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Exploration Targets (Potential Mineralisation) are compiled by: WAIO: J Knight (MAIG); Olympic Dam: M Carew (MAusIMM); Queensland Coal: D Dunn (MAusIMM); Potash: J McElroy (MAusIMM); Escondida: J des Rivières (IGI) – (as previously reported in BHP Billiton's Bank of America Merrill Lynch Global Metals, Mining & Steel Conference Presentation, 15 May 2012).

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Mineral Resource classification (100% basis) for each province, where relevant, are contained in Table 1.

Table 1

Province	Measured Resource (Mt)	Indicated Resource (Mt)	Inferred Resource (Mt)	Range of Potential Mineralisation (Bt)			BHP Billiton interest %
				Low	Mid	High	
Western Australia Iron Ore	2,324	3,688	14,590	15	30	45	88
Olympic Dam	1,474 @ 1.03% Cu	4,843 @ 0.84% Cu	3,259 @ 0.70% Cu	1.2 @ 1.08% Cu	2.4 @ 1.08% Cu	3.6 @ 1.08% Cu	100
Queensland Coal	2,995	5,643	4,854	14	26	30	55 ¹
Potash	–	3,320 @ 25.7% K ₂ O	131 @ 26.9% K ₂ O	2.7	5.4	8.1	100
Escondida district	4,069 @ 0.72% Cu	4,986 @ 0.57% Cu	12,635 @ 0.47% Cu	16 @ 0.4-0.6% Cu	23 @ 0.4-0.6% Cu	43 @ 0.5-0.6% Cu	57.5

1. Interest represents the weighted average of BHP Billiton's 50% ownership in the BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance (BMA) Coal Resource and 80% ownership in the BHP Billiton Mitsui Coal (BMC) Coal Resource.

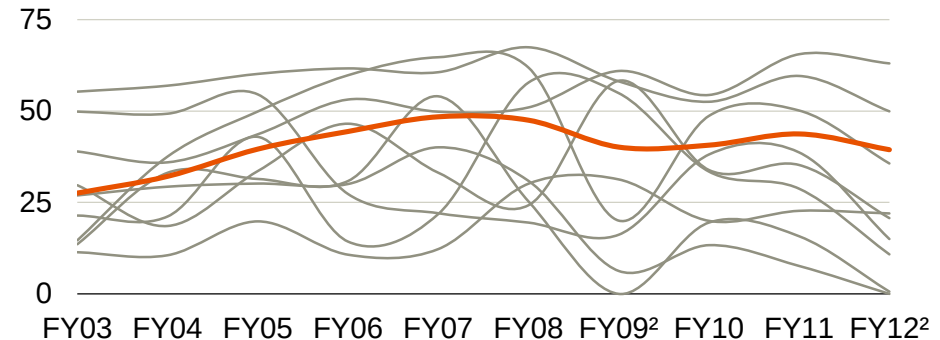
Key themes

- Strong performance and superior shareholder returns
- We remain positive on the outlook for our company
- Our uniquely diversified resource endowment remains a competitive advantage
- Strong momentum in our major businesses
- Our longer term development options
- Focused on productivity, efficiency and predictability in order to maximise returns

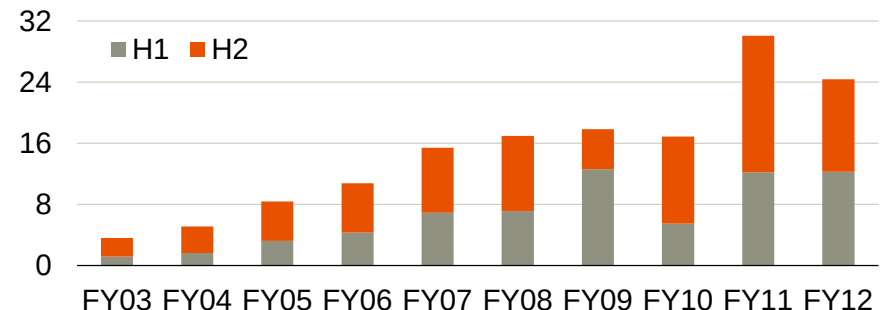
Strong operating performance and the benefits of diversity

- Robust operating performance including record production at 10 operations
- The value of our diversified strategy was reflected in the Group's robust FY12 financial results
 - Underlying EBIT of US\$27.2 billion and Underlying EBIT margin of 39%¹
 - Attributable profit (excluding exceptional items) of US\$17.1 billion
 - Net operating cash flow of US\$24.4 billion, the second highest level on record

