studies completed in the DFS and Optimisation Study</p> <p>The Kola orebody will be mined using conventional UG mining method consisting of room and pillar in a ‘chevron’ (or herringbone) pattern, with CMs mining machines of the drum-cutting type.</p> <p>The mining equipment selected for the Kola Potash Project Mine are CMs.</p> <p>Most of the mining will be one level only where only the US will be extracted. In some areas, both the US and the LS will be mined, in which case the LS will only be mined after the US. In other areas only the HWS will be mined.</p> <p>In determining the Ore Reserves, a minimum mining height of 2.5 m was selected based on capability of the selected CM which is also capable of mining up to 6 m. Areas of the Mineral Resource with a seam height of less than 2.5 m were excluded from the Ore Reserves.</p> <p>The mine design is typical of potash mines, having 4 entries for access drives. Each drive will typically be 8 m wide and 3 m to 6 m high depending on the seam height. The typical configuration for the chevron pattern is an angle of 65 degrees from the middle entry, and length of 150 m approximately.</p> <p>The Mine design relies on geotechnical modelling, carried out in FLAC 3D software. The modelling was based on geotechnical test-work carried out on representative core samples from the sylvinitic seams and host rocks (rock-salt and lesser carnallitite). The geotechnical modelling established that the mine is stable over the LoM for the DFS mine design which includes the following geotechnical parameters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Where both the US and LS seams are to be mined, the support interval between the US and LS must be at least 3 m thick.</li> <li>○ An 8 m wide pillar between two consecutive production rooms (of 8 m each).</li> </ul>

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	<p><i>used for pit and stope optimisation (if appropriate).</i></p> <p><i>The mining dilution factors used.</i></p> <p><i>The mining recovery factors used.</i></p> <p><i>Any minimum mining widths used.</i></p> <p><i>The manner in which Inferred Mineral Resources are utilised in mining studies and the sensitivity of the outcome to their inclusion.</i></p> <p><i>The infrastructure requirements of the selected mining methods.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A 50 m wide pillar between two production panels. Similarly, a 50 m wide pillar will be left in place between the side of the production panel and the main haulage access drift.</li> <li>○ The interval of rock-salt between the mine openings and the floor of the overlying anhydrite member is referred to as the 'salt back'. This is typically over 30 m but is less in some areas. The DFS design allows that it may be a minimum of 15 m unless the Anhydrite Member is well developed where it may be 10 m. This is based on the results of the geotechnical model.</li> <li>○ A stand-off distance of 20 m radius from the exploration holes.</li> <li>○ A stand-off distance of 30 m radius from class 2 geological anomalies and 60 m radius from class 3 geological anomalies.</li> <li>○ A pillar of 300 m in radius around the exhaust and intake shafts.</li> </ul> <p>Based on the selected mining equipment (CMs), it is anticipated that a good cutting selectivity would be achieved, and that a maximum of 0.2 m of dilution material above and/or below the potash seam is likely. Carnallite is present in the floor of the seam in some areas. The roof is always of rock-salt. On average, the dilution material is equivalent to approximately 10% of the tonnage of the Ore Reserves. Dilution material was assigned a grade of 3% KCl if rock-salt and 0% KCl if Carnallite.</p> <p>Based on the configuration of the proposed mining layout, and based on the anticipated fleet of mining equipment, it is assumed that the mining recovery in the different extraction chambers will be 90% on average (i.e. mining losses will be 10%). This considers the mining action which will lead to some losses such as material being excavated and left in the production chamber, or mineralized material left in the floor or roof, etc.</p> <p>The Global extraction ratio is 30% (25% in the LS, 33% in the US and 28% in the HWS). This is after excluding the tonnage associated with removal of all pillars (pillars around the geological anomalies, the barrier pillars, the shaft pillar, the pillars between chevrons and main access drifts), the stand-off distance around boreholes, mining losses and the exclusion of sylvinite &lt;2.5 m thick.</p> <p>Two vertical shafts, each with 8 m internal diameter, will be sunk at a central location in the Ore Reserves, to provide access to the underground. The intake shaft will be equipped with a hoist and cage system for transportation of persons and material, while the exhaust shaft will be equipped with a vertical conveyor system (pocket lift configuration) to convey the mined-out ore to the surface. Both shafts are approximately 270 m deep.</p> <p>One haulage from the CMs to the feeder breaker apron feeder will be done using electrically- powered Shuttle Cars.</p> <p>Underground conveyor belts will be used for materials handling (ore haulage) ore transportation in all the areas of the mine. Conveyor belts are distributed in the mains and submains and ultimately in the working panels near the CM</p>

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		<p>working face. The ore will be placed on the belts from the feeder breakers that were fed by the shuttle cars. The conveyor belts will carry the ore loaded by the feeder breakers to the ore bins. Then the ore is conveyed from the ore bins to the Pocket Lift system located in the exhaust shaft.</p> <p>The Life of Ore Reserves for the Kola Project is estimated at 23 years, and full-scale production averaging approximately 2.1 million tonnes per annum of MoP from Ore Reserves occurs for approximately 23 years. During the exploitation of the 152.4 Mt of Ore Reserves, 9.7 Mt of Inferred Mineral Resources are scheduled to be mined and processed. This represents approximately 6.0% of the total amount of ROM material processed in the first 23 years. This portion of the Inferred Mineral Resources is at the periphery of the Mineral Resources envelope and immediately adjacent to the Ore Reserves and logically would be extracted in conjunction with the adjacent Ore Reserves. The bulk of the Inferred Mineral Resources are planned for extraction from year 10 onwards.</p>
<p><b>Metallurgical factors or assumptions</b></p>	<p><i>The metallurgical process proposed and the appropriateness of that process to the style of mineralization.</i></p> <p><i>Whether the metallurgical process is well-tested technology or novel in nature.</i></p> <p><i>The nature, amount and representativeness of metallurgical test work undertaken, the nature of the metallurgical domaining applied and the corresponding metallurgical recovery factors applied.</i></p> <p><i>Any assumptions or allowances made for deleterious elements.</i></p> <p><i>The existence of any bulk sample or pilot scale test work and</i></p>	<p>The metallurgical factors and assumptions applying to the Kola Project were set out in the Company's announcement "Kola Definitive Feasibility Study" dated 29 January 2019.</p> <p>As noted in that announcement, the final product will be MoP K60, comprising at least 95% KCl. The DFS design allows for the production of this MoP in two forms, standard and granular. The optimised design simplified production to a single product – red granular K60 MOP.</p> <p>A conventional flotation process will be utilized for potash concentration. This method is well established, and the most widely used method in the potash industry.</p> <p>The DFS metallurgical test work campaigns were based on representative core samples of the three seams, collected from the exploration drill hole cores. They comprised US (114.5 kg), LS (102.0 kg) and HWS (10.3 kg). All test work was carried out at the Saskatchewan Research Council laboratory in Saskatoon, Canada. No further testing was completed during optimisation.</p> <p>The process flow sheets were optimised to meet the Kola Potash Project targets of producing 2.2 Mtpa of MoP, at 95.3% KCl purity, with a minimum KCl recovery of 89.9%.</p> <p>Two metallurgical test work campaigns were conducted during the DFS in 2017 and 2018. The main philosophy of the first DFS test work campaign was to prepare representative test feedstocks for each seam, confirm KCl liberation, characterize the feedstock, perform flotation tests, optimize the operating conditions, optimize reagent consumption for optimum KCl recovery and grade performance, perform a sensitivity test on flotation.</p> <p>The objective of the second test work campaign was to optimize the flotation process and improve the plant recovery from the initial flow sheet. The results of this second test works processed in SYSCAD™ model demonstrated that the new flotation process performed above the project performance minimum target.</p> <p>With a raw ore feed grade of 31.3% KCl, the material balance confirmed that the project objectives can be met with</p>

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	<p><i>the degree to which such samples are considered representative of the orebody as a whole.</i></p> <p><i>For minerals that are defined by a specification, has the Ore Reserve estimation been based on the appropriate mineralogy to meet the specifications?</i></p>	<p>a production of 2.2 Mtpa with an expected product recovery of 89.9%, and a final product grade of 95.3% KCl.</p> <p>Magnesium and insoluble material are considered deleterious. The extremely low content of these materials in the ore mean that their removal is relatively straightforward. Insoluble material is removed by attrition scrubbing and magnesium removed by brine purge.</p> <p>The metallurgical test work campaigns provided a sound foundation for the development of the process design engineering and subsequent project performance, overall engineering studies and the cost estimate.</p>
<p><b>Environmental</b></p>	<p><i>The status of studies of potential environmental impacts of the mining and processing operation. Details of waste rock characterisation and the consideration of potential sites, status of design options considered and, where applicable, the status of approvals for process residue storage and waste dumps should be reported.</i></p>	<p>The ESIA for the construction and operation phases of the mining project was initially prepared by the consulting company SRK in Cardiff and approved by the RoC regulator in 2013.</p> <p>An amendment was prepared by SRK in parallel with the DFS to capture changes to the project description and was submitted to the ROC regulator in Q4 2018; It was approved on 31 March 2020 for 25 years.</p> <p>The 2022 Optimization Study having proposed new locations for the accommodation camp, process plant and small concomitant changes in the route of the OLC, this has created a requirement to further amend some parts of the 2018 ESIA.</p> <p>Discussions with the RoC authorities have led to the conclusion that Kore Potash needs to make an addendum to the existing document to cover all recent changes. It is planned to commence the base data collection for the route and location changes once Term Sheets for financing the Kola project are finalized during the first quarter of 2025.</p> <p>While the approved ESIA already includes a detailed an Environment and Social Management Plan (“<b>ESMP</b>”) that is central to the construction construction, it is expected that an augmented ESMP will result from the supplementary ESIA work to be accomplished in 2025.</p> <p>It should be noted that the mine-site and a portion of the infrastructure corridor are located within the economic development and buffer zones of the Conkouati-Douli National Park (“<b>CDNP</b>”) while the processing plant is located outside. Project activity in this area has been minimized and influx is led away from the park through the siting of employee facilities outside the CDNP.</p> <p>Tailings are insignificant, being only the &lt;0.2% of insoluble material or just under 1Mt over the LoM. The bulk of the waste is dissolved halite in the form on an NaCl brine. All waste streams will be diluted with seawater to a concentration of 200mg/l and discharged via a diffuser into the ocean. This material has been characterised and ecotoxicological testing has been undertaken to confirm that no adverse impacts are caused at the edge of the mixing</p>

