

ACCELERATED PRODUCTION FOR GALAN'S HIGH-GRADE LITHIUM BRINE PROJECTS IN ARGENTINA

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The information contained herein that relates to the project infrastructure was reviewed by John Woodson, PE SME-RM as senior vice president of M3 Engineering and Technology Corporation. He has sufficient experience relevant to the activity which they are undertaking to qualify as a Competent Persons as defined by the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves – The JORC Code (2012)". Mr Woodson consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

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The Mineral Resources underpinning the Ore Reserve and production target in the DFS have been prepared by a competent person in accordance with the requirements of the JORC Code (2012). For full details of the Mineral Resources and Ore Reserve estimates, please refer to the body of the DFS announcement on 3 July 2023 and the Resource Estimate announcement dated 1 May 2023. Galan confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in these announcements. All material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the ASX releases continue to apply and have not materially changed.

Process and engineering designs for the DFS were developed to support capital and operating estimates to an accuracy of -10% to +15%. Key assumptions that the DFS was based on (including those defined as Material Assumptions under ASX Listing Rule 5.9.1) are outlined in the body of the DFS announcement (and Appendix 1) dated 3 July 2023. Galan believes the production target, forecast financial information derived from that target and other forward-looking statements included in the DFS announcement dated 3 July 2023 are based on reasonable grounds.

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# The Premier Lithium Developer





## **Corporate Snapshot**



### Strong cash liquidity, tight share register

**Market Capitalisation** 

A\$318m

Shares on Issue

336.9m

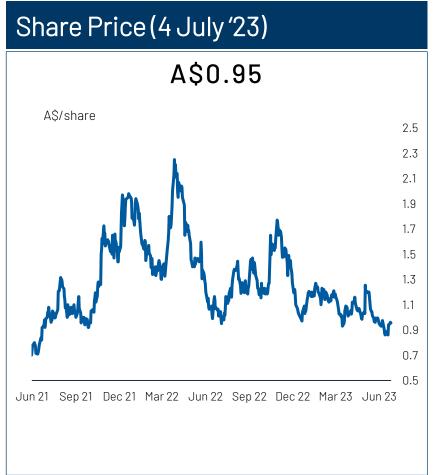
Cash/Investments

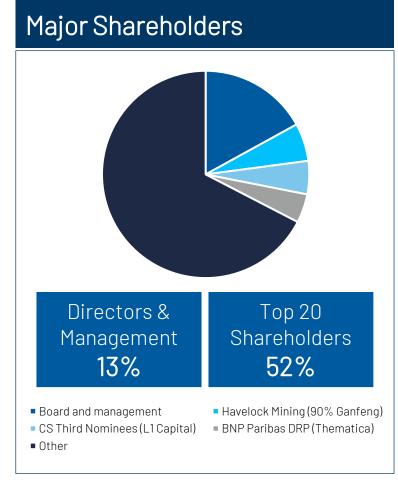
A\$44m

**Unquoted Securities** 

6.94m Options

**23.85m** Performance Shares and Rights





Note: Predicted cash @ 30 June 2023. Shares on issue as at 4 July 2023. Share price and undiluted market capitalisation as at 4 July 2023. Unquoted securities include 6.94m options (various strike prices and expiry dates), 16.5m Directors Performance Rights (various price hurdles), 5m Performance Shares and 2.35m Performance Rights (various price hurdles).

### **World-Class Location**

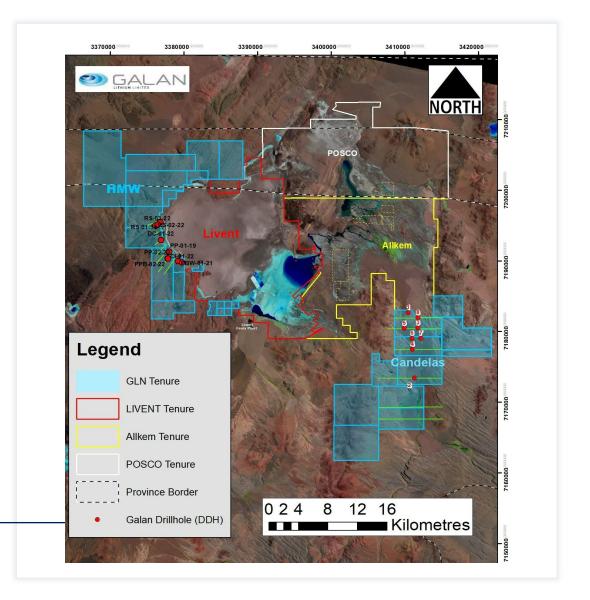
Highly strategic positioning

### 25+ year history of production within salar

- Significant regional infrastructure and investment with excellent government and community support
- Hombre Muerto West (HMW) and Candelas projects highest grade, lowest impurity lithium brine assets in Argentina
- Staged production plan up to 60ktpa LCE

Our 100% owned HMW and Candelas projects are within a 20km radius of Livent,
Allkem and POSCO tenure





