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WILUNA MINING

CORPORATE UPDATE & UPCOMING ASX DELISTING

Wiluna Mining Corporation Limited (Subject to Deed of Company Arrangement) ("**Wiluna**", "**WMC**" or the "**Company**") (ASX:WMC) provides the following update on the Company and its activities.

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OPERATIONS

- Ramp up of the Wiltails circuit remains underway.
- A combined total of tailings and dump leach material of 617,522 tonnes was processed for 7,088oz of Au during the March 2024 quarter. Up from 585,623 tonnes and 5,954oz in the previous quarter.
- Overall grade processed in the March 2024 quarter increased from 0.61g/t Au to 0.75g/t Au. Overall recovery decreased from 51.5% to 47.7%.
- Dewatering systems and access to key areas underground continue to be maintained during care and maintenance to facilitate the restart of future mining operations.

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- The ASX intends to remove WMC from the Official List at the commencement of trading on Friday, 5 April 2024
- The removal arises ahead of the upcoming two-year anniversary of suspension for Wiluna, and is immediately prompted by non-lodgement of the half year report for the six-month period ended 31 December 2022
- The Deed Administrators had applied for relief from this requirement, but relief was not granted by the ASX.
- Delisting not anticipated to significantly impede strategic review process, implementation of the DOCA or process for re-admission to ASX (if the preferred pathway).
- Cash on hand as at 31 March 2024 was A$2.67M (as at 31 December 2023: A$1.16M).
- Total gold bullion sales for the quarter were 7,281oz of Au at an average price of A$3,155/oz (December 2023 quarter 5,642oz at an average price of A$3,040/oz).
- The Deed Administrators continue to engage with external parties interested in the recapitalisation of the Company in accordance with the previously announced Strategic Review[1].

[1] The reference that relates to the Strategic Review underway has been extracted from the ASX release by Wiluna entitled "Wiluna PFS Re-start study redefines outlook on future operations" dated 16 February 2024 available on the ASX website (at asx.com.au) and the Wiluna Mining website (at https://wilunamining.com.au/).

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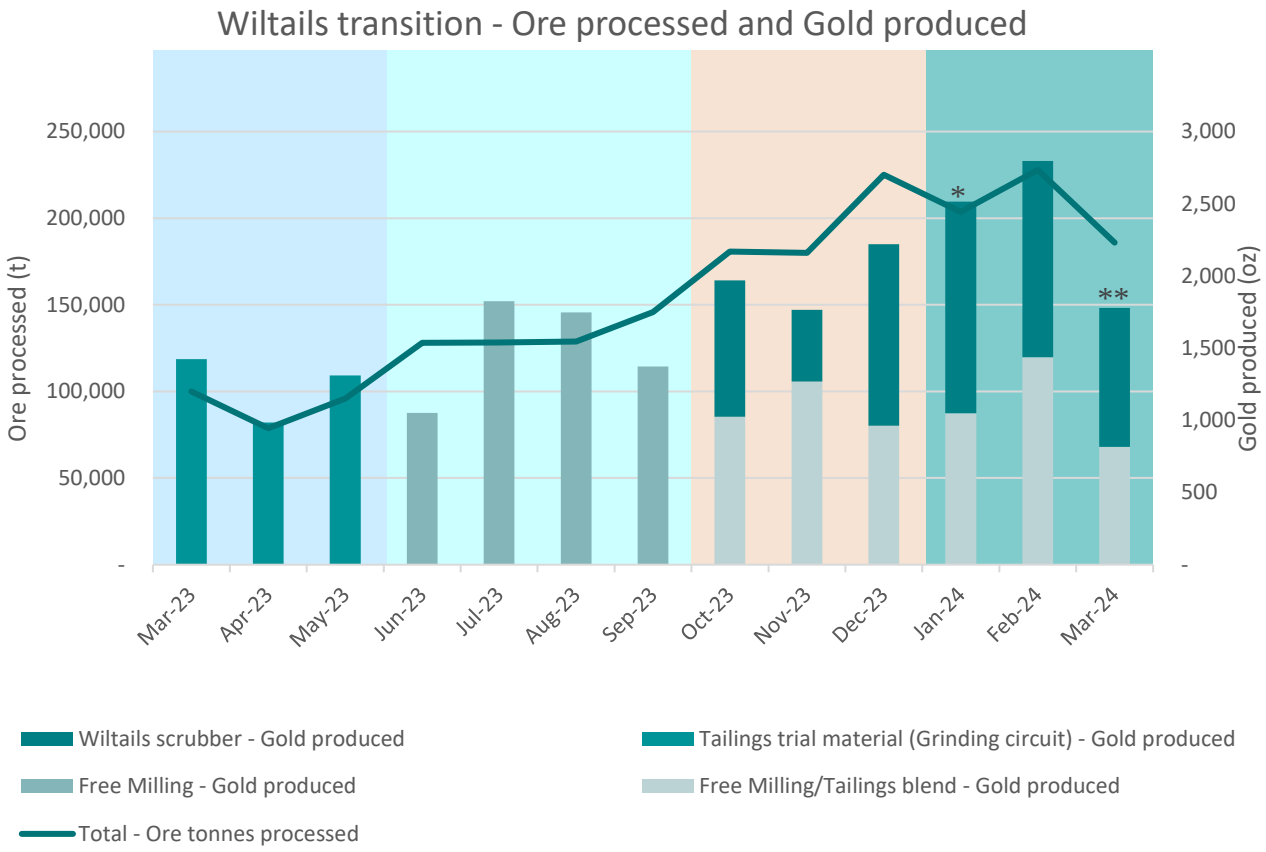
POST MINING TRANSITION TO WILTAILS OPERATION PENDING MINING RESTART

