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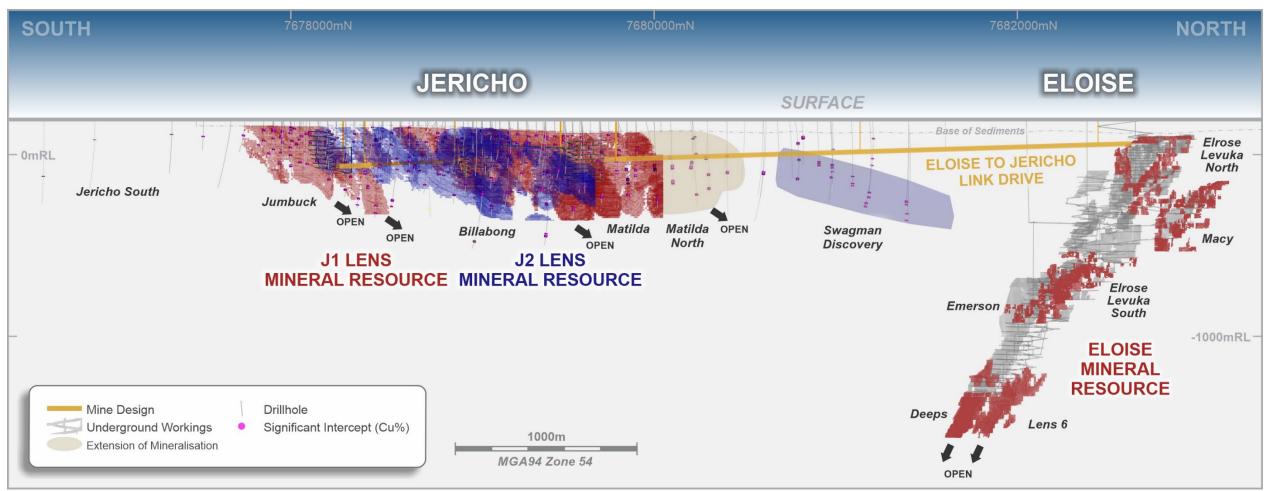
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## **Eloise to Jericho**

## **Transformational growth**



Note: Eloise and Jericho are projected to a plane to capture both deposits on long section. Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve as at 31 December 2023 - full tables provided as an Appendix to this presentation.



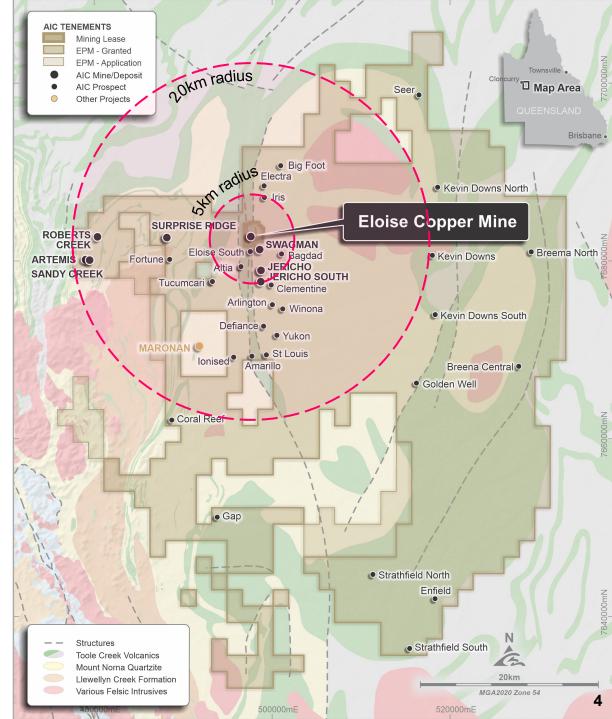
# **Exploration Strategy**

## Focus on transformational discoveries

- Mineral Resources<sup>1</sup> within 20km of Eloise total 22.9Mt grading 2.1% Cu and 0.5g/t Au for 471,950t Cu and 353,950oz Au
- Regional exploration is targeting:
  - Higher-grade deposits (>2% Cu)
  - Large deposits (>20Mt) to warrant further expansion to the Eloise processing capacity
- Growth priorities:
  - Near-mine for extensional resource growth
  - Re-evaluating advanced targets for resource growth
  - Progressing earlier stage targets to advanced
- Testing the highest number of targets in a decade



