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Sustainably Sourcing Magnet and Heavy Rare Earths for the New Economy

**IonicRE Investor Webinar** 

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#### **REE Supply Chain and IonicRE Integration**

IONICRE IS LEADING THE SECURE SUPPLY OF MAGNET RARE EARTHS, LEVERAGING OUR SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGY, PIONEERING MAGNET RECYCLING TO DRIVE THE NEXT GENERATION OF WIND TURBINES, ELECTRIC VEHICLES, DEFENCE, AND ADVANCED MANUFACTURING



## Makuutu Rare Earths Project (60% IonicRE → 94% IonicRE in H2 2024)

- March 2023 FS<sup>1</sup> indicated low capital, modular development IAC enables IonicRE to bring on highly sought-after, value added MREC basket of magnet and heavy REEs
- Mining Licence LML00334 Awarded<sup>2</sup>, Environmental Permits issued<sup>3</sup>
- Demonstration Plant has produced MREC offtake negotiations underway
- Expandable asset through free cash flow and growing market demand

#### **IonicRE/ VMM Refinery (50% IonicRE)**

- 50/50 JV with Viridis Mining & Minerals Ltd (ASX: VMM) to develop refining and recycling footprint in Brazil<sup>4</sup>
- Leveraging Ionic Technologies IP to be an early mover and first step towards establishing greater presence in emerging Brazilian rare earth market
- Signed MOU<sup>5</sup> with CIT SENAI to accelerate NdFeB magnet capacity in Brazil via magnet recycling

#### **Magnet Recycling (100% IonicRE)**

- November 2024 FS<sup>4</sup> indicates low capex development to recycle spent magnets and swarf to produce separated and refined 99.9%+ REOs
- Demonstration Plant operating Magnet REO production now (Nd, Pr, Dy and Tb)
- Addressing domestic supply chain / sovereign capability need with global opportunities, focus on EU and US
- First to revenue, supply independent of mine permitting, lower capital and technical, and supply chain risk
- Several JVs and partnerships on the table

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### **Makuutu Rare Earths Project**

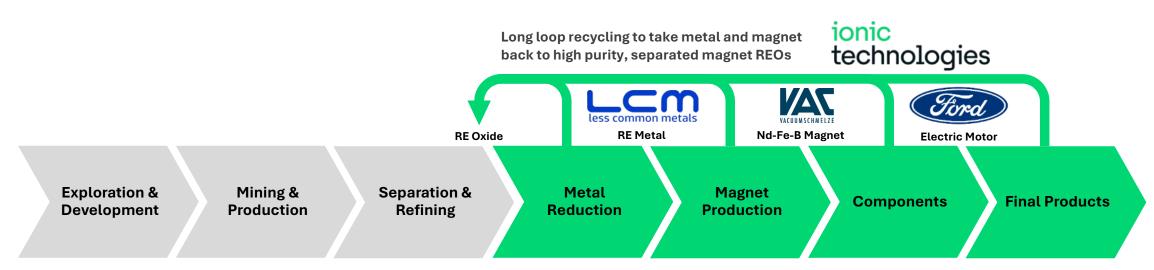
- 60% owned by IonicRE
- Mining Licence awarded in January 2024<sup>1</sup>
- Updated Mineral Resource Estimate in May 2024<sup>2</sup>
- Updated Exploration Target in May 2024<sup>2</sup>
- **Demonstration Plant has** produced MREC to support offtake negotiations<sup>3</sup>





### Recycling Supply Chain and IonicRE Integration an early leader

RECYCLING OFFERS A STEP CHANGE TO UNLOCK LOW CAPEX ALTERNATIVE SUPPLY CHAIN SOLUTIONS FOR IMMEDIATE MAGNET REO SOURCES TO CREATE INSULATED, SOVEREIGN CAPABILITY FOR WESTERN END USERS ACROSS DEFENCE, ENERGY TRANSITION AND ADVANCED MANUFACTURING



Ionic Technologies Belfast Magnet Recycling Feasibility Study<sup>1</sup> designed for 1,200 tpa end-of-life (EOL) NdFeB magnet and swarf feedstock, producing 400 tpa separated magnet REOs

- NPV<sub>7.5</sub> (post-tax) = US\$502 million
- IRR (post-tax) = 43.6%
- Net Revenue = US\$2.12 billion
- EBITDA = US\$1.78 billion

- CAPEX (Belfast) = US\$108.7 million
- OPEX (Belfast) = US\$27.68 / kg REO (ex-Magnet feedstock)
- Payback = 2.4 years



