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Significant progress on Narraburra REE Project with production of second, cleaner Mixed Rare Earth Carbonate (MREC)

- Second Mixed Rare Earth Carbonate (MREC-2) successfully produced from Narraburra Rare Earth Element Project (REE)
- MREC-2 has similar Magnet Rare Earth Oxides (MREO) contents and considerably less impurities than previous sample (MREC-1) (refer to ASX: GRL announcement 25 Oct 2024)
- MREC-2 produced using additional Ion Exchange (IX) step in process flow sheet yielding better results
- IX process <u>removed 98% of uranium</u> from the purified leach solution, reducing the total uranium to 7ppm in MREC-2 with negligible MREO and TREO losses
- MREC-2 highlights:
 - Tb/Dy grade in both GRL's MREC products is higher than most other clay-hosted REE projects
 - Similar MREO (Tb, Dy, Nd, Pr oxide) grades of 14.8 wt% compared to 14.2 wt% in MREC-1
 - Consistent Rare Earth Oxide (TREO) content in MREC-2 of 57.8wt% and 57.6 wt% in MREC-1
 - Excellent overall recovery of MREO from feed through to MREC of 67%
 - Both MREC products (particularly MREC-2) contain lower impurities than products from most other clay-hosted REE projects Sets MREC-2 apart from competitors' offerings
 - Quality of MREC-2 highlights GRL's ability to create a saleable product with lower impurities than other industry participants
 - MREC-1 and MREC-2 provide GRL with the ability to commence discussions with potential off take partners, which will accelerate early in 2025

Godolphin Resources Limited (ASX: GRL) ("Godolphin" or the "Company") is pleased to advise that it has successfully produced a second Mixed Rare Earth Carbonate ("MREC") product using drill core samples from the Narraburra Rare Earth Element ("REE") Project ("Narraburra" or "the Project"). This additional testwork was completed as part of the Company's third phase of metallurgical testwork on the Narraburra Project and has yielded highly encouraging results. GRL's new MREC product (MREC-2) will further support industry engagement with potential off take partners for the Narraburra Project.

Management commentary

Managing Director Ms Jeneta Owens said: "This latest development highlights the considerable potential of the Narraburra REE project and we're very pleased to have successfully produced a significantly cleaner product following the inclusion of a commonly used Ion Exchange step into the process flowsheet. Pleasingly, this removed 98% of the uranium content with minimal REE loss and leaves the Company well placed with two samples to underpin discussions with off take partners."

"More broadly, results from the MREC precipitation phase continue to highlight the potential for a highquality, potentially superior product, which can be produced by processing Narraburra's REE mineralisation.

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These are critical factors when considering the economics of the Project and will be positive for any future development initiatives. We believe the composition of MREC-2 will further encourage our discussions with potential off take partners and look forward to providing updates on these discussions as developments materialise. We are confident that off take partners will see Narraburra's potential impact on Australia's critical minerals supply chain, and more broadly."

The Process Development Testing program ("Phase 3 Metallurgy") was designed to identify the mineral processing flow sheet required to process the Narraburra REE mineralisation, including slurry leaching, impurity removal and the production of a MREC product.

To further develop the processing methodology from the process used to produce MREC-1, in collaboration with The Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO), GRL investigated using an Ion Exchange (IX) step in the process prior to MREC precipitation to remove impurity uranium.

A fresh sample from drill hole GNBDD-17 was treated by this modified process with excellent results being achieved, including removal of 98% of the uranium from the purified leach solution and reducing the total uranium from 223ppm in MREC-1 to 7ppm in MREC-2 with minimal loss of rare earth elements. The second MREC (MREC-2) produced from the resulting solution had similar concentrations of MREO to MREC-1 with only 8ppm UO₂ content, considerably lower than other MREC products reported from most other clay-hosted projects (Table 5).

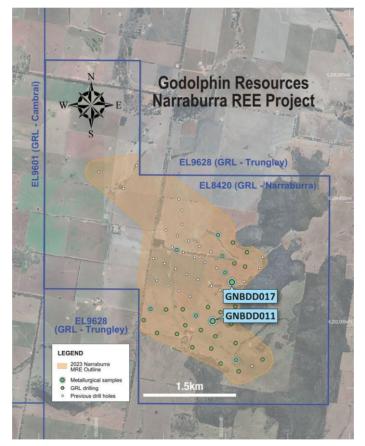


Figure 1: Location of the two drill holes from where the composite samples were collected for the Phase Three metallurgical program

Phase 3 metallurgy testwork

The Process Development Testing program was designed to investigate the options for the processing flow sheet to process the Narraburra rare earth element mineralisation, with the objective of producing a saleable Mixed Rare Earth Carbonate (MREC) product. Phase 3 was undertaken by The Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO).



