

### Alpha **HPA**

# UNIQUE EXPOSURE TO THE SEMI-CONDUCTOR SECTOR

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## ALPHA HPA: INTRODUCTION

We are a technology led, speciality chemicals company

We make **ultra-high purity aluminium products** with a worlds first process which are:

CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS FOR HIGH-TECHNOLOGY GROWTH SECTORS

**HIGH PURITY - HIGH MARGIN – HIGH VALUE** 

Commercialising in 2 Stages as the HPA FIRST PROJECT

**STAGE 1 – IN PRODUCTION STAGE 2 – IN CONSTRUCTION** 



- STAGE 1: IN PRODUCTION
- STAGE 2: IN CONSTRUCTION



HPA First Project Site Gladstone State Development Area 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY

# <sup>4</sup>HPA FIRST PROJECT: GLADSTONE QLD

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## STAGE 1 : IN PRODUCTION













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## PROJECT LAYOUT:

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### **STAGE 1:** IN PRODUCTION +350tpa – ALL PRODUCTS

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**STAGE 2:** FULL-SCALE FACILITY IN CONSTRUCTION FIRST PRODUCTION AT 2026 +10,000tpa – ALL PRODUCTS

DFS CAPEX \$553M	\$320M Loan facility +	\$175M Equity Capital (May-June 2024)		
	\$80M cost overrun facility (NAIF + EFA)	\$21.7M IPP Grant (QLD Govt)	\$45M MMI-C Grant (Aust Govt)	