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		<p>zone.</p> <p>The overall conclusion of the ESIA is that negative environmental impacts identified can be reduced to acceptable levels.</p> <p>A rehabilitation and closure plan has been prepared and included in owner's costs of the project.</p> <p>Biodiversity, air quality, social, archeological, water and noise baseline studies have been prepared and incorporated into the ESIA process.</p>
<p><b>Infrastructure</b></p>	<p><i>The existence of appropriate infrastructure: availability of land for plant development, power, water, transportation (particularly for bulk commodities), labour, accommodation; or the ease with which the infrastructure can be provided or accessed.</i></p>	<p>The project infrastructure is comprised of the mine-site (shaft and offices), the process plant is 24km from the mine site and the marine and product storage facility a further 11km from the plant site, on the coast (at Tchiboula), the 34 km infrastructure corridor between these (including the overland conveyor, service road and power line), the gas line from M'boundi gas field, overhead line from the MKII substation, the accommodation and administrative camp and the transshipment facilities.</p> <p>Exclusive land acquisition rights through the DUP process will be applied for based on the new plant position.</p> <p>Road access to the Kola Potash Project sites will be via the existing Route Nationale 5 (RN5). Two external access roads will be built, which are connected from RN5 to the mining site and from RN5 to the mineral processing site and living quarter, with a length of 2.0km and 4.3km respectively. Two maintenance roads for long-distance belt conveyors will be built. One of the roads for RoM belt conveyor maintenance is about 25 km, connecting Koutou camp and the mineral processing site. The other 9 km road is for MOP belt conveyor maintenance,</p> <p>Electrical Power will be sourced from the RoC national grid. A 57 km long 220 kV transmission line will be built from the Mango Kamba II substation north of Pointe Noire to the Process Plant Site. A second 34 km long 220 kV transmission line will be built from the Process Plant Site to the Mine Site from process plant to marine facility.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Natural Gas needed for product drying will be supplied by a local Oil and Gas producer who has plans to build a gas treatment plant some 35 km away from the Kora processing plant. The same company is also planning to supply electricity to the Kola Project from the same offtake point. This will be an interesting option to the Mongo Kamba II substation as it has a lower environmental impact.</li> </ul> <p>Ongoing operational labour will be a combination of permanent employees, permanent contract services, and part-time contract services for intermittent needs. The total requirement for permanent employees is expected to be 731. Local labour resources will be used for most labour requirements, while some selected positions are planned as expat roles.</p> <p>The Accommodation Camp has been sized for a capacity of 950 beds and will be located 2km away from the process plant.</p> <p>The Kola Potash Project intends to export up to 2.2 Mt MoP to world markets each year. A transshipment solution has</p>

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		therefore been developed, whereby the material for export is loaded at a dedicated Jetty onto self-propelled shuttle Barges (two units), which will then travel to OGVs anchored 11 nautical miles (20 km) offshore in a dedicated transshipment area. The cargo will be transferred from the Barges to the OGVs using a FCTU.
<b>Costs</b>	<p><i>The derivation of, or assumptions made, regarding projected capital costs in the study.</i></p> <p><i>The methodology used to estimate operating costs.</i></p> <p><i>Allowances made for the content of deleterious elements.</i></p> <p><i>The derivation of assumptions made of metal or commodity price(s), for the principal minerals and co-products.</i></p> <p><i>The source of exchange rates used in the study.</i></p> <p><i>Derivation of transportation charges.</i></p> <p><i>The basis for forecasting or source of treatment and refining charges, penalties for failure to meet specification, etc.</i></p> <p><i>The allowances made for royalties payable, both Government and private.</i></p>	<p><b><u>Capital Cost:</u></b></p> <p>The pre-production capital cost for the Kola Project is now estimated at US\$2.07 billion (nominal), which includes the fixed price EPC contract of US\$1.929 billion and US\$141 million owner's costs.</p> <p><b><u>Operating Cost:</u></b></p> <p>Operating costs were estimated using the detailed model in the Kola DFS, revised to reflect current cost conditions. The Kola DFS Operating costs were based on first principles using quoted rates, estimated consumption, forecast labour complements and remuneration estimates.</p> <p>Operating Cost covering the Life of Mine (23 years) was estimated in 2019 and revised to reflect current cost conditions. They include costs for Electric power, Fuel, Gas, Labour, Maintenance parts, Operating Consumables, General and Administration costs and Contract for Employee Facilities.</p> <p>Mine Closure cost estimated in accordance with the Conceptual Rehabilitation and Closure Plan developed by SRK Consulting.</p> <p>Mine Closure duration of 24 months (2 years), for the effective dismantling, demolition and rehabilitation works..</p> <p>Quantities of equipment, materials and works directly assessed from the Material Take-off prepared within the framework of the DFS for the Kola Potash Project.</p> <p>State mineral royalties of 3% of Net Revenue applies.</p> <p><b><u>Other criteria</u></b></p> <p>The marketed MoP will comprise at least 95% KCl, with a maximum of 0.2% Mg and 0.3% Insolubles.</p>
<b>Revenue factors</b>	<p><i>The derivation of, or assumptions made regarding revenue factors including head grade, metal or commodity price(s) exchange rates,</i></p>	<p>Head grade, recovery and product grade forecasts were based on the DFS results.</p> <p>Product pricing - Potash market research specialist Argus Media provided the Company with historical and forecast pricing trends for the MoP CFR Brazil benchmarks over the period up to 2047 (see Figure 5 above). Kola's proposed mine life covers the period from 2029 through to 2052 (23 years). The Argus Media Marketing Report's estimates are provided in MoP CFR Brazil Real US\$/t 2023 values for calendar years 2024 to 2047. After 2047, prices are</p>

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	<p><i>transportation and treatment charges, penalties, net smelter returns, etc.</i></p> <p><i>The derivation of assumptions made of metal or commodity price(s), for the principal metals, minerals and co-products.</i></p>	<p>indexed by the Company using a US\$2/t incremental annual increase to the 2047 price as in the Argus Media Marketing Report. As a result, the estimated forecast average granular MoP price is US\$449/t for the life of the mine operations. For more details on product pricing refer to Section 12.</p>
<p><b>Market assessment</b></p>	<p><i>The demand, supply and stock situation for the particular commodity, consumption trends and factors likely to affect supply and demand into the future.</i></p> <p><i>A customer and competitor analysis along with the identification of likely market windows for the product.</i></p> <p><i>Price and volume forecasts and the basis for these forecasts.</i></p> <p><i>For industrial minerals the customer specification, testing and acceptance requirements prior to a supply contract.</i></p>	<p>As stated in the Argus Media Marketing Report MoP prices are currently reaching their lowest levels over the past 5 years. Short-term pricing in the next 12 months is based on the current market developments, such as weather events, planned or unplanned plant outages and market participant sentiment. Argus Media sees limited upside in medium-term (5 - 7 years) as the market reaches floor around the year 2028 with the ramp-up of BHP's Jansen project in Canada. Potash market is facing transition to supply surplus with recovering Russian and Belorussian and new capacity in Canada and Laos. Argus Media believes that the long-term price of MoP is dictated by the industry's LRMC for adding new potash supply.</p> <p>Total LRMC is the sum of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mine capital costs, adjusted for location and the weighted average cost of capital, amortised over the mine's life span</li> <li>• Mine operating costs, including fuel, labour, materials, sustaining capital and royalties</li> <li>• Value-in-use considerations, crediting or debiting total cost to consider access to target markets</li> </ul> <p>The LRMC base year is then inflated by Argus Media over the forecast period to provide their long-term price forecast. Each LRMC element is inflated using the appropriate inflator from Argus Media's forecasts of fuel, energy and macro inflators. The LRMC is a long-term trend forecast, meaning Argus Media expects short-term oscillations around the calculated LRMC, driven by factors such as weather and supply disruptions that cannot be predicted this far in advance. Russian MoP development is no longer included in the LRMC set. As the war in Ukraine continues, Argus Media assumes the impact on Russia as a destination for investment will be more prolonged and this is reflected in a higher-risk premium. Argus Media's view is that incremental tonnage from Canada and Israel are expected to dictate long-run LRMC.</p>



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<b>Economic</b>	<p><i>The inputs to the economic analysis to produce the net present value (NPV) in the study, the source and confidence of these economic inputs including estimated inflation, discount rate, etc.</i></p> <p><i>NPV ranges and sensitivity to variations in the significant assumptions and inputs.</i></p>	<p>Key valuation assumptions and (sources)</p> <p>Production - LoM of 23 years at nominal 2.2 Mtpa MoP production.</p> <p>Single MoP product type – red MOPG (Muriate of Potash - Granular)</p> <p>Average LoM CFR price of US\$ 449/tMoP</p> <p>On-mine LoM average operating cost US\$ 103.81/tMoP, Real</p> <p>LoM Shipping (transshipment and sea freight) of US\$ 24.38/tMoP</p> <p>Project capital period 43 months</p> <p>Total Nominal Project Capital US\$ 2.07 billion (including Owners Capital)</p> <p>Owners Capital US\$ 141 million</p> <p>Sustaining Capital US\$ 13.06/tMoP, Real</p> <p>Fiscal parameters: Company tax rate (15%), tax holidays (5 years at 0% + 5 years at 7.5%) (Mining Convention)</p> <p>Royalties 3% (Mining Convention)</p> <p>Government free carry (10%) (Mining Convention)</p> <p>Other minor duties and taxes (Mining Convention)</p> <p>Working capital: 30 days Debtors and Creditors, 60 days Stores (Kore)</p> <p>Payback period: 8.5 years from start of construction</p>
<b>Social</b>	<p><i>The status of agreements with key stakeholders and matters leading to social license to operate.</i></p>	<p>Approval of an ESIA is a prerequisite for beginning construction of any mining project in the Republic of Congo. The amended 2018 ESIA for the Kola Mining License was approved on 31 March 2020 for 25 years. It was written to the applicable international standards while respecting all Congolese legislation. It is directly related to the Relocation Action Plan (“<b>RAP</b>”) which was prepared by RSK Consultants back in June 2018. Notwithstanding, socio-economic and livelihood baseline reports which were prepared and approved as part of the ESIA baseline process need to be updated with the passing of time. A RAP update is thus planned for the first half of 2025.</p> <p>At the time of the RAP, a DUP process was initiated with the support and input of various Government ministries and legal authorities to allow land acquisition and possible expropriation with compensation from the various owners and users whose property or livelihood would be affected by the project zone. The gazetted DUP was</p>



