

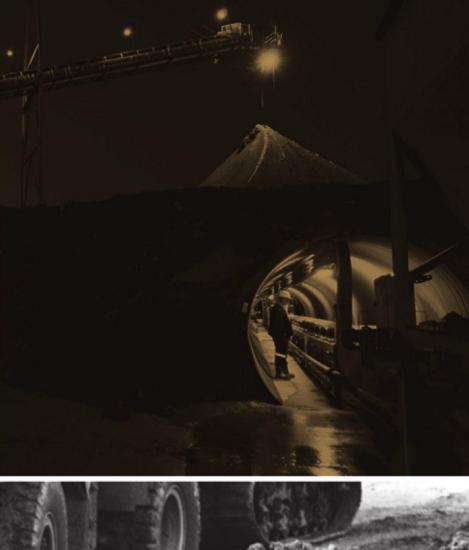


## **Straits Resources Limited**

Financial Results 6 month Period Ending 31 December 2011

28 February 2012





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### POSITIONED FOR GROWTH

- Operating revenue of \$146.5 million for the period
- Underlying EBITDA from mining operations of \$13.8 million
  - Tritton EBITDA of \$6.1 million
  - Mt Muro EBITDA of \$7.7 million
- Successful completion of the Tritton offtake buyout in December 2011 for \$96.9 million, expensed. This one-off restructuring cost contributed to the net loss of \$105.0 million
- Cash and Investments \$60.4 million \*
  - Cash and cash equivalents position of \$24.7 million
  - Subsequent capital raising when completed is expected to contribute \$50 million before costs
- Investments in Capital, Development and Exploration of \$50 million

\* Cash (includes proceeds of capital raising) and Investments at 7 February 2012 were \$94 million as per announcement of 13 February 2012, Capital Raising Presentation.

### POSITIONED FOR GROWTH

#### **Tritton Copper Mine - NSW**

- Currently a 7 year mine life at 25,000 tpa copper production
- Mill running at approximately 75% of capacity due to limited ore sourcing from current reserves
- Targeting \$1.80 cash costs in FY13 (exclusive of TC/RCs) from improvements in productivity and costs
- Tritton is generating cash flow going forward
- Capital raising will facilitate a \$12m exploration budget at Tritton to bring Avoca Tank and other prospects into reserves quickly
- Recent high grade discovery at Avoca Tank near Tritton has the potential to provide ore feed to take the mill to 100% of capacity (1.8mt) and reduce incremental costs
- Focus on finding extensions to reserves around the current mining area at North-East (including Larsens & Double Tanks)
- Capital raising will also allow the last payments totalling US\$19m to J.P. Morgan to remove any encumbrance on the copper off take
- The removal of the onerous copper off take agreement reduces the Copper Treatment & Refining charge from 35% of the copper price to approximately 5% from 1 January 2012

### POSITIONED FOR GROWTH

#### Mt Muro Gold Mine – Indonesia

- Cash flow positive in fourth quarter FY 2012 as initial pre-strip nears completion
- Targeting FY 2013 production of 100koz @ cash costs of US\$900/oz
- Cash costs will reduce as production increases, and the current plan targets:
  - reduce from current level of US\$1,400 AuEq/oz down to US\$550 AuEq/oz by plan end
  - in FY13 target cash costs are approx US\$900 and US\$10 million for ongoing waste stripping
  - average cash costs of US\$775 AuEq/oz over the 6 year plan (approx US\$915 inclusive of capitalised waste)
- Increase in reserves to 734koz AuEq announced on 6 February 2012. This results in a 6 year mine life at +100 koz AuEq production from FY 2013 at average cash costs of US\$775 AuEq/oz (average total costs US\$915/oz)
- Capital raising will allow exploration budget to be increased to approximately US\$1m per month to drive further reserve/resource upgrades

### SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

- De-merger of the metal assets & subsequent sale of coal assets (shareholders received A\$1.72 per share) & metal assets listed as new company renamed Straits Resources
- Tritton copper & Mt Muro gold mines recapitalised
- Finalised buy out & restructuring of Tritton's Cu offtake agreement
- Significant reserve increases at Tritton & Mt Muro operations
- New Cu discovery at Avoca Tank
- GfE & Magontec sold
- Goldminco minorities bought out

#### Straits is now a much simpler company.



### **INCOME STATEMENT**

A\$M's	Dec-11
Net Profit/(loss) after Tax	
Base metals - Tritton (including buy out) Precious metals - Mt Muro FX gain Investments held for trading Administration and support Other items Net loss from operating activites Loss from discontinued operations Profit/(Loss) after tax	(98.9) 6.0 2.4 (5.0) (7.8) (0.4) (103.7) (1.3) (105.0)
Profit/(loss) is attributable to: Owners of Straits Resources	(105.0)

