

## AGM Presentation

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Cross referenced announcements: "Further High Grade Lithium Intersections at Finniss" dated 20 October 2016, "High Grade Lithium Intersections at Far West Prospect" dated 13 December 2016, "Lithium Mineralisation at Ahoy, Ahoy East and Far West" dated 7 February 2017, "New Exploration Intersections Add to Finniss Potential" dated 16 August 2018, "Exploration Further Boosts Finniss Lithium Project Potential" dated 1 November 2018 and "Quarterly Activities and Cashflow Report 31 December 2018" dated 31 January 2019.

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#### Currency:

Unless otherwise stated, all cashflows are in Australian dollars, are undiscounted and are in real terms (not subject to inflation/escalation factors), and all years are calendar years.

#### Accuracy:

The DFS has been prepared to an overall level of accuracy of approximately -15% to +15%. This judgement is made following consideration of the basis studies and the features outlined in the Cost Estimation Handbook Second Edition Monograph 27 AusIMM, The Minerals Institute.

## Australia's Next Lithium Producer

Core positioned to be Australia's next Lithium Producer, developing one of Australia's most capital efficient and lowcost lithium projects

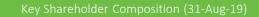
- World demand for lithium batteries and Electric Vehicles continues to grow YoY
- Core's Finniss Lithium Project meets the lithium and EV markets needs because of :
  - Lower Capex US\$51M
  - Lower Transport and Operating Cost C1 Cash Opex US\$300/t
  - High Revenue approx. (\$US110,000,000)\*
  - Producing 175,000tpa of High Quality / Lower Iron Lithium Concentrate
  - Low Technical Risk
  - Sustainable and Responsible Sourcing
  - Higher Margin and Quicker Payback
- Reflects Core strengths of high-grade resources close to Australia's nearest port to Asia
- New producers have experienced high operating costs and have cancelled and delayed expansion plans - supply deficit is coming
- Construction ready in 2020.
- CXO's current \$25M EV offers huge upside for a near construction ready project
- \* Steady state annual revenue based on nameplate production

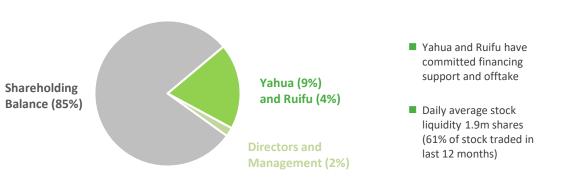
## **Corporate Information**



Board of Directors		Management Team	
Managing Director	Stephen Biggins	Chief Operating Officer	Blair Duncan
Non-Executive Chairman	Greg English	Chief Financial Officer	Simon lacopetta
Non-Executive Director	Heath Hellewell	Metallurgical Advisor	Noel O'Brien
Non-Executive Director	Malcolm McComas	Commercial Marketing Manager	Robert Sills
Company Secretary	Jarek Kopias	Exploration Manager	David Rawlings
		Project Manager	Sean Buxton

# Capital Structure (as at 31-Aug-19)Share Price~A\$0.04Shares on Issue~790MMarket Capitalisation~A\$32MOptions and Rights Unlisted31.1MCash (30 September 2019)A\$7.1MDebt FacilitiesNilEnterprise Value~A\$25M

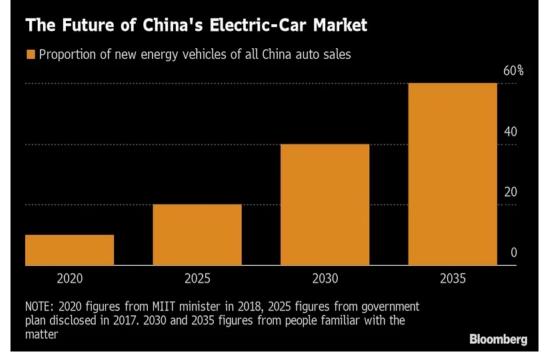




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## Why is more spodumene needed? Medium and Long-Term Lithium Demand Increasing

- Electric Vehicle (EV) v Internal Combustion Engine (ICE) price parity by 2022/23 – this will be significant inflexion point for extraordinary demand growth
- Mainstream car manufacturers bringing forward and rapidly expanding EV models and sales
- Latest European EV car sales increase by 32% YoY
- China Government targeting EVs to be 20% of all vehicle sales in the next 5 years