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		<p>valid for 3 years but has since expired, requiring a new process to be started afresh. The company is awaiting the new RAP/ESIA updates to refresh the DUP.</p> <p>Sintoukola Potash has implemented a Stakeholder Engagement Process and is actively engaging with a wide range of project stakeholders, including, NOE, the conservation NGO managing the adjacent National Park, the regulator and communities.</p> <p>In the RAP, three separate land take corridors were identified by RSK : the Service Corridor including the Mine Site, the Conveyor Belt and Process Plant, an HV line and the Gas Pipeline. Physical displacement is minimal with most actions requiring livelihood restoration. Resettlement Costs have been included in owner's costs and timed in the implementation schedule.</p> <p>There are believed to be no social related issues that do not have a reasonable likelihood of being resolved.</p>
<b>Other</b>	<p><i>To the extent relevant, the impact of the following on the project and /or on the estimation and classification of the Ore Reserves:</i></p> <p><i>Any identified material naturally occurring risks.</i></p> <p><i>The status of material legal agreements and marketing arrangements.</i></p> <p><i>The status of governmental agreements and approvals critical to the viability of the project, such as mineral tenement status, and government and statutory approvals. There must be reasonable grounds to expect that all necessary Government approvals will be received within the</i></p>	<p>Kola is currently compliant with all legal and regulatory requirements subject to final approval of the Kola Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Amendments (which was required following the project design changes implemented during the optimisation study).</p> <p>A mining convention entered into between the RoC government and the Companies on 8 June 2017 and gazetted into law on 29 November 2018 concludes the framework envisaged in the 25-year renewable Kola Mining License granted in August 2013. The Mining Convention provides certainty and enforceability of the key fiscal arrangements for the development and operation of Kola Mining Licenses, which amongst other items include import duty and VAT exemptions and agreed tax rates during mine operations. The Mining Convention provides strengthened legal protection of the Company's investments in the Republic of Congo through the settlement of disputes by international arbitration.</p> <p>To the best of the Competent Person's knowledge, there is no reason to assume any government permits and licenses or statutory approvals will not be granted. There are no unresolved matters upon which extraction is contingent.</p>

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	<p><i>timeframes anticipated in the Pre-Feasibility or Feasibility study. Highlight and discuss the materiality of any unresolved matter that is dependent on a third party on which extraction of the reserve is contingent.</i></p>	
<b>Classification</b>	<p><i>The basis for the classification of the Ore Reserves into varying confidence categories.</i></p> <p><i>Whether the result appropriately reflects the Competent Person's view of the deposit.</i></p> <p><i>The proportion of Probable Ore Reserves that have been derived from Measured Mineral Resources (if any).</i></p>	<p>Measured Mineral Resources were used for the estimation of the Proved Ore Reserves. Indicated Mineral Resources were used for the estimation of Probable Ore Reserves.</p> <p>The conversion of Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource to Proved and Probable Ore Reserve reflects the Competent Person's view of the deposit.</p> <p>40.6% of the Ore Reserves are classified in the Proved category and 59.4% of the Ore Reserves are classified in the Probable category</p>
<b>Audits or reviews</b>	<p><i>The results of any audits or reviews of Ore Reserve estimates.</i></p>	<p>DFS deliverables were continually reviewed by an Owner's Team consisting of an inter-discipline engineering team, specialists in ESIA and economic modelling and construction experts.</p>
<b>Discussion of relative accuracy/ confidence</b>	<p><i>Where appropriate a statement of the relative accuracy and confidence level in the Ore Reserve estimate using an approach or procedure deemed appropriate by the Competent Person. For example, the application of statistical or geostatistical procedures to quantify the relative accuracy of the</i></p>	<p>In the Competent Person's view, the Kola DFS achieves the required level of confidence in the modifying factors to justify the estimation of an Ore Reserve. All relevant modifying factors were considered in the Ore Reserve Estimation and deemed to be modelled at a level of accuracy appropriate to the classification, that a global change of greater than 10% considered unlikely</p> <p>The DFS determined a mine plan and production schedule that is technically achievable and economically viable.</p> <p>The capital and operating costs are based on the fixed-price EPC contract signed in November 2024.</p> <p>Factors that could affect the Ore Reserves locally include; localised changes in salt-back thickness, greater dip of the seam in some areas, local changes in the thickness of the rock-salt support layer between the seams, areas of unexpected carnallite in floor. The Mineral Resource model attempted to model these features to a high level of detail and are 'passed-on' into the Ore Reserve and mine plan. The Ore Reserve is also partially reliant on the</p>

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	<p><i>reserve within stated confidence limits, or, if such an approach is not deemed appropriate, a qualitative discussion of the factors which could affect the relative accuracy and confidence of the estimate.</i></p> <p><i>The statement should specify whether it relates to global or local estimates, and, if local, state the relevant tonnages, which should be relevant to technical and economic evaluation. Documentation should include assumptions made and the procedures used.</i></p> <p><i>Accuracy and confidence discussions should extend to specific discussions of any applied modifying factors that may have a material impact on Ore Reserve viability, or for which there are remaining areas of uncertainty at the current study stage.</i></p> <p><i>It is recognized that this may not be possible or appropriate in all circumstances. These statements of relative</i></p>	<p>model for the thickness of the overlying Anhydrite Member which was not part of the Mineral Resource.</p> <p>While local variation from the mine plan in the above are expected, is considered unlikely that these would lead to significant negative change in the Ore Reserves, and that positive changes are equally likely.</p> <p>For the optimisation study, data from a potash mining operation was used to guide and check the design, productivity assumptions, cost estimates and budgets. The input data and design are likely to be realistic and achievable in the Competent Persons view.</p>

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	<i>accuracy and confidence of the estimate should be compared with production data, where available.</i>	

## APPENDIX D

Appendix D: JORC 2012 – Table 1, Sections 1 to 3<sup>[1]</sup>

<sup>[1]</sup> Refer to ASX announcement dated 27 Feb 2025

## Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections.)

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<b>1.1 Sampling techniques</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>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.</i></li> <li><i>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</i></li> <li><i>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</i></li> <li><i>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').</i></li> </ul>	<p>Sampling was carried out according to a strict quality control protocol beginning at the drill rig. Holes were drilled to PQ size (85 mm core diameter) core, with a small number of holes drilled HQ size (63.5 mm core diameter). Sample intervals were between 0.1 and 2.0 metres and sampled to lithological boundaries. All were sampled as half-core except very recent holes (EK_49 to EK_51) which were sampled as quarter core. Core was cut using an Almonte© core cutter without water and blade and core holder cleaned down between samples. Sampling and preparation were carried out by trained geological and technical employees. Samples were individually bagged and sealed.</p> <p>A small number of historic holes were used in the Mineral Resource model; K6, K18, K19, K20, K21. K6 and K18 were the original holes twinned by the Company in 2010. The grade data for these holes was not used for the Mineral Resource estimate but they were used to guide the seam model. The 2010 twin hole drilling exercise validated the reliability of the geological data for these holes (section 1.7).</p>

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	<i>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.</i>	KCl data for EK_49 to EK_51 was based on the conversion on calibrated API data from downhole geophysical logging, as is discussed in Section 6. Subsequent laboratory assay results for EK_49 and EK_51 support the API derived grades.
<b>1.2 Drilling techniques</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>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).</i></li> </ul>	Holes were drilled by 12 and 8 inch diameter rotary Percussion through the 'cover sequence', stopping in the Anhydrite Member and cased and grouted to this depth. Holes were then advanced using diamond coring with the use of tri-salt (K, Na, Mg) mud to ensure excellent recovery. Coring was PQ (85 mm core diameter) as standard and HQ (64.5 mm core diameter) in a small number of the holes.
<b>1.3 Drill sample recovery</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</i></li> <li>• <i>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</i></li> <li>• <i>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.</i></li> </ul>	Core recovery was recorded for all cored sections of the holes by recording the drilling advance against the length of core recovered. Recovery is between 95 and 100% for the evaporite and all potash intervals, except in EK_50 for the Carnallite interval in that hole (as grade was determined using API data for that hole this is of no consequence). The use of tri-salt (Mg, Na, and K) chloride brine to maximize recovery was standard. A fulltime mud engineer was recruited to maintain drilling mud chemistry and physical properties. Core is wrapped in cellophane sheet soon after it is removed from the core barrel, to avoid dissolution in the atmosphere, and is then transported at the end of each shift to a de-humidified core storage room where it is stored permanently.
<b>1.4 Logging</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>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.</i></li> <li>• <i>Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.</i></li> <li>• <i>The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</i></li> </ul>	The entire length of each hole was logged from rotary chips in the 'cover sequence' and core in the evaporite. Logging is qualitative and supported by quantitative downhole geophysical data including gamma, acoustic televiewer images, density and calliper data which correlates well with the geological logging. Due to the conformable nature of the evaporite stratigraphy and the observed good continuity and abrupt contacts, recognition of the potash seams is straightforward and made with a high degree of confidence. Core was photographed to provide an additional reference for checking contacts at a later date.
<b>1.5 Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</i></li> <li>• <i>If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.</i></li> <li>• <i>For all sample types, the nature, quality and</i></li> </ul>	Excluding QA-QC samples 2368 samples were analysed at two labs in 44 batches, each batch comprising between 20 and 250 samples. Samples were submitted in 46 batches and are from 41 of the 47 holes drilled at Kola. The other 6 drill-holes (EK03, EK_21, EK_25, EK_30, EK_34, EK_37) were either stopped short of the evaporite rocks or did not intersect potash layers. Sample numbers were in sequence, starting with KO-DH-