# Low Risk - Staged, Flexible Production Plan



Fast track route to Li production

### Targeting first-phase HMW Li concentrate production in H1 CY25

|                 |  | · ·  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                 | Phase 1 - >5ktpa LCE   | Phase 2 – 20ktpa LCE   | Phase 3 – 40ktpa LCE   | Phase 4 – 60ktpa LCE   |  |  |
| Status <b>©</b> | DFS and development initial permits delivered  | DFS and permits expected<br>Sep'23   | Evaluating stage (permitting and DFS commences after phase 2)                          | Evaluating stage (permitting and DFS commences after phase 3)                          |  |  |
| Project 🐠       | HMW  | HMW  | HMW  | HMW & Candelas   |  |  |
| Product 😽       | Li chloride concentrate 6% (H1 2025)   | High grade, low impurity Li<br>chloride concentrate 6%<br>(2026)   | High grade, low impurity Li<br>chloride/carbonate<br>concentrate (2028)                | High grade, low impurity Li<br>chloride/carbonate<br>concentrate (2030)                |  |  |
| Benefits 🎉      | Accelerated construction path, lower project capex and opex costs (incl power/water), opens up offtake opportunities and pre-payments, project cashflows 2 years earlier | Staged construction on back<br>of phase 1, current<br>production ponds included in<br>phase 2 requirements,<br>offtake opportunities and<br>pre-payments | Modular expansion, less infrastructure investment required, lower opex and capex costs | Modular expansion, less infrastructure investment required, lower opex and capex costs |  |  |

## Low Risk - Staged, Flexible Production Plan



### Phase 1 DFS Delivered and Initial Permits Granted





DFS announced 3 July 2023; compelling economics for 5.37ktpa LCE production



Targeting a high end, 6% concentrated lithium chloride product (equivalent to 12.9% Li20 or 31.9% LCE) in H1, 2025



Up to 2 years earlier cashflow facilitating further expansions



Opens up early offtake and material pre-payment opportunities



Initial development permits granted (1)



Top-soil removal for pond construction commenced



Procurement of long lead construction items underway

### Initial Permits Granted - Works Commenced



Initial Phase 1 HMW development permits granted Friday 23 June 2023 \*



Top-soil removal for pond construction commenced



Permit includes all earthworks required for ground pond testing and camp extension



Full construction permits and commencement of Phase 1 pond construction expected during Q3 2023





## Low Risk - Staged, Flexible Production Plan



### Compelling Phase 1 DFS Economic Outcomes

### Flagship HMW Project 100% ownership

- **⊘** Unlevered post-tax NPV8% of US\$460m
- ♥ Post-tax IRR of 36%, approx. 2 year payback
- **⊘** Sunk costs to reduce Phase 2 capex

| Definitive Feasibility Study - July 2023 (1) | UoM         | Result |
|--|-------------|--------|
| Project life                                 | Years       | 40     |
| Steady state lithium carbonate production    | Tonnes/year | 5,367  |
| Long term lithium carbonate price            | US\$/tonne  | 28,000 |
| Steady state average cash cost of production | US\$/tonne  | 3,963  |
| Initial capital cost (excluding contingency) | US\$M       | 104    |
| Steady state average annual EBITDA           | US\$M       | 83     |
| Average Annual Free Cash Flow                | US\$M       | 54     |
| NPV8% (after tax)                            | US\$M       | 460    |
| IRR (after tax)                              | %           | 36     |
| Payback from start of operations             | Years       | 2.2    |

# **Highly Experienced Team**

### With a proven track record







JP Vargas de la Vega Founder & Managing Director



Daniel Jimenez Non-Executive Director



**Terry Gardiner** Non-Executive Director



Claudia Pohl Non-Executive Director

- Experienced corporate lawyer with extensive board and operational experience in the resources and energy sectors.
- Executive Chairman of ASX listed Toro Energy Limited (ASX:TOE), Executive Vice President, Australia of TSX listed Mega Uranium Ltd (TSX:MGA), Chairman of Health Insurance Fund of Australia Ltd.
- Principal of Cardinals Lawyers and Consultants, a boutique corporate and energy & resources law firm.

- Chilean/Australian mineral industry professional with 20 vears' broad experience in ASX mining companies, stockbroking and private equity firms.
- Specialist lithium analyst in Australia, operated a private copper business in Chile and has worked for BHP, Rio Tinto and Codelco.
- Founder of and vendor of the original Argentinian assets.
- Galan's Managing Director since mid 2018.

- Civil industrial engineer having worked for world leader in the lithium industry Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile (SQM) for 28 years based in Santiago, Chile.
- Most recent position was as Vice President of Sales of Lithium, Iodine & Industrial Chemicals where he formulated the commercial strategy and marketing of SQM's industrial products and was responsible for over US\$900 million worth of estimated sales in 2018.
- Over 25 years experience in corporate finance, capital markets, stock broking & derivatives trading.
- Executive Director of boutique stockbroking firm Barclay Wells Limited.
- Non-Executive Director of Cazaly Resources Ltd and Charger Metals NL plus nonexecutive positions with other ASX listed entities.
- Civil industrial engineer with over 23 years' senior executive experience at Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile (SQM) a world leader in the lithium industry.
- Since leaving SQM, she has been Managing Partner and General Manager of Chilean based Ad-Infinitum, a process engineering consultancy, with specific focus on lithium brine projects under study and development, and the associated project evaluations.