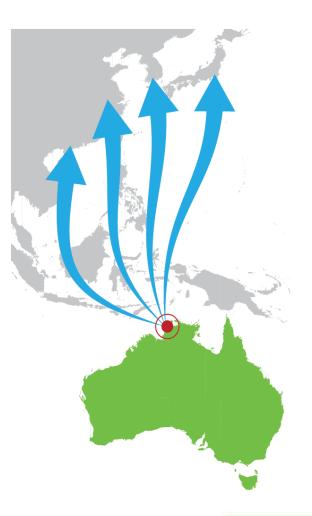


2030 and 2035 date sourced from Bloomberg articles

Medium and long term demand fundamentals outweigh short term oversupply

## Why is Core's high-quality lithium needed?

- Current raw lithium supply meeting volume needs in short term
- But,
  - New producers in Australia have experienced high operating costs and difficulty sustaining customer quality
  - High Capex flotation process not meeting expected recoveries
  - New Australian producers have cancelled and delayed expansion plans
  - African projects can expect challenges and delays
- Supply chain needs reliable low risk, low cost, high quality product from sustainable and transparent sources



## Finniss Project Spodumene Concentrate: Core's Supply Chain Success Factors

- Core's Finniss Lithium Project meets the markets needs because of :
  - Lower Capex US\$51M
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  - High Revenue approx. (\$US110,000,000 per year)
  - Producing 175,000tpa of High Quality / Lower Iron Lithium Concentrate
  - Low Technical Risk
  - Sustainable and Responsible Sourcing
  - Higher Margin and Quicker Payback
- Reflects Core's strengths of high-grade resources close to Australia's nearest port to Asia

## DFS April 2019

#### DFS is Project Snapshot - Project continuing to evolve and grow

- DFS Confirms Finniss Lithium Project as robust, high-margin low-capex, lithium project
- Only A\$76M Capex to produce 175,000tpa production (approx A\$150,000,000/y revenue) capacity of high-quality lithium concentrate
  - Low Fe
  - Coarse Product
- DFS confirms low processing, mine, haulage and port costs
- EPC Design, Haulage and Crushing Pricing Tenders are being rolled into binding service contracts
- Life of Project targeting a material extension from initial mine life in coming months and into the future through current resource drilling and mining studies

#### **Management Case Highlights**

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**Strong cashflow** High cashflow generated over initial project life











**Start-up capital cost** \$73m for process plant and

infrastructure including A\$30m prestrip development at Grants

	High rate of return
RR	80% pre-tax IRR shows high
	profitability for shareholders <sup>2</sup>



#### Low operating cost

US\$300/t<sup>1</sup> conc. delivers high margin

1. C1 Operating Costs are defined as direct cash operating costs of production FOB, net of by product credits, divided by the amount of payable spodumene concentrate. Direct cash operating costs include mining, processing, transport, treatment and refining costs. C1 Operating Costs exclude royalties and pre-strip mine development costs.

NPV has been discounted using a discount rate of 10% and NPV, IRR and Free Cash Flow are pre-tax nominal calculations. Payback is calculated from sale of first concentrate. Where
nominal values are noted, costs and revenues are escalated at 2% CPI

## Prime Location and Valuable Infrastructure Available





#### **Excellent Location and Infrastructure Advantages**

## Darwin Port

#### **Heads of Agreement**



## Core has agreement with Darwin Port to ship 250,000tpa of spodumene concentrate

Darwin Port is Australia's nearest port to China

East Arm Wharf facilities at Darwin Port are well suited to handle potential future production from Core's lithium projects

Heads of Agreement signed with Darwin Port in respect of potential export of lithium products from Grants

Agreement provides Core with capacity to export up to either:

- 250ktpa of spodumene concentrate; or
- 1Mtpa of spodumene Direct Shipping Ore (DSO)

