ASX Announcement
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THIRD-PARTY ORE AGREEMENTS DELIVER STEP CHANGE IN NEAR-TERM MARGIN AND CASH FLOW

Purchased high-grade oxide ore to add approximately 300t of copper cathode per month from Q4 26; underlying production guidance unchanged; cash flow increasing.

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Cobre Limited (ASX: CBE, CBEO) ("**Cobre**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to announce that its wholly owned subsidiary, Sierra Atacama SpA, has executed ore purchase agreements with two third-party copper oxide miners in the Antofagasta region. As the deliveries ramp up from Q4 2026, they are expected to deliver 50-75 kt per month of 1.0-1.5% CuT ore to the Sierra Atacama SX-EW plant, adding c300t of monthly copper cathode production. This production is additional to the Company's previously announced production targets (6 July 2026), which remain unchanged.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Two supply agreements executed with regional copper oxide mines in the Antofagasta region, with further agreements under negotiation and expected in the near term, further lifting SX-EW utilisation and cash flow.
- As the contracts ramp up from Q4 2026, we expect them to deliver 50-75 kt per month of 1.0-1.5% CuT oxide ore, well above the current underground head grade and expected to add approximately 300t of copper cathode per month. Sierra Atacama SX-EW plant to run at materially higher utilisation from Q4 2026, delivering step-change growth in cathode production and operating cash flow. The incremental cathode carries no mining or development cost and uses existing, under-utilised SX-EW capacity with fixed plant costs spread over a larger tonnage base lower unit cost across the operation.
- Consolidates Sierra Atacama's position as the natural processing hub for high-grade oxide ore in the Antofagasta region.
- Bridges seamlessly into the 2027 production growth phase, when the current underground operation transitions to open-pit, whilst substantially improving unit economics for own-ore processing.
- Incremental to guidance: underground production continues to be stabilised to the 400-500t/m target announced in July 2026. No change to any previously provided production estimates or guidance.

A regional copper processing hub

The Sierra Atacama SX-EW plant sits in the heart of Chile's Antofagasta copper region, surrounded by small-to-mid-scale copper oxide mines that lack direct access to their own processing capacity. By providing a reliable, well-located and competitively-priced offtake route, Sierra Atacama has become the natural counterparty for these operators. Regional mines benefit from shorter haul distances, faster payment terms and a long-term commercial partnership; Cobre benefits from securing high-grade feed that lifts overall plant grade and utilisation. It is a mutually reinforcing structure that positions Sierra Atacama as the processing hub of the region.

The agreements

Sierra Atacama SpA has executed ore purchase agreements with two copper oxide mines located within trucking distance of the Sierra Atacama plant. These operators have high-grade oxide ore but no processing capacity of their own; Sierra Atacama has 20,000 tonnes per annum of installed SX-EW cathode capacity and is operating below nameplate.

Under the agreements, ore is delivered to the plant, with the purchase price referenced to contained copper and the prevailing copper price. Deliveries are scheduled to ramp-up in Q4 2026.

Step change in near-term margin and cash flow

Purchased ore bypasses the mining and development cost that sits behind every tonne of underground production, and is processed through crushing, leach and SX-EW capacity that is already built, staffed and largely fixed in cost. The incremental cost of the additional cathode is therefore limited to the ore purchase price and variable processing costs, principally acid, power and reagents. Higher throughput also spreads fixed plant costs across a materially larger tonnage base, lowering the unit cost of the Company's own underground production, providing further potential upside to cash generation.

Consolidating the transition to 2027 open-pit production

As outlined in the 6 July 2026 announcement, Cobre's production trajectory involves a progressive transition from the current underground operation to a substantially expanded open-pit operation from 2027. The third-party ore agreements consolidate this transition in three ways:

(1) **Full plant utilisation** — the SX-EW plant continues to operate at a materially higher throughput through the transition, spreading fixed costs across a higher tonnage base and improving unit economics for own-ore processing as the open-pit ramps up.