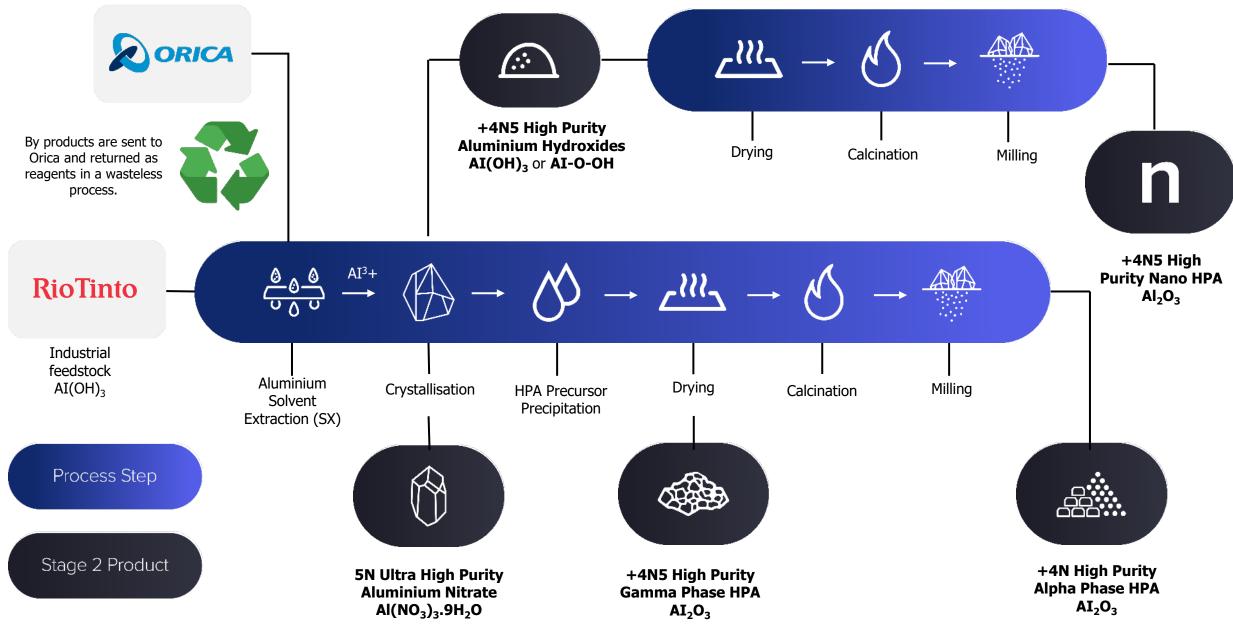
Stage 2 Bulk Earthworks – December 2024

# STAGE 2 : CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY



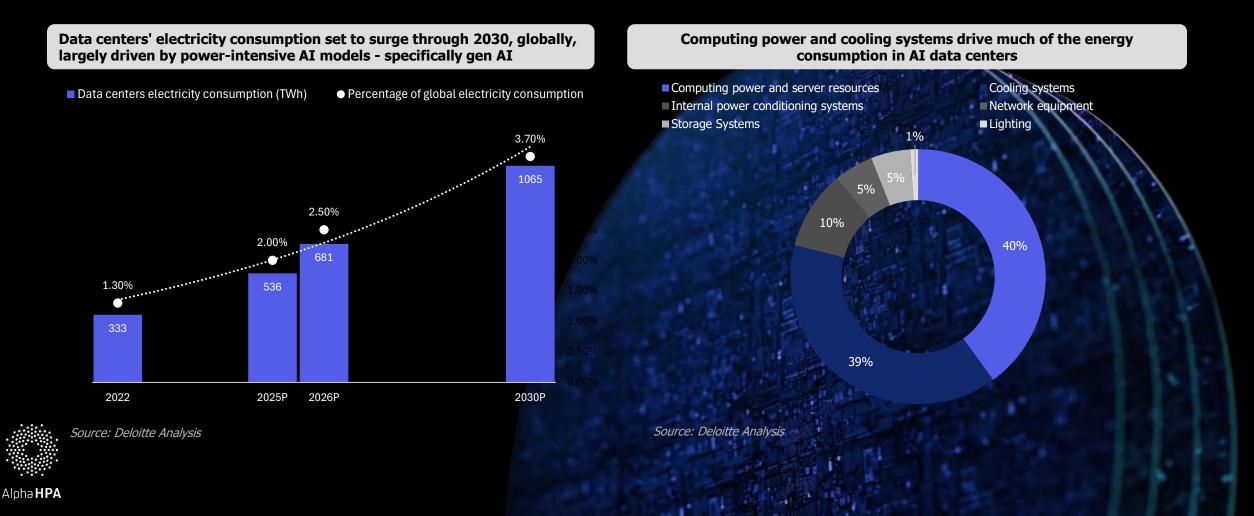
## HOW WE DO IT: OUR PROCESS AND TECHNOLOGY

Novel, low energy, low –carbon process



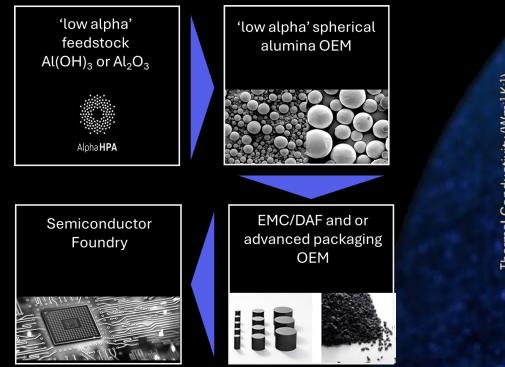
### **SEMICONDUCTORS: THERMAL MANAGEMENT FOR AI DATA CENTRES**

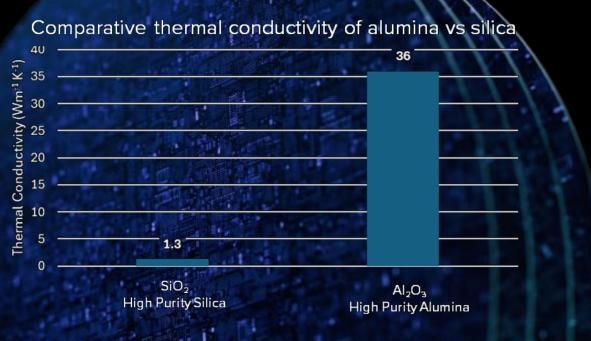
- Electricity demand for AI data centres is surging, with 40% of electricity for cooling
- Placing intensive focus on thermal management