## Grants Lithium Project – First in line at FINNISS



Grants Lithium Project - DMS Plant



High Quality Spodumene Concentrate

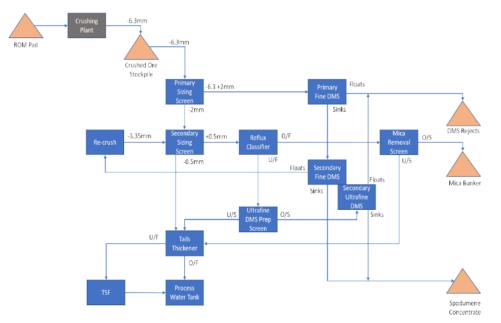
## High Grade Reserves + Efficient DMS Process = High Quality Spodumene Concentrate

#### **Concentrate Quality**

- 5.5-6.0% Li<sub>2</sub>O concentrate
- +70% net recoveries

#### Finniss Lithium Product

Specification	Target	Min.	Max.	Typical
Percentage < 0.1mm sizing	< 0.5%	-	1.0%	< 0.2%
Percentage < 0.5mm sizing	< 1.0%	-	3.0%	< 1.0%
Percentage > 1.0mm sizing	> 80%	75%	-	> 78%
P50 sizing	2.5mm	2.0mm	3.5mm	2.5mm
Max sizing	P <sub>100</sub> < 10mm	-	10mm	-
Moisture (H <sub>2</sub> O)	2.0%	-	3.0%	< 2.0%
Lithia (Li <sub>2</sub> O)	5.7%	5.0%	6.0%	> 5.5%
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	<0.7%	-	1.0%	0.70%
Mica	<0.8%	-	3.0%	< 1.0%
Na <sub>2</sub> O	<1.0%	-	2.0%	1.3%
K <sub>2</sub> O	<1.0%	-	0.9%	< 0.7%
CaO + MgO + MnO (total)	<1.0%	-	2.0%	0.4%
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	<0.5%	-	1.0%	0.30%
S	<0.05%	-	0.05%	< 0.02%





## Offtake and Prepayment Agreements

#### Offtake, Investment and Product Prepayment with some of China's Largest Lithium Converters

Binding Offtake for 75,000tpa of spodumene representing approx. 40% of Core's 175,000tpa production capacity

\$US20 (\$A29M) prepayment agreement with Yahua and is also in the process of negotiating further offtake and finance agreements with some of Asia's largest lithium consumers and producers.

#### Kana Sichuan Yahua Industrial Group Co.,LTD

- One of China's largest lithium producers and has significant expansion plans. 12,000tpa lithium hydroxide refinery and a 6,000tpa lithium carbonate refinery, plans to expand its production to 50,000tpa of lithium salt production.
- The company is an A-share listed company on the Shenzhen-stock exchange in China, with a market capitalisation of CNY 7.92 billion (~A\$1.65 billion).
- Yahua is a major supplier of lithium salts in China. Yahua Group has long term stable relationships with a number of the large downstream customers of lithium batteries and has broad marketing and distribution channels including BYD, Zhenghua Materials, Dangsheng Tech, etc., and has cooperation relationship with LG Korea, GSEM, Panasonic.
- Yahua Group already has significant business interests in Australia, including operations in Darwin, where it manufactures explosives.

#### Key Binding Pre Payment and Offtake Terms

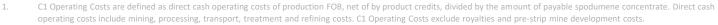
Prepayment	US\$20,000,000 (A\$29,000,000)		
Term	30 November 2023		
Annual Tonnage	75 ktpa		
Pricing	Market Price		
Reference Price	Priority to most recent price published by the LME for cash settled 6.0% spodumene concentrate contracts		
Payment Terms	Irrevocable Letter of Credit for each shipment		
Product Spec	Defined parameters with bonus / penalty arrangements		
Binding Offtake	Yes		
Shipping	Bulk - parcels of 5 dmt to 25 dmt		
Price Floor	Yes - 2 years		

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## New Non-Binding Termsheet on Fine Lithium Product Adds to Finniss Revenue

#### Non-Binding Term sheet signed for sale of up to 200,000tpa of Fine Lithium

- Indicative pricing of between \$US55/t and US\$65/t of FL
- 200,000 to 250,000tpa FL forecast to be produced by Core as a by-product (subject to further studies) - so low incremental cost of production
- Sale of FL products not included in recent DFS
- Core's transport cost from mine to Darwin Port is only US\$7/t
- FL sales have potential to add significant revenues to the project at a high margin
- Core aiming to complete in coming months :
  - FL Engineering Studies
  - Binding Offtake for FL



