

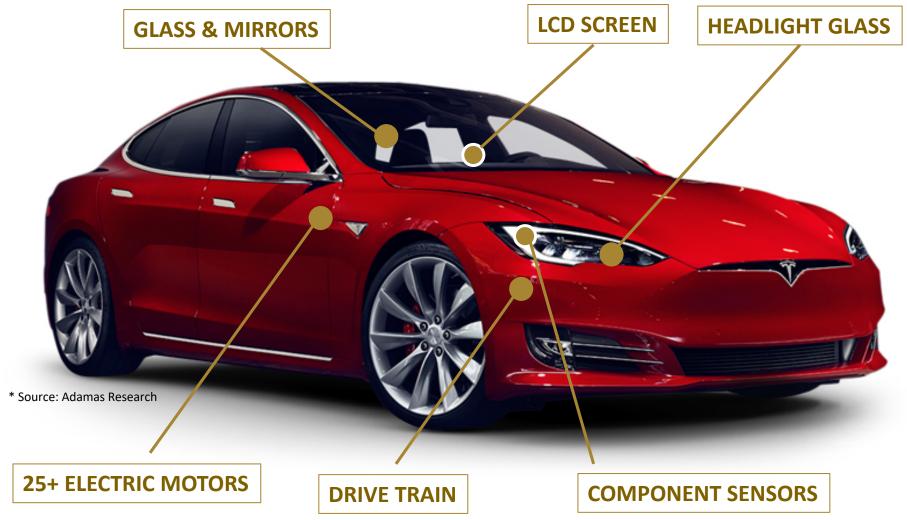
# Beyond Lithium: Alkane's Essential Elements Sydney Mining Club 2 August 2018 Nic Earner, MD Alkane Resources Ltd



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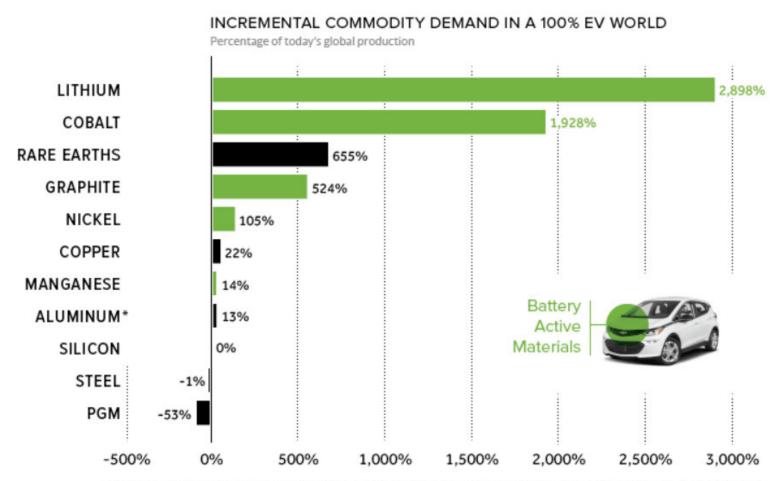


# **Electric Vehicles are Driving Rare Earths Demand**





#### The Critical Link Between Lithium & Rare Earths

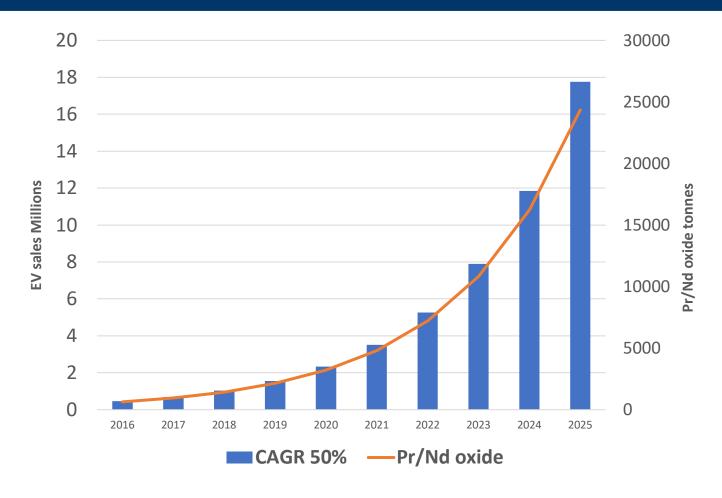


<sup>\*</sup>Small amounts of aluminum are used in NCA batteries, but this change in demand stems mostly from replacing steel in the body.

