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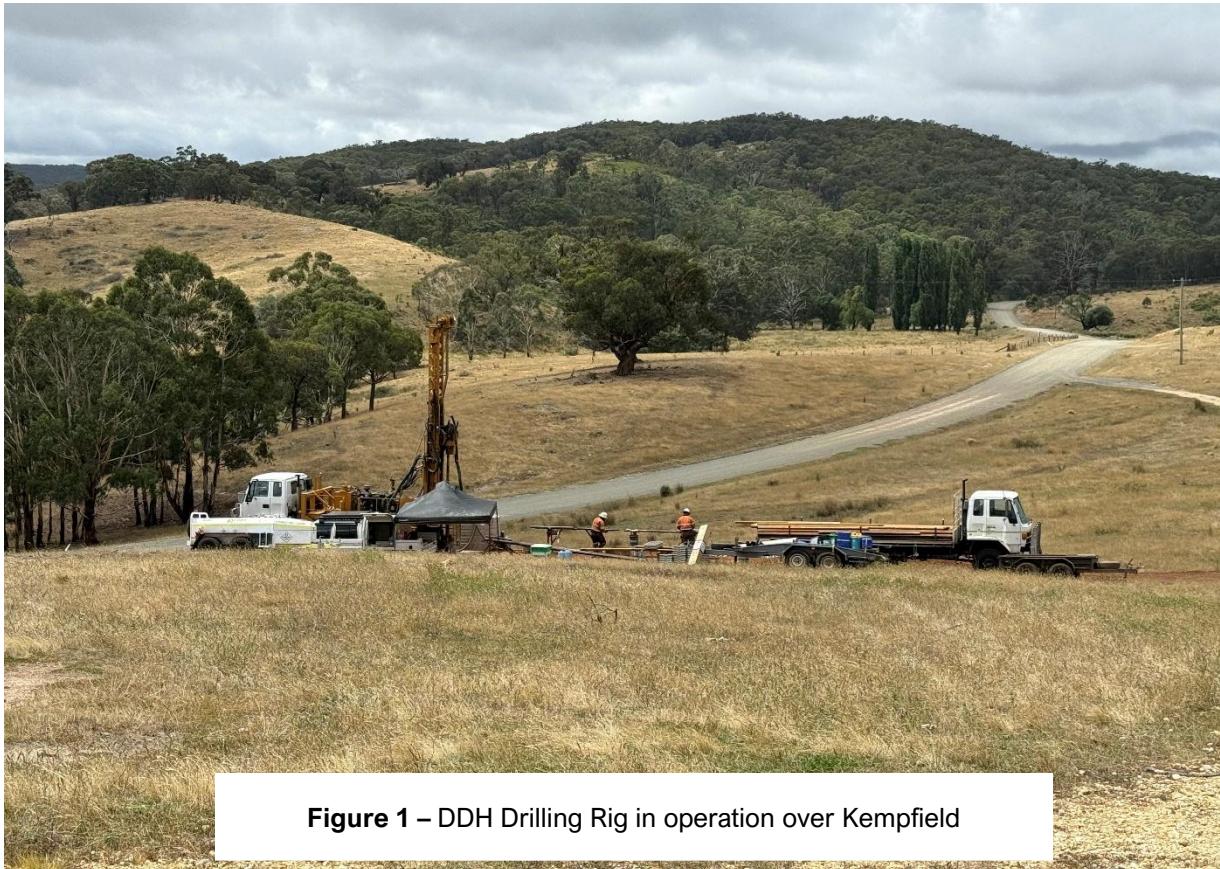
ASX Release

2026 exploration campaign commences at Kempfield Silver Polymetallic Project

High-priority drilling of exploration targets have been identified at the Kempfield Silver Project, with approximately 1,880 metres of initial diamond drilling planned to test zones

- Diamond Drilling has re-commenced for 2026 over the Kempfield's MRE Zone which includes Lodes 100, Lodes 200, Lodes 300 Kempfield VTEM zones and the Gap Prospect area.
- Planning for this phase includes 10 Diamond Drill Holes (DDH) for a total of approximately 1,880 metres, designed to test mineralisation extensions across the Kempfield.