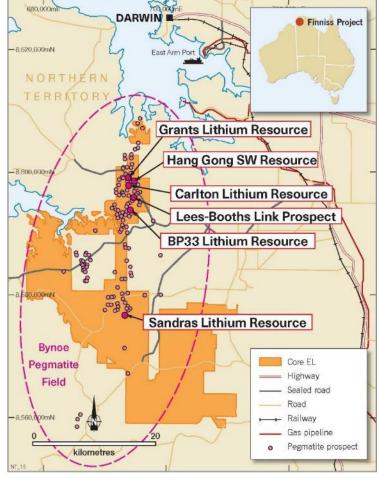
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# Currently Drilling to Expand Reserves and Resources - Significant Upside

- **Current and Future Drilling Programs** leading to multiple Mineral Resource increases & substantial upgrades in 2019 and beyond
- **Pipeline** of high-grade lithium targets that form the basis of its resource drilling program over the next 18 months

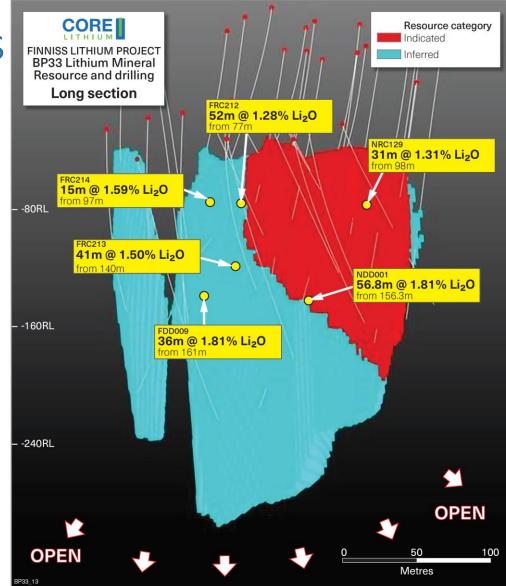




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## Expanding Resource and Reserves BP33 Drilling Update

- Thick drill intersections of high-grade spodumene pegmatite highlight a consistent quality of the lithium orebody at BP33
- RC drill intersections include:
  - 52m @ 1.28% Li<sub>2</sub>O from 77m FRC212:
    - including 23m @ 1.85% Li<sub>2</sub>O from 101m
  - 41m @ 1.50% Li<sub>2</sub>O from 140m FRC213:
    - including 11m @ 2.00% Li<sub>2</sub>O from 163m
  - 15m @ 1.59% Li<sub>2</sub>O from 97m FRC214:
  - 31m @ 1.31% Li<sub>2</sub>O from 98m NRC129:
- Higher grades at depth from the following diamond holes:
  - 56.75m @ 1.81% Li<sub>2</sub>O from 156.25m NDD001:
  - 36m @ 1.81% Li<sub>2</sub>O from 161m FDD009:
- New drill results expected to substantially increase Ore Reserves at BP33



## Expanding Resource and Reserves Carlton Drilling Update

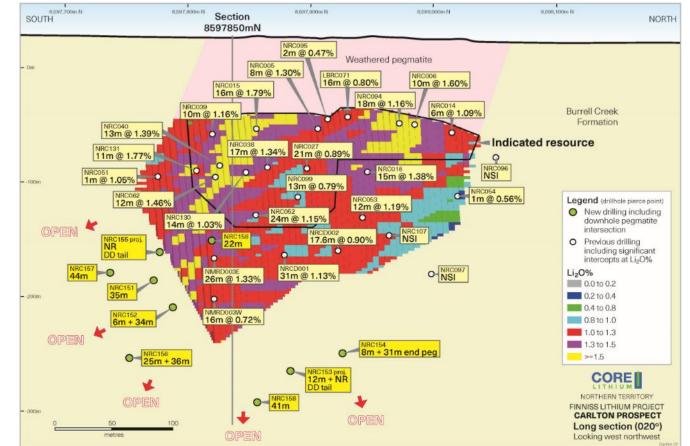
- Wide intersections of spodumene pegmatite from all completed RC drillholes at the Carlton
   Prospect in recent Mineral Resource growth drilling at Finniss
- All pegmatite intersections greater than 30m
- The two deepest holes also intersected a second pegmatite body of up to 25m downhole length, east of the Primary body
- Diamond drilling (DDH) tails commencing within the next week
- Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves at Carlton expected to grow over coming months
- Carlton expected to contribute significantly to continued increases in mine-life at Finniss
   Lithium Project