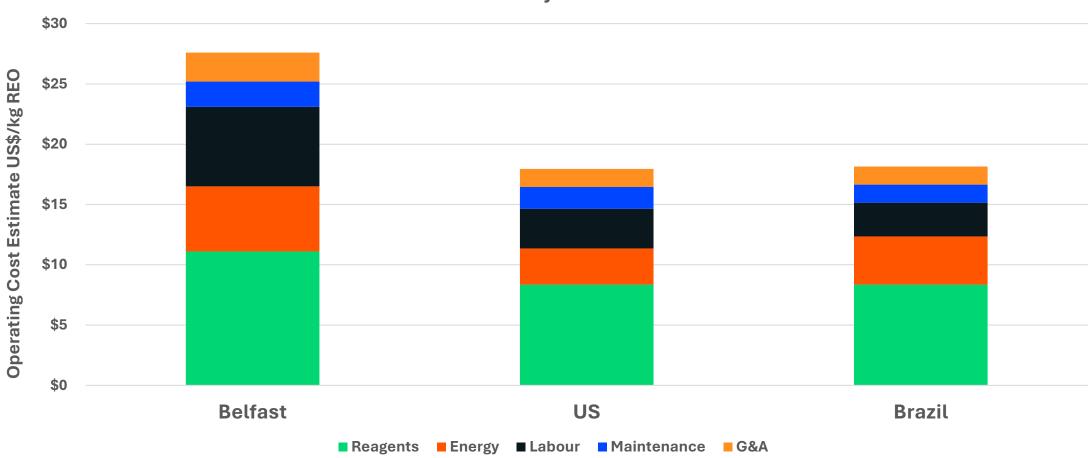
# Financing Magnet Recycling in the UK

- Project development cost of £85 million for Belfast Plant and Technology facility, including £10 million site specific costs for Belfast Harbour
- Grant application submitted substantial capital cornerstone investment from UK Government via the Automotive Transformation Fund (ATF), administered by the Advanced Propulsion Centre (APC)
- The ATF is a funding program created to support the industrialisation and scale-up of a UK EV supply chain
- The ATF will deploy up to £850 million of investment, delivered in collaboration with the Department for Business and Trade (DBT) and Innovate UK, the fund provides support for largescale, capital-focused projects in the EV technology areas
- Project debt, offtake and strategic investment also part of overall financing strategy

#### **Global OPEX Potential**

#### **ESTIMATED OPERATING COST HAS POTENTIAL FOR FURTHER REDUCTIONS IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS**

#### **Conversion Cost from Alloy Feedstock to REO Product**



# Policy Supporting Domestic Capability & Recycling

UK refreshed the Critical Minerals Strategy in 2023 highlighting the Circular Critical Materials Supply Chains as a key area of focus

EU's Critical Raw Material Act (CRMA) 2023, a €300 billion initiative aimed at countering the Chinese Belt and Road Initiative implemented into law earlier this year

- The Act identifies a list of strategic raw materials crucial to Europe's green and digital ambitions and for defence and space applications
- In late 2023, the co-legislators reached a political agreement on the EU CRMA and increased the recycling component from 15% to 25%

USA highlighted recycling as art of its America's Supply Chains Executive order in 2021 as part of Federal Plan to ensure secure and reliable supplies of critical minerals EU CRMA 2023 Regulation sets clear benchmarks for domestic capacities along the **strategic raw material supply chain** and to diversify EU supply by 2030:



At least 10% of the EU's annual consumption for extraction



At least 25% of the EU's annual consumption from recycling



At least 40% of the EU's annual consumption for processing



Not more than **65%** of the EU annual consumption at any stage of processing from a single third country

### Our Path to Commercialisation

Rapid acceleration of our technology ready to scale globally



Examining de-bottlenecking to scale

up capacity now

FS Completed

expected to be completed late 2026

FS to support scale out globally via JVs and commercial partnerships

# Peer Comparison

Peers offering medium or long loop recycling offering from metal alloy feedstock (EOL magnets or swarf) back to either a mixed REO product or individually separated magnet REOs

	Product	Location	Status	Demonstration Plant Feed Capacity (tpa)	Valuation
ionic technologies	Separated magnet REOs		Demonstration Plant, Feasibility Study Completed	30	A\$34m <sup>1</sup> / US\$22m (ASX: IXR)
Cyclic ○ Materials	Mixed magnet REOs		Demonstration Plant	100	Private Series B Funding raised US\$53m (09/2024) Series A Funding raised US\$27m (04/2023)
REEcycle	REOs (Formates)		Pilot Plant	N/A	Private US\$25m
Re	Separated magnet REOs		Pilot Plant	N/A	US\$95m¹ (NASDAQ: AREC)

### Viridion - Brazilian Joint Venture - Refining and Recycling

- IonicRE and Viridis Mining and Minerals Ltd (ASX: VMM) announced 50/50 JV<sup>1</sup>
- Viridion JV aims to construct a refinery and magnet recycling facility in Brazil utilising Ionic Technologies' separation technology
- Magnet Recycling likely the first step in developing a domestic integrated supply chain in Brazil → MOU signed<sup>2</sup> with CIT Senai, FIEMG to progress establishment of secure Brazilian Magnet supply chain

Long loop recycling to take metal ionic and magnet back to high purity, VIRIDIS rare earths separated magnet REOs **RE Metal** Nd-Fe-B Magnet **RE Oxide Electric Motor** Separation & Metal Magnet Final **Components** Refining Reduction **Production Products** 



### JV Company

- Magnet and Heavy Rare Earth Refinery
- Magnet Recycling Facility
- Further integration into Brazilian RE footprint



- ASX 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024;
- ASX 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

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