Strength in diversity¹
(EBIT margin, %)



Strong cash generating capacity throughout the economic cycle³
(US\$ billion)



1. Excludes third party trading activities.

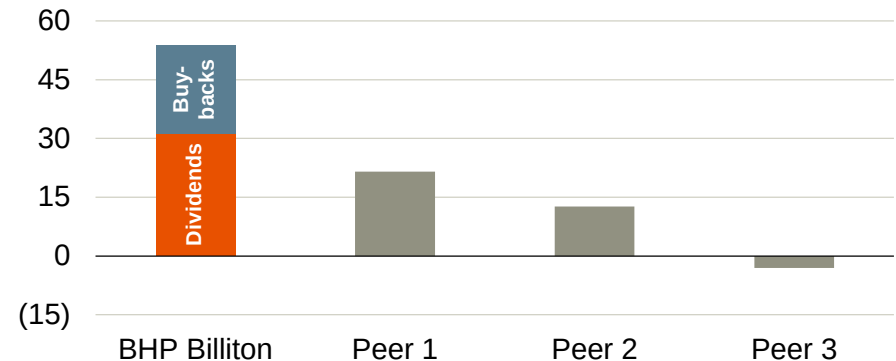
2. Negative margins are not shown as the y-axis is set at zero. SSM had a negative EBIT margin in FY09; Aluminium had a negative EBIT margin in FY12.

3. Net operating cash flow reflects proportional consolidation of joint ventures for FY07 and future periods. Exploration expenditure incurred which has not been capitalised has been re-classified to net operating cash flow for FY06 and future periods.

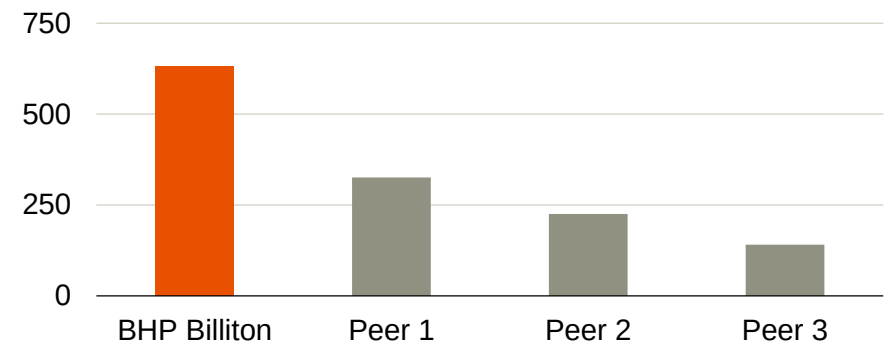
Superior returns throughout the cycle

- Our proven strategy has delivered sector leading returns
 - full year dividend of 112 US cents per share, up 11%
 - progressive dividend has grown at a CAGR of 26% over the last ten years
 - we have returned US\$53.8 billion¹ to shareholders over the last 10 years
- Our higher quality and simpler organisation generates more cash per unit of product and a higher level of cash flow per employee
- The unique diversification of our high quality asset portfolio means we are very well positioned for the inevitable change in consumption patterns of commodities

Substantially more capital returned to shareholders¹ (US\$ billion)



Total shareholder returns¹ (%)



Source: Datastream; annual reports; press releases; BHP Billiton analysis.

1. Peer group based on LSE constituents: Rio Tinto, Anglo American and Xstrata. Net capital returned to shareholders includes dividends, share buy-backs and equity raisings from 1 July 2003 until 30 June 2012. TSR assumptions include: US dollar terms and weighted average for dual listed companies; calculated over the period 30 June 2002 until 30 June 2012.

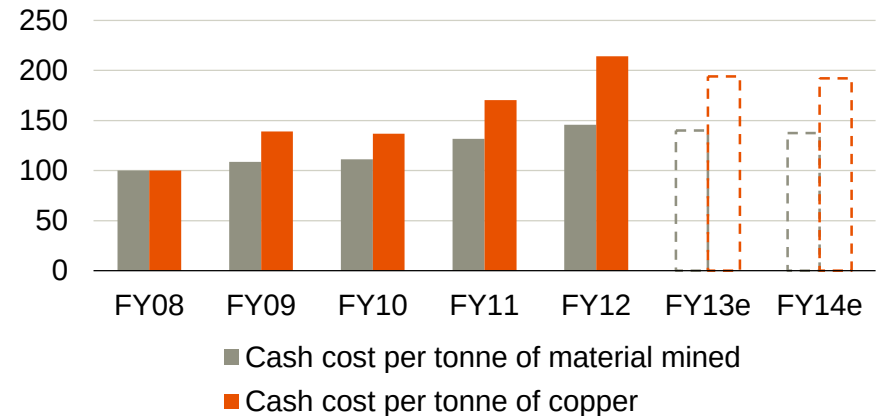
Targeting a substantial reduction in costs