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## Expanding Resource and Reserves Carlton Drilling Update

#### • All pegmatite intersections greater than 30m:

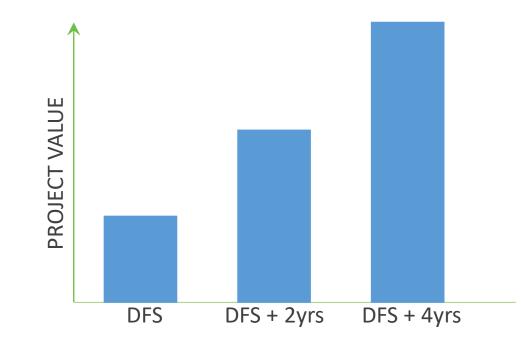
- 35m Spodumene Pegmatite (NRC151)
- 34m Spodumene Pegmatite (NRC152)
- 31m+ Spodumene Pegmatite (NRC154)
- 36m Spodumene Pegmatite (NRC156)
- 44m Spodumene Pegmatite (NRC157)
- 41m Spodumene Pegmatite (NRC158)
- Carlton open along at depth and to the south
- New body spodumene pegmatite found to the east of Carlton



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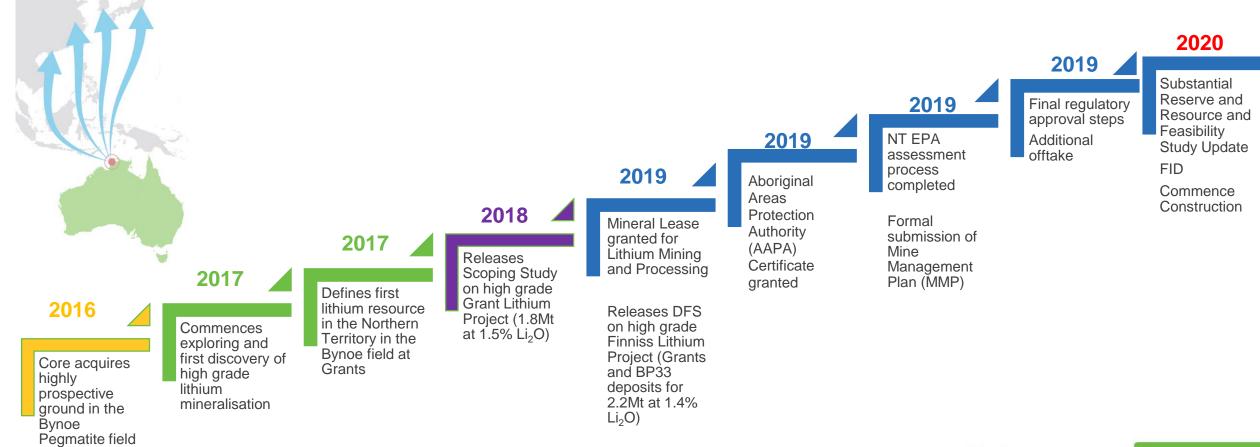
## Mine Studies and Resource/Reserve Upgrades Underway Toward Increasing Mine Life

- DFS clearly showed that additional mine life has significant upside economics
- Core has resource and reserve expansion drilling underway
- Mining studies also in progress toward significantly increase mine life

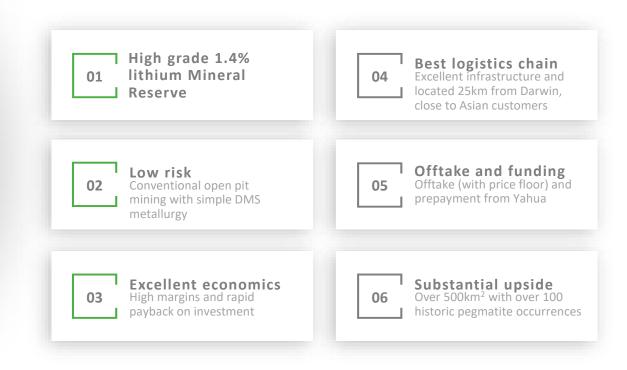


## The Journey Toward Construction In 2020

Core's Project Development and Approvals Progress 2020 construction timeline adapting to fit best market dynamics