Argent Minerals Limited (**ASX: ARD**) ("Argent" or "the Company"), an Australian-focused silver and precious metals company, is pleased to announce the re-commencement drilling program across multiple high-priority target areas within its wholly-owned **Kempfield Silver-Polymetallic Project** located in the highly prospective Lachlan Orogen, New South Wales. This phase targets **multiple high-priority gold, silver, and polymetallic targets**.



Kempfield Drilling Program Overview

The Kempfield Project remains the cornerstone of Argent's exploration portfolio.

This phase of diamond drilling is planned to test recently identified VTEM conductive trends, which are considered prospective for Au–Ag–Cu–Pb–Zn mineralisation, and to target extensions to the high-grade silver–lead–zinc mineralisation across Lodes 100 to 300.

- **MRE Lode 100:** Targeting extensions to the high-grade silver–lead–zinc mineralisation identified in previous RC drilling campaigns, together with planned infill drilling to address areas of sparse historical drilling within the northern portion of the MRE area.
- **MRE Lode 200:** New silver mineralisation has been identified below historical high-grade zones that were inadequately tested by shallow RC drilling, which ended in mineralisation, highlighting clear potential for depth extensions.
- **MRE Lode 300:** Drill testing deep down-plunge extensions of the known silver mineralisation, targeting potential high-grade additions beyond the current resource envelope.
- **Kempfield VTEM Zones:** Follow-up drilling of high-priority geophysical anomalies interpreted as potential blind sulphide-rich systems associated with the Kempfield mineralisation trend.
- **Gap Prospect (between Lodes 100 and 300):** Drill testing the ~750 m sparsely drilled corridor between Lodes 100 and 300, which represents a priority target for potential continuation of polymetallic mineralisation within the MRE.

By advancing the Kempfield Silver-Polymetallic Project, the Company is seeking to deliver significant newsflow while unlocking multiple near-term value catalysts, diversify discovery potential, strengthen the overall project pipeline, de-risk resource growth pathways and enhance the long-term economic potential of the Company's asset base.

Argent Minerals Limited Managing Director//Chief Executive Officer Mr Pedro Kastellorizos commented:

“2026 is shaping up as an exciting year for the global silver market on the back of a structural change in 2025. Argent remains focused on growing the silver resource base at Kempfield with a well-funded and systematic exploration strategy to deliver value for our shareholders”.

“As announced on 21 January 2026, the discovery of a new high-grade silver lode outside of the existing Kempfield Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) is a fantastic start to CY2026”.

“We will build on this discovery while delivering a significant number of catalysts and newsflow throughout the year.”

