

MAXIMISING LEVERAGE TO THE ENTIRE GRAPHENE VALUE CHAIN

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THREE TIERED APPROACH

THE BUSINESS PLAN



THE BUSINESS PLAN – THE STRATEGY

FGR is positioning itself to maximise earnings and growth through capture of the <u>entire</u> graphite and graphene value chains.

First, obtain security of raw material supply by...

- > Developing new vein graphite mines
- Securing off-take agreements from existing mines

Secondly, establish graphene production capability ...

- With the development of the Graphene Cell
- Secondary processing to customise graphene product

Thirdly, acquire disruptive technology and related IP for graphene applications such as ...

- The BEST Battery (supercapacitor)
- Vortex Fluidic Device and Turbo Thin Film Technology
- Fire retardant intellectual property



THE BUSINESS PLAN – POTENTIAL EARNINGS PROFILES⁴

FGR intends to profit from <u>three</u> earnings profiles;

- 1. Mine production and trading in the premium vein graphite
 - ➢ long term <u>baseline</u> earnings
- 2. Graphene production and sales
 - from modular, low cost cells (no capex hurdle)
 - potentially an <u>exponential growth curve</u> as graphene becomes commercialised over the coming years
- 3. Technology, IP acquisitions and development
 - opportunities to participate in disruptive technologies due to the foundation in graphene
 - capital gains from sales of licences
 - royalty streams





- Mine production and graphite trading earnings will ramp up over several years and then flatten out
- Assuming selling price of US\$2,000 per tonne, AISC US\$700 per tonne



Graphite Earnings

* Based on Company business plan, lifting production to 5,000 tonnes per annum

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GROWTH FROM CONVERSION TO GRAPHENE

- Graphene earnings start from a zero base and rise exponentially at some point.
- 10 20x uplift in selling price on conversion to graphene

Conceptual Graphene Earnings





* Based on conceptual growth estimates for graphene

TECHNOLOGY EARNINGS GROWTH WILL BE VARIABLE 7

Technology earnings will be a combination of royalty streams and capital gains as the IP is commercialised.



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Conceptual Technology Earnings



POTENTIAL EARNINGS PROFILES COMBINED

The three divisions, when combined, provide diversified growth across the entire value chain



Combined Conceptual Earnings Curves



NO SUBSTITUTE FOR QUALITY

IT IS ALL ABOUT QUALITY





It starts with

- ... the highest grade graphite
- ... and the best quality
- ... in the world.



	Compound Name	Concentration (%)	Absolute Error (%)
1	С	99.87	
2	Mg	0.01	0.003
3	Al	0.01	0.003
4	Si	0.04	0.006
5	Cl	0.02	0.004
6	Са	0.00	0.002
7	Fe	0.04	0.006

Results of XRF WDS Analysis



THE HIGHEST QUALITY GRAPHENE

... which enables the production of the <u>highest quality graphene</u>, confirmed with Raman Spectroscopy and product specs



Products Specifications			
Form:	Light Grey Powder		
Odour:	Odourless		
Carbon Content:	>99%		
Ash Content:	<1%		
Particle Size:	Av 40 um		
Av Thickness:	4 layers (1 to 4 nm)		
Surface Area:	>500m²/g		

A combination of microscopic and spectroscopic techniques was used to evaluate the structural, morphological, and chemical quality of the material.

- > 99.87 % of Carbon detected with no impurities >50 ppm level.
- Raman shows no D-peak evidencing high quality of material
- Quality evaluation test of graphene from FGR is in progress





Flake Graphite Process...> 10 steps





The Graphene Cell can, at very low capex and opex;

- Produce graphene on demand
- On location
- Just in time
- With > 80% conversion of graphite to graphene
- Modular unit each capable of 5 to 7 tonnes per annum of graphene
- Capex US\$50,000 installed on location
- Modest size, smaller than a small car
- Avoids transportation costs of graphene
- Potential for dozens of cells around the world in the factories of customers





THE GRAPHENE CELL – 250 LITRE CAPACITY







TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CURVE

TECHNOLOGY AND APPLICATIONS OFFER THE GREATEST UPSIDE



TECHNOLOGY AND IP OPPORTUNITIES

The BEST Battery (Bolt Electricity Storage Technology)

Patent-pending technology developed by Swinburne University of Technology overcomes the energy density limitations with supercapacitors, achieving the following potential advantages;

- > 10x better energy density than competing devices
- > 10,000x faster charge/discharge rates
- 10,000 charge/discharge cycles
- Ultra-thin and ultra-light in weight
- highly flexible and integratable
- environmentally friendly due to the absence of chemicals

Efficiencies offered through the use of laser printing technology and graphene oxide to create an ultra-efficient energy storage medium in a greatly simplified process.



DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BATTERIES & SUPERCAPACITORS

Rechargable batteries ... use old technology

- Store energy via a reversible <u>chemical</u> reaction
- Each cycle causes degredation of materials they wear out
- They are slow to charge
- They can short circuit, causing runaway reactions and fire (Li-ion)
- They are old technology

Supercapacitor batteries ... will make chemical batteries obsolete

- Physically store electricity in an electric field between metal electrodes i.e. no chemical reaction
- There is no degredation of materals, so they can offer the same level of performance for 10,000 cycles +
- Are lighter in weight carrying electrons rather than chemicals
- Are the future of electricity storage

"If I were to make a prediction, I'd think there's a good chance that it is not batteries but capacitors" that deliver a breakthrough, he said in 2001 ..."

Elon Musk, p. 29 New Scientist 12 November 2016.





CHEMICAL BATTERIES HAVE PROBLEMS

Chemical batteries are less than perfect



Environmental Pollution



One button battery can contaminate more than 60 m litres of water, which equals one person's lifetime consumption



Short life span



Additional Storage space

We need

- Large storage capacity
- Environmentally friendly
- Fast charging
- Long lifetime
- Integratable



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ELEMENTS OF BEST BATTERY TRANSACTION

- Elements of the Transaction to Acquire Licence
 - Stage One Earning 30% \$700,000 commitment
 - Stage Two Increasing to 60% Additional \$1.3m
 - Issuing 10 mill. opts (10¢, 21 May 2017) and 2 mill. shares (escrowed)
 - FGR underwriting expenditure of \$2m
 - Due diligence completion by March 19
- Contracting Parties
 - Swinburne University of Technology (Melbourne)
 - Kremford Pty Ltd (introducing agent, Project Manager)
 - Graphene Solutions Pty Ltd (holder of licence)
- Asset Being Acquired
 - Global exclusive licence
 - Sliding scale royalty, falling to 2.75%





THE **BEST** BATTERY

Comparison of BEST Battery to Lithium-ion Battery

Parameters	Supercapacitor (BEST Battery)	AA Rechargeable battery	
Storage mechanism	Physical	Chemical	
Charge time	1-10 seconds 1 – 4 hours		
Cycle life	Minimum 10,000 cycles	300 – 1,000 cycles	
Cell voltage	1.5 to 2.3 V	1.25 – 1.5 V	
	5 (current state)		
Energy density (Wh/L)	50- 60 (target for this	100 to 200	
	project)		
Power density (W/L)	Up to 10,000	35 to 300	
	\$20 (current state)		
Cost per Wh	\$0.30 (target for this	\$0.50 - \$1.00 (large system)	
	project)		
Service life	10 to 15 years	1 to 2 years	
Disposal	No special requirement,	Land fill, harmful to	
Disposal	environmentally friendly	environment	



INCREASING THE ENERGY DENSITY





ENERGY DENSITY AND POWER DENSITY PERFORMANCE

Performance of our supercapacitors break new ground







MINING AND TRADING OF VEIN GRAPHITE

VEIN GRAPHITE SUPPLIES



ESSENTIAL ACCESS TO PREMIUM VEIN GRAPHITE

- Three sources of product for FGR;
 - 1. Development of own mines
 - Granted the first (and only) new underground graphite mining licence in SL in 25 years
 - Three shafts approaching orebodies now
 - Behind schedule but improving with personnel and procedural changes
 - 2. Off-take agreement with the Government mine
 - 3. Third party purchases
- Two existing historical producers from underground mines;
 - Kahatagaha (Government)
 - Bogala (80% German-owned)
 - Both are deep and mature (around 650m depth)
- Other sources
 - A number of jointly owned companies with foreigners
 - Much talk and promotion, but short on delivery
 - Numerous artisan workings



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OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Aluketiya – Shaft H

- Now in competent ground
- First ore zone only 4m from shaft
- Three ore zones to be access initially, including high grade zone of 1.72m at 99.8% TCG (40m drive)





Shaft H site development area



Other shafts

- Aluketiya Shaft J shaft sinking commenced mid-January
- Expect to be in ore early in Q2 2017



Shaft J 2.5 metres liner showing weathered graphite vein in shaft



Aluketiya project site plan with Shafts H and J and exploration drill hole traces and transmitter loop locations

first graphite



OVERVIEW OF GRAPHENE

THE GRAPHENE THEMATIC



THE AMAZING PROPERTIES OF GRAPHENE

Thinnest material	It is only one carbon atom in thickness i.e. only ~0.345 nm thick
Stronger than steel	It is one of the hardest materials in the world, being harder than diamonds and 200x stronger than steel (1,100TPa/125 GPa) of the same thickness but it is very flexible and will not break. As an example, a graphene sheet 1 m^2 in size could support a 4 kg cat, but that sheet would weigh only as much as the cat's whiskers (1).
Optical properties	One atom thick layer sheets absorb ~2.3% visible light, making it transparent.
Light and stretchable	It weighs only 0.77 milligrams per square meter and is stretchable up to 20% of its initial length. It has the largest volume to surface area ratio of any material.
Impermeable	It is completely impermeable. Even helium atoms cannot pass through it.
Thermal conductivity	It is a perfect thermal conductor (over 5,000 W/mK), being 5x the conductivity of graphite. It conducts heat in all directions i.e. it is an isotropic conductor.
Electronic properties	It has the highest electrical current density (one million times that of copper) and the highest intrinsic mobility (100x that of silicon). It has a lower resistivity than any other know material, at room temperature.
Chemical properties	It is an inert material and does not readily react with other atoms. However, it can "absorb" different atoms and molecules, leading to changes in its properties. It can be functionalised by several different chemical groups, resulting in different materials such as graphene oxide and fluorinated graphene.
Other qualities	Self repairing - graphene can self-repair holes in its sheets when exposed to molecules containing carbon. Reactive - it is the most reactive form of carbon.