### SEMICONDUCTORS: THE RISE OF 'LOW-RADIATION' ALUMINA FILLERS

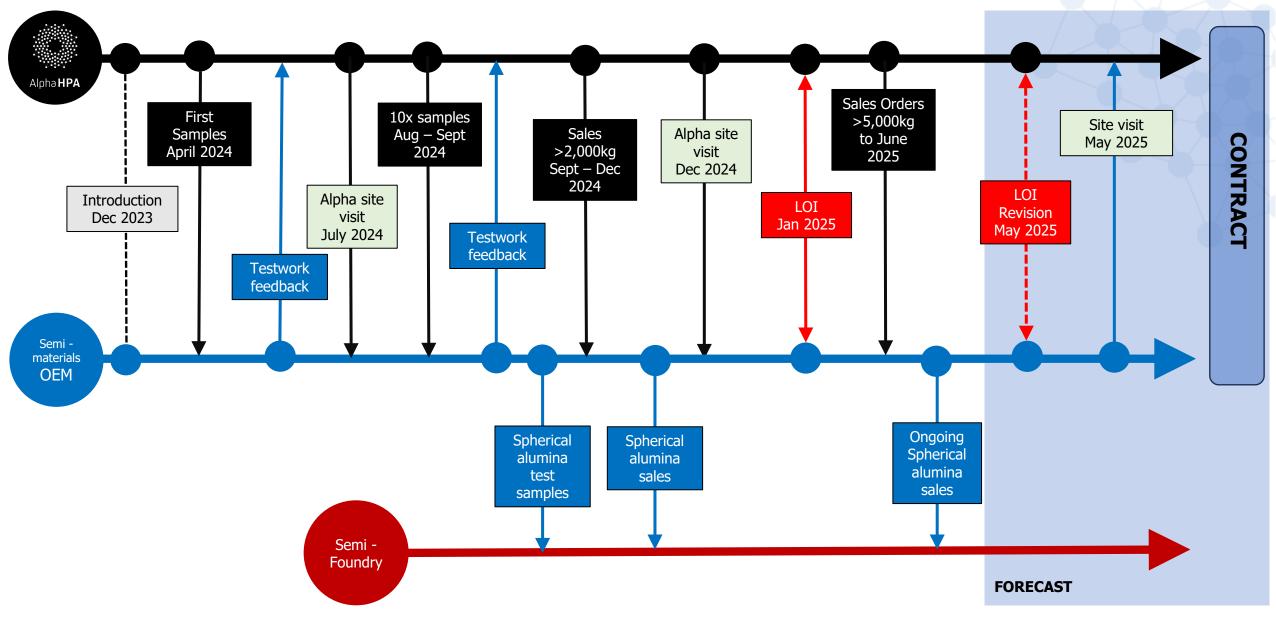
- *Thermal Filler* switching from high purity-silica to HPA for better thermal conductivity
- Alpha's technology produces non-detect levels of U and Th and therefore less soft errors on the chip
- Alpha Confirmed as best in <u>class low-alpha radiation feedstock</u>
- <u>All new NE Asia end-users contacted seeking low-alpha feedstock</u>
- Linear demand correlation between our material and parallel processing GPU's (AI)