(2) **Commercial infrastructure** — the regional supply contracts establish the commercial, logistical and quality-assurance frameworks that scale as the Company's own production grows. When the open-pit reaches nameplate capacity, Cobre will have proven and tested systems in place.

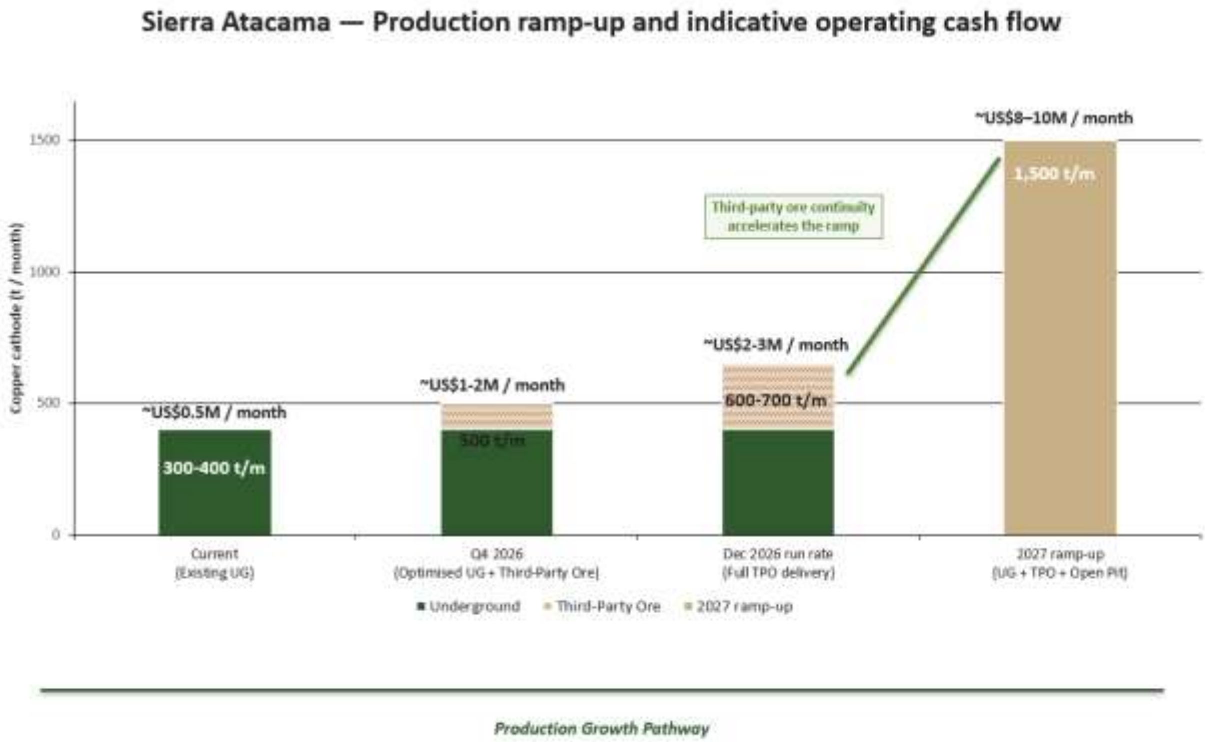
(3) **Metallurgical experience** — processing a range of regional oxide ore sources through the SX-EW plant builds operational knowledge that strengthens plant performance and de-risks the ramp; the plant is being proven across the full range of feedstock that will characterise the 2027 operation.

The third-party ore does not form part of, and does not alter, the production targets provided to the market in July 2026. What this agreement does is achieve maximum theoretical production (20kt pa or c1,600t pm) on the existing operating much faster (see chart below). FY2027 guidance, incorporating the underground operation, the third-party ore contribution and the planned commencement of open-pit mining, will be provided in Q1 2027.