ITS ALL ABOUT THE SURFACE AREA FOR REACTIONS

The increase in the surface areas greatly improves bonding







ACCORDING TO THE WORLD GRAPHENE COUNCIL 31

Three recognised hurdles to the commercialisation of graphene;

- Availability of a sufficient quantity,
 - Perhaps 60-80 manufacturers
 - Mostly for research

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- CVD & other methods are not scaleable
- 2. Availability of consistent quality,
 - No standardised nomenclature
 - Sampling issues
 - ➢ Graphene or micro-graphite?
- 3. At an acceptable price.
 - High capital costs
 - High cost of inputs and low productivity
 - No economies of scale yet

BUT, FGR addresses all of the concerns





TWO APPROACHES TO MAKING GRAPHENE





METHODS OF MAKING GRAPHENE

- 1. Chemical Vapour Deposition (CVD)
 - \blacktriangleright Reacting a mixture of hydrogen and methane at 1000^oC
 - Epitaxial growth of graphene films on substrates e.g. copper
- 2. Micromechanical exfoliation
 - "Scotch tape" method physical separation
- 3. Dispersion/Exfolitation of Graphite
 - Solution-based exfoliation in organic solvents
 - Graphite ultrasonication in surfactant-water solutions
 - Large amounts of multilayer (< 5 layers), small amounts of single layer</p>
 - Stabilised against re-agglomeration for several weeks
- 4. Reduced Graphene Oxide
 - Oxidise graphite then mechanical, chemical or thermal exfoliation to make graphene oxide (GO), then remove oxygen to get RGO



METHODS OF MAKING GRAPHENE



Sources: Benjamin Pokerd, Department of Physics, Pomona College; Nature: Review Research; Electronics illevily



MEASURING GRAPHENE QUALITY

Graphene quality is tested using the following tools

Number of Layers:	Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM)
Crystallite Size:	Optical Microscopy
Flake Quality:	Raman Spectroscopy
Morphology:	Scanning (SEM) and Transmission (TEM) Electronic Microscopies
Chemical Composition:	Elemental Analysis (CNHS) and X-Ray Photoelectric Spectroscopy (XPS)



Directors and Management

Warwick Grigor- Non-Executive Chairman

- ➢ Respected and experienced mining analyst
- > Mr Grigor's research knowledge and market intelligence gives First Graphite a strong strategic direction.
- > Bachelors of Law and Economics from the Australian National University, Diploma of Company Director

Craig McGuckin - Managing Director

- > Qualified mining professional with in excess of 35 years experience in the mining, drilling and petroleum industries
- > Held senior positions in private and publicly listed companies

Peter Youd - Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer & Company Secretary

- > Chartered Accountant and has extensive experience within the resources, oil and gas services, and mining
- For over 35 years has held senior management positions and directorships for publicly listed and private companies in Australia and overseas
- > Bachelor of Business from the W.A Institute of Technology (now Curtin University).

Chris Banasik - Non-Executive Director

- Master's Degree in Mineral Economics from University of WA and Bachelor's Degree in Applied Physics from Curtin University
- > Formerly Director of Exploration and Geology of Silver Lake Resources
- Held senior geological management positons over 12 years' with organisations including WMC Resources Ltd, Reliance Mining Ltd, Goldfields Mine Management and Consolidated Minerals Ltd



Corporate Overview

	Capitalisation		Share Price History (Source Westpac)
Shares On Issue		339,824,589	High: 0.140 0.140
Options			0.135
* FROB exp. 21-05-17 \$0).10	129,853,100	0.130
Price (23/02/17)	(\$)	\$0.115	0.120
Market Cap	(\$m)	~\$39.1	0.115
52 Week High	(\$)	\$0.165	0.110
52 Week Low	(\$)	\$0.050	0.100
Cash (28/02/17)	(\$m)	\$3.7	Low: 0.096 0.095
Debt	(\$m)	\$0.00	3 January 9 January 16 January 23 January 30 January 6 February
Enterprise Value	(\$m)	\$35.4	5.0M
			2.5M

Board and Management

- Warwick Grigor Non-Executive Chairman
- Craig McGuckin Managing Director
- Peter Youd Executive Director, CFO & Co. Secretary
- Chris Banasik Non-Executive Director



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