 Mineral Resource as at 31 December 2023 – full tables provided as an Appendix to this presentation



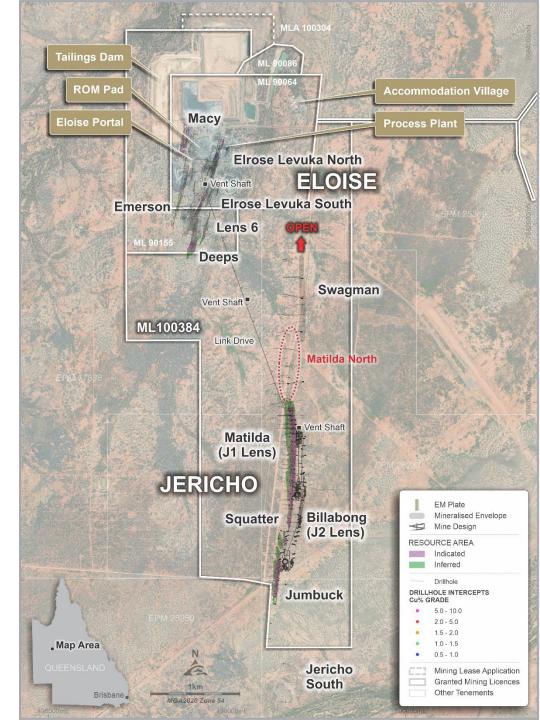
# **Jericho Copper Deposit**

## Our next copper mine

- Development of Jericho transforms Eloise:
  - Extends project life and supports processing plant expansion
  - Economies of scale to reduce processing costs
  - Lower mining costs at Jericho due to shallower ore
  - Additional ore sources reduces ore production risk
- Being developed via underground link drive from Eloise decline commenced June 2024
- First development ore from Jericho due June 2026
- Jericho Mineral Resource<sup>1</sup> is 14.1Mt grading 2.0% Cu and 0.4g/t Au containing 285,600t of copper and 176,900oz of gold
- Jericho Ore Reserve<sup>1</sup> is 3.2Mt grading 1.9% Cu and 0.4g/t Au containing 61,100t of copper and 37,000oz of gold
- Remains open along strike and at depth mineralisation intersected over 5km of strike



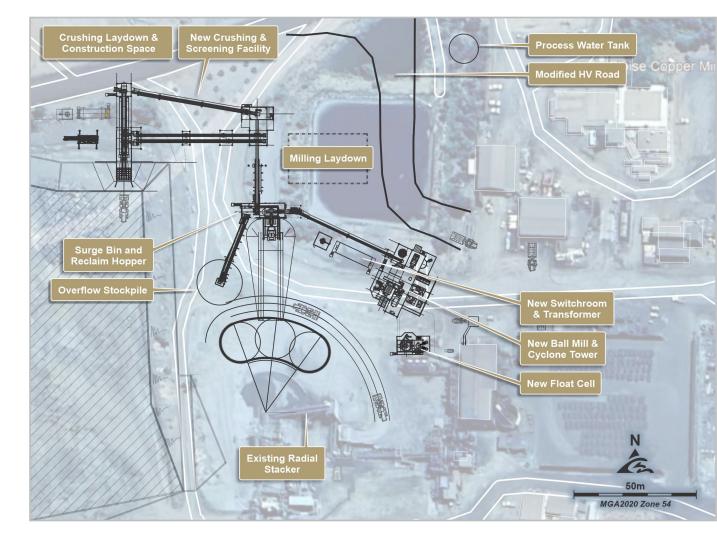
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# **Eloise Plant Expansion**

