# MEDALLION METALS

LIMITED

**ASX ANNOUNCEMENT** 



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# Multiple Offtake & Funding Proposals of up to \$50 million Received for Ravensthorpe-Forrestania Development

# **Key Points:**

- Medallion has received strong interest from multiple counterparties seeking to secure offtake rights for the copper-gold concentrate proposed to be produced from the Ravensthorpe - Forrestania sulphide development strategy
- Strong interest shown from potential offtake partners in providing project finance solutions with indicative facility quantums of up to \$50 million, linked to securing offtake rights
- Indicative offtake terms presented are superior to those modelled in the Scoping Study, providing confidence in the attractiveness of the product in a market which is presently in deficit
- Minimum copper grade specifications have the potential to materially improve process capital and operating metrics relative to Scoping Study estimates, which also outlined \$73 million of Project pre-production capital
- Offtake and funding initiatives to be progressed rapidly in conjunction with the advancement of the proposed acquisition of the Forrestania assets and Bankable Feasibility Study

Medallion Metals Ltd (ASX: MM8, Medallion and the Company) is pleased to provide the following update on offtake and funding discussions associated with the proposed development of the Ravensthorpe Gold Project (RGP and the Project).

In August 2024, Medallion entered into an Exclusivity Agreement with IGO Ltd (ASX: IGO) that grants the Company a period of exclusivity in which to negotiate a proposed acquisition of certain assets of the Forrestania Nickel Operation (FNO), including the Cosmic Boy Process Plant (Proposed Transaction) and associated infrastructure. The process remains on track with the Company's aim to reach binding status within the 9-month exclusivity period (May 2025)1.

Following the announcement of the Proposed Transaction, Medallion received several unsolicited enquiries in relation to securing offtake rights to the copper-gold concentrate (Concentrate), a key saleable product generated by processing RGP mineralisation through the flotation plant located at FNO, in addition to gold and silver dore. RGP material is expected to yield a high value concentrate with copper grades of approximately 19-20% Cu and gold grades of approximately 30-40 g/t Au and free of deleterious elements. The Concentrate is expected to be highly sought after in a market that is favourable for concentrate producers at present, with the market forecast to remain in deficit over the short to medium term as evidenced by historically low treatment and refining charges (TCRCs).

Due to strong levels of interest, Medallion formalised the process calling for indicative proposals to purchase the Concentrate, subject to closure of the Proposed Transaction and development of the Project. The Company has now received indicative offers from 13 parties. Of those proposals, 7 contain offers of development funding linked to the offtake.

Managing Director, Paul Bennett, commented:

"The strong level of interest from potential off-take partners is further endorsement of the Company's sulphide development strategy. Not only does copper enhance the Project's already attractive economics, the demand for the concentrate product potentially provides access to a funding source capable of establishing the foundation capital piece to underwrite the proposed development."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to the Company's ASX announcement dated 8 August 2024 for further information in relation to the Proposed Transaction.

It is apparent through the market response that the current Concentrate market conditions have important implications for Medallion when considering modifications to the Cosmic Boy process infrastructure to enable treatment of Ravensthorpe material. Copper concentrate grades of below 19.5% Cu (Study assumption) appear readily saleable without incurring onerous penalties/deductions. This has important implications for target grind size, grinding power and the requirement or otherwise for re-grinding. The concentrate market's current flexibility is likely to be positive in terms of both time and cost associated with Cosmic Boy modifications and then its operation.

The Company's recently announced Scoping Study (Study)<sup>2</sup> for processing the RGP ore through the Cosmic Boy Plant outlined outstanding financial metrics including \$637 million of pre-tax cash flow generated over an initial 5.5 year mine life at an all in sustaining cost of \$1,845/oz (net of by-product credits and assuming A\$4,000 gold price). The Study also outlined total pre-production Project capital of \$73 million. In the event that Medallion could progress an indicative financing proposal of \$50 million into a binding commitment, it would establish a foundational piece of the overall funding requirement at the time of Final Investment Decision (FID).

# **Next Steps**

Medallion will continue to evaluate the indicative proposals and is seeking independent advice in relation to both the offtake and funding elements of each proposal. Subject to reaching binding documents in relation to the Proposed Transaction to acquire Forrestania, the Company will shortlist the proposals and then seek to progress to an offer capable of acceptance. Medallion may also consider funding alternatives that are not linked to offtake.

## **CAUTIONARY STATEMENT**

The Company cautions that the indicative terms submitted by interested parties are non-binding and should not be construed as an expressed or implied commitment on the part of the interested parties to enter into offtake or finance transactions. Any transaction that might eventuate from these indicative terms will be subject to the parties entering into legally binding documentation and obtaining customary approvals for transactions of this nature. This announcement should be read in conjunction with the statements on page 3, which forms an integral part of this announcement.

This announcement is authorised for release by the Board of Medallion Metals Limited.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer to the Company's ASX announcement dated 17 December 2024 for further information on the Scoping Study.

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The Company notes there is no guarantee that the Proposed Transaction will proceed or that negotiations will result in a binding sale agreement and that there is no guarantee that if the Proposed Transaction proceeds, that it will proceed on the terms disclosed as non binding terms have been agreed between Medallion and IGO in relation to the Proposed Transaction. If the Proposed Transaction proceeds, the Company will announce the binding terms of the negotiated transaction to ASX in due course.

The Company notes there is no guarantee that any indicative offtake or funding proposal will proceed or that negotiations will result in a binding agreement and that there is no guarantee that if such a proposal proceeds, that it will proceed on the terms indicated in this announcement. If a proposal proceeds, the Company will announce the binding terms of the negotiated transaction to ASX in due course.

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