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	<p><i>appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.</i></li> <li>• <i>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.</i></li> <li>• <i>Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.</i></li> </ul>	<p>0001 to KO-DH-2650 (EK_01 to EK_44) then KO-DH-2741 to KO-DH-2845 (EK_46 and EK_47).</p> <p>The initial 298 samples (EK_01 to EK_05) were analysed at K-UTEC in Sondershausen, Germany and thereon samples were sent to Intertek-Genalysis in Perth. Samples were crushed to nominal 2 mm then riffle split to derive a 100 g sample for analysis. K, Na, Ca, Mg, Li and S were determined by ICP-OES. Cl is determined volumetrically. Insolubles (INSOL) were determined by filtration of the residual solution and slurry on 0.45 micron membrane filter, washing to remove residual salts, drying and weighing. Loss on drying by Gravimetric Determination (LOD/GR) was also completed as a check on the mass balance. Density was measured (along with other methods described in section 3.11) using a gas displacement Pycnometer.</p>
<p><b>1.6 Quality of assay data and laboratory tests</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.</i></li> <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 (i.e. lack of bias) and precision have been established.</i></li> </ul>	<p>For drill-holes EK_01 to EK_47, a total of 412 QAQC samples were inserted into the batches comprising 115 field duplicate samples, 84 blank samples and 213 certified reference material (CRM) samples. Duplicate samples are the other half of the core for the exact same interval as the original sample, after it is cut into two. CRMs were obtained from the Bureau of Reference (BCR), the reference material programme of the European Commission. Either river sand or later barren Rock-salt was used for blank samples. These QA-QC samples make up 17% of the total number of samples submitted which is in line with industry norms. Sample chain of custody was secure from point of sampling to point of reporting.</p> <p>In addition two batches of 'umpire' analyses were submitted to a second lab. The first batch comprised 17 samples initially analysed at K-UTEC sent to Intertek-Genalysis for umpire. The second umpire batch comprised 23 samples from Intertek-Genalysis sent to SRC laboratory in Saskatoon for umpire. They demonstrate excellent validation of the primary laboratory analyses.</p> <p>Potash intersections for EK_49 to EK_51 were partially sampled for geotechnical test work and so were not available in full for chemical analysis. Gamma ray CPS data was converted to API units which were then converted to KCl % by the application of a conversion factor known, or K-factor. The geophysical logging was carried out by independent downhole geophysical logging company Wireline Workshop ("WW") of South Africa, and data was processed by WW. Data collection, data processing and quality control and assurance followed a stringent operating procedure. API calibration of the tool was carried out at a test-well at WW's base in South Africa to</p>

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		<p>convert raw gamma ray CPS to API using a coefficient for sonde NGRS6569 of 2.799 given a standard condition of a diameter 150mm bore in fresh water (1.00gm/cc mud weight).</p> <p>To provide a Kola-specific field based K-factor, log data were converted via a K-factor derived from a comparison with laboratory data for drill-holes EK_13, EK_14 and EK_24. In converting from API to KCl (%), a linear relationship is assumed (no dead time effects are present at the count rates being considered). To remove all depth and log resolution variables, an 'area-under-the-curve' method was used to derive the K factor. This overcomes the effect of narrow beds not being fully resolved as well as the shoulder effect at bed boundaries. For this, laboratory data was converted to a wireline log and all values between ore zones were assigned zero. A block was created that covered all data and both Wireline Gamma Ray Log ("GAMC") and laboratory data log were summed in terms of area under the curves. From this like-for-like comparison a K factor of 0.074 was calculated. In support of this factor, it compares well with the theoretical K-factor derived using Schlumberger API to KCl conversion charts which would be 0.0767 for this tool in hole of PQ diameter (125 mm from calliper data. As a check on instrument stability over time, EK_24 is logged frequently. No drift in the gamma-ray data is observed.</p> <p>As confirmation of the accuracy of the API-derived KCl grades for EK_49 to EK_51, samples for the intervals that were not taken for geotechnical sampling, were sent to Intertek-Genalysis for analysis. The results are within 5% of the API-derived KCl and thickness, and so the latter was used unreservedly for the Mineral Resource estimation.</p>
<p><b>1.7 Verification of sampling and assaying</b></p>	<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>	<p>40 samples of a variety of grades and drill-holes were sent for umpire analysis and as described these support the validity of the original analysis. Other validation comes from the routine geophysical logging of the holes. Gamma data provides a very useful check on the geology and grade of the potash and for all holes a visual comparison is made in log form. API data for a selection of holes (EK_05, EK_13, EK_14, EK_24) were formally converted to KCl grades. In all cases the API derived KCl supports the reported intersections.</p> <p>As mentioned above; K6, K18, K19, K20, K21 were used in the geological modelling but not for the grade estimate. K6 and K18 were twinned in 2010 and the comparison of the geological data is excellent, providing validation that the geological information for the aforementioned holes could be used with a high degree of confidence.</p>



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<b>1.8 Location of data points</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Specification of the grid system used.</li> <li>• Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</li> </ul>	<p>A total of 50 Resource related drill-holes have been drilled by the Company: EK_01 to EK_52. EK_37 and EK_48 were geotechnical holes. Of the 50 Resource holes, 4 stopped short above the Salt Member due to drilling difficulties. Of the 46 Resource holes drilled into the Salt Member, all except 4 contained a significant Sylvinite intersection.</p> <p>The collars of all drill-holes up to EK_47 including historic holes were surveyed by a professional land surveyor using a DGPS. EK_48 to EK_52 were positioned with a handheld GPS initially (with elevation from the LIDAR data) and later with a DGPS. All data is in UTM zone 32 S using WGS 84 datum.</p> <p>Topography for the bulk of the Mineral Resource area is provided by high resolution airborne LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) data collected in 2010, giving accuracy of the topography to &lt;200 mm. Beyond this SRTM 90 satellite topographic data was used. Though of relatively low resolution, it is sufficient as the deposit is an underground mining project.</p>
<b>1.9 Data spacing and distribution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.</li> <li>• Whether sample compositing has been applied.</li> </ul>	<p>In most cases drill-holes are 1-2 km apart. A small number of holes are much closer such as EK_01 and K18, EK_04 and K6, EK_14 and EK_24 which are between 50 and 200 m apart.</p> <p>The drill-hole data is well supported by 186 km of high frequency closely spaced seismic data acquired by the Company in 2010 and 2011 that was processed to a higher standard in 2016. This data provides much guidance of the geometry and indirectly the mineralogy of the potash seams between and away from the holes, as well as allowing the delineation of discontinuities affecting the potash seams. The combination of drill-hole data and the seismic data supports geological modelling with a level of confidence appropriate for the classification assigned to the Measured, Indicated and Inferred sections of the deposit. The seismic data is described in greater detail below.</p> <p>Two sources of seismic data were used to support the Mineral Resource model:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Historical oil industry seismic data of various vintage and acquired by several companies, between 1989 and 2006. The data is of low frequency and as final SEG-Y files as PreStack Time Migrated (“PreSTM”) form. Data was converted to depth by applying a velocity to best tie the top-of-salt reflector with drill-</li> </ol>

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		<p>hole data. The data allows the modelling of the top of the Salt Member (base of the Anhydrite Member) and some guidance of the geometry of the layers within the Salt Member.</p> <p>2) The Company acquired 55 lines totalling 185.5 km of data (excluding gaps on two lines) in 2010 and 2011. These surveys provide high frequency data specifically to provide quality images for the relatively shallow depths required (surface to approximately 800 m). Data was acquired on strike (tie lines) and dip lines. Within the Measured Mineral Resource area lines are between 100 and 200 m apart. Data was re-processed in 2016, for the 2017 Mineral Resource update, by DMT Petrologic GmbH (“DMT”) of Germany. DMT worked up the raw field data to Post Stack Migration (“PoSTM”) and PreSTM format. By an iterative process of time interpretation of known reflectors (with reference to synthetic seismograms) the data was converted to PreStack Depth Migrated (“PSDM”) form. Finally, minor adjustments were made to tie the data exactly with the drill-hole data.</p> <p>The Competent Person reviewed the seismic data and processing and visited DMT in Germany for meetings around the final delivery of the data to the Company.</p>
<p><b>1.10 Orientation of data in relation to geological structure</b></p>	<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>	<p>All exploration drill-holes were drilled vertically and holes were surveyed to check for deviation. In almost all cases tilt was less than 1 degree (from vertical). Dip of the potash seam intersections ranges from 0 to 45 degrees with most dipping 20 degrees or less. All intersections with a dip of greater than 15 degrees were corrected to obtain the true thickness, which was used for the creation of the Mineral Resource model.</p>
<p><b>1.11 Sample security</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The measures taken to ensure sample security.</i></li> </ul>	<p>At the rig, the core is under full time care of a Company geologist and end of each drilling shift, the core is transported by Kore Potash staff to a secure site where it is stored within a locked room. Sampling is carried out under the fulltime watch of Company staff; packed samples are transported directly from the site by Company staff to DHL couriers in Pointe Noire 3 hours away. From here DHL airfreight all samples to the laboratory. All core remaining at site is stored is wrapped in plastic film and sealed tube bags, and within an air-conditioned room (17-18 degrees C) to minimize deterioration.</p>

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<b>1.12 Audits or reviews</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.</li> </ul>	The Competent Person has visited site to review core and to observe sampling procedures. As part of the Mineral Resource estimation, the drill-hole data was thoroughly checked for errors including comparison of data with the original laboratory certificates; no errors were found.

## Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

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

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<b>2.1 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>	The Kola deposit is within the Kola Mining Lease which is held 100% under the local company Kola Mining SARL which is in turn held 100% by Sintoukola Potash SA RoC, of which Kore Potash holds a 97% share. The lease was issued August 2013 and is valid for 25 years. There are no impediments on the security of tenure.
<b>2.2 Exploration done by other parties</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.</li> </ul>	<p>Potash exploration was carried out in the area in the 1960's by Mines de Potasse d'Alsace S.A in the 1960's. Holes K6, K18, K19, K20, K21 are in the general area. K6 and K18 are within the deposit itself and both intersected Sylvinitic of the Upper and Lower Seam; it was the following up of these two holes by Kore Potash (then named Elemental Minerals) that led to the discovery of the deposit in 2012.</p> <p>Oil exploration in the area has taken place intermittently from the 1950's onwards by different workers including British Petroleum, Chevron, Morel et Prom and others. Seismic data collected by some of these companies was used to guide the evaporite depth and geometry within the Inferred Mineral Resource area. Some oil wells have been drilled in the wider area such as Kola-1 and Nkoko-1.</p>
<b>2.3 Geology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.</li> </ul>	The potash seams are hosted by the 300-900 m thick Lower Cretaceous-aged (Aptian age) Loeme Evaporite formation These sedimentary evaporite rocks belong to the Congo (Coastal) Basin which extends from the Cabinda enclave of Angola to the south well into Gabon to the north, and from approximately 50 km inland to some 200-300 km offshore. The evaporites were deposited between 125 and 112 million years ago, within a post-rift 'proto Atlantic' sub-sea level basin following the break-up of Gondwana forming the Africa and South America continents.

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		<p>The evaporite is covered by a thick sequence of carbonate rocks and clastic sediments of Cretaceous age to recent (Albian to Miocene), referred to as the 'Cover Sequence', which is between 170 and 270 m thick over the Kola deposit. The lower portion of this Cover Sequence is comprised of dolomitic rocks of the Sendji Formation. At the top of the Loeme Formation, separating the Cover Sequence and the underlying Salt Member is a layer of anhydrite and clay typically between 5 and 15 m thick and referred to as the Anhydrite Member. At Kola, this layer rests un-conformably over the Salt-Member, as described in more detail below.</p> <p>Within the Salt Member, ten sedimentary-evaporative cycles (I to X) are recognized with a vertical arrangement of mineralogy consistent with classical brine-evolution models; potash being close to the top of cycles. The Salt Member and potash layers formed by the seepage of brines into an extensive sub sea-level basin. Evaporation resulted in precipitation of evaporite minerals over a long period of time, principally <i>halite</i> (NaCl), <i>carnallite</i> (KMgCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O) and <i>bischofite</i> (MgCl<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O), which account for over 90% of the evaporite rocks. Sylvinite formed by the replacement of Carnallite within certain areas. Small amounts of gypsum, anhydrite, dolomite and insoluble material (such as clay, quartz, organic material) is present, typically concentrated in relatively narrow layers at the base of the cycles (interlayered with Rock-salt), providing useful 'marker' layers. The layers making up the Salt Member are conformable and parallel or sub-parallel and of relatively uniform thickness across the basin, unless affected by some form of discontinuity.</p> <p>There are upwards of 100 potash layers within the Salt Member ranging from 0.1 m to over 10 m in thickness. The Kola deposit is hosted by 4 seams within cycles 7, 8 and 9, from uppermost these are; (HWS, US, LS, Footwall Seam ("FWS")). Seams are separated by Rock-salt.</p> <p>Individual potash seams are stratiform layers that can be followed across the basin are of Carnallite except where replaced by Sylvinite, as is described below. The potash mineralogy is simple; no other potash rock types have been recognized and Carnallite and Sylvinite are not inter-mixed. The seams are consistent in their purity; all intersections of Sylvinite are comprised of over 97.5% euhedral or subhedral <i>halite</i> and <i>sylvite</i> of medium to very coarse grain size (0.5 mm to ≥ 5 mm). Between 1.0 and 2.5% is comprised of anhydrite (CaSO<sub>4</sub>) and a lesser amount of insoluble material. At Kola the potash layers are flat or gently dipping and at depths of between 190 and 340 m below surface.</p>

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		<p>The contact between the <i>Anhydrite Member</i> and the underlying salt is an unconformity and due to the undulation of the layers within the Salt Member at Kola, the thickness of the salt member beneath this contact varies. This is the principal control on the extent and distribution of the seams at Kola and the reason why the uppermost seams such as the Hangingwall Seam are sometimes absent, and the lower seams such as the Upper and Lower Seam are preserved over most of the deposit.</p> <p>The most widely distributed Sylvinite seams at Kola are the US and LS, hosted within cycle 8 of the Salt Member. These seams have an average grade of 35.5 and 30.5 % KCl respectively and average 3.7 and 4.0 m thick. The Sylvinite is thinned in proximity to leached zones or where they ‘pinch out’ against Carnallitite. They are separated by 2.5-4.5 m thick Rock-salt layer referred to as the interburden <i>halite</i> (“<b>IBH</b>”). Sylvinite Hangingwall Seam is extremely high grade (55-60% KCl) but is not as widely preserved as the Upper and Lower Seam being truncated by the Anhydrite Member over most of the deposit. Where it does occur, it is approximately 60 m above the Upper Seam and is typically 2.5 to 4.0 m thick. The Top Seams are a collection of narrow high grade seams 10-15 m above the Hangingwall Seam but are not considered for extraction at Kola as they are absent (truncated by the Anhydrite Member) over almost all the deposit.</p> <p>The Footwall Seam occurs 45 to 50 m below the Lower Seam. The mode of occurrence is different to the other seams in that it is not a laterally extensive seam, but rather elongate lenses with a preferred orientation, formed not by the replacement of a seam, but by the ‘accumulation’ of potassium at a particular stratigraphic position. It forms as lenses of Sylvinite up to 15 m thick and always beneath areas where the Upper and Lower seam have been leached. It is considered a product of re-precipitation of the leached potassium, into pre-existing Carnallitite-Bischofitite unit at the top of cycle 7.</p> <p>The insoluble content of the seams and the Rock-salt immediately above and below them is uniformly low (&lt;0.2%) except for the FWS which has an average insoluble content of 1%. Minor anhydrite is present throughout the Salt Member, as 0.5-3 mm thick laminations but comprise less than 2.5% of the rock mass of the potash layers.</p> <p>Reflecting the quiescence of the original depositional environment, the Sylvinite seams exhibit low variation in terms of grade, insoluble content, magnesium content; individual sub-layers and mm thick laminations within the seams can be followed across the deposit. The grade profile of the seams is consistent across the deposit</p>

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		<p>except for the FWS; the US is slightly higher grade at its base, the LS slightly higher grade at its top. The HWS is 50 to 60% <i>sylvite</i> (KCl) throughout. The FWS, forming by introduction of potassium and more variable mode of formation has a higher degree of grade variation and thickness.</p> <p>The original sedimentary layer and ‘precursor’ potash rock type is Carnallitite and is preserved in an unaltered state in many holes drill-holes, especially of LS and in holes that are lateral to the deposit. It is comprised of the minerals <i>carnallite</i> (<math>\text{KMgCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}</math>), <i>halite</i> (NaCl) (these two minerals comprise 97.5% of the rock) and minor <i>anhydrite</i> and insolubles (&lt;2.5%). The Carnallitite is replaced by Sylvinite by a process of ‘outsalting’ whereby brine (rich in dissolved NaCl) resulted in the dissolution of <i>carnallite</i>, and the formation of new <i>halite</i> (in addition to that which may already be present) and leaving residual KCl precipitating as <i>sylvite</i>. This ‘outsalting’ process produced a chloride brine rich in Mg and Na, which presumably continued filtering down and laterally through the Salt Member.</p> <p>The grade of the Sylvinite is proportional to the grade of the precursor Carnallitite. For example, in the case of the HWS when Carnallitite is 90 percent <i>carnallite</i> (and grades between 24 and 25 percent KCl), if all <i>carnallite</i> was replaced by <i>sylvite</i> the resulting Sylvinite would theoretically be 70.7 percent (by weight) <i>sylvite</i>. However, as described above the inflowing brine introduced new <i>halite</i> into the potash layer, reducing the grade so that the final grade of the Sylvinite of layer 3/IX is between 50 and 60 percent KCl (<i>sylvite</i>).</p> <p>Importantly, the replacement of Carnallitite by Sylvinite advanced laterally and always in a top-down sense within the seam. This Sylvinite-Carnallitite transition (contact) is observed in core and is very abrupt. Above the contact the rock is completely replaced (Sylvinite with no <i>carnallite</i>) and below the contact the rock is un-replaced (Carnallitite with no <i>sylvite</i>). In many instances the full thickness of the seam is replaced by Sylvinite, in others the Sylvinite replacement advanced only part-way down through the seam. Carnallitite is reliably distinguished from Sylvinite based on any one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visually: Carnallitite is orange, Sylvinite is orange-red or pinkish red in colour and less vibrant.</li> <li>• Gamma data: Carnallitite &lt; 350 API, Sylvinite &gt;350 API</li> </ul>