A substantial reduction of costs and non-essential expenditure is targeted in FY13

- Realise economies of scale as substantial latent capacity is released at a number of major operations
- Targeting material cost savings
 - optimise contractor usage and rates
 - reduce supplier costs
 - review general overheads
- Optimise the project pipeline
 - debottleneck installed capacity
 - sequence and timing
- Reduce business development costs significantly

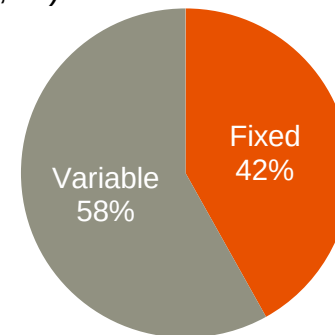
Grade has a significant influence on Base Metals unit costs

(index, FY08=100)



Base Metals Chilean copper assets breakdown

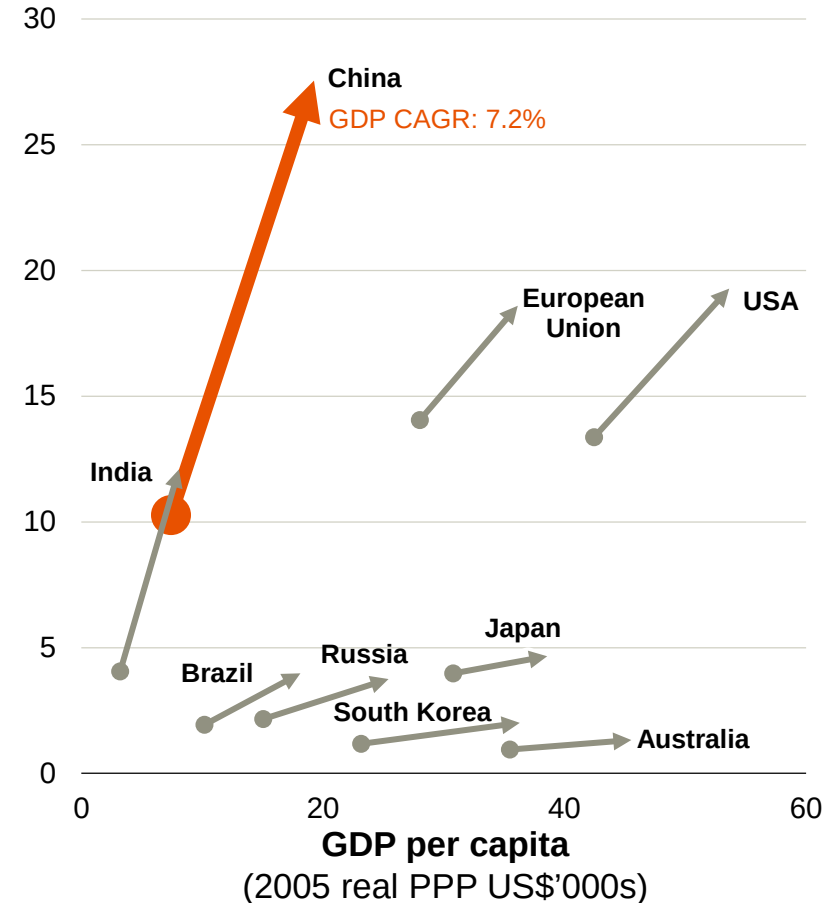
(FY12 cash costs, %)



Our positive long term view remains unchanged

- Concerns surrounding the Eurozone and the slowdown in China have led to significant volatility
- Measured improvement in the external environment now evident
 - growth in China has strengthened in recent months
 - encouraging signs have emerged in the United States
- In the longer term, urbanisation and industrialisation will remain the primary drivers of economic growth
- Chinese GDP is forecast to almost triple by CY25

GDP change between 2011 and 2025
(2005 real PPP US\$ trillion)