GRL provided two composite samples for Phase 2, Composite 1 from drill hole GNBDD011 and Composite 2 from drill hole GNBDD017, both of which included 11 m thick intervals of REE mineralisation. These intervals were selected because they were interpreted to represent possible mining intervals through the Narraburra Project's existing Mineral Resource Estimate¹ (Figure 1). Both samples were used to test optimal conditions for leach extraction. Composite 2 was then selected to develop the impurity removal and MREC precipitation stages. The sample used to produce MREC-2 was a subset of the Composite 2 sample used to create MREC-1, utilising only sample GNB017_3 due to exhaustion of GNB017_1 and GNB017_2 (Table 1a). This was considered acceptable as the main purpose of producing MREC-2 was 'proof of concept' that lon Exchange could be used successfully in the process flowsheet to remove uranium with negligible loss of rare earths. Importantly, GNB017_3 had similar concentrations of uranium and other impurities to the Composite 2 sample (Table 1b).

Slurry Leaching

As previously reported, the slurry leach phase of the Process Development Testing program indicated that the optimal slurry leach conditions to process the Narraburra REE Project mineralisation are: 40 wt% solids/liquid slurry at pH 2.2 (approx. pH of lemon juice), with the addition of 0.3 M ammonium sulphate (AS or $(NH_4)_2SO_4$) reagent, at 50°C for 24 hours (refer ASX:GRL announcements: 26 August 2024 and 25 October 2024).

When the GNB017_3 sample was subjected to these leaching conditions 73% MREO extraction was achieved with low deleterious element extraction of 175 mg/L Al, 138 mg/L Fe and very low acid consumption of 0.9 kg/t (Table 2).

Impurity Removal (IR)

The Pregnant Leach Solution (PLS) produced during leaching of the GNB017_3 sample was then subjected to Impurity Removal (IR) testing, which is a critical step as certain impurities must be removed by pH adjustment prior to precipitation of the MREC product. The key to impurity removal is to minimise loss of valuable elements, whilst effectively removing all deleterious elements such as iron (Fe) and aluminium (AI).

The pH of the PLS was steadily increased with the addition of 3.19 g/L of magnesia (MgO) to pH 5.7 at 50 °C. Results indicate that rare earth element losses during the IR stage for MREC-2 were consistently lower than during the IR stage with the production of MREC-1 (MREC-2 results see Table 2 below; for MREC-1 results refer to Table 1 in ASX:GRL announcement: 25 October 2024). Magnet rare earth losses were only 7 wt% in the IR stage during the production of MREC-2, compared to 14 wt% during the production of MREC-1.

Ion Exchange (IX)

The PLS after the impurity removal stage was then subjected to an IX process, where 50mL of Puromet MTA6002PF[™] Resin was added, agitated (bottle roll) for 24 hours and then stripped with 40mL of 1M Nitric Acid. Results from the IX process showed that 98% of the uranium in solution was removed with less than 1% loss of TREOs from the PLS (Table 2). This result demonstrates effective removal of uranium prior to the MREC precipitation.

Mixed Rare Earth Carbonate (MREC) Precipitation

The final stage of the program was precipitating a MREC product using the 'cleaned' PLS following the IR and IX stages. MREC was precipitated by the addition of 10.7 g/L of ammonium bicarbonate (NH_4HCO_3) to increase the pH of the 'cleaned' PLS to pH 7.3 at ambient temperature. The precipitate was collected and oven dried at 60° C. A total of 3.67 g of MREC was produced.

¹ Refer ASX: GRL announcements on 19 & 21 April 2023.



a)

b)

Table 1: MREC-1 and MREC-2 feed sample details: a) feed sample location details; b) feed sample composition comparison

Composite Metallurgical sample ID	Original Metallurgical Sample ID	Hole ID	Downhole Depth From (m)	Downhole Depth To (m)	Interval (m)
	GNB017_1	GNBDD017	20.00	22.00	2.00
Composite 2	GNB017_2	GNBDD017	22.00	26.00	4.00
	GNB017_3	GNBDD017	26.00	31.00	5.00