Further agreements expected

Negotiations with additional regional ore suppliers are well advanced and the Company expects to execute further agreements in the near term. Each additional source lifts SX-EW utilisation toward nameplate, adds to cash flow and further reduces unit costs. Sierra Atacama's processing capacity, location and payment terms position it as the processing hub for high-grade oxide ore in the district.

Production ramp-up and indicative operating cash flow



Indicative cathode production and operating cash flow — Sierra Atacama.

Management commentary

Cobre Chief Executive Officer **Adam Wooldridge** commented:

"We are approaching a defining period for Sierra Atacama. The current underground operation will progressively transition through 2027 into a substantially larger open-pit operation, and third-party ore fills that gap — keeping the SX-EW plant at materially higher utilisation throughout the transition rather than allowing throughput to drop between the two production sources. These agreements are the direct product of the operational credibility we have built with regional counterparties, and they demonstrate the strategic advantage of Sierra Atacama's location and processing capacity in the heart of Chile's premier copper region. Sierra Atacama is being positioned as the regional processing hub, and the market is now recognising that."

— Adam Wooldridge, Chief Executive Officer

Cobre Chief Financial Officer, **Kaveen Bachoo,** added:

"Financially, these arrangements deliver on three fronts. They generate incremental cash flow through 2027 that would not otherwise be available during the transition period. They spread the plant's fixed cost base across a materially higher tonnage throughput, which improves unit economics for our own ore. And they establish the commercial framework — pricing, logistics, quality assurance – that scales seamlessly as our own production grows. These are not a substitute for our organic strategy; they accelerate it and provide meaningful optionality as Cobre moves into the 2027 growth phase."

— Kaveen Bachoo, Chief Financial Officer

AUTHORISATION

This announcement has been authorised for release on behalf of the Cobre Limited Board by Adam Wooldridge, Chief Executive Officer.

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Cautionary Statement about Forward-Looking Statements

Information regarding the Company's production targets and resources have previously been disclosed to the ASX in the Company's announcement (Cobre Raises $60m to Acquire a Majority Interest in Sierra Atacama Copper Project in the World Class Antofagasta Region - Chile) and presentation (Sierra Atacama Copper Mine Acquisition Presentation) of 12 February 2026. Reference is made by incorporation to the disclosures made therein to that announcement and presentation.

For further information regarding the Company's Sierra Atacama Copper Project since 12 February 2026, please refer to the Company's announcements to ASX of:

- 15 April 2026 - Commencement of 40,000m Resource Drilling Program;
- 1 May 2026 - Cobre Corporate Presentation;
- 29 June 2026 - Cobre Consolidates Premier Sierra Atacama Copper District Position;
- 1 July 2026 - Significant Resource Growth Potential Chile;
- 6 July 2026 - Sierra Atacama Copper Mine Delivers First Positive Cash Flow;
- 7 July 2026 - Cobre Increases Ownership in Sierra Atacama Copper Project;
- 16 July 2026 - Sierra Atacama - Operational Update; and
- 31 August 2026 - Cobre Secures Majority Ownership of Sierra Atacama.

As outlined in the above announcements, the Company is advancing towards a JORC Compliant Mineral Resource Estimate. The Company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information contained within the 2025 NI 43-101 Mineral Resource included in the Company's announcement of 12 February 2026 and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates referred to therein continue to apply and have not materially changed.

Pursuant to ASX Compliance Update no. 02/25, the Company confirms that it does not consider the names of the counterparties to the contracts referenced herein to be information that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of the Company's securities and the announcement contains all material information relevant to assessing the impact of the contract on the price or value of the Company's securities and is not misleading by omission.

This announcement contains certain "forward-looking statements", including statements regarding the Company's production targets and expectations for the Sierra Atacama Copper Project. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied, including commercial, operational, market and counterparty risks. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which speak only as at the date of this announcement. Except as required by law, the Company does not undertake to update any forward-looking statement.