# Highly Experienced Team



A strong and talented group of professionals with world class knowledge and extensive local experience

#### Juan Carlos Barerra

Project & Board Consultant

#### **Boris Caro**

Project Advisor/Director

### Alvaro Henriquez

**Group Geology Manager** 

### Francisco Lopez

**Exploration Manager** 

#### Pablo Sanz

Business Development & Permitting

- Over 33 years mining experience in Chile, Argentina and Australia incl 28 years working for SQM and two for Exxon
- 20 years project management experience including senior roles with Orocobre (now Allkem) and BHP
- 20 years applied geology and hydrogeology experience including senior roles with SOM & WSP
- 15 years exclusively in lithium exploration in Argentina including Orocobre (now Allkem), Neolithium and Lake Resources
- 25 years of prospecting in Argentina and tenement management

Supported by a professional and dedicated team of staff and contractors, working towards a common goal



# The Premier Lithium Developer





Strong local community and government support, evidenced by recent grant of initial permits (HMW project de-risked)



Strong local team, including ex SQM team, experienced in Lithium project execution and marketing in the region



The best Lithium project in Argentina (high grade, low impurities) - and the funding, initial permits and confidence to progress it towards production in H1, 2025, with a growth pathway to 60ktpa LCE





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## **Appendix 1: Mineral Resource Estimate**



#### Mineral Resource Statement for Candelas<sup>1</sup>

| Category  | In situ Li<br>(kt) | Avg. Li<br>(mg/l) | LCE<br>(kt) | Avg. K<br>(mg/l) | In situ K<br>(kt) | KCI<br>Equiv.<br>(kt) |
|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Indicated | 129                | 672               | 685         | 5,193            | 1,734             | 3,307                 |

Note: 500mg/I Li cut-off grade for Candelas. These results refer to the drainable porosity, the specific yield (SY) values used are as follows;

• Sand: 12.5%

• Gravel: 6%; and

• Halite: 4%

There may be minor discrepancies in the above table due to rounding. The conversion for LCE =  $Li \times 5.3228$ , KCI =  $K \times 1.907$ 

#### Mineral Resource Statement for Hombre Muerto West<sup>2</sup>

| Category  | In situ Li<br>(kt) | Avg. Li<br>(mg/l) | LCE<br>(kt) | Avg. K<br>(mg/l) | In situ K<br>(kt) | KCI<br>Equiv.<br>(kt) |
|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Measured  | 890                | 873               | 4,737       | 7,638            | 7,782             | 14,841                |
| Indicated | 185                | 904               | 986         | 7,733            | 1,585             | 3,022                 |
| Inferred  | 161                | 887               | 859         | 7,644            | 1,391             | 2,653                 |
| NMW total | 1,237              | 880               | 6,582       | 7,653            | 10,758            | 20,516                |

Note: No cut-off grade for HMW. These results refer to the drainable porosity, the specific yield (SY) values used are as follows;

• Sand: 23.9% • Gravel: 21.7%: • Breccia: 8% and

• Halite: 4%

There may be minor discrepancies in the above table due to rounding. The conversion for LCE = Li x 5.3228, KCI = K x 1.907

The above resource does not include the Catalina, Santa Barbara or Pucara concessions

<sup>1.</sup> The Mineral Resource information in this presentation is extracted from the ASX announcement entitled "Excellent PEA Results for Candelas Project", dated 30 November 2021

<sup>2.</sup> The Mineral Resource information in this presentation is extracted from the ASX announcement entitled "Galan's 100% Owned HMW Project Resource Increases to 6.6Mt LCE @ 880 mg/l Li (72% in Measured Category)", dated 1 May 2023 Galan confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement and, in the case of Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves, that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. Galan confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified.

# **Appendix 2: Ore Reserve Statement**



#### Ore Reserve Statement for Hombre Muerto West (effective date 3 July 2023)

| Reserve Category | Production Period<br>(years) | Pumped Brine Vol.<br>(Mm3) | Recovered Li Metal<br>(Kt) | Avg. Li Grade (mg/I) | LCE(Kt) |
|------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------|
| Proven           | 1-10                         | 19.7                       | 17.8                       | 901.6                | 53.7    |
| Probable         | 11-40                        | 59.1                       | 52.4                       | 886.9                | 158.7   |
| HMW total        | 1-40                         | 78.8                       | 70.2                       | 890.6                | 212.5   |

#### Notes:

- 1. Ore Reserves are included in the Mineral Resources
- 2. No cut-off grade applied for HMW Ore Reserve.
- 3. A combined recovery factor of 57% applied accounting for: ponds and processing (66%); 90% efficiency assumed for lithium chloride to LCE process conversion. Additional 4% allowance applied for transport and operational losses.
- 4. "Li Metal" and "LCE" are expressed as total contained metals.
- Lithium carbonate equivalent ("LCE") calculated using mass of LCE = 5.3228 multiplied by the mass of lithium metal.
- There may be minor discrepancies in the above table due to rounding