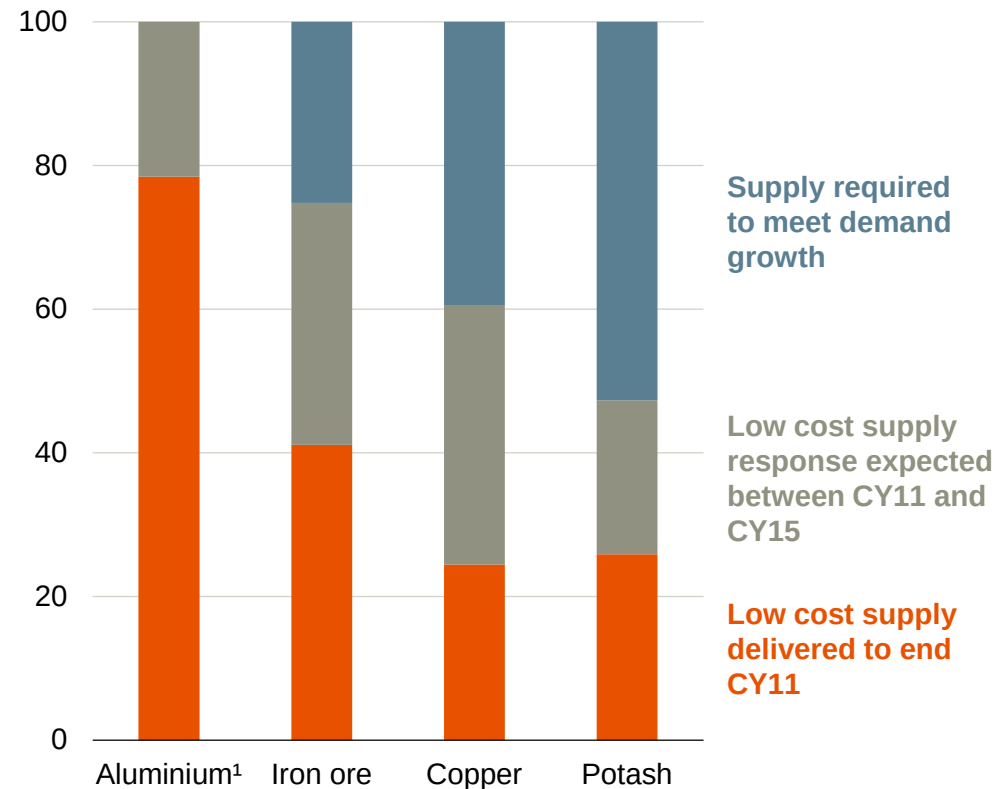


Source: Global Insight.

The pace of the supply response will significantly impact pricing

- Robust aluminium demand will continue to be met by strong supply
- The low cost iron ore supply response is well advanced
- In copper, declining ore grades and rising costs will continue to constrain the supply response and support a relatively steep cost curve
- The requirement for significant new capacity in potash suggests prices will be sustained at a level high enough to induce new supply

Forecast supply additions relative to anticipated 20 year demand growth (2000 to 2020) (%)

