

# EQUITY RESEARCH

# Mining

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# Panoramic Resources Ltd (PAN.ASX)

## **Getting Ready for Restart**

### Event:

• We initiate research coverage on Panoramic Resources Ltd (PAN.ASX).

#### **Investment Highlights:**

- **Panoramic Resources Ltd (PAN)** is an ASX listed company targeting restart of its Savannah Nickel project in WA (100% interest).
- Long life, quality nickel sulphide asset: recently updated ore reserve and mineral resource extends mine life to thirteen years. Reserve contains 102kt Ni at a solid 1.23% Ni grade, while the project is further assisted by copper and cobalt by-products.
- Significant investment at site: more than \$100M invested in mining, processing, and site infrastructure along with successful 13+ years of operating history. Any exploration success has the potential to highlight value of existing infrastructure at site.
- **Exploration upside:** on ground exploration is set to resume this month, with near mine potential identified at Oxide, Stoney Creek, and Norton, with little to no historical drilling. We note also Savannah North remains open along strike and at depth.
- Underground development for restart is tracking well: Barminco has started work on the underground development of Savannah North, and is expected to finish Q1CY21e. Successful clearance of the vent raise technical hurdle is critical path to unlocking value in the Savannah project.
- Cash of \$31M at 30 June 2020 and no debt. Recent recapitalisation has erased debt and hedging arrangements, and gives the company sufficient runway to progress development to enable operational restart, as well as fund near term exploration.
- **Cornerstone investor is also technical partner in success.** Recap introduced Western Areas Ltd (WSA) to the register which provides technical voice to the development works at Savannah, as well as a potential corporate suitor.

#### **Earnings and Valuation:**

- We forecast earnings of -\$13M, -\$9M, and \$12M in FY21-23e, and EPS of -0.6, -0.4, and 0.6cps, respectively.
- We have derived a valuation of \$0.14 per PAN share. Our valuation is underpinned by NPV<sub>10</sub> of A\$258M for Savannah, assuming restart in Q2 CY21e, twelve month ramp, and LT nickel price of US\$7.35/lb.

#### **Recommendation:**

- We initiate coverage of PAN with a Buy recommendation and price target of \$0.14/share, due to its long life, high grade nickel sulphide asset, existing infrastructure, and exploration potential. Recent recap has removed debt as well as hedging arrangements, and a significant positive for the company. Stock trades at significant discount in our view, which has potential to reverse on successful achievement of technical milestones.
- **Catalysts for the stock** include: 1) underground development progress, especially critical development milestones including vent raise; 2) operational restart in mid Q2 CY21e; 3) updates on exploration.

#### Disclosure

The analyst does not own PAN securities. Foster Stockbroking and associated entities (excluding Cranport Pty Ltd) own 10,087,500 PAN shares. Cranport Pty Ltd owns 26,192,090 PAN shares. Refer to end of report for details.

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Recommendation				Buy
Previous		N/A		
Risk	High			
Price Target (A\$/share)				\$0.14
Previous				N/A
Share Price (A\$)				\$0.07
ASX Code	PAN			
52 week low - high (A\$)	0.065-0.334			
Capital structure				
Shares on Issue (M)				2,050.9
Market Cap, undil. (A\$M)				144
Net Cash/(Debt) (A\$M)				31
EV (A\$M)				113
12mth Av Daily Volume ('000)				4,008
Y/e Jun A\$	FY19a	FY20e	FY21e	FY22e
Sales, \$M	27.9	59.4	1.5	85.4
EBITDA adj. \$M	-3.3	-32.1	-4.7	13.9
NPAT adj. \$M	-18.6	-56.0	-13.4	-9.3
EPS adj c	-3.7	-7.2	-0.6	-0.4
PER (x)	nm	nm	nm	nm
Dividend c Board	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Major Shareholders				0.0
Western Areas Ltd				19.9%
Zeta Resources Ltd				17.6%
Share Price Graph				
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