Mining ceased at Wiluna during December 2022, with the suspension of operations and transition of the underground mine to care and maintenance.

Post this decision coming into effect the Wiltails retreatment project was developed and has progressed significantly since.



**Production impacted by major rain event during the final week of January 2024.*
*** Production impacted by major rain event during the first 3 weeks of March 2024.*

	March to May 2023	Trial of the Wiltails project was undertaken, seeing tailings trial material processed through the grinding circuit to produce Doré.
	June to September 2023	Successful completion of the trial efforts resulted in the commitment to continue with and finalise the construction of the Wiltails plant throughout June to September 2023, with processing of the historical dump leach material stockpile occurring simultaneously.
	October to December 2023	The commissioning of Wiltails was largely completed alongside the continued processing of the dump leach material, now blended with tailings pending transition to 100% tailings feed.
	January 2024 onwards	Ramp-up of the Wiltails project continuing alongside further upgrades to the CIL circuit and completion of the transition to all processing being of tailings material.

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Monthly gold ounces produced throughout the March 2024 quarter peaked in February 2024 at 2,795oz Au alongside steadied improvement in volume of ore processed throughout the commissioning and ramp-up phases (decrease in tonnes processed during January 2024 and March 2024 is attributed to a significant rain events during each respective month which limited throughput capabilities).

PRODUCTION

As noted above, the quarter has involved processing of both the tailings material and the historic dump leach stockpile. A summary of the production results for the current and two previous quarters is set out below.

Processing*	Unit	March 2024 Qtr	December 2023 Qtr	September 2023 Qtr
Free milling/tailings blend - Ore tonnes processed	T	287,542	332,677	402,946
Free milling/tailings blend - Ore grade processed	g/t	0.75	0.58	0.85
Tailings – Ore tonnes processed	T	329,980	252,946	Nil
Tailings – Ore grade processed	g/t	0.75	0.67	Nil
Total - Ore tonnes processed	**T**	**617,522**	**585,623**	**402,946**
Total - Ore grade processed	**g/t**	**0.75**	**0.61**	**0.85**
Total - Gold produced	**oz**	**7,088**	**5,954**	**4,946**
Overall Recovery	**%**	**47.7**	**51.5**	**45.6**

**Presented figures are subject to rounding.*

Despite the independently significant rain events during the months of January and March 2024 total gold production has increased steadily quarter on quarter throughout the commissioning and ramp-up phase of the Wiltails project.

EXPLORATION AND RESOURCE DRILLING

Following the appointment of the Administrators in July 2022, all exploration and resource drilling activities remain suspended.

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The Deed Administrators also advise that the Australian Securities Exchange ("**ASX**") has decided to remove Wiluna from the official list of the ASX from close of trading on 5 April 2024.