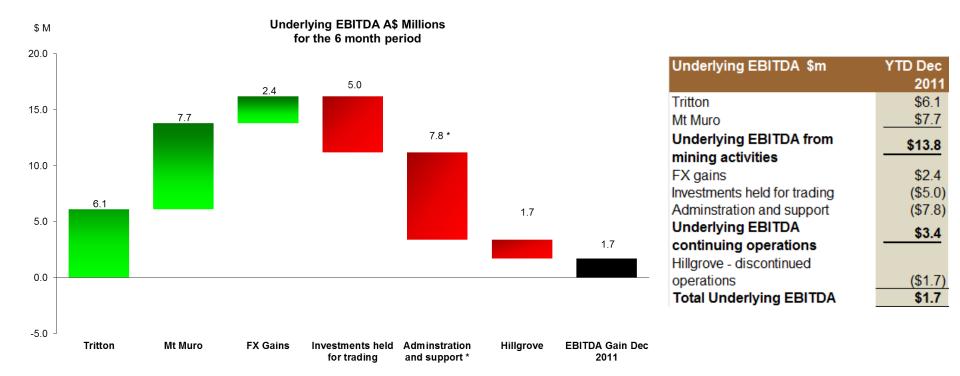
#### Deferred Tax Asset not recognised:

The Company has deferred the recognition of a tax asset totalling \$35.3M and associated income tax benefit in respect to tax losses of \$117.5m generated during the half year, mainly in relation to the buy out of the J.P. Morgan copper offtake agreement. Australian Accounting Standards impose a stringent test for the recognition of a deferred tax asset where there is a history of recent tax losses. The company has deferred the recognition of any further tax asset for the Australian tax group until a return to taxable profits has been demonstrated.



### UNDERLYING EBITDA

• Mining operations generated positive underlying EBITDA of \$13.8 million

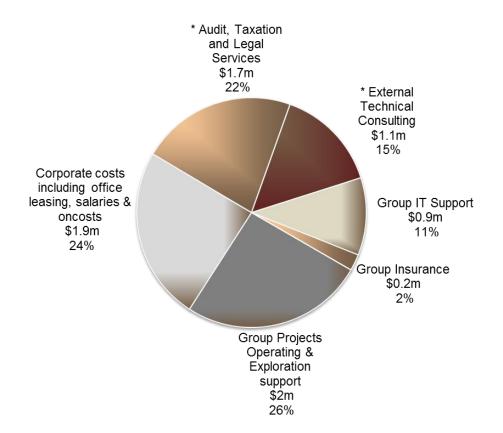


- Financial results are reported under International Financial reporting Standards (IFRS). Underlying EBITDA is provided to assist readers to better understand the underlying consolidated financial performance.
- Underlying EBITDA from mining activities excludes the J.P. Morgan buyout of (\$96.9m) and the time value on the copper collar of \$2.2m
- <sup>\*</sup> See Financial Overview Administration and Support



### ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT

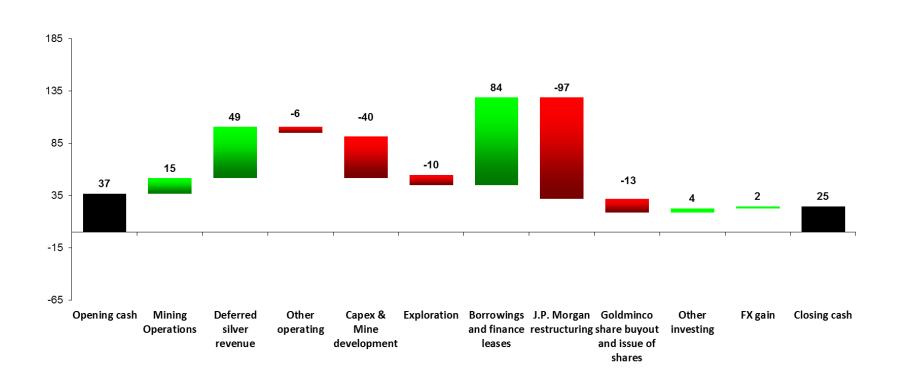
• Administration and support underlying EBITDA of (\$7.8 million) includes:



\* A large portion of these costs primarily relate to the J.P. Morgan contract restructuring work undertaken over the last 6 months.