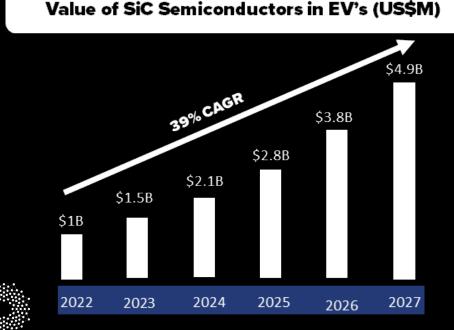
### **QUALIFICATION CASE STUDY: QUALITY LEADER IN 'LOW-ALPHA' ALUMINA**

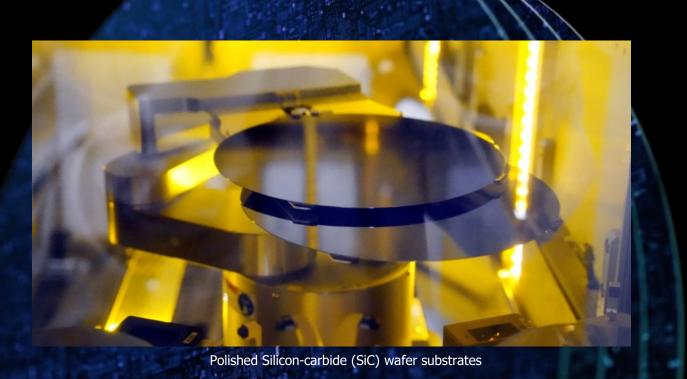
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### SEMICONDUCTORS: ALPHA HPA IN CMP POLISHING

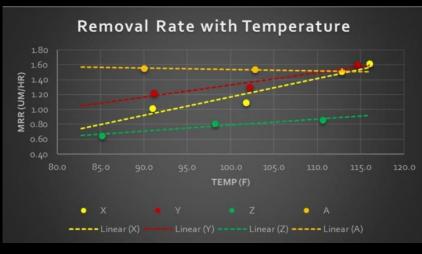
- The rapid growth of power semi-conductors is leading to demand for HPA as the preferred CMP abrasive hard surface substrates, such as:
  - Silicon Carbide (SiC)
  - Gallium Nitride (GaN) and
  - Sapphire (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)
- The SiC semiconductor sector is rolling out next-generation CMP technology over next 5 years driving new CMP slurry development
- Alpha has commenced small scale commercial sales to leading CMP end-users in the US and Asia and is in advanced qualification with endusers in Japan, China and the US including a recent Letter of Intent for up to 4,000 metric tpa





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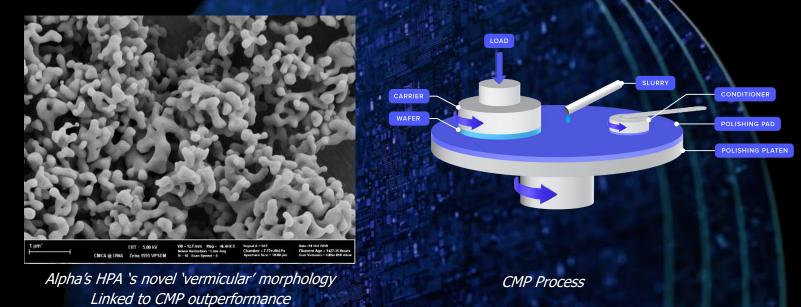
- Semiconductor substrates and stacked circuit layers are polished with a process referred to as *Chemical Mechanical Planarisation (CMP)*.
- Alpha's novel aluminas provide a <u>+50% removal rate improvement in wafer polishing at lower operating</u> temperatures
- <u>Alpha's unique HPA crystal morphology</u> is delivering improved performance in CMP applications



 Alpha's HPA (Linear A) outperforms incumbents CMP slurries on

 SiC substrates.