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		<p>giving rise to pockets or troughs of Carnallitite. The HWS, being close to the anhydrite is only preserved in synformal areas where it is always Sylvinite (being close to the top of the Salt Member), or lateral to the main deposit where it is likely to be Carnallitite, relating to the broader control on the zone of Sylvinite formation discussed below.</p> <p>Some of the longer seismic lines show that the relative disturbance of the salt over much of Kola relates to the 'elevation' of the stratigraphy due to the formation of a northwest-southeast orientated horst block, bound either side by half-graben. The horst block referred to as the 'Kola High' and is approximately 8 km wide and at least 20 km in length. Lateral to this 'high' Sylvinite is rarely found except immediately beneath (within 5-10 m of) the Anhydrite Member.</p>
<p><b>2.4 Drill hole Information</b></p>	<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>	<p>All drill-hole collar information for holes relevant to the Mineral Resource estimate was provided in Table 5 of the announcement (dated 27 Feb 2025), including historic holes. Hydrological drill-holes are excluded as they were drilled to a shallow depth. All holes except one were drilled vertically and deflection from this angle was less than 3 degrees for almost all holes. Holes were surveyed with a gyroscope or magnetic deviation tool to obtain downhole survey data.</p>
<p><b>2.5 Data aggregation methods</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>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.</i></li> <li>• <i>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.</i></li> <li>• <i>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal</i></li> </ul>	<p>For the calculation of the grade over the full thickness of the seams, the standard 'length-weighted' compositing method was used to combine individual results within each seam intersection.</p> <p>No selective cutting of high or low grade material was carried out as it is not justified given the massive nature of the potash mineralization and absence of the localised high/low grade areas.</p>



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	<i>equivalent values should be clearly stated.</i>	Results for short lengths of high grade material included in the Mineral Resource Estimate are justifiable based on their lateral continuity. They were included in the full seam grade by standard 'length-weighted' compositing.  No metal equivalents were calculated.
<b>2.6 Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</i></li> <li>• <i>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</i></li> <li>• <i>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').</i></li> </ul>	All mineralised intersections where the dip of the seam is 15 degrees or greater were corrected to obtain true thickness which was used in the Mineral Resource Estimate.
<b>2.7 Diagrams</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>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.</i></li> </ul>	The announcement (dated 27 Feb 2025) included appropriate maps and sections.
<b>2.8 Balanced reporting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>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.</i></li> </ul>	Not relevant to the reporting of the Mineral Resource Estimate.
<b>2.9 Other substantive exploration data</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>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.</i></li> </ul>	All substantive data has been reported herein.
<b>2.10 Further work</b>	<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</i></li> </ul>	The exploration database should be updated with the most recent drilling data. No other further work is necessary currently. If conversion of Indicated resources to Measured and Inferred to Indicated Mineral Resource is deemed important, additional seismic data would need to be acquired. Furthermore, the deposit is open laterally, in places to the west and east (though in the case of the latter is limited by

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	<i>and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</i>	the Mining Lease boundary) and probably to the greatest extent to the southeast, along the strike of the Kola High. Additional drilling and seismic data may allow the delineation of additional resources in these areas if results of the work are positive.

### Section 3 Estimation and Reporting of Mineral Resources

(Criteria listed in section 1, and where relevant in section 2, also apply to this section.)

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<b>3.1 Database integrity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measures taken to ensure that data has not been corrupted by, for example, transcription or keying errors, between its initial collection and its use for Mineral Resource estimation purposes.</li> <li>Data validation procedures used.</li> </ul>	<p>Geological data is collected in hardcopy then captured digitally by data entry. All entries are thoroughly checked. During import into Micromine© software, an error file is generated identifying any overlapping intervals, gaps and other forms of error. The data is then compared visually in the form of strip logs against geophysical data. Laboratory data was imported into an Access database using an SQL driven software, to sort QA-QC samples and a check for errors is part of the import. Original laboratory result files are kept as a secure record. For the Mineral Resource model a 'stratigraphic file' was generated, as synthesis of key geological units, based on geological, geophysical and assay data. The stratigraphic file was then used as a key input into the Mineral Resource model; every intersection and important contact was checked and re-checked, by visual comparison with the other data types in log format. Kore Potash is in the process of creating an updated database, to include the most recent geology and assay data.</p> <p>For the process of setting up a Mineral Resource database, Met-Chem division of DRA Americas Inc., a subsidiary of the DRA Group underwent a rigorous exercise of checking the database, including a comparison with the original laboratory certificates. Once an explanation of the files had had been provided, no errors were found with the assay or stratigraphic data, or with the other data types imported (collar, survey, geophysics). The database is considered as having a high degree of integrity.</p>
<b>3.2 Site visits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comment on any site visits undertaken by the Competent Person and the outcome of those visits.</li> <li>If no site visits have been undertaken indicate why this is the case.</li> </ul>	<p>The Competent Person visited the project from the 5-7 November 2016 to view drill-hole sites, the core shed and sample preparation area. Explanation of all procedures were provided by the Company, and a procedural document for core logging, marking and sampling reviewed. Time was spent reviewing core and hard copy geological logs. All was found to meet or exceed the industry standards.</p>

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<b>3.3 Geological interpretation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Confidence in (or conversely, the uncertainty of) the geological interpretation of the mineral deposit.</i></li> <li>• <i>Nature of the data used and of any assumptions made.</i></li> <li>• <i>The effect, if any, of alternative interpretations on Mineral Resource estimation.</i></li> <li>• <i>The use of geology in guiding and controlling Mineral Resource estimation.</i></li> <li>• <i>The factors affecting continuity both of grade and geology.</i></li> </ul>	<p>Recognition and correlation of potash and other important layers or contacts between holes is straightforward and did not require assumptions to be made, due the continuity and unique characteristics of each of the evaporite layers; each being distinct when thickness, grade and grade distribution, and stratigraphic position relative to other layers is considered. Further support is provided by the reliable identification of 'marker' units within and at the base of the evaporite cycles. Correlation is further aided by the downhole geophysical data clearly shows changes in mineralogy of the evaporite layers and is used to validate or adjust the core logged depths of the important contacts. The abrupt nature of the contacts, particularly between the Rock-salt, Sylvinite and Carnallitite contributes to above.</p> <p>Between holes the seismic interpretation is the key control in the form and extent of the Sylvinite, in conjunction with the application of the geological model. The controls on the formation of the Sylvinite is well understood and the 'binary' nature of the potash mineralization allows an interpretation with a degree of confidence that relates to the support data spacing, which in turn is reflected in the classification. In this regard geology was relied upon to guide and control the model, as described in detail section 3.5. Alternative interpretations were tested as part of the modelling process but generated results that do not honour the drill-hole data as well as the adopted model.</p> <p>The following features affect the continuity of the Sylvinite or Carnallitite seams, all of which are described further in Section 3.5. By using the seismic data and the drill-hole data, the Mineral Resource model captures the discontinuities with a level of confidence reflected in the classification.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• where the seams are truncated by the anhydrite</li> <li>• where the Sylvinite pinches out becoming Carnallitite or vice versa</li> <li>• areas where the seams are leached within zones of subsidence</li> </ul> <p>Outside of these features, grade continuity is high reflecting the small range in variation of grade of each seam, within each domain. Further description of grade variation is provided in later in text.</p>
<b>3.4 Dimensions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The extent and variability of the Mineral Resource expressed as length (along strike or otherwise), plan width, and depth below surface to the upper and lower</i></li> </ul>	<p>In its entirety, the deposit is 14 km in length (deposit scale strike) and 9 km in width. The shallowest point of the upper most Sylvinite (of the HWS) is approximately 190 metres below surface. The depth to the deepest Sylvinite (of the FWS) is</p>

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	<i>limits of the Mineral Resource.</i>	approximately 340 metres below surface. The thickness of the seams was summarized in Table 3 of the announcement (dated 27 Feb 2025).
<b>3.5 Estimation and modelling techniques</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The nature and appropriateness of the estimation technique(s) applied and key assumptions, including treatment of extreme grade values, domaining, interpolation parameters and maximum distance of extrapolation from data points. If a computer assisted estimation method was chosen include a description of computer software and parameters used.</i></li> <li>• <i>The availability of check estimates, previous estimates and/or mine production records and whether the Mineral Resource estimate takes appropriate account of such data.</i></li> <li>• <i>The assumptions made regarding recovery of by-products.</i></li> <li>• <i>Estimation of deleterious elements or other non-grade variables of economic significance (eg sulphur for acid mine drainage characterisation).</i></li> <li>• <i>In the case of block model interpolation, the block size in relation to the average sample spacing and the search employed.</i></li> <li>• <i>Any assumptions behind modelling of selective mining units.</i></li> <li>• <i>Any assumptions about correlation between variables.</i></li> <li>• <i>Description of how the geological interpretation was used to control the resource estimates.</i></li> <li>• <i>Discussion of basis for using or not using grade cutting or capping.</i></li> <li>• <i>The process of validation, the checking process used, the comparison of model data to drill hole data, and use of reconciliation data if available.</i></li> </ul>	<p>Table 8 and Table 9 of the announcement (dated 27 Feb 2025) provide the Mineral Resource for Sylvinitic and Carnallitic at Kola. This Mineral Resource replaces that dated 21 August 2012, prepared by CSA Global Pty Ltd. This update incorporates reprocessed seismic data and additional drilling data. Table 10 and Table 11 of the announcement (dated 27 Feb 2025) provide the Sylvinitic and Carnallitic Mineral Resource from 2012. The updated Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource categories are not materially different from the 2012 estimate and is of slightly higher grade. The Inferred category has reduced due to the reduction in the FWSS tonnage, following the updated interpretation of it being present within relatively narrow lenses that are more constrained than in the previous interpretation. There is no current plan to consider the FWSS as a mining target and so the reduction in FWSS tonnage is of no consequence to the project's viability.</p> <p>As described in section 3.3, the spatial application of the geological model was central to the creation of the Mineral Resource model. Geological controls were used in conjunction with the seismic data interpretation. The process commenced with the interpretation of the depth migrated drill-hole-tied seismic data in Micromine 2013 © involving the following. Table 7 of the announcement (dated 25 Feb 2025) provides an explanation of abbreviations used in text.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Interpretation of the base of anhydrite surface or Salt Roof ("SALT_R") which is typically a distinct seismic event.</li> <li>2. Interpretation of base of salt, the 'intra-salt marker' and 'base cycle 8' ("BoC8") markers. Based on synthetic seismograms the latter is a negative event picking out the contrast between the top of the Cy78 and overlying Rock-salt.</li> </ol> <p>Using Leapfrog Geo 4.0 (Leapfrog) surfaces were created for the SALT_R and BoC8 . In doing so, an assessment of directional control on the surfaces was made; following the observation based on the sectional interpretation a WNW-ESE 'strike' is evident. Experimental semi-variograms were calculated for the surface elevation values at 10° azimuth increments. All experimental semi-variograms were plotted; 100° and 10° produce good semi-variograms for the directions of most and least continuity respectively. This directional control was adopted for the modelling of surfaces,</p>