### CASHFLOW

- \$15 million positive operating inflow from mining operations
- \$50 million of capital, mine development and exploration outflows for the half year ending December 2011

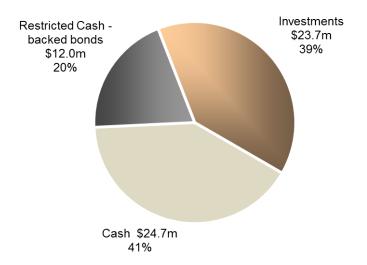


#### Group Cashflow Movement A\$m



### CASH, INVESTMENTS & BORROWINGS

#### Cash and liquid Investments \$60.4m



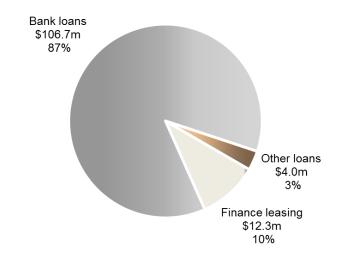
#### Cash and restricted cash

- · Approximately 49% of cash held in USD
- \$12.0m relates to cash backed bonds at ANZ and Mandiri Bank Indonesia. (Classified as receivables)

#### Investments

• The Group has minor investments in a few listed resource companies mainly as a result of asset sales in exchange for equity

#### Borrowings \$123.0m



#### Bank Loans

- Standard Chartered working capital facility \$14.7m
- Standard Chartered financial prepaid copper swap \$81.4m
- J.P. Morgan corporate facility \$9.8m
- \$0.8m Tritton NAB housing facility

#### Hire Purchase and Finance Leases

- Primarily utilised to acquire mining equipment at Tritton \$12.3m
  Other Loans
- \$1.4m Insurance premium funding
- \$2.6m Mt Muro coal fired power station

### **BALANCE SHEET**

#### A\$M's Dec-11 Notes Assets 24.7 Approximately 49% of cash held in USD. 88% held in Australian based institutions with Cash A ratings or better. 66.6 Includes \$12m of cash backed performance bonds. Receivables Inventory 19.7 Tritton and Mt Muro unfinished and finished product stockpiles. Other Financial Assets 23.7 Investments held for trading. Derivative financial instruments 7.4 MTM copper and gold derivatives. 17.9 Gross asset value of Hillgrove mine \$14.6m and equipment held for sale \$3.3 Assets classified as held for sale Tax assets 17.8 Net deferred tax asset of the continuing operations. 43.0 Book value of the Groups assets held by subsidiaries. Property, plant and equipment 89.3 Capitalised mining costs at Tritton and Mt Muro mines. Mine properties Exploration 24.5 Exploration at Tritton, Mt Muro and Regional exploration. Total assets 334.6 Liabilities Payables 48.7 Trade creditors and accrued expenses. Interest bearing liabilities 123.0 Bank loans \$106.7m, finance lease \$12.3m and other loans \$4m Liabilities classified as held for sale 4.3 Hillarove Mine 48.9 Silver pre-payment with Credit Suisse for 1.95m ounces Deferred revenue current

- 20.5 Provisions for mine closure and employee related provisions.
- 0.3 MTM gold derivatives.
- 0.3 Tritton Bogan Shire Ioan.
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Net Assets/Shareholders Equity

Derivative financial instruments

Non Interest Bearing Facilities

Provisions

Total Liabilities

88.6



## **Financial Overview – Capital and Development**

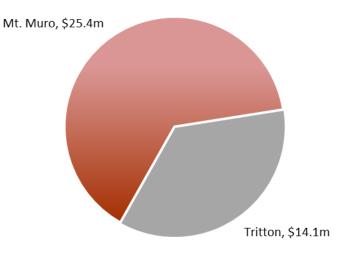
### SUBSTANTIAL RE-INVESTMENT INITIATIVES

### Tritton

- Continued development of Tritton underground using "Bottom-up" mining method
- North-East development continues
- Completion of paste-fill plant
- Change to owner operator

#### Mt Muro

- Focus on Serujan open pit development
- Minimum 6 year mine plan established

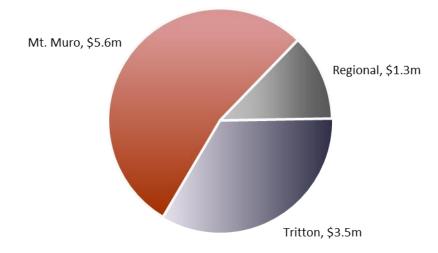


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## **Financial Overview – Exploration**

### FOCUSED EXPLORATION ACTIVITY

- Exploration expenditure of \$10.4 million for the reporting period. The group continues to invest heavily in exploration throughout Australia and Indonesia.
- Significant exploration success has been achieved at our two operating mines. Tritton in NSW with the discovery of the Avoca Tank prospect close to Tritton's North-East ore body. At Mt Muro, in Central Kalimantan Indonesia, a significant resource upgrade during the year. In addition significant exploration activities have been undertaken at the Temora and Blayney projects in NSW.