Sources: UBS, Visual Capitalist



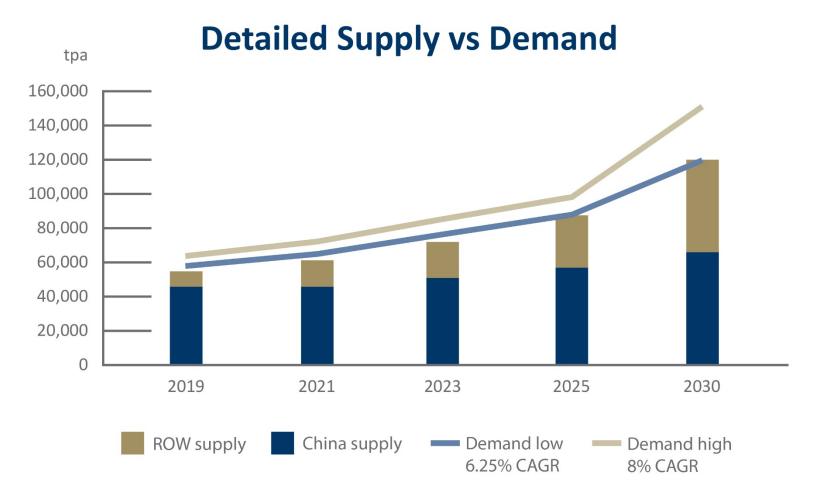
#### **Exponential Growth in EV Sales**



10 million EVs requires + 15,000 tpa rare earths (Pd/Nd)



# Supply vs Demand (Rare Earths – Pr/Nd oxides)



Source: IMCOA



#### A Lesson from China: The Rare Earth Value Chain

#### In 2016









Since 1970s, China has successfully implemented each component of the rare earth value chain to create downstream domestic jobs



## Rare Earths: China's Tactics 2017/18

- Consolidate industry
- Shut down illegal production
- Fund production companies
- Eliminate export quotas and taxes
- Legislate for royalties
- Clean up environmental practices
- Integrate the entire value chain



#### **Not Just a Rare Earths Project**

**Revenue 17%** 

#### **REE 30%** Magnets 25% Non-Magnets 5% Hafnium EV's **Catalysts Superalloys Revenue 30%** Glass Wind power • Plasma cutting tips **Robotics Phosphors Nuclear control rods** Metal alloys **Catalyst precursor** Revenue 10% **Polishing Jet engines TBCs Ceramics Developing applications for** thermoelectric and ferroelectric Revenue split at current prices

#### **Niobium**

- Superalloys
- Structural steel
- Auto steel
- Rocket nozzles

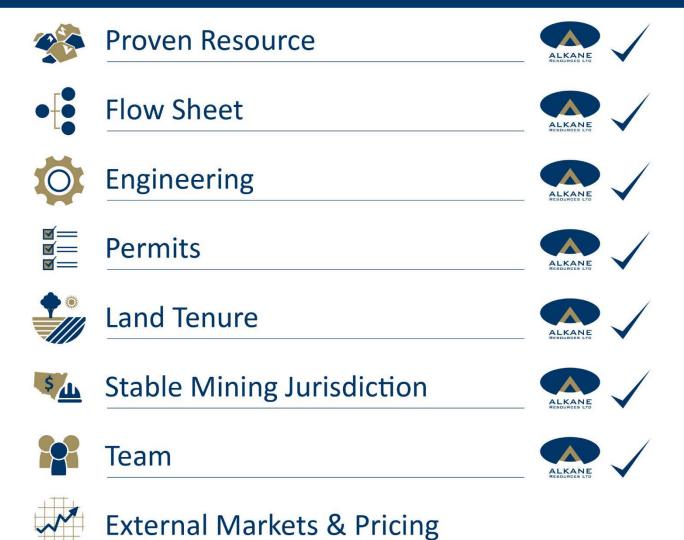
#### **Zirconium**

- Ceramics
- Catalysts
- Chemicals
- Refractory
- Foundry
- Jet engines TBCs



**Revenue 43%** 

### **Steps to Market**





#### The Future

- EV supply chain investment must include rare earths
- Rare earths production must increase worldwide
- New projects need to come online
- Alkane's Dubbo Project has completed all critical steps and is ready for funding
- Increasing rare earth prices
   + potential supply disruption = incentive to invest
- What else does Alkane have in its favour?