Element	GNB017_3	Comp 2
Impurities	wt%	wt%
Al	6.85	6.93
Ca	0.02	0.01
Fe	2	2.18
К	4.11	3.76
Mg	0.04	0.03
Mn	0.01	0.01
Na	0.84	0.44
Р	<0.001	<0.001
Si	34.53	34.77
Impurities	ppm	ppm
Sc	2	1
Th	33	27
U	13	11
REEs	ppm	ppm
La	254	139
Ce	179	162
Pr	80	43
Nd	294	161
Sm	85	49
Eu	2	1
Gd	82	47
Tb	16	9
Dy	101	61
Но	19	12
Er	56	36
Tm	8	5
Yb	44	31
Lu	6	5
Y	582	381
LRE	807	204
HRE	420	70
Magnets	491	274
TOTAL REE+Y	1809	1143
TOTAL REE-Ce	1630	981





The MREC-2 test achieved high stage recoveries of 99.6% Neodymium, 99% Praseodymium, 99% Dysprosium and 99% Terbium (Table 2), similar to those achieved during the production of MREC-1. This coupled with the strong REO extractions achieved during leaching, and only moderate losses during IR and IX, resulted in a high REO recovery from ore feed through to the final MREC product including:

- 71% of the Terbium (Tb),
- 72% of the Dysprosium (Dy).
- 66% of the Neodymium (Nd),
- 64% of the Praseodymium (Pr),

The MREC produced comprised of 57.8% TREO of which the percentage of magnet rare earth oxides (MREO = Neodymium, Praseodymium, Dysprosium and Terbium oxides) was 14.8% of the MREC weight or 25.6% of the contained TREO (Table 2).

Significantly, the percent of Dysprosium and Terbium was 3.4% of the MREC weight or 5.9% of the contained TREO, which is high when compared to some other ASX listed companies with clay-hosted REE mineralisation projects whose MRECs are relatively Neodymium and Praseodymium rich, but poor in Dysprosium and Terbium. This is important because the value of Dysprosium is over 4 times that of Neodymium and Praseodymium; and the value of Terbium is almost 14 times that of Neodymium and Praseodymium. Significantly, the Dysprosium and Terbium in the MRECs from peer companies which have projects with REE mineralisation in a similar deposit style only have 0.6-0.9 wt% Tb/Dy (Table 5). The MREO content and MREO basket value of GRL's MREC-2 and MREC-1 products are compared in Table 4.

When the current prices of all the REOs are considered (Table 4), the Dysprosium and Terbium in MREC-2 makes up approximately 49.5% of the value of the TREOs, which should result in higher payability based on industry pricing mechanisms.

Table 5 shows a comparison between the compositions of the two Narraburra MRECs produced compared to the composition of MRECs reported from some other similar style REE projects on the ASX.

The compositions of GRL's maiden and second MREC products will be used to initiate the Company's engagement with potential off take partners.



Table 2: Overall Recovery of Rare Earth Elements through the entire processing flowsheet from feed toMixed Rare Earth Carbonate for MREC-2 from the Narraburra REE Project.

	Slurry Leach	Impurity Removal (pH 5.8)	IX	MREC (pH 7.3)	Feed to MREC
Acid addition (kg/t)	0.9	N/A		N/A	0.9
100% MgO Addition (g/L)	N/A	3.19		N/A	3.19
100 % NH4HCO3 Addition (g/L)	N/A	N/A		10.7	10.7
Elements	Extraction (%)	Precipitation (%)	Extraction (Loss) %	Precipitation (%)	Overall Recovery %
La	67	3	0.06	99	65
Ce	67	10	0.09	99.5	60
Pr	68	6	0.07	100	64
Nd	71	7	0.07	99.6	66
Sm	72	9	0.10	99.6	65
Eu	77	13	0.00	97	65
Gd	79	7	0.09	99	73
Tb	80	10	0.09	99	71
Dy	81	9	0.08	99	72
Но	81	13	0.07	99	69
Er	81	12	0.06	98	70
Tm	75	18	0.00	97	60
Yb	66	18	0.04	98	53
Lu	65	23	0.00	97	49
Y	86	18	0.05	97	68
Nd/Pr	70	6	0.13	99.6	65
Tb/Dy	81	10	0.17	99	72
Magnets	73	7	0.30	99	67
TREY	76	11	0.86	98	66
TREY-Ce	77	12	0.76	98	67



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Table 3: Composition of MREC-2 from the Narraburra REE Project

	MREC-2 Composi	tion
REOs	wt% in MREC	wt% as % of TREO
La ₂ O ₃	8.47	14.7
CeO ₂	4.73	8.2
Pr_6O_{11}	2.46	4.3
Nd_2O_3	8.91	15.4
Sm ₂ O ₃	2.59	4.5
Eu ₂ O ₃	0.07	0.1
Gd_2O_3	2.55	4.4
Tb ₄ O ₇	0.45	0.8
Dy ₂ O ₃	2.98	5.2
H0 ₂ O ₃	0.55	1.0
Er_2O_3	1.54	2.7
Tm ₂ O ₃	0.19	0.3
Yb ₂ O ₃	0.9	1.6
Lu ₂ O ₃	0.11	0.2
Y_2O_3	21.3	36.9
TREO	57.8	
MREO	14.8	25.6
Tb/Dy	3.4	5.9
Pr/Nd	11.4	19.7
LREO	27.2	47.0
HREO	30.6	53.0