## **Expand and improve Eloise**

- Simple processing plant expansion to 1.1Mtpa from current 725,000tpa throughput capacity
  - Designed to minimise operational impacts to Eloise during construction
  - Designed to accommodate further expansion
  - Replace old/inefficient components
- Proceeding with an EPC delivery strategy EPC tender commenced January 2025
- Capital cost of plant expansion is estimated at \$60M.
  Additional up-front expenditure for oversized equipment is being considered – to allow for a straightforward second stage expansion.
- Debt funding options for the plant expansion are being advanced

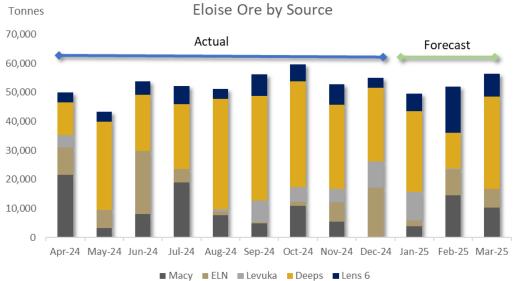


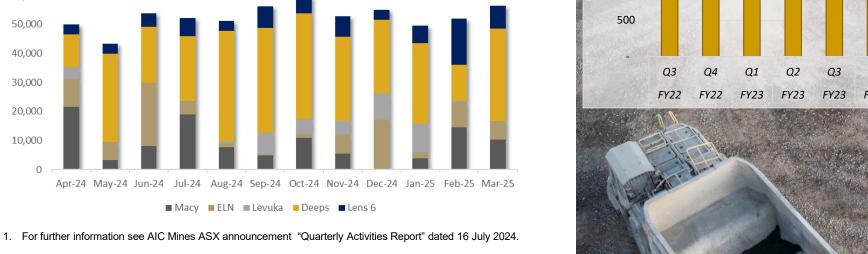


# **Eloise Copper Mine**

## **Our foundational asset**

- Eloise beat guidance in FY24 13,412t Cu and 6,669oz Au in concentrate at an AISC of A\$5.15/lb Cu and AIC of A\$5.39/lb Cu
- **FY25 production guidance**<sup>1</sup> is 12,500t Cu and 5,000oz Au in concentrate at an AISC of A\$5.25/lb Cu and AIC of A\$5.50/lb Cu
- Off to a good start H1 FY25 production of 6,657t Cu and 2,721oz Au in concentrate at an AISC of A\$5.02/lb Cu and AIC of A\$5.44/lb Cu







# **Eloise Copper Mine**

### Our foundational asset

- Eloise Mineral Resource<sup>2</sup> is 6.2Mt grading 2.5% Cu and 0.7g/t Au containing 154,750t of copper and 135,250oz of gold
- Eloise Ore Reserve<sup>2</sup> is 2.4Mt grading 2.4% Cu and 0.6g/t Au containing 58,100t of copper and 47,050oz of gold
- Potential to expand resources and reserves remains excellent:
  - Recent exploration success at Elrose-Levuka North and Lens 6
  - In-mine EM loop to rapidly test large undrilled areas deeper in the mine for parallel lenses and structural offsets of known lenses
  - Remains open at depth