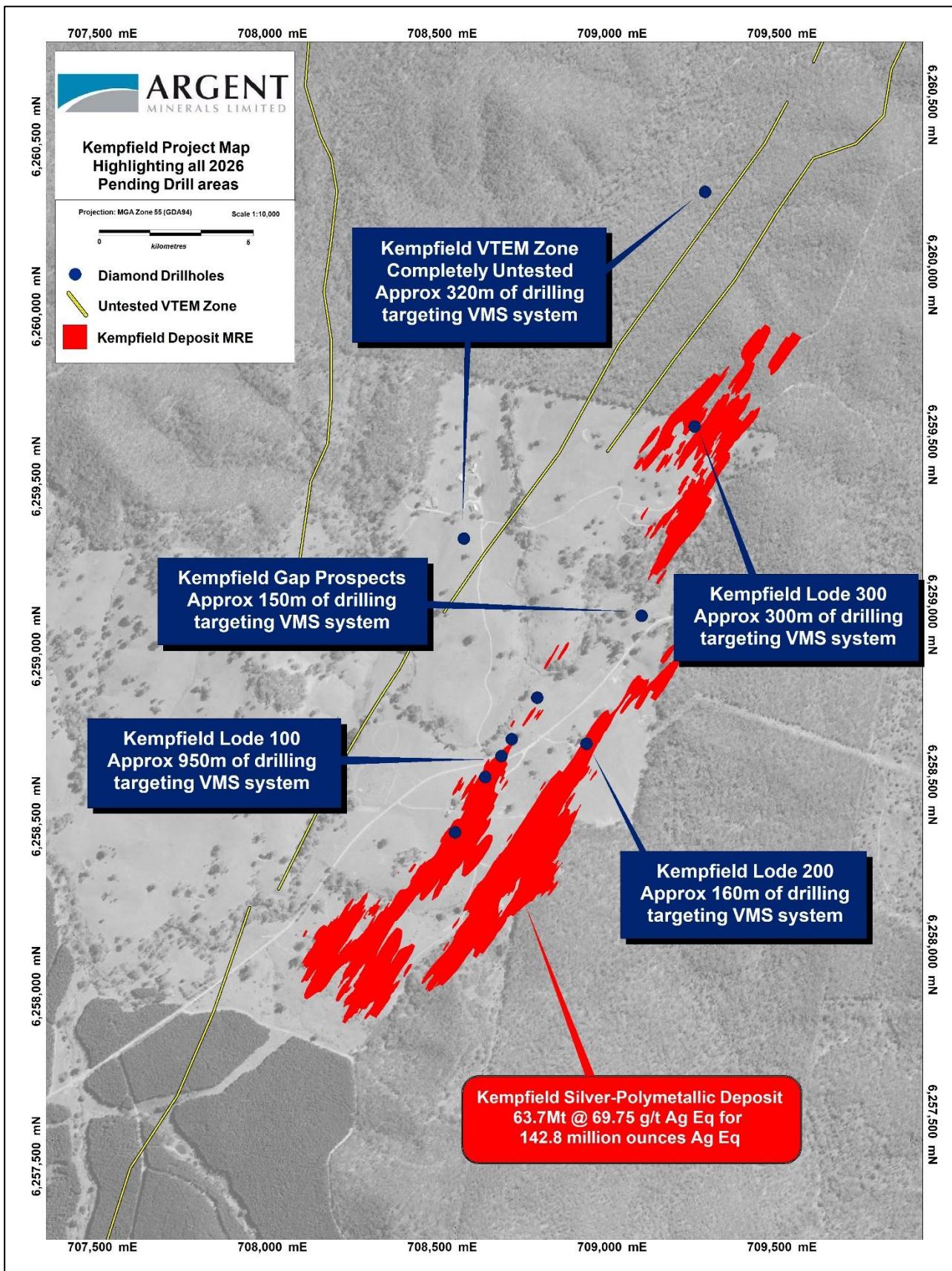


Figure 2 – Proposed Drilling Areas for the current 2026 Program over the Kempfield Project

This ASX announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Argent Minerals Limited.

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About Argent Minerals Ltd (ASX: ARD)

Argent Minerals Limited is an ASX listed public company focused on the development of its flagship 100%-owned Kempfield Project in New South Wales which hosts Australia's second largest undeveloped silver deposit - **63.7Mt @ 69.75 g/t silver equivalent for 142.8 million ounces Ag Eq**, containing of **65.8 Moz silver, 125,192 oz gold, 207,402t lead & 420,373t zinc** (ASX Announcement 25 July 2024: *Significant Silver Resource Upgrade over Kempfield Deposit*)

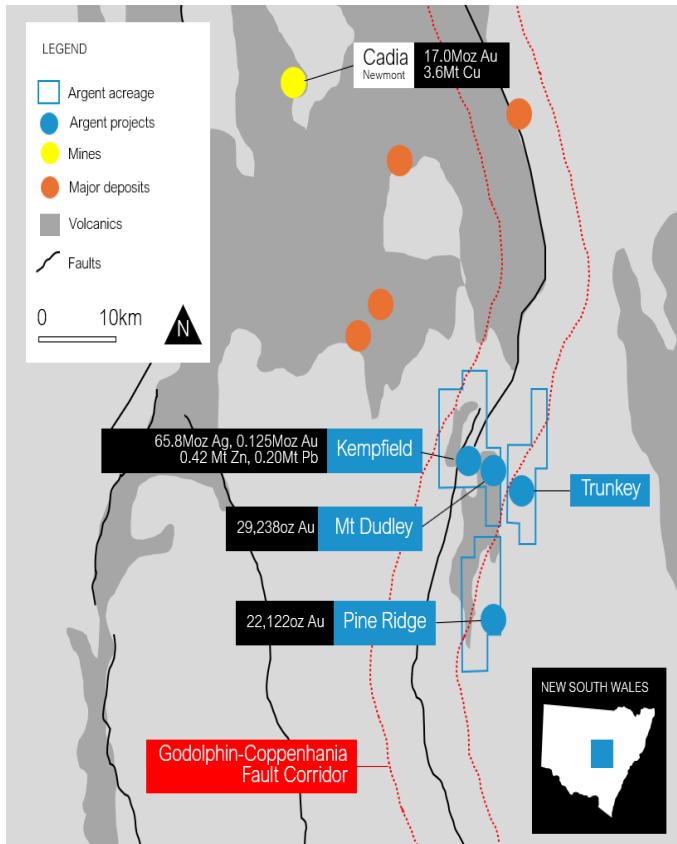
The project is located near Orange in one of Australia's premier mining districts and lies within the prolific Lachlan Fold Belt, host to some of Australia's largest gold and copper mines including Northparkes and Cadia. The scale and quality of the Kempfield deposit supports a clear pathway to early production via a heap leach starter (oxide) to fund a carbon-in-leach (CIL)/flotation hub (sulphide). The company's nearby Trunkey Creek, Mt Dudley and Pine Ridge projects offer major gold upside and the opportunity to establish a scalable, multi-deposit mine at Kempfield.

