



Mining at Zeta Pit

# ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

ASX/BSE: DML

## MARKET CAPITALISATION

Shares on Issue	487m
Share Price	A\$1.62
Market Cap	A\$789m
Cash (19 Dec)	US\$71m
Debt (19 Dec)	US\$205m

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**Chairman**  
Gordon Galt

**Managing Director**  
Brad Sampson

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Morrice Cordiner  
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**Company Secretary**  
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## Discovery Metals Limited Botswana Competition Authority Decision

Discovery Metals Limited notes the satisfaction of certain Takeover Offer conditions and waiving of another in the Third Supplementary Bidder's Statement.

In the interests of continuous disclosure, Discovery Metals wishes to inform shareholders that in relation to Takeover Offer condition 10(c)(ii), the Botswana Competition Authority delivered a decision on 18 December 2012 (copy attached) but notes that condition 10(c)(ii) has yet to be waived or notified as being satisfied by the Bidder.

Gregory Seeto  
Company Secretary  
Discovery Metals Limited



Dump truck transporting a load of ore



Workers at the Boseto Copper Project



Concentrate shed



Bagged concentrate

### Forward looking statements

This release includes certain statements that may be deemed “forward-looking statements”. All statements in this discussion, other than statements of historical facts, that address future activities and events or developments that Discovery Metals expects, are forward-looking statements. Although Discovery Metals believes the expectations expressed in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward-looking statements include market prices, continued availability of capital and financing, and general economic, market or business conditions. Investors are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and that actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in forward-looking statements.

### Discovery Metals Background

Discovery Metals is an ASX/BSE listed copper exploration and production company focused on the emerging Kalahari Copperbelt in north-west Botswana. The Company is a copper producer at its 100% owned Boseto Copper Project.

The Kalahari Copperbelt sediment-hosted mineralisation of the Boseto copper project is similar in style to the well-known and large deposits of the Central African Copperbelt of Zambia and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Discovery Metals has prospecting licences covering 11,872 km<sup>2</sup> along the Kalahari Copperbelt.

**Further information on the Company including Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves is available on our website: [www.discoverymetals.com](http://www.discoverymetals.com)**

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## **NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 60(4)(A)(II) OF THE COMPETITION ACT**

### **AUTHORISATION OF THE ACQUISITION OF ALL THE REMAINING SHARES IN DISCOVERY METALS LIMITED BY CATHAY FORTUNE INVESTMENTS LIMITED**

PURSUANT to Section 60(4)(a)(ii) of the Competition Act, notice is hereby given on the decision made by the Competition Authority in respect of the proposed acquisition of all the remaining shares in Discovery Metals Limited by Cathay Fortune Investments Limited.

The Authority determined to authorise the proposed acquisition on the grounds that the analysis of the facts and conclusions of the merger assessment showed that there were no substantive competition concerns in the copper and silver mining industry, in Botswana. Given the fact that:-

- i. the proposed transaction is not likely to result in a substantial lessening of competition, nor endanger the continuity of the service, due to nature of the transaction;
- ii. there is no likelihood for abuse of dominance given that the parties to the transaction have no historical background relating to abuse of dominance; and
- iii. the proposed merger is expected to have no negative effect on public benefits, in Botswana by virtue of its implementation.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 55 of the Competition Act, **the Authority has approved the acquisition of all remaining shares in Discovery Metals Limited by Cathay Fortune Investments Limited.** The Authority is of the position that redundancies, if any, pertaining to the transaction should be in accordance with the applicable labour laws. Furthermore, the Authority expects that the parties will exercise restraint for the general workforce in view of the growing unemployment rate in Botswana.

However, as provided for under Section 66 of the Act, this approval does not override or negate any other mandatory statutory approvals or processes that any of the parties to this merger must comply with under the Laws of Botswana.

This approval does not extend to the transactions that could occur between China-Africa Liantuo Mining Co., Ltd and Cathay Fortune Investments Limited, resulting in a joint venture that is owned 75% by Cathay Fortune Investments Limited and 25% by China-Africa Liantuo Mining Co., Ltd, as stated in the submission made by the acquiring enterprise.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2012

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