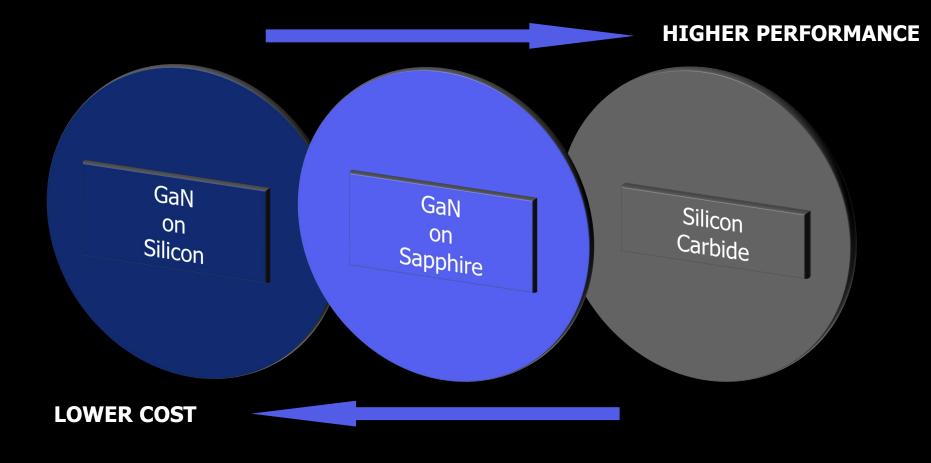
 Source: Innovation Impact



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# ALPHA SAPPHIRE: GaN ON SAPPHIRE POWER SEMIS

- Gallium-Nitride on sapphire (GaN-on-Sapphire) emerging as an alternative platform for power-semiconductors
- Ga-N on sapphire represents a 'mid-point' between higher cost SiC and lower performance GaN-on-Silicon
- Applications include fast chargers, high voltage switching and automotive power systems





## ALPHA SAPPHIRE: GaN ON SAPPHIRE POWER SEMIS

- GaN-on-Sapphire requires wide-format (8"), C-plane wafers
- Ideally suited to Alpha's investment in next generation growth technology





Alpha HPA Ultra Pucks

Alpha's Sapphire Growers

Complete C-Axis Sapphire Boule

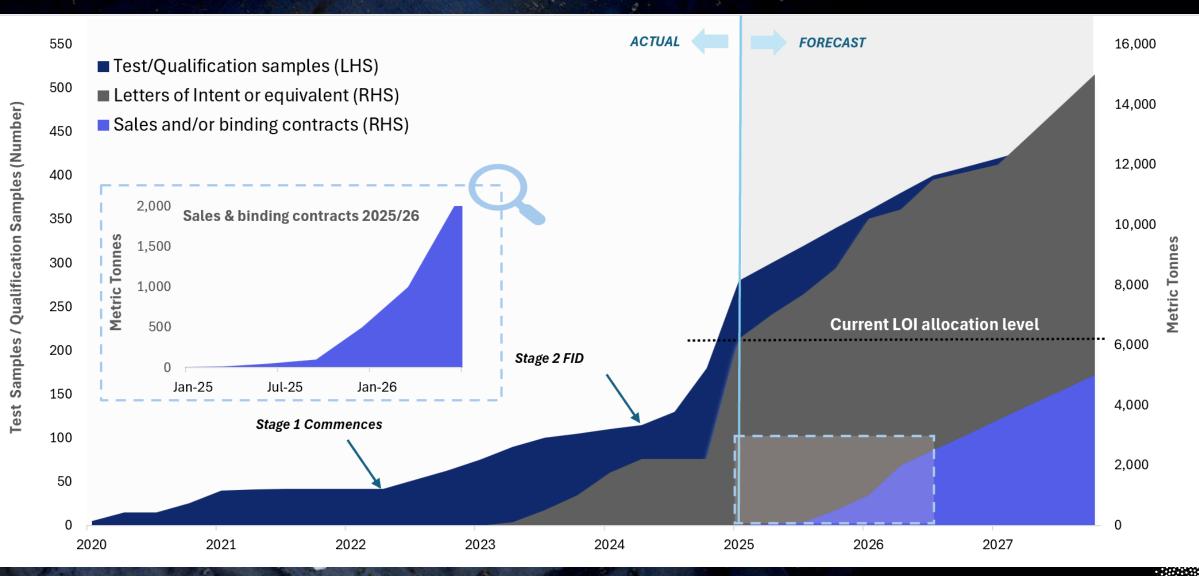
Sapphire Wafer

- Qualification Underway: "8" sapphire wafers being delivered to global tier #1 OEM
- Specifications agreed with 2 x additional OEM's