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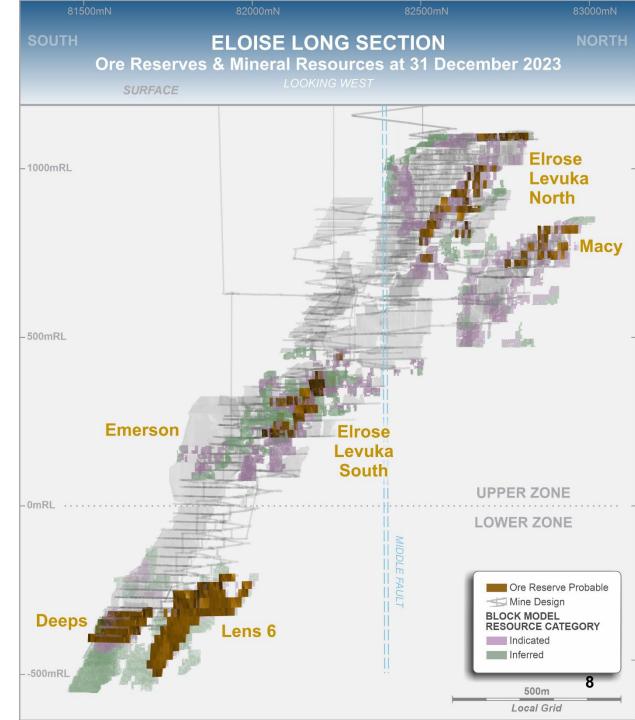
Eloise and Jericho Mineral Resources<sup>1</sup> total 22.9Mt grading
 2.1% Cu and 0.5g/t Au for 471,950t Cu and 353,950oz Au

Report" dated 16 July 2024.

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For further information see AIC Mines ASX announcement "Quarterly Activities

Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve tables provided as an Appendix to this



## **AIC Mines**

A miner, a developer, an explorer – focused on copper in Australia

A1M	
Share Price <sup>1</sup>	\$0.38
Shares on Issue	575.7M
Market Capitalisation	\$218.8M
Cash <sup>2</sup>	\$44.7M
Debt <sup>3</sup>	Nil
Enterprise Value	\$174.1M

Substantial Shareholders			
FMR Investments	14.3%		
Directors	9.0%		

An experienced Board and Executive team building a new Australian mid-tier copper and gold miner through exploration, development and acquisition





Close as at 7 February 2025
 Cash at bank as at 31 December 2024
 \$16.3M of Eloise Environmental Bond is guaranteed by a secured finance facility



## **Investment Proposition**



Highly credentialed and heavily invested team



**Cashflow** – high-grade Eloise mine delivering reliable production



**Growth** – development of Jericho deposit underway, transforming Eloise



**Upside** – exploration successfully adding mine life and optionality



### A growth-oriented copper company

Building a portfolio of mines through exploration, development and acquisition

# Appendix

Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves





## **Eloise Project Mineral Resources**

For full details of Eloise, Sandy Creek and Artemis Mineral Resources see AIC Mines ASX announcement "Increased Resources and Reserves at Eloise, Sandy Creek and Artemis" dated 18 April 2024. The Competent Persons are Mr Matthew Thomas (Eloise Mineral Resource) and Mr David Price (Artemis and Sandy Creek Mineral Resources).

For full details of Jericho Mineral Resources see AIC Mines ASX announcement "Significant Increase in Jericho Mineral Resources" dated 30 January 2024. The Competent Person for the Jericho Mineral Resource is Mr Matthew Fallon.

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#### Cu Grade Au Grade Ag Grade Contained Contained Contained Resource Tonnes Category (g/t) (g/t) Copper (t) Gold (oz) Silver (oz) Eloise Copper Mine 1.850 Measured 6.000 2.4 0.7 9.1 150 150 3,776,000 Indicated 2.6 0.7 10.0 97,100 82,800 1,215,500 Inferred 2,421,000 2.4 0.7 9.7 57,500 52,300 754,300 6,203,000 2.5 0.7 9.9 154,750 135,250 1,971,650 Sub Total Jericho Project Measured ---Indicated 5.581.000 2.1 0.4 2.2 117,300 71.800 401.400 2.1 Inferred 8,486,000 2.0 0.4 168,300 105,100 579,500 2.2 14,067,000 2.0 0.4 285,600 176,900 980,900 Sub Total Sandy Creek Project Measured -Indicated ------Inferred 2.050.000 1.1 0.3 4.5 23,500 20,700 297.600 2,050,000 1.1 0.3 4.5 23,500 20,700 297,600 Sub Total Artemis Project Measured -Indicated \_ -1.1 Inferred 580.000 1.4 45.5 8.100 21.100 849.000 580,000 1.1 45.5 Sub Total 1.4 8,100 21,100 849,000 Combined Total 6.000 9.1 150 150 1.850 Measured 2.4 0.7 9,357,000 0.5 214,400 154,600 1,616,900 Indicated 2.3 5.4 13,537,000 199,200 2,480,400 Inferred 1.9 0.5 5.7 257,400 0.5 5.6 Total 22.900.000 2.1 471.950 353,950 4,099,150

