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Tartana commences plant upgrade to lift Copper Sulphate production

Tartana Minerals Limited (ASX: TAT) (Tartana or the Company) is pleased to announce it has commenced process and plant upgrades at its Copper Sulphate Pentahydrate plant on the Tartana Mining Leases aimed at increasing production capacity and plant reliability.

Highlights:

- Key plant infrastructure upgrades committed totalling \$0.435 million, expected to complete within six weeks
- Initiatives expected to deliver plant throughput improvements to ~135 tonnes per month
- Increases in LME Copper price are driving sales price improvements to now approx. A\$5,000 per tonne
- Higher grade pit fill zones identified for stacking on to existing heaps for copper leaching with limited additional processing such as crushing required
- Over 1,400 tonnes sold to date, generating \$3.2 million in revenue at lower Copper prices

Production upgrade underway

Following the announcement of its recent \$4.5 million placement, the Company has committed to upgrading key components within the Solvent Extraction – Crystallisation plant at the Tartana Mining Leases. These upgrades aim to improve plant reliability, with the primary expenditure being the replacement of the chiller circuit, a critical component of the crystallisation process.

The approved works follow a review of plant operations undertaken by an independent metallurgical consultant. The recommended upgrade represents targeted capital expenditure designed to improve plant reliability and support more consistent, sustainable copper sulphate pentahydrate throughput.

Total committed expenditure totals \$0.435 million paid on a staged basis. The Company expects fabrication to commence immediately, with installation anticipated within approximately six weeks.

Direct exposure to the increasing LME Copper price

The Company has a 100% offtake agreement for its copper sulphate pentahydrate with Kanins International, with payment at the mine gate. The product is priced by reference to the LME Copper price, based on its copper content (roughly 25%), plus a quality premium. At the prevailing LME copper price (above US\$13,000 per tonne), the Company's realised sale price is in the order of A\$5,000 per tonne.

Historical monthly production rates have varied, however, the Company expects this plant upgrade to enable a nameplate production capacity of approximately 135 tonnes per month.¹ Since May 2024, the Company has produced over 1,400 tonnes of product, generating \$3.2 million in revenue.





Higher-grade pit fill to be stacked on existing heaps to improve grade

In late 2025, the Company commissioned test work on the pit fill material as part of a process optimisation review. Results have been positive with an average recovered grade of 0.22% Cu. The Company considers the material can be economically excavated and stacked onto the existing heap leach pads, without the need for crushing. This would deliver the benefit of providing additional copper feed into the plant as well as enabling future access to the primary copper ore in the base of the pit as the material is moved.

Test Pit	Interval (nth meter)					Bulk	Average	Std Dev %	Extracted Grade (%w/w)
	2	3	4	5					
2		36.7	45.8				41.3	11%	0.07
3		33.2	42.4				37.8	12%	0.09
4		24.8	34.9				29.8	17%	0.04
5		41.8	28.7				35.2	19%	0.05
6			67.4				67.4		0.11
7			42.7				42.7		0.07
8	38.5		31.3	57.3			42.4	26%	0.07
9		26.4	56.2	34.0			38.9	32%	0.05
12			41.2				41.2		0.07
14			61.4				61.4		0.08
15		48.9					48.9		0.06
16						56.6	56.6		0.08
17						55.3	55.3		0.07
18						95.9	95.9		0.18
21						60.4	60.4		0.18
22						138.2	138.2		0.63
23						47.3	47.3		0.51
24						62.2	62.2		0.23
25						78.1	78.1		0.41
26						43.5	43.5		0.15
27						132.5	132.5		1.18
28						48.9	48.9		0.51
Average									0.22

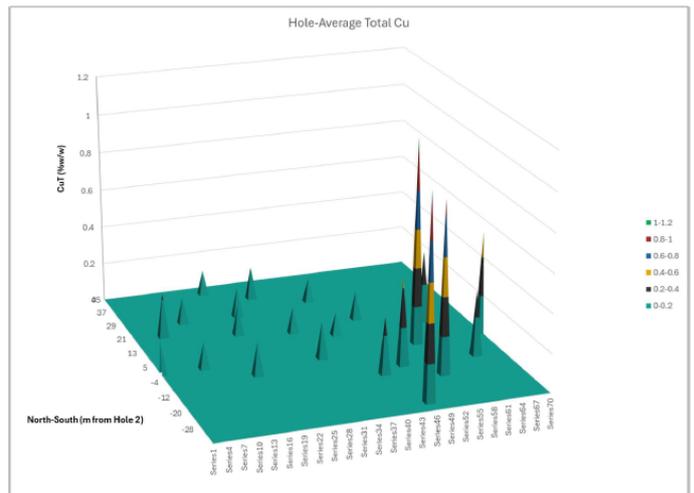


Figure 1. (top left) Extracted copper grades from leaching

Figure 2 (top right), hole average copper grades in the sampling area (note the area corresponds to the sample area in Figure 3).

Further information on the exploration conducted was released in the December quarterly report. See ASX release of 30 January 2026.

Figure 3 (left) Sampled area in green and the location where initial mining will commence (yellow) to focus on the higher sampled grades. The pit fill is unconsolidated and doesn't require crushing. It will be stacked on the lower heap leach pad, also outlined in yellow.



Access to the Tartana Mining Leases

Access to the Tartana plant is currently restricted due to seasonal flooding over the Walsh River crossing, which is typical at this time of year. Based on prior operating experience, the Company expects site access to be restored within the coming weeks, allowing installation works to proceed as planned.

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This announcement has been approved by the Managing Director of Tartana Minerals Limited (ASX:TAT).

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¹ The stated figure is an estimated production capacity of the plant based on the equipment and operational capabilities. It is not a production target, and the Company is not indicating that it can or will achieve this figure.

Competent Persons Statement

The information in this announcement that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Dr Stephen Bartrop who is a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM) and a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Dr Bartrop has sufficient experience that is relevant to the styles of mineralisation and types of deposit under consideration, and to the activity that is being undertaken 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.' Dr Bartrop is an employee of Tartana Minerals Limited, and consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

With respect to Exploration Information that has been previously reported, the Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements.

About Tartana Minerals (ASX:TAT)

Tartana Minerals Limited is an Australian explorer and project developer with a substantial landholding in the Chillagoe region of Far North Queensland. The Company's portfolio comprises mining leases and exploration tenements prospective for critical and strategic metals, including silver, copper, gold, antimony, zinc, and tin.

Tartana holds the Tartana Mining Leases, from which it produces copper sulphate, supporting ongoing operations while advancing exploration and development across its broader asset base.

The Company's strategy is to enhance shareholder value through systematic exploration, disciplined project development and the expansion and optimisation of its production activities.