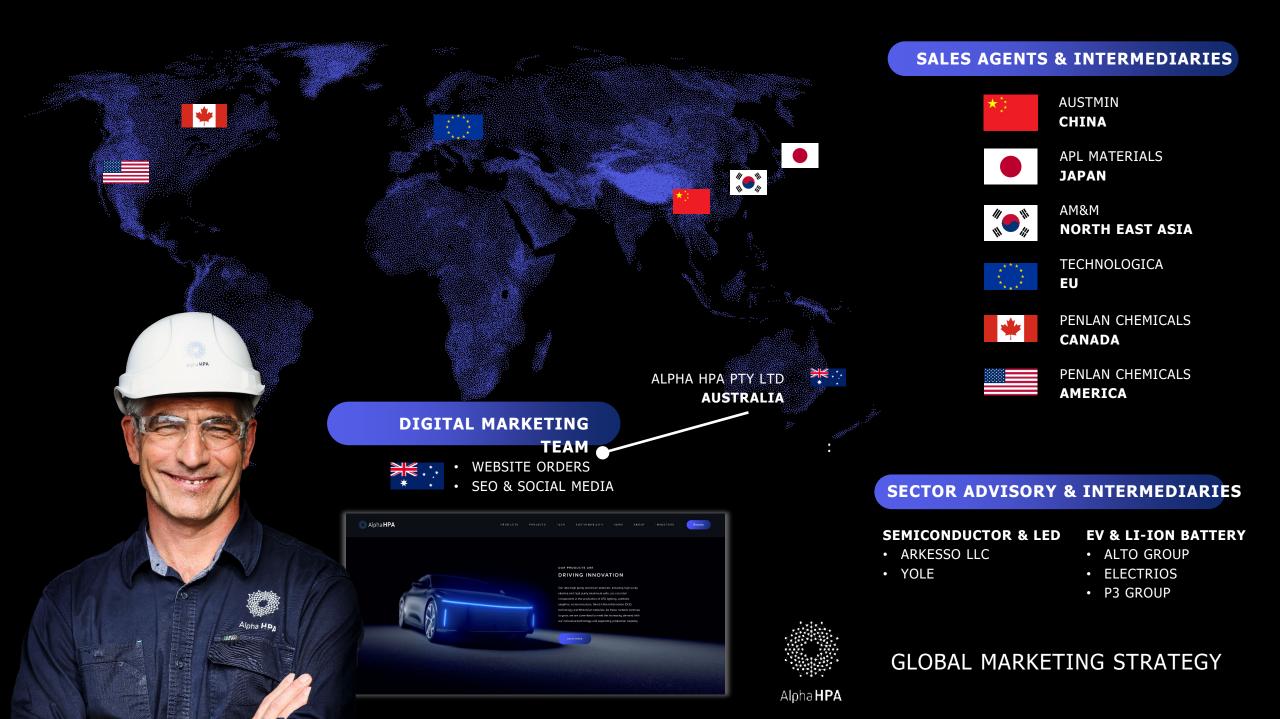


## PRODUCT MARKETING PROGRESSION



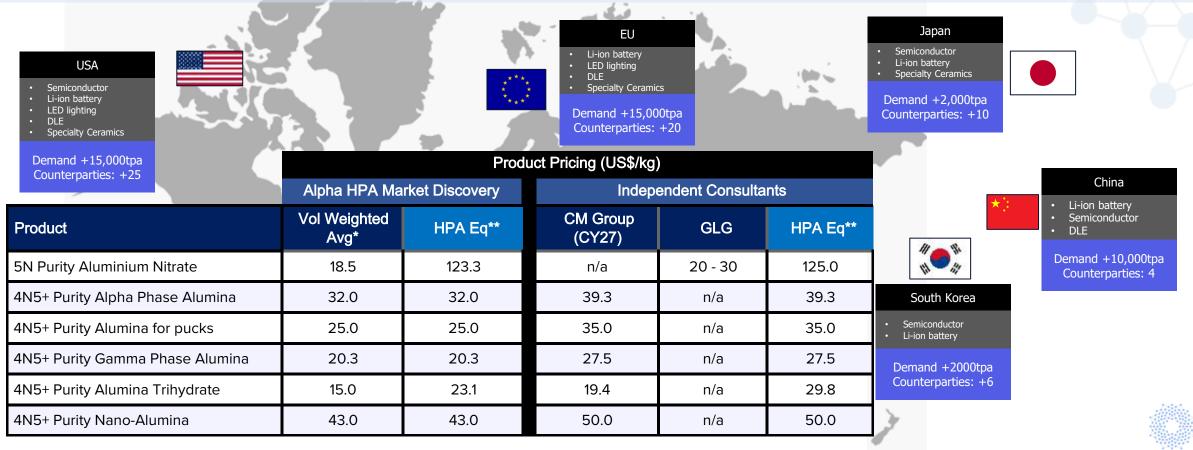
Alpha's product marketing has matured, focusing on applications where our process can deliver technical performance that other suppliers cannot