Eloise and Jericho Mineral Resources are inclusive of Ore Reserves.

Eloise Mineral Resources are estimated using a 1.1% Cu cut-off above 0mRL and 1.4% Cu below 0mRL.

Jericho Mineral Resources are estimated using a 1.0% Cu cut-off within optimised stope shapes.

Sandy Creek and Artemis Mineral Resources are estimated using a 0.5% Cu cut-off

Tonnages have been rounded to the nearest 1,000 tonnes.





## **Eloise Project Ore Reserves**

For full details of Eloise Ore Reserves see AIC Mines ASX announcement "Increased Resources and Reserves at Eloise, Sandy Creek and Artemis" dated 18 April 2024. The Competent Person for the Eloise Ore Reserves is Mr Randy Lition.

For full details of Jericho Ore Reserve see AIC Mines ASX announcement "Significant Increase in Jericho Ore Reserve" dated 28 March 2024. The Competent Person for Jericho Ore Reserves is Mr Craig Pocock.

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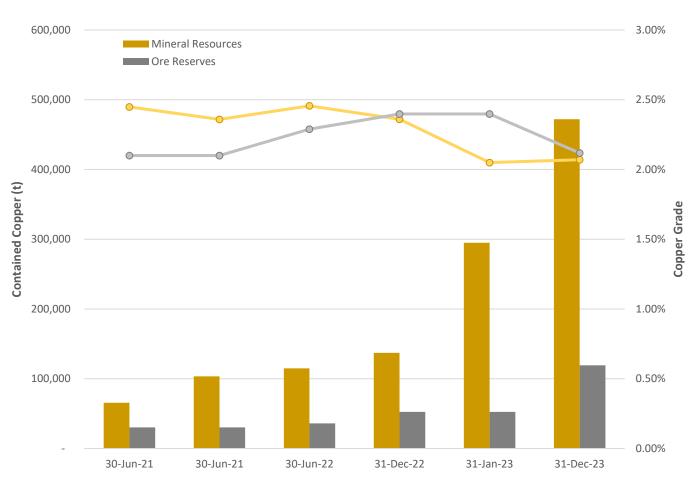
### Eloise Project – Combined Ore Reserves as at 31 December 2023

Ore Reserve Category	Tonnes	Cu Grade (%)	Au Grade (g/t)	Ag Grade (g/t)	Contained Copper (t)	Contained Gold (oz)	Contained Silver (oz)	
Eloise Copper Mine								
Proved	6,000	2.4	0.7	9.1	150	150	1,850	
Probable	2,439,000	2.4	0.6	8.8	57,950	46,900	690,700	
Sub Total	2,445,000	2.4	0.6	8.8	58,100	47,050	692,550	
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Jericho Project								
Proved	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Probable	3,162,000	1.9	0.4	2.1	61,100	37,000	211,800	
Sub Total	3,162,000	1.9	0.4	2.1	61,100	37,000	211,800	
Combined Total								
Proved	6,000	2.4	0.7	9.1	150	150	1,850	
Probable	5,601,000	2.1	0.5	5.0	119,050	83,900	902,500	
Total	5,607,000	2.1	0.5	5.0	119,200	84,050	904,350	

Eloise Ore Reserves are estimated using a 1.4% Cu cut-off above OmRL and 1.6% Cu below OmRL Jericho Ore Reserves are estimated using a 1.2% Cu cut-off within optimised stope shapes. Tonnages have been rounded to the nearest 1,000 tonnes.