#### More than Rare Earths - Successful Gold History

- 1996-2005 Peak Hill Gold Mine operated
- Discovered McPhillamy's proved resource and sold \$70m (2012)
- 2014 Current Tomingley Gold Operations (812,000 oz init. resource)
  - commissioned on-time/budget (\$116m) No debt
- 2018 TGO NSW Mine Operator of the Year
- Successful ongoing exploration program provides pipeline of potential development projects
- Underground resources and reserves at TGO



# **Tomingley Gold Operations (TGO)**

- 2018 'Mining Operation of the Year' (NSW Mining)
- Construction on-time and on budget. No debt.
- Excellent operational performance
- Full year cash flow \$60.1m FY18
- FY18 initial guidance exceeded
- 78,533 oz gold
- A\$1,002/oz ASIC
- Total gold production to 30 June 2018: 305,506 oz
- Total cash flow to 30 June 2018: \$146m





#### **TGO Performance**

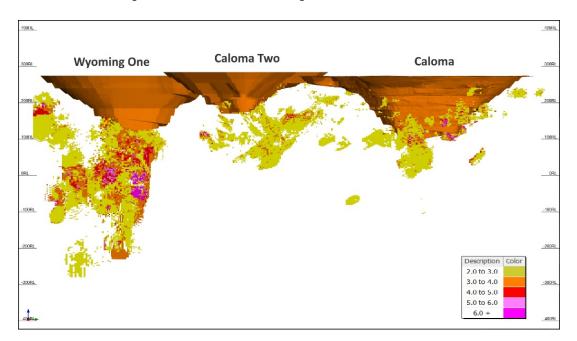
Year	Gold poured	Gold sold	AISC*	Revenue	Operating Cash Flow
2014	20,713	16,374	\$1,604	\$23.3M	
2015	69,612	70,734	\$1,249	\$101.9M	\$28.6M
2016	67,812	67,893	\$1,256	\$109.1M	\$24.6M
2017	68,836	69,929	\$1,335	\$117.3M	\$32.7M
2018	78,533	75,507	\$1,002	\$128.8M	\$60.1M
2019 est	32,500		\$1,350	\$56.4M	

<sup>\*</sup>AISC = All In Sustaining Cost comprises all site operating costs, royalties, mine exploration, sustaining capex and mine development and an allocation of corporate costs presented on the basis of ounces produced



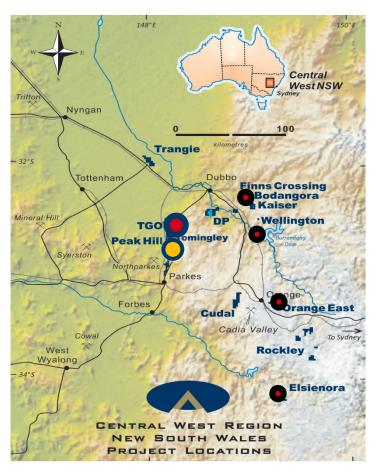
## **TGO Underground**

- Planning for underground operations underway investment decision expected December 2018.
- A project manager has been appointed
- Portal development anticipated in March 2019.





### **Exploration**



- O Peak Hill Gold Mine 1996 2005 production
  - Substantial gold-copper sulphide deposit
  - potential feed for TGO
- TGO Regional exploration
  - A number of ore intercepts in drilling over a
     5km strike length
- Advanced exploration projects at
  - Bodangora Kaiser (Au Cu)
     large gold-copper porphyry system

KSRC001 60m grading 0.81g/t gold and 0.91% copper KSRC018 311m grading 0.28g/t gold and 0.08% copper

- Wellington (Cu Au)
   defined small VMS deposit (non JORC)
- Elsienora (Au base metals, barite)
   McPhillamys style targets (2.5Moz)
- Orange East (Au)McPhillamys style targets



# **Gold Growth Strategy**

- Leverage TGO
   infrastructure with
   underground and
   surrounding resources.
- Grow a portfolio of small promising gold projects for development through acquisition.