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# **MARKET OUTREACH AND PRICING**

- Extensive 4+ year global market outreach
- Detailed, technically driven understanding of market and applications
- Pricing obtained by interviews, sales, refined quotations and customer LOIs
- Comprehensive database of pricing available for Alpha's materials
- Alpha in product qualification testing for >40,000tpa product demand
- B2B pricing protected from any index volatility
- Pre-commercial sales orders building since FID, +5,000kg @ ~ US\$25/kg



# **STAGE 2 DFS: STRONG FINANCIAL METRICS**

Compelling HPA First Project Stage 2 financial metrics, ramping up to 87% throughput by FY28 and steadystate production in FY30

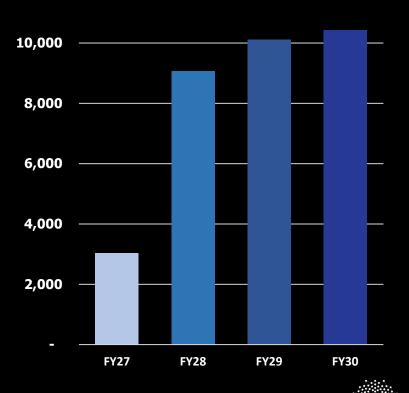
#### HPA First Project Stage 2 Steady-state Financials

(does not include Alpha Sapphire)

Steady state (FY30) <sup>1</sup>		Alpha HPA Price Discovery Case	Mid Case	Independent Pricing Case
CapEx (includes \$79M contingency)		\$553M	\$553M	\$553M
Production volume		10,430	10,430	10,430
Weighted average product price		\$34.44	\$42.34	\$48.77
Revenue		\$359M	\$442M	\$509M
Unit cash costs (after by-product credits) <sup>2</sup>		\$9.58	\$9.58	\$9.58
EBITDA	<b>A\$</b>	\$255M	\$336M	\$403M
Pre-tax free cash flows	<b>A\$</b>	\$251M	\$333M	\$399M
HPAeq volume	tpa	6,850	6,850	6,850
HPAeq price <sup>3</sup>	A\$/kg	\$52.44	\$64.47	\$74.26
A\$359M — A\$509M Annual Revenue	~ <b>71% - 79%</b> EBITDA Margin			M — A\$399 free cash flows

#### First Project Stage 2

Production volume ramp up (tpa)