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		<p>created in Leapfrog on a 20 by 20 m 'mesh' using a 2:1 ellipsoid ratio (as indicated by the semi-variogram ranges).</p> <p>The following steps were then carried out:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The BoC8 surface was projected up to the position of the Upper Seam roof (US_R) by 'gridding' the interval between these units from drill-hole data. On seismic lines, The US_R interpretation was then adjusted to fit reflectors at that position, considering interference features common in the data in the Salt Member close to the SALT_R</li> <li>2. In all cases drill-hole intersections were honoured. In addition to USS and USC intersections, the small number of leached US intersections, all within subsidence zones) were used to guide the seam model.</li> <li>3. The new US_R interpretation along seismic lines, was then 'gridded' in Leapfrog, also into a mesh of 20 m by 20 m resolution making use of the 100° directional control and 2:1 anisotropy, to create a new US_R surface.</li> </ol> <p>The Mineral Resource model has two potash domains in order to represent the geology i.e. Sylvinite or Carnallite. A third non-potash domain areas of leaching and/or subsidence as described in the following text. Using the reference horizons, the Sylvinite and Carnallite seam model was developed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The US_R surface was fixed as the reference horizon for the modelling of the US, LS and HWS. The US_R surface was imported into Datamine Studio 3 (Datamine), using the same 20 by 20 m cells as described above.</li> <li>2. The US Sylvinite (USS) model was developed by analysing the position of the cell in relation to the SALT_R and to the RDS zones. The latter were interpreted from seismic data. As described in section 2.3 these attributes are the main geological controls.</li> <li>3. To a lesser extent the dip of the seam and the relative elevation of each cell, relative to the cells within a 100 by 100 m area were also considered, to further identify Sylvinite with the understanding that areas of very low dip are more likely to be of Carnallite.</li> <li>4. Beyond the 2010/2011 seismic data (within the Indicated Mineral Resource area) the influence of the distance from RDS zones was reduced and the proximity to the SALT_R and the dip and relative elevation were assigned greater consideration.</li> </ol>

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		<p>then the remaining LS is modelled as full LSS due to its proximity to the SALT_R.</p> <p>For the US and LS Inferred Resources, the distribution of Sylvinite and Carnallite was by manual interpretation based on available drill-hole data and plots of the distance between the seam and the SALT_R. The thickness of the USS and LSS was determined by gridding all USS drill-hole data. The Carnallite was then modelled as the Inverse of the Sylvinite model, in adherence to the geological model.</p> <p>The Hangingwall seam model was created as follows</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The distance between the US_R and HWS_R in drill-hole intersection was gridded using IDW<sup>2</sup> into the 20 by 20 m mesh. This data was then added to the elevation of the US_R to create a HWS_R.</li> <li>2. Being close to the SALT_R (within 30 m in all cases) there is less variation in domain type; in all areas except for the zone labelled 'A' on Figure 24 of the announcement (dated 27 Feb 2025) the USS is full Sylvinite (not underlain by USC). For all HWS outside of zone A the model was created by gridding the thickness using IDW<sup>2</sup> into the 20 x 20 mesh.</li> <li>3. The HWS model was created without input from distance to the SALT_R or RDS zones for the reasons stated above, by gridding of the drill-hole intersections.</li> <li>4. Within the area labelled 'A' on Figure 24 of the announcement (dated 27 Feb 2025), the HWSS is underlain by HWSC and so this was incorporated into the model.</li> <li>5. Finally, the HWS was 'pinched' upwards from 4 m below the SALT_R to reflect the geological observation that close to this surface the seam is leached.</li> </ol> <p>Modelling of the FWS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A different approach was adopted for the modelling of the FWS as the mode of occurrence is different to the other seams as described in section 2.3. Only Sylvinite FWSS was modelled as Carnallite FWS is poorly developed or absent, and low grade.</li> <li>2. Drill-hole and seismic data was used to identify areas of leaching of the Salt Member based on subsidence of the overlying strata signs of marked disturbance of the salt, within which FWSS is typically developed. These were delineated in plan view.</li> </ol>

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		<p>Where possible drill-hole data was used to guide thickness of the FWS, in other areas the thickness was interpreted using the seismic data. The FWS was 'constructed' from the top of the Cy7B upwards.</p> <p>As is standard practice in potash mining zones of subsidence which pose a potential risk to mining were identified using seismic and drill-hole data and classified from 1 to 3 depending on severity where 3 is highest. Several drill-holes within or adjacent to these features show that the Salt Member is intact but has experienced some disturbance and leaching.</p> <p>The HWS, US and LS Mineral Resource models were 'cookie-cut' by these anomalies before calculation of the Mineral Resource estimate. The FWSS model was not cut as that Sylvinitic is considered the product of potassium precipitation below the influence of the subsidence anomalies.</p> <p>Finally, all the potash seams were truncated (cut) by the SALT_R surface (base of the Anhydrite Member) as it is an unconformity.</p> <p>Traditional block modelling was employed for estimating %KCl, %Na, %Cl, %Mg, %S, %Ca and %Insols (insolubles). No assumptions were made regarding correlation between variables. The block model is orthogonal and rotated by 20 degrees reflecting the orientation of the deposit. The block size chosen was 250m x 250m x 1m to roughly reflect drill hole spacing, seam thickness and to adequately discretize the deposit without injecting error.</p> <p>Volumetric solids were created for the individual mineralized zones (i.e., Hangingwall Seam, Upper Seam, Lower Seam, Footwall Seam) for both Sylvinitic and Carnallitic using drill hole data and re-processed depth migrated seismic data. The solids were adjusted by moving the nodes of the triangulated domain surfaces to exactly honour the drill hole intercepts. Numeric codes denoting the zones within the drill hole database were manually adjusted to ensure the accuracy of zonal intercepts. No assay values were edited or altered.</p> <p>Once the domain solids were created, they were used to code the drill hole assays and composites for subsequent statistical analysis. These solids or domains were then used to constrain the interpolation procedure for the mineral resource model, the solids zones were then used to constrain the block model by matching composites to those within the zones in a process called <i>geologic matching</i>. This ensures that only</p>



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		<p>composites that lie within a particular zone are used to interpolate the blocks within that zone.</p> <p>Relative elevation interpolation methods were also employed which is helpful where the grade is layered or banded and is stratigraphically controlled. In the case of Kola, layering manifests itself as a relatively high-grade band at the footwall, which gradually decreases toward the hanging wall. Due to the undulations of the deposit, this estimation process accounts for changes in dip that are common in layered and stratified deposits.</p> <p>The estimation plan includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Store the mineralized zone code and percentage of mineralization.</li> <li>• Apply the density, based on calculated specific gravity.</li> <li>• Estimate the grades for each of the metals using the relative elevation method and an inverse distance using three passes. The three estimation passes were used to estimate the Resource Model because a more realistic block-by-block estimation can be achieved by using more restrictions on those blocks that are closer to drill holes, and thus better informed.</li> <li>• Include a minimum of one composite and a maximum of nine, with a maximum of three from any one drill hole.</li> </ul> <p>The nature and distribution of the Kola Deposit shows uniform distribution of KCl grades without evidence of multiple populations which would require special treatment by either grade limiting or cutting. Therefore, it was determined that no outlier or grade capping was necessary.</p> <p>The grade models have been developed using inverse distance and anisotropic search ellipses measure 250 x 150 x 50 m and have been oriented relative to the main direction of continuity within each domain. Anisotropic distances have been included during interpolation; in other words, weighting of a sample is relative to the range of the ellipse. A sample at a range of 250 m along the main axis is given the same weight as a sample at 50 m distance located across the strike of the zone.</p> <p>A full set of cross-sections, long sections, and plans were used to check the block model on the computer screen, showing the block grades and the composite. There was no evidence that any blocks were wrongly estimated. It appears that block grades can be explained as a function of: the surrounding composites, the solids models used, and the estimation plan applied. In addition, manual <i>ballpark</i> estimates for tonnage</p>

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		<p>to determine reasonableness was confirmed along with comparisons against the nearest neighbor estimate.</p> <p>As a check on the global tonnage, an estimate was made in Microsoft Excel by using the average seam thickness and determining a volume based on the proportion of holes containing Sylvinite versus the total number of holes (excluding those that did not reach the target depth) then applying the mean density of 2.1 (t/m<sup>3</sup>) to determine the total tonnes. This was carried out for the USS and LSS within the Measured and Indicated categories. A deduction was made to account for loss within subsidence anomalies. The tonnage of this estimate is within 10% of the tonnage of the reported Mineral Resource.</p>
<p><b>3.6 Moisture</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Whether the tonnages are estimated on a dry basis or with natural moisture, and the method of determination of the moisture content.</i></li> </ul>	<p>Mineral Resource tonnages are reported on an insitu basis (with natural moisture content), Sylvinite containing almost no moisture and Carnallite containing significant moisture within its molecular structure. Moisture content of samples was measured using the 'Loss on Drying' ("LOD") method at Intertek Genalysis as part of the suite of analyses carried out. Data shows that for Sylvinite the average moisture content is 0.076 % and the maximum value was 0.6%. Representative moisture analyses of Carnallite are difficult as it is so hygroscopic. 38% of the mass of the mineral <i>carnallite</i> is due to water (6 H<sub>2</sub>O groups within its structure). Using the KCl data to work out a mean <i>carnallite</i> content, the Carnallite has an average moisture content approximately 25% insitu. It can be reliably assumed that this amount of moisture would have been held by the Carnallite samples at the time of analysis of potassium, in a temperate atmosphere for the duration that they were exposed.</p>
<p><b>3.7 Cut-off parameters</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The basis of the adopted cut-off grade(s) or quality parameters applied.</i></li> </ul>	<p>For Sylvinite, a CoG of 10% was determined by an analysis of the Pre-feasibility and 'Phased Implementation study' operating costs analysis and a review of current potash pricing. The following operating costs were determined from previous studies per activity per tonne of MoP (95% KCl) produced from a 33% KCl ore, with a recovery of 89.5%:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mining US\$30/t</li> <li>• Process US\$20/t</li> <li>• Infrastructure US\$20/t</li> <li>• Sustaining Capex US\$15/t</li> <li>• Royalties US\$10/t</li> <li>• Shipping US\$15/t</li> </ul>