Pine Ridge Project EL8213 (100% ARD), NSW

The Project is located in the Central Tablelands in New South Wales approximately 65 kilometres south of the township of Bathurst and 10 km south-west of Trunkey. Gold mining commenced in 1877 and continued sporadically until 1948, producing a total of 6,864t ore with variable gold grades. Current 2012 JORC Resource (**Inferred Category Only**) is **416,887t @ 1.65 g/t Au containing 22,122 oz Gold** (ASX Announcement 20 April 2022: *Pine Ridge Inferred Resource*).

Mt Dudley Project EL5748 (100% ARD), NSW

The Project is located 5 km northwest of the township of Trunkey, near Blayney NSW. The Mt Dudley mine was worked between 1913-1922 and 1928-1931, with the mine's records indicating an average mined grade of approximately 25 g/t of gold. Current 2012 JORC Resource (**Inferred Category Only**) is **882,636t @ 1.03 g/t Au containing 29,238 oz Gold** (ASX Announcement 13 September 2022: *Maiden JORC Resource Over Mt Dudley Prospect*)



Kempfield Project EL5645, EL5748 (100% ARD) NSW

The Kempfield Project is located 60km SSW of Cadia Newcrest Gold and Copper Mining Operations in Central West New South Wales, 250 kilometres west of Sydney. This is the Company's flagship project and is registered as a New South Wales State Significant Development Project. Kempfield Silver Deposit Mineral Resource estimate for all categories has been upgraded **63.7Mt @ 69.75 g/t silver equivalent for 142.8 million ounces Ag Eq**, containing of **65.8 Moz silver, 125,192 oz gold, 207,402t lead & 420,373t zinc**

Trunkey Creek Project EL5748 (100% ARD) NSW

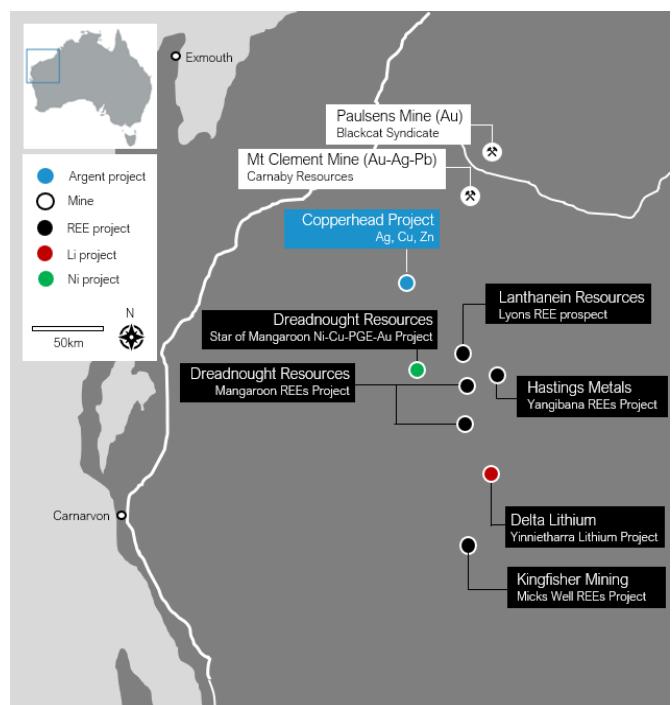
The Trunkey Creek Gold Project is located 5 kms east of the Kempfield in Central West region New South Wales. The Project lies within the Trunkey Creek Mineral Field which extends for 4.7 km by 500 m wide with over 2,900 oz of gold extracted from small scale mining. New IP model has delineated three distinct resistive/chargeable zones. Sub-parallel main quartz reefs are spaced 30m to 50m apart over a strike length of 2 km (ASX Announcement 31 May 2022: *New Gold Drill Targets Identified at Trunkey Creek*).