Impurities	wt%
Al_2O_3	0.13
CaO	0.34
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.003
K ₂ O	0.03
MgO	0.15
MnO	0.08
Na ₂ O	<0.1
SO4	1.22
SiO ₂	0.13
	ppm
Sc ₂ O ₃	<2
Th	4
U	7

REO	US\$ Price per kg (incl VAT)²	wt% in MREC-2	US\$ value within 1kg of MREC-2 ³	US\$ value within 1kg of TREO ²	% value	wt% in MREC-1	US\$ value within 1kg of MREC-1 ²	US\$ value within 1kg of TREO ²	% value
La2O3	0.55	8.47	\$0.05	\$0.08	0.2%	8.13	\$0.04	\$0.08	0.2%
CeO2	0.99	4.73	\$0.05	\$0.08	0.2%	9.09	\$0.09	\$0.16	0.5%
Pr6011	58.30	2.46	\$1.43	\$2.59	6.8%	2.46	\$1.43	\$2.51	7.5%
Nd2O3	57.5	8.91	\$5.12	\$9.29	24.4%	8.65	\$4.97	\$8.63	25.9%
Sm2O3	2.05	2.59	\$0.05	\$0.09	0.3%	2.46	\$0.05	\$0.09	0.3%
Eu2O3	26.70	0.07	\$0.02	\$0.03	0.1%	0.07	\$0.02	\$0.03	0.1%
Gd2O3	21.83	2.55	\$0.56	\$1.09	2.7%	2.44	\$0.53	\$0.92	2.8%
Tb407	795.42	0.45	\$3.58	\$6.55	17.1%	0.39	\$3.10	\$5.57	16.2%
Dy2O3	227.95	2.98	\$6.79	\$12.79	32.4%	2.7	\$6.15	\$10.71	32.1%
Ho2O3	65.37	0.55	\$0.36	\$0.73	1.7%	0.52	\$0.34	\$0.59	1.8%
Er2O3	40.73	1.54	\$0.63	\$1.18	3.0%	1.11	\$0.45	\$0.77	2.4%
Tm2O3	112.15	0.19	\$0.21	\$0.34	1.0%	0.17	\$0.19	\$0.34	1.0%
Yb2O3	13.69	0.9	\$0.12	\$0.22	0.6%	0.65	\$0.09	\$0.15	0.5%
Lu2O3	711.91	0.11	\$0.78	\$1.52	3.7%	0.09	\$0.64	\$1.42	3.3%
Y2O3	5.68	21.3	\$1.21	\$2.18	5.8%	18.71	\$1.06	\$1.85	5.5%
Tb/Dy		3.43	\$10.37	\$19.34		3.09	\$9.26	\$16.28	
MREO		14.8	\$16.9	\$31.2		14.2	\$15.7	\$27.4	
TREO		57.8	\$21.0	\$38.8		57.6	\$19.2	\$33.8	
MREO/TREO		25.6%				24.6%			

Table 4: MREC composition and calculated value of the REOs from MREC-1 to MREC-2 from the Narraburra REE Project

² Source: Shanghai Metal Market price on 02/12/2024. Tm2O3 price on 02/12/2024 from https://giti.sg/products/rare-earths/TmO/

³ Calculated REO values does not incorporate any % payability terms as discussions with potential off take partners has not been progressed at this early stage



Table 5: MREC composition comparison between ASX listed REE projects that may be processed by leaching