## Positioned to be Australia's Next Lithium Producer



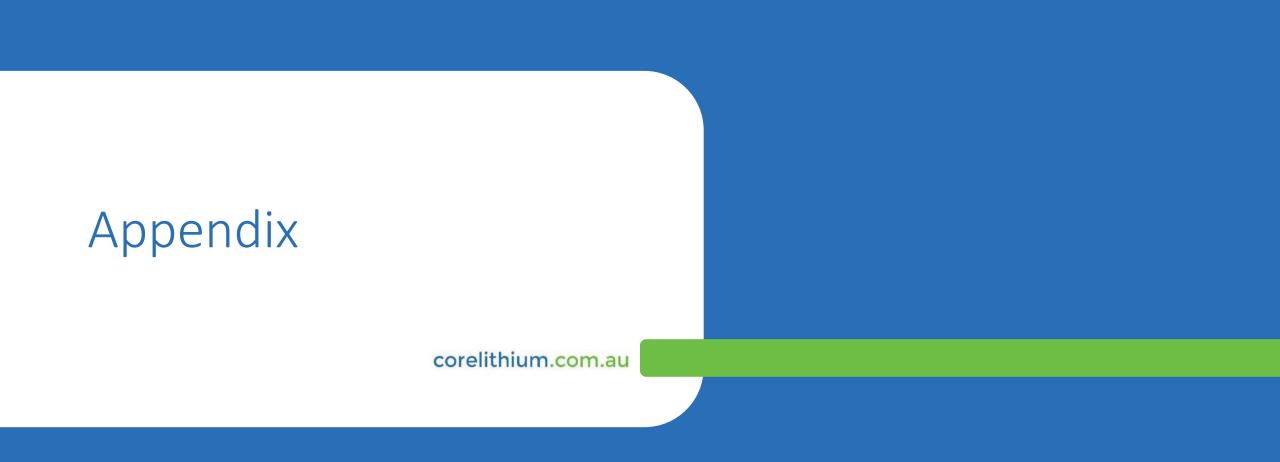
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## Finniss Lithium Project Reserves and Resources

#### JORC (2012) Resource Table<sup>1</sup>

Resources		Ore	Grade	Contained
Deposit	Classification	Mt	LiO <sub>2</sub> %	LiO <sub>2</sub> t
Grants	Measured	1.09	1.48%	16,100
	Indicated	0.82	1.54%	12,600
	Inferred	0.98	1.43%	14,000
	Total	2.89	1.48%	42,700
	Measured	-	-	-
	Indicated	0.63	1.39%	8,800
BP33	Inferred	1.52	1.56%	23,700
	Total	2.15	1.51%	32,500
	Measured	-	-	-
	Indicated	-	-	-
Sandras	Inferred	1.30	1.00%	13,000
	Total	1.30	1.00%	13,000
	Measured	-	-	-
Carlton	Indicated	0.46	1.30%	6,000
	Inferred	0.63	1.30%	8,200
	Total	1.09	1.30%	14,200
	Measured		-	-
Uses Cons CW	Indicated	-	-	-
Hang Gong SW	Inferred	1.42	1.20%	17,000
	Total	1.42	1.20%	17,000
Total Resources	Total Measured	1.09	1.48%	16,100
	Total Indicated	1.91	1.43%	27,400
	Total Inferred	5.85	1.30%	75,900
	Total Resources	8.85	1.35%	119,400
Reserves		Ore	Grade	Contained
Deposit	Classification	Mt	LiO <sub>2</sub> %	LiO <sub>2</sub> t
Grants	Probable	0.8	1.6	11.6
	Proved	1.0	1.4	14.9
	Total	1.8	1.5	26.5
BP33	Probable	0.4	1.3	5.7
DF 33	Total Probable	0.4	1.3	5.7
Total Reserves	Total Reserves	2.2	1.4	32.2

Source: As per 12 March 2019 ASX announcement "Upgrade of Mineral Resource at Carlton Grows Finniss Project" and as per 17 April 2019 ASX announcement "Finniss Definitive Feasibility Study and Maiden Ore Reserve" Corelithium.com.au
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