Copperhead Project (100% ARD), WA

The Copperhead Project is located NE of Carnarvon and SW of Karratha in Western Australia Gascoyne Region. The project is proximal to major REE deposits and is considered Elephant country based on its untapped potential.

Helicopter rock-chip sample program has confirmed the extensive copper mineralisation over the Mount Palgrave Prospect. High-grade stratiform copper assays include 2.42%, 4.14%, 5.92%, 8.8%, 14.96% and 21.1% Cu.

The Project is also considered highly prospective for potential ironstone/carbonatite Rare Earth mineralisation. Over Fifty (50) high priority potential ironstone/carbonatite rare earth targets have been delineated and are currently being assessed (ASX Announcement 1 February 2023: *High-grade copper confirmed at Gascoyne Copper Project*)



Kempfield Silver Deposit Mineral Resource Estimate by Classification as at July 2024 (at a >15 g/t Ag cut-off & >0.9% Zn)									
Category	Million Tonnes (Mt)	Volume (m³)	Silver Eq. (g/t)	Silver (g/t)	Gold (g/t)	Lead (%)	Zinc (%)	Million Ounces Silver	Million Ounces Silver Eq.
Indicated	23.7	8,051,549	79.61	40.04	0.08	0.36	0.67	30.5	60.6
Inferred	40.0	13,589,739	63.92	27.49	0.05	0.31	0.64	35.4	82.3
Total	63.7	21,641,287	69.75	32.15	0.06	0.33	0.66	65.8	142.8

Kempfield Silver Deposit Mineral Resource Estimate by Weathering Zone as at July 2024 (>15 g/t Ag cut-off, Zn 0.9% Zn cut-off)											
Weathering Zone	Million Tonnes (Mt)	Grade					Contained Metal				
		Silver Eq. (g/t)	Silver (g/t)	Gold (g/t)	Lead (%)	Zinc (%)	Million Ounces Silver	Thousand Ounces Gold	Thousand tonnes Zinc	Thousand tonnes Lead	Million Ounces Silver Eq.
Oxide	8.3	45.14	38.48	0.08			10.3	20.9			12.1
Transitional	8.8	60.27	38.87	0.09	0.38	0.37	11.0	24.6	32.5	33.6	17.1
Fresh	46.6	75.93	29.75	0.05	0.37	0.83	44.5	79.7	387.9	173.8	113.7
Total	63.7	69.75	32.15	0.06	0.33	0.66	65.8	125.2	420.4	207.4	142.8

Kempfield Silver Deposit Mineral Resource Estimate by Lode as at July 2024 (>15 g/t Ag cut-off, >Zn 0.9% cut-off)								
Lode	Million Tonnes (Mt)	Silver Eq. (g/t)	Silver (g/t)	Gold (g/t)	Lead (%)	Zinc (%)	Million Ounces Silver	Million Ounces Silver Eq
100	23.9	81.13	31.19	0.12	0.49	0.79	23.9	62.3
200	28.0	66.42	36.03	0.03	0.21	0.57	32.4	59.7
300	11.8	54.62	24.93	0.01	0.26	0.61	9.50	20.8
Total	63.7	69.75	32.15	0.06	0.33	0.66	65.8	142.8

Notes:

- The silver equivalent formulas were determined using the following metal prices based on a five-year monthly average: US\$22.02/oz silver, US\$1,776.93/oz gold, US\$2,774.16/t zinc, US\$2,066.73/t lead.
- The silver equivalent formulas were determined using different metallurgical recoveries for each weathering zone from test work commissioned by Argent Minerals Limited. For oxide zone metallurgical recoveries of 86% silver and 90% gold. For transitional zone metallurgical recoveries of 86% silver, 67% zinc and 21% lead, 90% gold. For primary zone metallurgical recoveries of 86% silver, 92% zinc and 53% lead, 90% gold.
- The silver equivalent formulas were determined using the metal prices and recoveries listed in Notes 1 & 2 for each weathering zone:
 - Oxide Zone silver equivalent: $Ag Eq (g/t) = g/t Ag + g/t Au \times 85.4$
 - Transitional Zone silver equivalent: $Ag Eq (g/t) = g/t Ag + g/t Au \times 85.4 + \% Zn \times 30.53 + \% Pb \times 7.13$
 - Primary Zone silver equivalent: $Ag Eq (g/t) = g/t Ag + g/t Au \times 85.4 + \% Zn \times 41.92 + \% Pb \times 17.99$
- In the Company's opinion, the silver, gold, lead and zinc included in the metal equivalent calculations have a reasonable potential to be recovered and sold.
- Variability of summation may occur due to rounding and refer to Appendices for full details.

The Company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement and all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Mineral Resources for all Projects continue to apply and have not materially changed.

Competent Persons Statement

The information in this report / ASX release that relates to Mineral Resources Estimation is based on information compiled and reviewed by Mr. Alfred Gillman, Director of independent consulting firm, Odessa Resource Pty Ltd. Mr. Gillman, a Fellow and Chartered Professional of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (the AusIMM) and has sufficient experience relevant to the styles of mineralisation under consideration and to the activity being reported to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Exploration Targets and Mineral Resources. Mr Gillman is a full-time employee of Odessa Resource Pty Ltd, who specialises in mineral resource estimation, evaluation, and exploration. Neither Mr Gillman nor Odessa Resource Pty Ltd holds any interest in Argent Minerals Ltd, its related parties, or in any of the mineral properties that are the subject of this announcement. Mr Gillman consents to the inclusion in this report / ASX release of the matters based on information in the form and context in which it appears. Additionally, Mr Gillman confirms that the entity is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information contained in the ASX releases referred to in this report. Mr Gillman has completed all the Mineral Resource Estimations for Kempfield, Mt Dudley and Pine Ridge.

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Targets and Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Pedro Kastellorizos. Mr. Kastellorizos is the Managing Director/CEO of Argent Minerals Limited and is a Member of the AusIMM of whom have sufficient experience relevant to the styles of mineralisation under consideration and to the activity being reported to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr. Kastellorizos has verified the data disclosed in this release and consent to the inclusion in this release of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.

Forward Statement

This news release contains "forward-looking information" within the meaning of applicable securities laws. Generally, any statements that are not historical facts may contain forward-looking information, and forward looking information can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "plans", "expects" or "does not expect", "is expected", "budget" "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "intends", "anticipates" or "does not anticipate", or "believes", or variations of such words and phrases or indicates that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will be" taken, "occur" or "be achieved." Forward-looking information is based on certain factors and assumptions management believes to be reasonable at the time such statements are made, including but not limited to, continued exploration activities, commodity prices, the estimation of initial and sustaining capital requirements, the estimation of labour costs, the estimation of mineral reserves and resources, assumptions with respect to currency fluctuations, the timing and amount of future exploration and development expenditures, receipt of required regulatory approvals, the availability of necessary financing for the project, permitting and such other assumptions and factors as set out herein.

Forward-looking information is subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking information, including but not limited to: risks related to changes in commodity prices; sources and cost of power and water for the Project; the estimation of initial capital requirements; the lack of historical operations; the estimation of labour costs; general global markets and economic conditions; risks associated with exploration of mineral deposits; the estimation of initial targeted mineral resource tonnage and grade for the project; risks associated with uninsurable risks arising during the course of exploration; risks associated with currency fluctuations; environmental risks; competition faced in securing experienced personnel; access to adequate infrastructure to support exploration activities; risks associated with changes in the mining regulatory regime governing the Company and the Project; completion of the environmental assessment process; risks related to regulatory and permitting delays; risks related to potential conflicts of interest; the reliance on key personnel; financing, capitalisation and liquidity risks including the risk that the financing necessary to fund continued exploration and development activities at the project may not be available on satisfactory terms, or at all; the risk of potential dilution through the issuance of additional common shares of the Company; the risk of litigation.

Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended, there can be no assurance that such forward-looking information will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such information. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking information. Forward looking information is made as of the date of this announcement and the Company does not undertake to update or revise any forward-looking information this is included herein, except in accordance with applicable securities laws.

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