	GRL MREC-2	GRL MREC-1 ⁴	Red Metal⁵	Meteoric ⁶	BCM (EMA) ⁷	VMM ⁸	
REOs	wt% in MREC	wt% in MREC	wt% in MREC	wt% in MREC	wt% in MREC	wt% in MREC	
La ₂ O ₃	8.47	8.13	21.6	33.00	19.19	26.72	
CeO ₂	4.73	9.09	0.73	0.79	4.92	1.46	
Pr ₆ O ₁₁	2.46	2.46	4.21	4.90	3.93	5.00	
Nd_2O_3	8.91	8.65	14.25	12.60	16.09	17.49	
Sm ₂ O ₃	2.59	2.46	1.76	1.35	2.54	1.91	
Eu ₂ O ₃	0.07	0.07	0.14	0.33	0.28	0.50	
Gd_2O_3	2.55	2.44	1.06	0.86	1.60	1.27	
Tb ₄ O ₇	0.45	0.39	0.16	0.10	0.17	0.16	
Dy ₂ O ₃	2.98	2.7	0.6	0.45	0.77	0.71	
H0 ₂ O ₃	0.55	0.52	0.12	0.07	0.11	0.13	
Er ₂ O ₃	1.54	1.11	0.14	0.15	0.39	0.28	
Tm ₂ O ₃	0.19	0.17	0.03	0.01	0.06	0.03	
Yb ₂ O ₃	0.9	0.65	0.14	0.07	0.33	0.17	
Lu_2O_3	0.11	0.09	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.02	
Y ₂ O ₃	21.3	18.71	3.77	2.57	4.81	4.16	
TREO	57.8	57.6	48.7	57.3	55.3	60.0	
MREO	14.8	14.2	19.2	18.1	21.0	23.4	
MREO/TREO	25.6	24.6	39.4	31.5	37.9	38.9	
Tb/Dy	3.43	3.09	0.76	0.55	0.94	0.86	
Pr/Nd	11.4	11.1	18.5	17.5	20.0	22.5	
LREO	27.2	30.8	42.6	52.6	46.7	52.6	
HREO	30.6	26.9	6.2	4.6	8.6	7.4	
Impurities	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	
Th	4	3	3	0.4	<10	<10	
U	7	223	26	57	100	79	
	wt%	wt%	wt%	wt%	wt%	wt%	
Al_2O_3	0.13	0.23	5.14	0.68	0.52	0.37	

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⁴ ASX:GRL announcement dated 25-10-2024

⁵ ASX:RDM announcement dated 08-07-2024

⁶ ASX:MEI announcement dated 29-02-2024

⁷ ASX:BCM announcement dated 11-11-2024

⁸ ASX:VMM announcement dated 24-09-2024





Project Background

The Narraburra area was first explored in 1999 for Rare Earth Elements associated with the Devonian-aged Narraburra Granite. Narraburra is listed as a Critical Minerals Project by the Critical Minerals Office of the Australian Government's Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources and Australian Trade and Investment Commission. Godolphin's objective at Narraburra has been to define a bulk tonnage, REE deposit in free-digging weathered clays and saprock that would be amenable to low-cost mining from a shallow open pit. Processing would include low-cost atmospheric pressure and weak acid leaching to recover REE for sale to local and international customers.

To date, diamond drilling undertaken by Godolphin at Narraburra has intersected broad zones of REE in clay, saprock (clay-weathered rock) and in underlying fresh rock protolith material (refer ASX: GRL announcements: 11 November 2022 and 13 December 2022), the latter has not been included in the reported MRE calculations. The clays and clay-weathered saprock that host the Narraburra REE mineralisation are the result of weathering of REE rich host rocks (peralkaline granite). The REE are contained within three well-defined layers that vary in thickness, with the layers increasing in thickness from surface towards the bedrock with the upper layer at an average 1-2 meters below surface.

The four magnet Rare Earth Elements – Nd, Pr, Tb and Dy have all been identified at Narraburra. These four elements are crucial for producing high-strength permanent magnets which are used in many future-facing manufactured products notably for electric vehicles, where currently conventional internal-combustion-engine vehicles already use many rare earth magnets for operations such as windows, heating & cooling, door controls and navigation/entertainment systems. Plug in hybrids are recorded as requiring 2-3 times more magnets than traditional vehicles and full EV's 3-4 times more, including the driving motors⁹. Other permanent magnet usage includes generators in wind turbines, medical devices and everyday appliances such as computer hard drives and mobile phones.

Scoping Study

Notwithstanding the excellent results to date, the Company has made the strategic decision to pause completion of the Narraburra Scoping Study at the conclusion of the third phase of metallurgical testwork, until REE pricing improves. However, discussions with potential off take partners will progress. This will allow the Company to divert funds to its ongoing drill program at the Lewis Ponds Gold, Silver and Base Metals project, which is yielding promising initial results (refer ASX: GRL announcement: 5 December 2024). The Company remains well positioned to recommence proposed Scoping Study initiatives, once the value proposition for REE improves, or if required by a potential off take partner.