## **Eloise Project MROR Growth**



For full details of Eloise Project (Eloise, Jericho, Sandy Creek and Artemis) Mineral Resources see AIC Mines ASX announcements:

- As at 31 December 2023 "Increased Resources and Reserves at Eloise, Sandy Creek and Artemis" dated 18 April 2024
- As at 31 December 2023 "Significant Increase in Jericho Mineral Resource" dated 30 January 2024
- As at 31 January 2023 "Jericho Mineral Resource" dated 6 February 2023
- As at 31 December 2022 "Significant Increase in Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves at Eloise Copper Mine" dated 30 March 2023
- As at 30 June 2022 "Increase in Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves at Eloise Copper Mine" dated 22 August 2022
- As at 30 June 2021 "Significant Increase in Mineral Resources at Eloise Copper Mine" dated 14 December 2021. Note the upgrade is a result of incorporating the new void model as no additional drilling information beyond 30 June 2021 was used for this update.
- As at 30 June 2021 "Transformational Acquisition AIC to Acquire the Eloise Copper Mine" dated 31 August 2021

For full details of Eloise Project (Eloise and Jericho) Ore Reserves see AIC Mines ASX announcements:

- As at 31 December 2023 "Increased Resources and Reserves at Eloise, Sandy Creek and Artemis" dated 18 April 2024.
- As at 31 December 2023 "Significant Increase in Jericho Ore Reserve" dated 28 March 2024
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## FY25 Investment

### **Overview**

FY25 Expenditure					
Eloise Capital Expenditure	A\$M				
Sustaining Capital (captured in AISC)					
Plant and Equipment (incl. lease payments)	10.0				
Underground Mine Development	26.0				
Resource Definition Drilling	4.0 - 5.0				
Growth Capital (captured in AIC)					
Long-term Mine Development	6.0				
Civil Works and Infrastructure	2.5				
Jericho Capital Expenditure					
Link Drive	25.0 - 30.0				
Plant Expansion	5.0				
Non-plant infrastructure	11.0				
Exploration Expenditure					
Eloise, Jericho, Eloise Regional	up to 7.0				
Other exploration projects	up to 3.0				
Corporate Costs					
Corporate costs	7.0				
FY25 Non-Cash Items					

### Eloise Production and Cost Guidance<sup>1</sup>

• 12,500t Cu and 5,000oz Au in concentrate at an AISC of \$5.25/lb Cu and AIC of \$5.50/lb Cu

### Eloise Sustaining Capital:

Plant and equipment replacement/refurbishment – major items include \$5.0M in equipment lease payments, \$1.2M in plant reliability improvements, \$1.0M in light vehicle replacement program, \$1.0M in electrical infrastructure improvements

### Eloise Growth Capital:

- Mine development includes the next Deeps SLC level to be opened prior to the level above being completed – reducing production continuity risk
- Civil works and infrastructure related to the new mine ventilation cooling system foundations, water and power infrastructure

### Jericho Capital Expenditure

- Link drive development including ventilation rises, secondary fans and associated infrastructure
- Plant capital detailed design work and deposits for long lead time items
- NPI includes upgrades to the powerhouse, workshops and camp

### Exploration Expenditure

- Includes drilling at Eloise and Jericho exploration targets
- Expenditure is gated i.e. follow-up drilling is budgeted but is dependent on initial success

### Corporate Costs

Predominantly salaries (up \$1.0M on FY24 with additional growth roles), insurance and IT



## **Growth Strategy** A disciplined approach

# Building a portfolio of mines through exploration, development and acquisition

 Targeting late-stage Australian gold and copper projects where we can add value through exploration and development

### A disciplined approach

- Any acquisition we make must be value-accretive
- Use stepping-stones
- Start small and leverage our expertise to reach scale
- Continue to improve the average asset quality of the portfolio