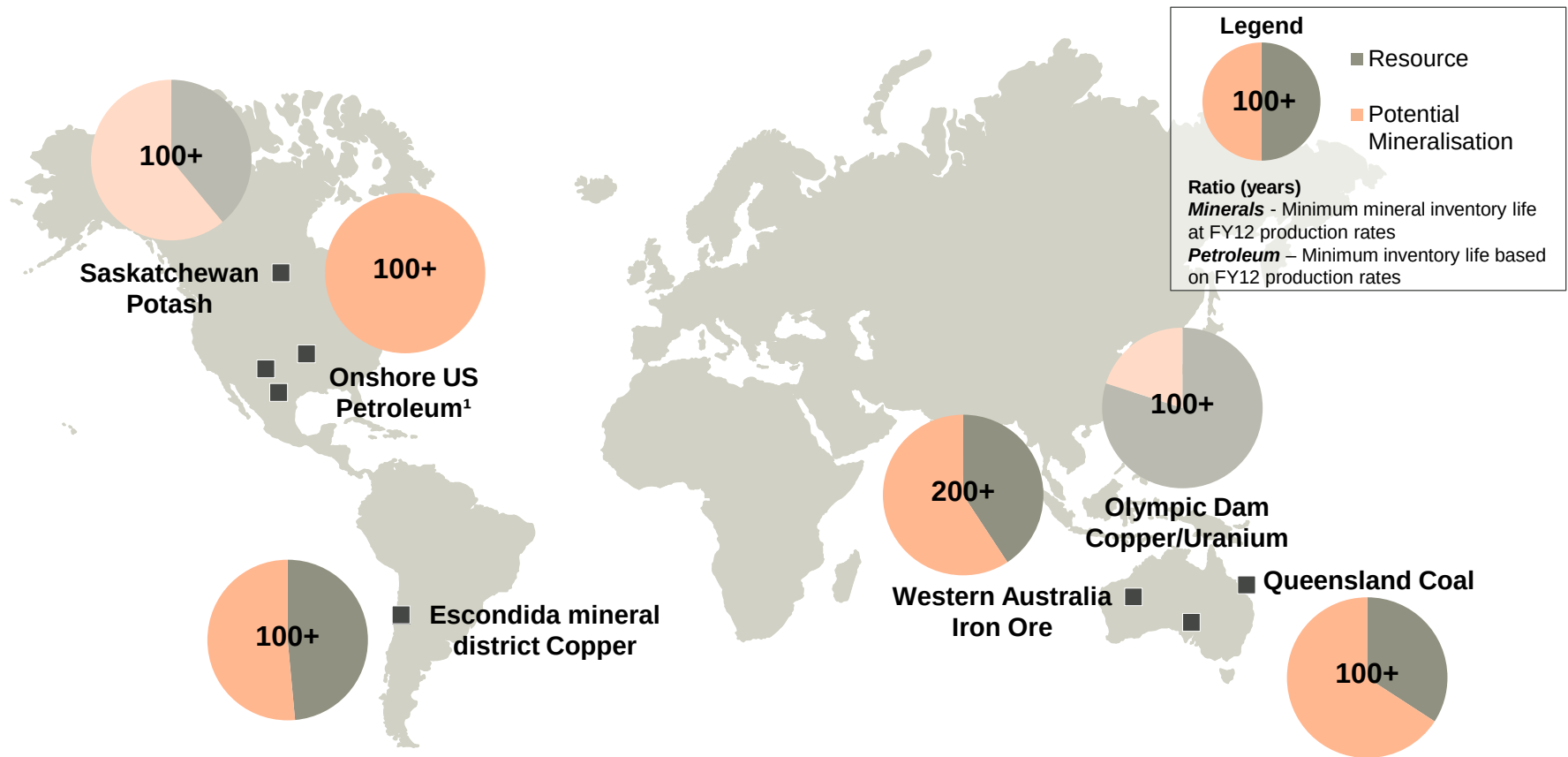


Source: BHP Billiton analysis; Wood Mackenzie; Fertecon.

Note: Supply refers to low cost mine supply for copper, potash and iron ore; and in the case of aluminium, capacity.

