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Pan Asia Metals Ltd

Fast tracking Specialty Metals projects in SE Asia

Pan Asia Metals Ltd (PAM) is an unlisted, Singaporean-based company focused on developing Lithium and Tungsten assets in Thailand. The company is in the process of completing a pre-IPO, two-staged, capital raising round of \$1.9m priced at \$0.12/share and has ambitions to list on the ASX in May 2020. PAM's strategy is to identify low cost specialty metal projects which provide an opportunity move downstream and become a highly profitable supplier of specialty metals into Asian markets. Its key assets, the Khao Soon Tungsten Project ,the Reung Kiet Lithium Project and the Bang Now Lithium Project, are in close proximity to the industrial centres of Thailand and Malaysia, positioning PAM for low capex and low opex outcomes. PAM is also conducting target generation in Thailand and Malaysia assessing Li and related metal opportunities.

The Projects

Pan Asia Metals (PAM) has three key assets in South East Asia – the Khao Soon Tungsten Project, and the Bang Now and Reung Kiet Lithium projects. Khao Soon, was previously mined from 1970 to 1979, delivering an estimated 500kt at 2.2% WO₃. The mine was closed by the Thai Army due to mine safety and political unrest. PAM has a drill supported JORC Exploration Target of 15-29Mt at 0.2%-0.4% WO₃, making it potentially one of the largest tungsten projects in the world outside China. The company's next steps are to conduct further drilling and metallurgy work to turn the JORC Exploration Target into JORC Mineral Resources. Drilling on the Reung Kiet Lithium prospect demonstrated lepidolite rich pegmatite trends (including the RKDD001 with 6.3m @ $0.65\%~Li_2O$ from 66m and 5.8m @ $0.73\%~Li_2O$ from 80m; and RKDD002 with 15.6m @ $0.86\%~Li_2O$ from 55m including 9m @ $1.00\%~Li_2O$). Trenching to the south of the drilling identified a pegmatite dyke swarm up to 100m wide and 450m in length, 90 of 92 assays yielded an average of 1.41% Li₂O. The company is now seeking to delineate at least a 2-3Mt ore reserve at 0.8-1.2% Li₂O with the view to developing a 10 year, 5,000tpa Lithium Carbonate operation. The Bang Now project is a less advanced lepidolite rich pegmatite project but sampling has demonstrated grades ranging from 0.5% to 3.38% Li₂O. Lepidolite has several potential by-products including Rb, Cs, K, Si, gypsum and Al. Other potential by-products include Sn, Ta, quartz and feldspar.

Target markets

The global tungsten market is forecasted by GM Insights to grow at a CAGR of 8% from 2019 to 2025. With 80% of the world's production generated in China, any disruption in its production in the country could affect the product supply across the world. Aerospace is a key end user of tungsten with GM Insights predicting growth to 2025 in excess of 7%. The increasing penetration of additive manufacturing into industry is resulting in new applications for specialty metals including tungsten. The lithium market tipped into oversupply in 2019, bringing prices down, and S&P Global Market Intelligence forecasts substantial growth in lithium supply until 2025. According to S&P Global, new mines and brine lakes, coupled with expanded output from several existing projects should put global lithium production above 1.5Mt on a lithium carbonate equivalent (LCE) basis. Based on peer feasibility results PAM is targeting that Reung Kiet will be in the first tercile of the cost curve, giving it a competitive advantage over higher cost global peers and a form of protection against decreasing prices due to oversupply.

Pathway to development

PAM is currently raising up to \$1.9m at \$0.12/share in a two-staged pre-IPO round, with proceeds going towards drilling/advancing the assets (\$0.8m), metallurgical studies and de-risking (\$0.125m), project studies, survey and other asset work (\$0.23m), new target generation (\$0.1m), ASX IPO preparation (\$0.2m) and general working capital (\$0.35m). The company is planning to IPO on the ASX in May 2020, after raising \$4-5m at an anticipated IPO price of \$0.20/share.

Pre-IPO raise price	\$0.12
Pre money EV	\$11.1M
Pre-IPO raise	\$1.9m

Shares on issue post raise 108.445m

Deferred consideration milestone shares payable to founders on meeting JORC targets

Expected IPO raise \$4-5M
Target IPO price \$0.20
Expected IPO timing April 2020

Upside Case

Share details

- Asset geology and minerology positions company for lower opex and capex operations
- Focus on downstream from commodity to chemical increases the pool of customers and delivers greater opportunities for re-rating
- Board and management team highly experienced in operating in SE Asia

Downside Case

- Capital markets risk for initial/subsequent raisings
- Risk of long-term oversupply in lithium markets
- Projects are early stage and pre-JORC

Catalysts

- Completion of pre-IPO round
- Successful \$4-5m raise at IPO and listing

Comparative companies (Australia & NZ)

ATC, A4N, LPD

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