The removal is due to non-compliance with the ASX Listing Rules in relation to the lodgement of Wiluna's half year report for the half year ended 31 December 2022 ("**1HY23 Report**").

Subsequent to conclusion of the audit and lodgement of Wiluna's annual report for FY22[2], RSM Australian Partners resigned as Wiluna's auditor and Wiluna appointed Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd ("**Grant Thornton**") as its auditor in January 2024[3]. The change of auditor unfortunately caused significant delay to the process of preparing Wiluna's 1HY23 Report. Although Grant Thornton has been progressing the audit procedures since its appointment and significant resources has been allocated to support this process, Wiluna is not able to lodge its 1HY23 Report by end of February 2024, being the deadline to avoid Wiluna from being removed from the official list of the ASX.

The Deed Administrators had applied for an extension for lodgement however, the ASX has not granted this application.

Implications for Wiluna of Delisting

The Deed Administrators do not anticipate that Wiluna's removal from the official list of the ASX will significantly impede the strategic review process that is currently ongoing[4] or the implementation of the DOCA as approved by creditors at the concurrent second meetings of creditors held on 7 July 2023 and as executed by each member of the Wiluna Mining Group on 28 July 2023.

[2] Wiluna's annual report for FY 22 was released on the ASX on 31 October 2023.
[3] See Wiluna's ASX announcement dated 17 January 2024
[4] See Wiluna's ASX announcement dated 16 February 2024

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The Deed Administrators understand that the process to achieve re-admission to the ASX if that were the preferred pathway will largely align with the process that was expected (in any event) for Wiluna to resume trading on the ASX had removal from the official list not occurred. This is due to the long period that Wiluna had been suspended from trading and the material changes to Wiluna Mining Group's business since entering into voluntary administration.

Future Lodgement of Financial Reports

Wiluna is in the process of finalising its 1HY23 and FY23 annual reporting. We expect to complete and lodge Wiluna's half year report for the half year ended 31 December 2022 and annual report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 with ASIC by 20 July 2024.

As previously announced on the ASX on 24 August 2023, in accordance with the relief granted under the ASIC Corporations (Externally-Administered Bodies) Instrument 2015/251, Wiluna's reporting obligations for FY23 are deferred to the earlier of:

- 24 months after the day when administrators were appointed for Wiluna;
- the day on which a director of Wiluna has the right to, or is able to, perform or exercise all or most of the management powers or functions of a director of Wiluna under the DOCA or with the consent of the Deed Administrators; or
- the day the external administration of Wiluna ends.

Ongoing Communications

Wiluna will continue to keep creditors and shareholders informed as to progress of the implementation of the DOCA via the online FTI Consulting Creditors Portal and via direct communications (if required under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)).

In the meantime, the Deed Administrators will continue to work on progressing the broader strategic turnaround plan for the Wiluna Mining Group.

All documents relating to the ongoing external administration of the Wiluna Mining Group continue to be available from the FTI Consulting Creditors Portal at https://www.fticonsulting.com/creditors/wiluna-group

The Deed Administrators appreciate the ongoing support of all stakeholders during the external administration process.

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To receive further updates on Wiluna Mining as they are issued by the Deed Administrators please visit:

Shareholder announcements:

Wiluna Company website
https://wilunamining.com.au/investors/announcements/

Creditor announcements:

FTI Creditors Portal
https://www.fticonsulting.com/creditors/wiluna-group

The release of this announcement has been approved by the Deed Administrators*

* Michael Ryan, Kathryn Warwick, Daniel Woodhouse and Ian Francis, all Senior Managing Directors of FTI Consulting, were appointed as Deed Administrators on 28 July 2023.

ANNEXURE A - WILUNA MINING GROUP – ENTITIES OVER WHICH THE DEED ADMINISTRATORS ARE APPOINTED – ALL SUBJECT TO DEED OF COMPANY ARRANGEMENT

Company	**ACN**
Wiluna Mining Corporation Limited	119 887 606
Wiluna Operations Pty Ltd	166 954 525
Wiluna Gold Pty Ltd	153 919 549
Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	106 123 951
Zanthus Energy Pty Ltd	129 728 374
Lignite Pty Ltd	128 111 204
Scaddan Energy Pty Ltd	128 388 634

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