1. Indicates that aluminium demand growth to 2020 can be fully supplied from capacity additions by 2015.

Our uniquely diversified resource endowment remains a competitive advantage

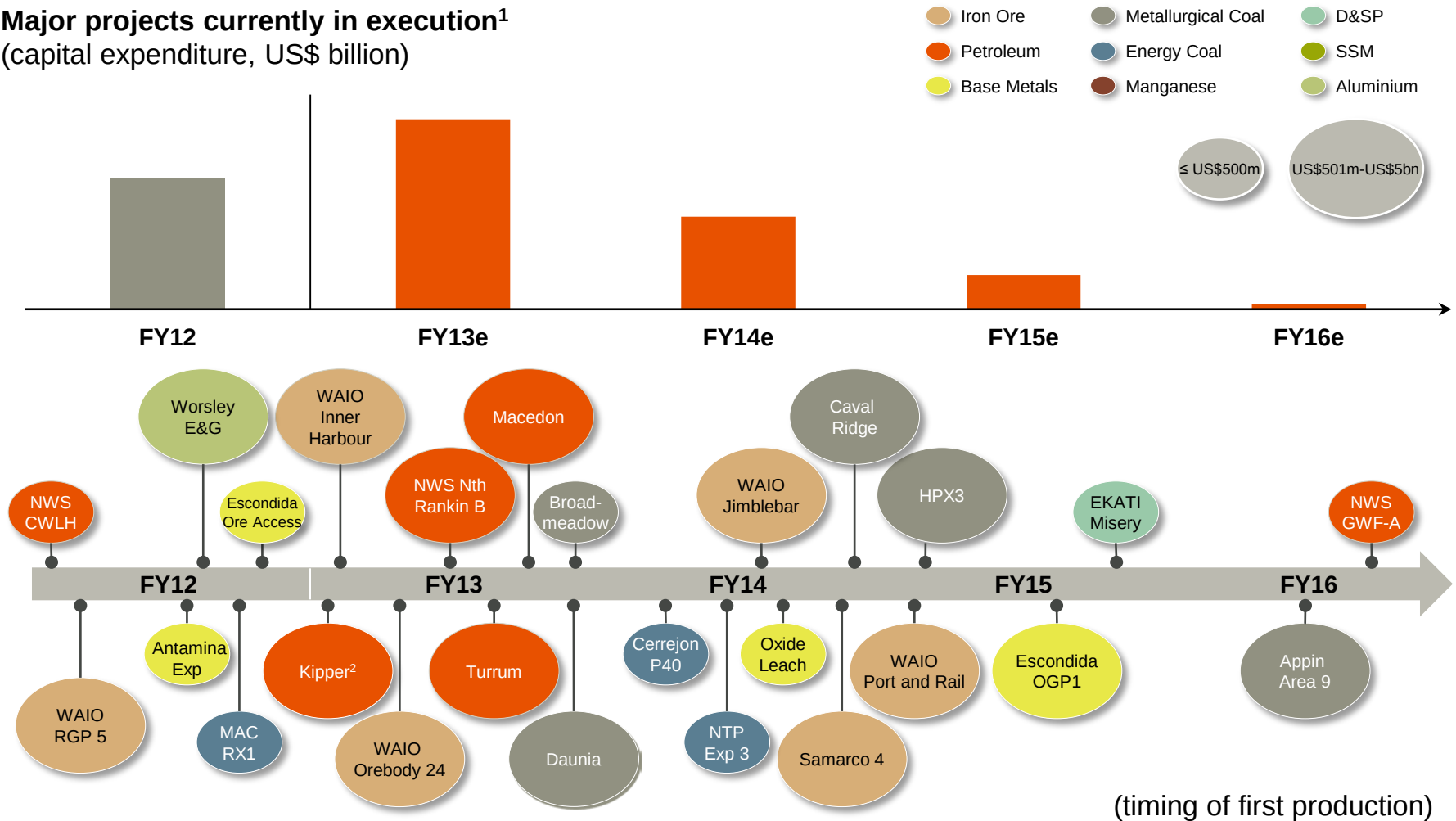


The inventory life is estimated from the mineral inventory (sum of Potential Mineralisation and Mineral Resources) stated on a 100% basis. The detailed breakdown of Mineral Resources for all assets are shown in the BHP Billiton 2012 Annual Report. Potential mineralisation values in the pie charts above is the mid case of a range of values that are presented in the Disclaimer slide of this presentation. The range of Potential Mineralisation is estimated from geological information including boreholes, outcrops and geophysical information. The potential quantity is conceptual in nature, there has been insufficient exploration to define a Mineral Resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the determination of a Mineral Resource. It should not be expected that the quality of the Potential Mineralisation is equivalent to that of the Mineral Resource. The minimum mineral inventory or inventory life in years is the mineral inventory divided by the FY12 production rate (for Potash this is the expected FY20 production rate) and does not imply that any mine planning has been completed. In Mineral Provinces (e.g. Pilbara, Bowen Basin) the inventory life of individual mines may be more or less than the number stated above. Refer to disclaimer on slide 3 as presented on 6 November 2012.

1. Includes interests in the Fayetteville shale and Petrohawk Energy Corporation. Petroleum Reserves (Proved and Probable) are defined according to US SEC definitions. Petroleum Contingent Resources are 2C resources defined according to the Society of Petroleum Engineers Petroleum Resource Management System (SPE PRMS). Petrohawk Proved Reserves and Risked Potential Resources from Petrohawk public statements.

Low risk, brownfield projects deliver near term volume growth and high returns

Major projects currently in execution¹ (capital expenditure, US\$ billion)