## **Operating Review**



## **Tritton Review**

### SUCCESSFULLY TRANSITIONING TO OWNER OPERATOR MINING

- Tritton stabilised at 25,000tpa copper production
- Significant investment in recapitalisation and efficiency program in FY2011/12
  - Implementation of Paste Fill
  - > Change to 'bottom up' mining method
  - Change to owner operator
- Exploration success in 2011
  - 28% increase in total reserves to 172,000 tonnes of Copper
  - Resources of 29.9 Mt @ 1.6% Cu
  - Focus on near mine & regional exploration in 2012
  - Avoca Tank discovery

Strong exploration upside, focus on exploration to deliver additional reserves and resources

 Re-negotiated off take agreement, market related TC/RC's from January 2012

Production Statistics		YTD Dec 2011
Development	Metres	2,835
Ore Mined (Tritton)	Tonnes Grade (%) Cu Tonnes	636,538 1.98 636,538
Ore Milled	Tonnes Grade (%) Cu Tonnes	636,538 1.99 12,667
Recovery	%	95.6
Concentrate	Tonnes Cu % Cu Tonnes	47,683 25 12,059
Cement	Cu Tonnes	315
Total copper produced		12,375

Resources	Measured	Indicated	Inferred	Total
Tonnes (kt) Cu (%)	2,620 2.5	19,950 1.5	7,340 1.4	29,910 1.6
Reserves	Proved	Probable	Total	
Tonnes (kt) Cu (%) Cu recoverable (t)	1,670 2.3 37,000	8,730 1.6 135,000	10,400 1.8 172,000	

## **Mt Muro Review**

## RESERVES SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED TO OVER 734k Au EQUIVALENT OUNCES

- Plant throughput capable of 1.7 Mtpa
- Fewer working areas = stable production & lower costs
- Resources 17.9Mt @ 2.1 g/t/Au & 46 g/t Ag (2 mill oz AuEq<sup>1</sup>)
- Reserves 515,000 Oz Au & 9.7 million Oz Ag (734k oz AuEq) \*
- Exploration programme successfully increased reserves to 734,000oz AuEq \*
- Minimum 6 year mine plan established at plus 100k oz per annum AuEq from FY2013 \*
- Exploration targeting depth extensions to known significant gold production structures. Structures so far only tested to relatively shallow depth

<sup>1</sup> AuEq calculated using US\$1300/ounce gold & US \$28/ounce silver.

\* Mt Muro reserves as per announcement of 6 February 2012, CEO Presentation – Melbourne/Sydney Roadshow February 2012.

Production Statistics	YTD Dec 2011
Ore milled	404,041
Gold grade (g/t)	1.2
Silver grade (g/t)	34
Gold recovery (%)	93.2
Silver recovery (%)	69.8
Gold production (oz)	14,804
Silver production (oz)	310,953

Resources	Measured	Indicated	Inferred	Total
Tonnes (kt) Au (g/t)	-	19,060 1.4	8,540 1.6	27,600 1.4
Ag (g/t)	-	43	31	39
Reserves	Proved	Probable	Total	
Tonnes (kt)	-	6,820	6,820	
Au (g/t) Ag (g/t)	-	2.5 59	2.5 59	
Au (oz)	-	515,000	515,000	
Ag (oz)	-	9,680,000	9,680,000	
Au Eq (oz)	-	734,000	734,000	

## Outlook

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### STRAITS IS POSITIONED FOR GROWTH

- A copper and gold focussed metals mining & exploration company
- Strong capitalised production base now established
- Driving productivity and cost improvements
- World class exploration portfolio with geologically visible drill ready exploration targets

Outlook

- Positioned to deliver strong repeatable earnings from two fully capitalised mines from middle of 2012
- Strong balance sheet following placement in February 2012

### **Competent Person Statement**

#### **Competent Person Statement for Mineral Resources and Drilling Results**

The information in this presentation to Mineral Resources and Drilling Results is based on information compiled by Byron Dumpleton, who is a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Dumpleton is a full-time employee of Straits Resources Limited and has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation, type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Dumpleton consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

Mineral Resources reported are inclusive of Ore Reserves.

Discrepancies in Resource Table summations may occur due to rounding.

Competent Person Statement for Ore Reserves:

The information in this presentation that relates to Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Peter Storey, who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Storey is a full-time employee of Straits Resources Limited and has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation, type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Storey consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

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#### **About Straits Resources**

Straits Resources Ltd (ASX Code: SRQ) is a mining and exploration company focused on copper and gold in Australia and Asia. Straits owns and operates the Tritton copper mine in NSW and the Mt Muro gold mine in Indonesia and has an exciting exploration portfolio focusing on projects in NSW and South Australia.

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