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⁹ https://global-reia.org/rare-earth/



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COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS: The information in this report that relates to reporting of metallurgical test work results is based on REE exploration information reviewed by Dr Christopher Hartley, a Competent Person who is a Member (#41781) of the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining (IoM3) since 1981. The exploration information was compiled by Godolphin Resources Limited (GRL, see secondary CP Statement below). Dr Christopher Hartley is a Non-Executive Director of Godolphin Resources. Dr Hartley has sufficient experience that is relevant to the REE style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person (CP) as defined in the 2012 edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Dr Hartley consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears. Dr Hartley's CP Statement is given on the basis that GRL takes responsibility to a Competent Persons level (as given below) for the collection and integrity of the source data.

The actual REE exploration information in this report that relates to Exploration data, Sampling Techniques or Geochemical Assay Methodology is based on information compiled by Ms Jeneta Owens, Competent Person who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Ms Owens is the Managing Director and full-time employee of Godolphin Resources Limited. Ms Owens has sufficient experience to the activity 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. Ms Owens consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on her information in the form and context in which it appears.

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Appendix 1 – JORC Code, 2012 Edition, Table 1 report

Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data (Criteria in this section applies to all succeeding sections)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Cor	Commentary					
Sampling techniques	Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools	•	GNBDD011 and	d Composite 2 meta I GNBDD017 respe- for 1,397.8m compl	ctively, which w	ere part of a		
	appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.	•	All drill holes we perpendicular to Resource. The metallurgica	re drilled at a vertic the relatively flat ly al samples are all 1/4 amples left over fror	al angle, which ing mineralised diamond core :	is interpreted layers in the sampled fron	Narraburra I	REE Minera
Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used. Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report	•	The Composite ¼ core samples completed by A (ASX: GRL).	1 and Composite 2 that were originally NSTO and announc	metallurgical sa sampled for Ph ed on 13 Decen	amples were hase 2 metall mber 2023 an	both compos urgical testw nd 19 Februa	ork Iry 2024	
			Composite Metallurgical sample ID	Original Metallurgical Sample ID	Hole ID	Down hole Depth From (m)	Down hole Depth To (m)	Interval (m)
				GNB011_1	GNBDD011	26.00	31.00	5.00
			Composite 1	GNB011_2	GNBDD011	31.00	35.00	4.00
				GNB011_3	GNBDD011	35.00	37.00	2.00
				GNB017_1	GNBDD017	20.00	22.00	2.00
			Composite 2	GNB017_2	GNBDD017	22.00	26.00	4.00
				GNB017_3	GNBDD017	26.00	31.00	5.00
		•	and in-line with continuously mo All drill holes we saved in the Co weathering, reg	Person ensured all company sampling initored and recorder re logged and record mpany's database. plith profile, lithology	protocols. All re ed. rded in a GRL N Data includes: f /, magnetic sus	levant sampl larraburra-sp from and to n ceptibility, sp	ing details we becific templa neasurement ecific gravity	ere ite and s, colour, , rock
			quality designat structures, and	on, rock strength ch alteration.	naracterisation i	ncluding pen	etrometer re	adings,
Drilling techniques	Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open- hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details.	•	Diamond Drilling	g (DD) with PQ core of the hole whilst p				
Drill sample recovery	Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.	•	the physical cor core blocks by	ery was determined e in the tray. The dr the drilling compar ore loss to the likely	ill depth and dri	ll run length o I by GRL ge	data was rec ologists. GR	orded on th
		•	Diamond core r of core trays.	ecoveries are recor	ded in logging s	sheets and a	lso via digita	l photograp
		•		d recoveries were c presentatively sam l with core loss.				
Logging	Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.	•	suitably trained mineralisation, susceptibility.	as geologically logge technician. The log veins, structure,	gs include deta geotechnical I	iled datasets ogs, core	for: litholog recovery an	y, alteration d magnet
		•		gged and quality ch eological modelling				