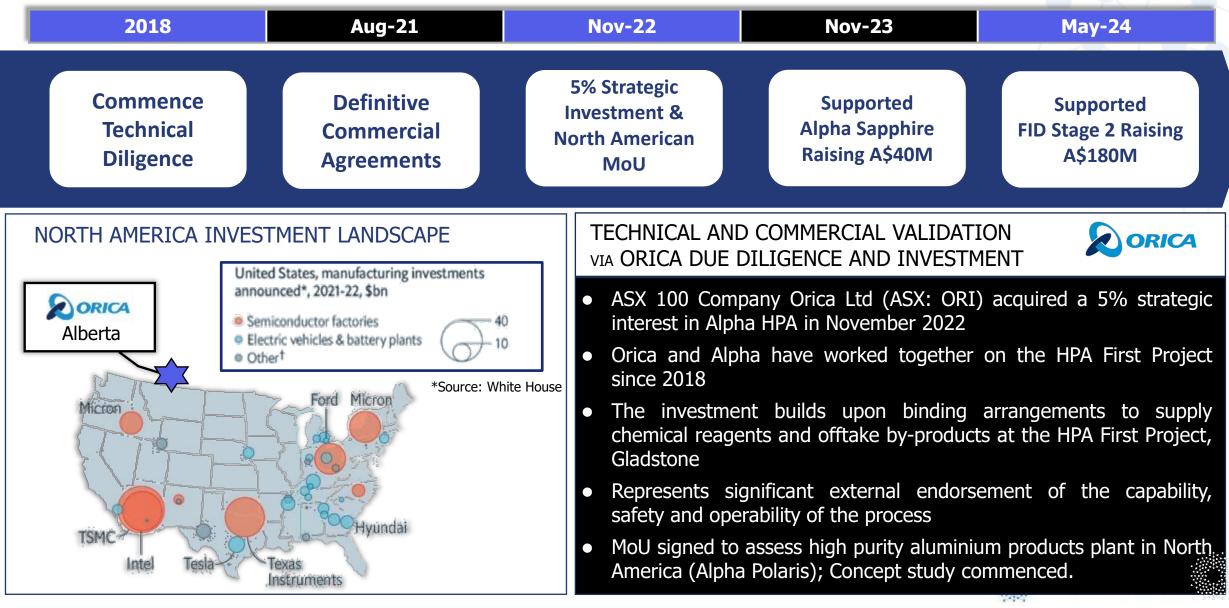


Note: 1: Revenue grows to A\$359m – A\$509m and EBITDA grows to A\$255m – A\$403m by FY30 reflecting 100% utilisation. EBITDA assumed to be post Payroll tax and royalties. Range based on the Product Pricing Scenarios Alpha HPA Price Discovery Case and Independent Pricing Case as disclosed in the HPA First Project Stage 2 Commercialisation announcement on 20 May 2024. 2. Operating Cost estimate does not include any potential impact of the Budget measures relating to critical minerals tax credits delivered as part of the Federal Budget on Tuesday 14 May 2024. 3. The sale of Al-Nitrates (high purity aluminium salt), which have lower aluminium content than high purity aluminas but a close to equivalent sales value by unit weight, provides a lift in HPAeq price received versus the HPA weighted average product price.

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# **ORICA STRATEGIC INVESTMENT**



# CORPORATE SNAPSHOT

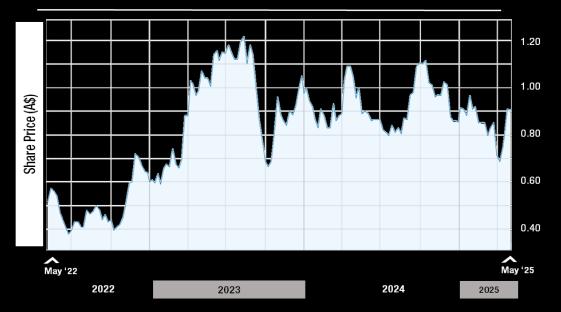
#### **TRADING INFORMATION**

ASX CODE	A4N
Share Price (05/05/2025)	~\$0.91c
52-week trading range	\$0.77 - \$1.18
Issued Shares	1,136M

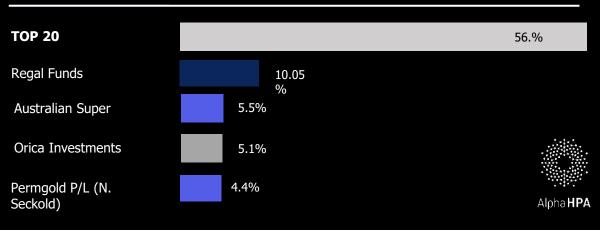
#### **CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

Issued Shares Unlisted options (@90c)	1,136M 3M (expire 31 Aug 2025)
Performance Rights	9.77M
Market Cap	~\$1B
Est Cash (31/03/2025)	~\$120M
Enterprise Value	\$880M

#### SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE – 3 YEARS



#### SHAREHOLDERS



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