#### Conclusion

- Dubbo Project ready to develop
- Momentum for funding is increasing
- TGO running well
- TGO underground in final checks for financial decision
- TGO regional exploration has high potential
- Quality regional tenements
- Considering investments for development





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#### **Dubbo Project Resources & Reserves**

#### **Dubbo Project – Mineral Resources**

Resource Category	Tonnes	ZrO <sub>2</sub>	HfO <sub>2</sub>	Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Ta <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	TREO*
	(Mt)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Measured	42.81	1.89	0.04	0.45	0.03	0.14	0.74
Inferred	32.37	1.90	0.04	0.44	0.03	0.14	0.74
Total	75.18	1.89	0.04	0.44	0.03	0.14	0.74

<sup>\*</sup>TREO% is the sum of all rare earth oxides excluding ZrO<sub>2</sub>, HfO<sub>2</sub>, Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>,

#### **Dubbo Project – Ore Reserves**

Reserve Category	Tonnes	ZrO <sub>2</sub>	HfO <sub>2</sub>	Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Ta <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	TREO*
	(Mt)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Proved	18.90	1.85	0.04	0.440	0.029	0.136	0.735
Probable	0						
Total	18.90	1.85	0.04	0.440	0.029	0.136	0.735

<sup>\*</sup>TREO% is the sum of all rare earth oxides excluding ZrO2, HfO2, Nb2O3, Ta2O5, Y2O3,

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#### TGO Open Pit Resources and Reserves (30 June 17)

TOMINGLEY GOLD OPERATIONS MINERAL RESOURCES (as at 30 June 2017)									
	MEASURED		INDICATED		INFERRED		TOTAL		Total Gold
DEPOSIT	Tonnage	Grade	Tonnage	Grade	Tonnage	Grade	Tonnage	Grade	Total Gold
	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Koz)
Open Pittable Resource	es (cut off 0.50g/t	Au)							
Wyoming One	1,716	1.7	400	1.6	625	1.1	2,741	1.6	137
Wyoming Three	86	2.0	16	1.3	33	1.4	135	1.7	8
Caloma One	954	1.6	1,016	1.2	824	1.2	2,794	1.3	120
Caloma Two	=	0.0	956	2.1	927	1.1	1,883	1.6	97
Stockpiles	762	1.0					762	1.0	23
TOTAL	3,518	1.6	2,358	1.7	2,409	1.3	8,315	1.4	385

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DEPOSIT	Tonnage	Grade	Tonnage	Grade	Tonnage	Grade	Total Gold	
	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Koz)	
Open Pittable Reserves (cut off 0.50g/t Au)								
Wyoming One	1,033	1.7	134	1.5	1,167	1.6	63	
Wyoming Three	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Caloma One	58	2.2	0	0	58	2.2	4	
Caloma Two	-	-	167	2.7	167	2.7	14	
Stockpiles	762	1.0	-	-	762	1.0	22	
TOTAL	1,853	1.4	301	2.2	2,154	1.5	104	

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### TGO Underground Resources and Reserves (31 March 17)

TOMINGLEY GOLD PROJECT MINERAL UNDERGROUND RESOURCES (31st March 2018)									
	MEASURED		INDICATED		INFERRED		TOTAL		Tatal Cald
DEPOSIT	Tonnage	Grade	Tonnage	Grade	Tonnage	Grade	Tonnage	Grade	Total Gold
	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Kt)	(g/t Au)	(Koz)
Underground Resoเ	Underground Resources (cut off 2.50g/t Au)								
Wyoming One	0	0.0	866	4.0	110	3.2	976	3.9	122
Wyoming Three	10	3.6	6	3.1	4	3.1	20	3.4	2
Caloma	82	3.8	35	3.4	47	3.0	164	3.5	18
Caloma Two	-	0.0	218	3.6	76	3.2	294	3.5	33
Sub Total	92	3.6	1,125	3.9	237	3.2	1,454	3.7	175
TOTAL	92	3.6	1,125	3.9	237	3.2	1,454	3.7	175

UNDERGROUND ORE RESERVES (May 2017)									
SOURCE	Tonnage (Kt)	Grade (g/t Au)	Gold (koz)						
Proven	45	2.7	4						
Probable	688	3.2	70						
TOTAL	732	3.1	74						

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