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		studies.
Sub- sampling techniques and sample preparation	For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.	 Metallurgical sample intervals were allocated by a GRL geologist using geological boundaries or material type boundaries as a guide. Then the samples were composited together to provide a composite sample for each drill hole that is representative of the mineralised interval. The PQ ½ core was split using hand methods for weathered material, which involve using stainless steel tools to split the core in half lengthways. For hard material, a core saw was used to cut the ½ core sample in half lengthways. Sample size and preparation technique was appropriate for the nature of mineralisation.
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Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total. Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established.	 Head assays of the composited intervals for metallurgical testwork compared favorably against the routine sample assays used in the estimation of the Narraburn Mineral Resource. GRL inserted QAQC samples (blanks and standards) into the routine sampling sequence at a rate of 1 in 20. All of the QAQC data has been statistically assessed. GRL has undertaken its own further review of QAQC results of the ALS routine standards. The results are considered to be acceptable and suitable for reporting. Slurry leach Stage: Previously multiple slurry leach tests at varying conditions (reagent type, reagent strength, pH, temperature) were carried out on the metallurgical samples to determine the optimal Slurry Leaching conditions for the Narraburra REE Project mineralisation. Slurry leach tests were carried out on a ~1 L scale using 300 g of clay (<1 mm, dry weight, dried at 50° C). Intermediate thief slurry samples were taken and processed at 4, and 12 h for solid and liquor analysis. The thief liquors and the final primary filtrate were analysed for the following elements: ICP-MS for Ce. Dy, Er, Eu, Ga, Gd, Hf, Ho, La, Lu, Mn, Nb, Nd, Pr, Sc, Sm, Tb, Th, Tm, U, Y, Yb (ALS); ICP-OES for Al, Ca, Fe, K, Mg, Mn, Na, P, Si, Zn, Zr (ANSTO). These techniques are considered total. The final solids filter cake was then washed on the filter with two displacement washes of 450 mL each of lixiviant, followed by a 300 mL water wash. All of the fina washed filter cake was then pulverised, and a sub-sample taken for drying at 105° C This sub-sample was analysed for the following elements: Fusion digest/MS (ALS) - Ce, Dy, Er, Eu, Gd, Ho, La, Lu, Nd, Pr, Sc, Sm, Tb, T m, U, Y, Yb; XRF (ANSTO) - AI, As, Ba, Ca, Co, Cr, Cs, Cu, Fe, Hf, K, Mg, Mn, Na, Nb, Ni, P, Pb, Rb, S, Si, Sn, Ta, Ti, V, Zn, Zr. These techniques are considered total. The 2 wash liquors (combined lixiviant



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		XRF (ANSTO) - AI, As, Ba, Ca, Co, Cr, Cs, Cu, Fe, Hf, K, Mg, Mn, Mo, Na, Nb, Ni, P, Pb, Rb, S, Si, Sn, Ta, Ti, V, Zn, Zr.
		> These techniques are considered total.
Verification of sampling	The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company	 Head assays of the composited intervals for metallurgical testwork were compared favorably against the routine sample assays.
and assaying	personnel. Documentation of primary data, data entry	 All data and logging were recorded directly into field laptops. Visual validation, as we as numerical validation were completed by two or more geologists.
	procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols. Discuss any adjustment to assay data.	 REE/RM oxides were calculated for all reported ICP-MS results. The oxides we calculated according to the following factors listed below:
	La2O3: 1.173 (i.e. ppm La x 1.1728 = ppm La2O3); CeO2: 1.2284; Pr6O1 1.2082; Nd2O3: 1.1664; Sm2O3: 1.1596; Eu2O3: 1.1579; Gd2O3: 1.152 Tb4O7: 1.1762; Dy2O3: 1.1477; Ho2O3: 1.1445; Er2O3: 1.1435; Tm2O3: 1.142 Yb2O3: 1.1387; Lu2O3: 1.1371; Y2O3: 1.2699; Ga2O3: 1.3442; HfO2: 1.179 Nb2O5: 1.4305; Rb2O: 1.0936; ZrO2: 1.3508	
		 Total rare earth oxide is the industry standard and accepted form of reporting rare ear elements. TREO, TLREO, THREO, MREO as calculated as below
		 TREO (total rare earth oxides) = La2O3 + CeO2 + Pr6O11 + Nd2O3 + Sm2O3 + Eu2O + Gd2O3 + Tb4O7 + Dy2O3 + Ho2O3 + Er2O3 + Tm2O3 + Yb2O3 + Lu2O3 + Y2O3
		• TLREO (total light rare earth oxides) = La2O3 + CeO2 + Pr6O11 + Nd2O3 + Sm2O3
		 THREO (total heavy rare earth oxides) = Eu2O3 + Gd2O3 + Tb4O7 + Dy2O3 + Ho2O + Er2O3 + Tm2O3 + Yb2O3 + Lu2O3 + Y2O3
		 MREO (magnet rare earth oxides) = Pr6O11 + Nd2O3 + Tb4O7 + Dy2O3
Location of	Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate	A handheld GPS was used to locate the drill hole collar locations prior to drilling, with the second s
data points	ata points drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.	 an averaged waypoint measurement: accuracy of less than 5m. A DGPS was used after drilling to pick up the final collar locations: accuracy of le than 0.77m
		 Coordinates used were WGS84 and transformed into Map Grid of Australia 1994 Zor 55
		Hole paths have been systematically surveyed at 6m intervals by the drill contractor
Data	Data spacing for reporting of Exploration	Early-stage drilling program for Narraburra.
spacing and distribution	Results. Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological	 Target is broad, flat lying REE mineralisation in clay and saprock above fresh igneor rock (peralkaline granite).
	and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.	 Drill spacing for the majority of the Narraburra MRE area ranges from approximate 200mx300m to 300mx300m. In some outlying areas, drill spacing extends out approximately 1km.
	Whether sample compositing has been applied.	 The data spacing and distribution of drill holes into the Narraburra mineralised area was deemed to be sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continui appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) ar classifications applied.
		 Narraburra REE Project Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) of 94.9 million tonnes 739ppm TREO, which includes a higher-grade component of 20 million tonnes 1,079ppm TREO using a 600ppm cutoff in accordance with JORC (2012) (refer ASX: GF announcement: 19 April 2023).
		 Composite 1, Composite 2 (including GNB017_3) metallurgical samples were taken fro drill holes GNBDD011 and GNBDD017 respectively.
		 The metallurgical samples discussed in this report were composited to provide composite sample for each drill hole that is representative of the mineralised interval.
		 These intervals have been selected because they are interpreted to represent possib mining intervals through the Narraburra Rare Earth Project Mineral Resource.
		 Details for Composite 1, Composite 2 and GNB017_3 metallurgical samples are:



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		achieves ures and nsidering security.		Composite 2	GNB017_2	GNBDD017	22.00	26.00	4.00
				GNB017_3	GNBDD017	26.00	31.00	5.00	
of data in relation to geological structure Sample security	unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type. The measures taken to ensure sample security.	 All samples were collected and accounted for by GRL employees/consulta during drilling. All logging was done by GRL personnel. All samples were bagg into calico bags by GRL contractors under the instruction of GRL personnel. 						oultants bagged	
		 Diamond Drill core was geotechnically logged at the drill rig prior to transportation and collected from the site and taken to the secure GRL shed in Orange NSW for further processing. All drill core was securely stored in GRL's shed in Orange NSW. 							
Audits or reviews	The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.		factors likely	ays, Geology, previo o introduce bias. udits have been dor			studied inte	mally for	

Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results (Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

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Mineral tenement and land tenure status	Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings. The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a license to operate in the area.	 The Narraburra Rare Earth Element Project is located 12km to the northeast of the township of Temora in NSW and has an elevation approximately 315m above sea-level. Narraburra Rare Earth Element Project Mineral Resource is located on EL8420. Critical Rare Earths Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of GRL, holds 100% of EL8420. The land is owned by private land holders
Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	 See ASX announcements by Godolphin Resources (ASX: GRL) on 2 March 2022 and 11 November 2022, as well as Capitol Mining Limited (ASX: CMY) on 9 November 2011 Previous exploration includes airborne magnetic surveys, re-processing of public Aster data, geological mapping, mineralogical studies, preliminary metallurgical test work, with irregular wide-spaced RAB and RC drilling.
Geology	Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralization.	 EL8420 is situated over part of the Narraburra Complex, comprising three suites of alkaline granite at the triple junction of the Tumut, Girilambone-Goonumbla and Wagga Zones, central southern New South Wales. EL8420 straddles the northern edge of the junction between the Gilmore Fault and the Parkes Thrust, both structures are known for their relationship to precious and base metal mineralisation.
		 The Narraburra rare earth element (REE) mineralisation is hosted within the saprolite and saprock cap of highly fractionated Devonian alkaline and peralkaline granites.



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		•	 Mineralisation occurs within these alkaline units as concentric bands, wrapping southern and western side of the largest sub-unit in the Narraburra complex, the Granite. 						
Drill hole Information	A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all	٠	Drill hole information for drill holes from which the metallurgical samples were taken:						
			Hole ID	Hole Type	MGA55 East	MGA55 North	MGA_RL	Dip	Depth m
	Material drill holes:		GNBDD011	DD	551793.89	6202082.59	320.53	90	53.4
			GNBDD017	DD	552102.87	6202710.41	325.95	90	44.9
Data aggregation methods	In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated. Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.	•							
Relationship between mineralization widths and intercept lengths	These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results. If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.	•							
Diagrams	Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported. These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.	•	 Map pertaining to the location of the drill holes used for metallurgical testwork relative to the Narraburra REE Project Mineral Resource (Figure 1 in this announcement). 						
Balanced reporting	Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Results.	•	All known details of the metallurgical results have been reported.						
Other substantive exploration data	Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.	•			•	olphin Resources lining Limited (AS	• • •		
Further work	The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).	•	Further m	etallurgio	al activities are c	currently under as	sessment.		