1. Only includes major projects in execution as at 22 August 2012.

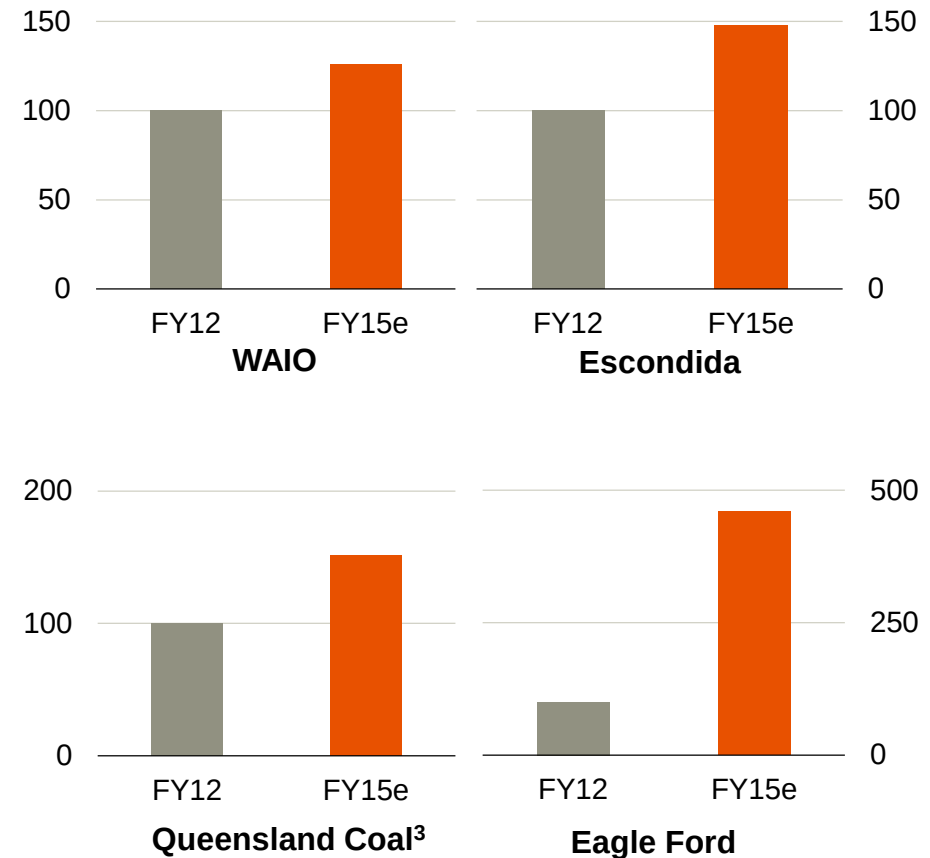
2. Facilities completed in the September 2012 quarter and ready to commence production pending resolution of the mercury content.

(timing of first production)

Strong momentum in our major businesses

- Growth in WAIO production rate to +220 mtpa¹ before end FY15
- Escondida copper production to increase to over 1.3 mt¹ in FY15
- Completion of the Hay Point Stage Three Expansion and associated mine developments to increase Queensland Coal capacity to 66 mtpa¹ by end CY14
- The high margin Atlantis and Mad Dog facilities resumed production in August 2012
- Production in the Eagle Ford shale to increase to over 200 Mboe/day in FY15

Forecast production²
(index=100)



1. 100% basis.

2. Includes volumes related to minor unapproved capital projects.

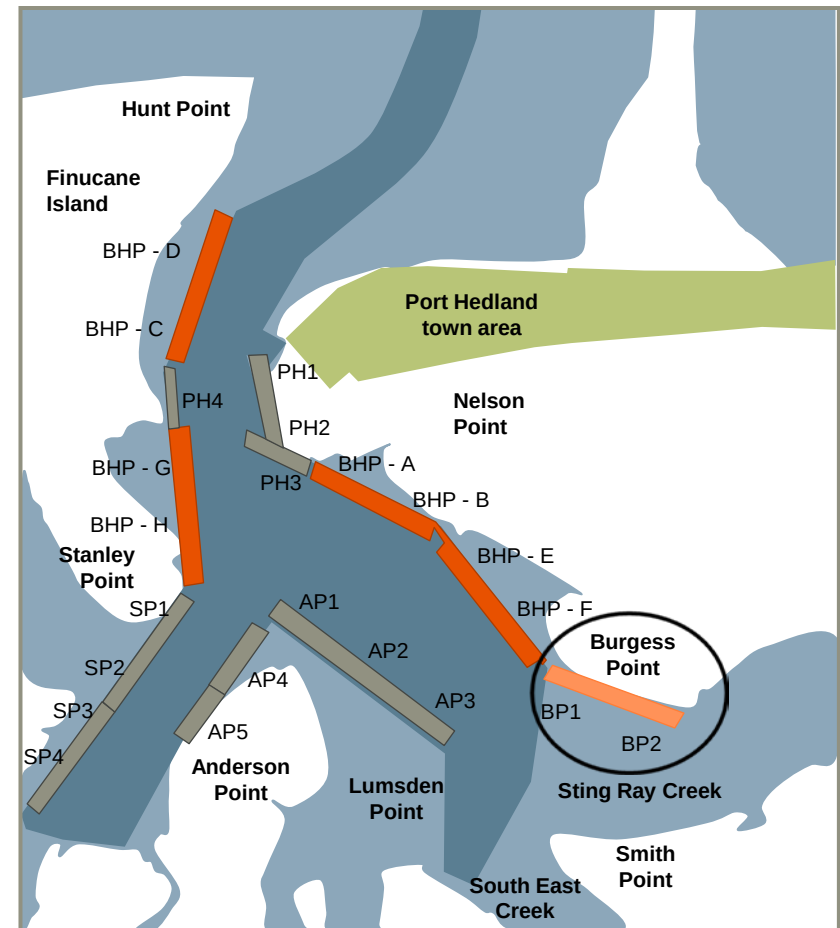
3. FY15 estimated production excludes Norwich Park and Gregory nominal capacity.