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		<p>For the purpose of the CoG calculation, it was assumed that infrastructure, sustaining capex, royalty and shipping do not change with grade (i.e. are fixed) and that mining and processing costs vary linearly with grade. Using these assumptions of fixed costs (US\$60/t) and variable costs at 33% (US\$50/t) and a potash price of US\$250/t, we can calculate a cut-off grade where the expected cost of operations equals the revenue. This is at a grade of 8.6% KCl. To allow some margin of safety, a CoG of 10% is therefore proposed. For Carnallitite, reference was made to the Scoping Study for Dougou which determined similar operating costs for solution mining of Carnallitite and with the application of a \$250/t potash price a CoG of 10% KCl is determined.</p>
<p><b>3.8 Mining factors or assumptions</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Assumptions made regarding possible mining methods, minimum mining dimensions and internal (or, if applicable, external) mining dilution. It is always necessary as part of the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider potential mining methods, but the assumptions made regarding mining methods and parameters when estimating Mineral Resources may not always be rigorous. Where this is the case, this should be reported with an explanation of the basis of the mining assumptions made.</i></li> </ul>	<p>The Kola Sylvinitite has been the subject of several scoping studies as well as a publicly available NI43-101 compliant PFS completed in September 2012 by SRK Consulting of Denver. The study found that economic extraction of 2 to 5m thick seams with conventional underground mining machines is viable and that mining thickness as low as 1.8m can be supported. Globally, potash is mined in similar deposits with seams of similar geometry and form. The PFS determined an overall conversion of resources to reserves of 26%. A Definitive Feasibility Study is underway.</p> <p>Mining of Carnallitite is not planned at this stage but in the form, grade and quantity of the Carnallitite does support reasonable ground for eventual economic extraction. A Scoping Study complete in 2015 for the nearby Dougou Carnallitite deposit further supports this.</p>
<p><b>3.9 Metallurgical factors or assumptions</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>The basis for assumptions or predictions regarding metallurgical amenability. It is always necessary as part of the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider potential metallurgical methods, but the assumptions regarding metallurgical treatment processes and parameters made when reporting Mineral Resources may not always be rigorous. Where this is the case, this should be reported with an explanation of the basis of the metallurgical assumptions made.</i></li> </ul>	<p>The Kola Sylvinitite ore represents a simple mineralogy, containing only sylvite, halite and minor fragments of other insoluble materials. Sylvinitite of this nature is well understood globally and can be readily processed. Separation of the halite from sylvite by means of flotation has been proven in potash mining districts in Russia and Canadas. Furthermore, metallurgical test work was performed on all Sylvinitite seams (HWSS, USS, LSS and FWSS) at the SRC which confirmed the viability of processing the Kola ore by conventional flotation.</p>
<p><b>3.10 Environmental factors or assumptions</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Assumptions made regarding possible waste and process residue disposal options. It is always necessary as part of</i></li> </ul>	<p>The Kola deposit is located in a sensitive environmental setting in an area that abuts the CDNP. Approximately 60% of the deposit is located within the economic</p>

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	<p><i>the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider the potential environmental impacts of the mining and processing operation. While at this stage the determination of potential environmental impacts, particularly for a greenfields project, may not always be well advanced, the status of early consideration of these potential environmental impacts should be reported. Where these aspects have not been considered this should be reported with an explanation of the environmental assumptions made.</i></p>	<p>development zone of the CDNP, while the remainder is within the buffer zone around the park. The economic development zone does permit mining activities if it is shown that impact can be minimised. For these reasons, Sintoukola Potash has focussed its efforts on understanding the environmental baseline and the potential impacts that the project will have. Social, water, hydrobiology, cultural, archaeological, biodiversity, noise, traffic and economic baseline studies were undertaken as part of the ESIA process between 2011 and 2013. This led to the preparation of an Equator Principles compliant ESIA in 2013 and approval of this study by the government in the same year.</p> <p>Waste management for the project is simplified by the proximity to the ocean, which acts as a viable receptor for NaCl from the process plant. Impacts on the forest and fauna are minimised by locating the process plant and employee facilities at the coast, outside the CDNP. Relationships with the national parks, other NGO's and community and government stakeholders have been maintained continuously since 2011 and engagement is continuing for the ongoing DFS. All stakeholders remain supportive of the project.</p>
<p><b>3.11 Bulk density</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Whether assumed or determined. If assumed, the basis for the assumptions. If determined, the method used, whether wet or dry, the frequency of the measurements, the nature, size and representativeness of the samples.</i></li> <li>• <i>The bulk density for bulk material must have been measured by methods that adequately account for void spaces (vugs, porosity, etc), moisture and differences between rock and alteration zones within the deposit.</i></li> <li>• <i>Discuss assumptions for bulk density estimates used in the evaluation process of the different materials.</i></li> </ul>	<p>The separation of Carnallite and Sylvinite (no instances of a mixed ore-type have been observed) and that these rock types each comprise over 97.5% of only two minerals (Carnallite of <i>carnallite</i> and <i>halite</i>; Sylvinite of <i>sylvite</i> and <i>halite</i>) means that density is proportional to grade. The mineral <i>sylvite</i> has a specific gravity of 1.99 and <i>halite</i> of 2.17. Reflecting this, the density of Sylvinite is less if it contains more <i>sylvite</i>. The same is true of Carnallite, <i>carnallite</i> having a density of 1.60.</p> <p>Conventional density measurements using the weight in air and weight in water method were problematic due to the soluble nature of the core and difficulty applying wax to salt. As an alternative, gas pycnometer analyses were carried out (71 on Sylvinite and 37 on Carnallite samples). Density by pycnometer was plotted against grade for each and a regression line was plotted, the formula of which was used in the Mineral Resource model to determine the bulk density of each block. As a check on the pycnometer data, the theoretical bulk density (assumes a porosity of nil) was plotted using the relationship between grade and density described above. As a further check, a 'field density' was determined for Sylvinite and Carnallite from EK_49 and EK_51 on whole core, by weighing the core and measuring the volume using a calliper, before sending samples for analysis. An average field density of 2.10 was derived from the Sylvinite samples, with an average grade of 39% KCl, and 1.70</p>

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		for Carnallitite with an average grade of 21% KCl, supporting the pycnometer data. The theoretical and field density data support the approach of determining bulk-density.
<b>3.12 Classification</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>The basis for the classification of the Mineral Resources into varying confidence categories.</i></li> <li><i>Whether appropriate account has been taken of all relevant factors (i.e. relative confidence in tonnage/grade estimations, reliability of input data, confidence in continuity of geology and metal values, quality, quantity and distribution of the data).</i></li> <li><i>Whether the result appropriately reflects the Competent Person's view of the deposit.</i></li> </ul>	<p>Drill-hole and seismic data are relied upon in the geological modelling and grade estimation. Across the deposit the reliability of the geological and grade data is high. Grade continuity is less reliant on data spacing as within each domain grade variation is small reflecting the continuity of the depositional environment and 'all or nothing' style of Sylvinitic formation.</p> <p>It is the data spacing that is the principal consideration as it determines the confidence in the interpretation of the seam continuity and therefore confidence and classification; the further away from seismic and drill-hole data the lower the confidence in the Mineral Resource classification, as summarized in Table 13 of the announcement (dated 27 Feb 2025). In the assigning confidence category, all relevant factors were considered and the final assignment reflects the Competent Persons view of the deposit.</p>
<b>3.13 Audits or reviews</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>The results of any audits or reviews of Mineral Resource estimates.</i></li> </ul>	No audits or reviews of the Mineral Resource have been carried out other than those of professionals working with Met-Chem division of DRA Americas Inc., a subsidiary of the DRA Group as part of the modelling and estimation work.
<b>3.14 Discussion of relative accuracy/confidence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Where appropriate a statement of the relative accuracy and confidence level in the Mineral Resource estimate using an approach or procedure deemed appropriate by the Competent Person. For example, the application of statistical or geostatistical procedures to quantify the relative accuracy of the resource within stated confidence limits, or, if such an approach is not deemed appropriate, a qualitative discussion of the factors that could affect the relative accuracy and confidence of the estimate.</i></li> <li><i>The statement should specify whether it relates to global or local estimates, and, if local, state the relevant tonnages, which should be relevant to technical and economic evaluation. Documentation should include assumptions made and the procedures used.</i></li> </ul>	<p>The Competent Person has a very high degree of confidence in the data and the results of the Mineral Resource Estimate. The use of tightly spaced seismic that was reprocessed using state-of-the-art techniques combined with high quality drill data formed the solid basis from which to model the deposit. Industry standard best practices were followed throughout and rigorous quality assurance and quality control procedures were employed at all stages. The Competent Person was provided all information and results without exception and was involved in all aspects of the program leading up to the estimation of resources. The estimation strategy and method accurately depict tonnages and grades with a high degree of accuracy both locally and globally.</p> <p>There is no production data from which to base an opinion with respect to accuracy and confidence.</p>

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