Longer term development options

Prioritising the highest return growth option at WAIO

- Inner Harbour Expansion project on schedule
 - first ore loaded during Q1 FY13 from two recently installed shiploaders at Nelson Point
 - car dumper 5 scheduled to process first ore in late CY12
- The Inner Harbour will comprise eight berths and eight shiploaders, four each at Nelson Point and Finucane Island, when existing projects are completed
- Option secured for two additional berths at Burgess Point
- Potential to debottleneck existing land-side infrastructure
- The Outer Harbour remains a valuable option for long term growth

Port Hedland Inner Harbour



■ BHP Billiton berths ■ Option secured for 2 additional BHP Billiton berths at Burgess Point

Longer term development options

Well placed to meet growing potash demand

- A major presence in the Saskatchewan basin
- Longer term outlook for potash remains attractive
- Two shafts that will support at least an 8 mtpa operation at Jansen will be fully excavated by end FY14
- Mining lease conversions are being progressed
- Detailed front-end mine planning and engineering for Jansen is well advanced
 - focus is on reducing project risk and maximising investment returns
 - expected to operate at the very bottom of the global cost curve in its expanded state
 - a modular (two phase) development program is likely to reach full capacity within 10 years of final investment approval
- Final investment decision remains subject to Board approval



Standardise and replicate to drive superior performance

“Our Organisational Design Protocol delivers a simple and accountable organisation that operates in an effective and common way”

Economies of scale

Leverage our global expertise through standard roles, alignment of structures and simple systems and processes

Best practice

Benchmark and implement best practices across the Group

Enhance performance

Deliver predictable outcomes and operational excellence to improve safety, increase productivity and lower costs

People

Enable our people to perform at their best



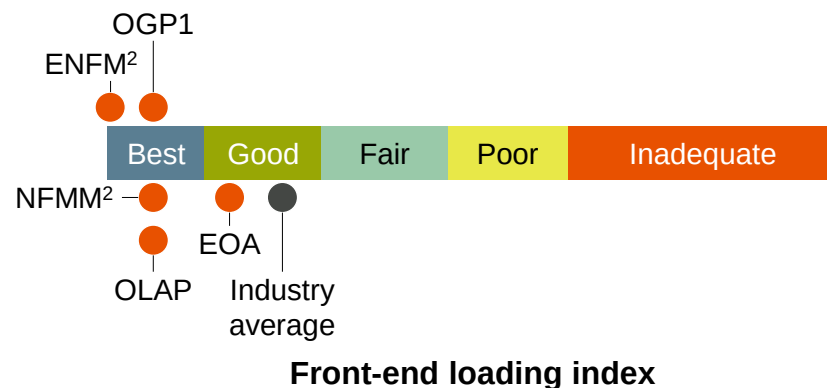
Our systems and processes are a major differentiator

- 80% of operations are now using the same SAP system
- More predictable operations and increased equipment reliability
 - increase throughput capacity
 - maximise utilisation
 - create shareholder value
- Excellence in project delivery
 - replication and standardisation will improve productivity, capital efficiency and investment returns

Consistently strong operating performance (FY12 effective asset utilisation¹ %)



Front-end loading is more important for minerals projects



Source: IPA.

1. Excludes assets where major projects are in commissioning phase or in the process of ramp-up (Worsley, Antamina, WAIO and NSW Energy Coal). Excludes the non-operated Richards Bay Minerals operation, the EKATI diamond mine (both part of the D&SP CSG) and Onshore US (Petroleum CSG). Spence and Cerro Colorado capacity based on forecast annualised production; Manganese Ore and South Africa Coal capacity adjusted for available rail allocation; and Queensland Coal adjusted for the closure of Norwich Park.
2. BHP Billiton Base Metals projects: Escondida Norte Facilities Management and New Facilities Mine Maintenance.

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