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# RIU Sydney New Green Economy: Exploring for Uranium and Energy Metals

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## **New Green Economy**

### **Focused on Uranium and Energy Metals**

### **USA Uranium Exposure**

### Uranium and Vanadium – Utah and Colorado, USA

- Three 100% owned assets in a proven mining region
- Uranium demand driven by US desire to secure supply security
- Maiden drilling 2022 -Wedding Bell and Radium Mountain

### **Energy Metals, Australia**

### Gold/Nickel/Copper-Australia

- REE & Copper Alford East, SA
- Gold, Nickel & Copper Ragged Range Project, Pilbara WA
- (Molyhil Divestment (IVR Earn-in) ASX/AIM:THR 24 November 2023)





# **Energy Metals and Uranium: Global Demand**

### Environment

World is transitioning to 'greener' economy - more than 130 countries have set net zero carbon emission targets by 2050

### Copper

Global demand predicted to grow up to 10x by 2050

- Electronics
- Electric vehicles
- Renewable energy revolution

### REE

China & Myanmar dominate supply chain

- Magnets electric vehicles and wind turbines
- High tech applications

### Uranium

Global demand

- Electrification
- Energy security
- Climate change initiatives nuclear green energy emission green base is a carbon free base load energy source

### Supply chain

- Geopolitical uncertainty
- USA largest consumer of uranium (28%)
- Infrastructure/reactor growth







### Net Zero carbon mission targets

A fully electric vehicle 83kg of copper A standard combustion uses 20kg of copper

Single wind turbine uses 4.7t of Copper and ~2t of REE (permanent magnets)



## **USA Uranium Exposure**



Geopolitical – USA national supply security



USA is the largest consumer of uranium in the world (~28%)



Climate change initiatives - Nuclear 'green' energy is a "carbon free" base load energy source



"High-grade" sandstone hosted, shallow uranium targets in Uravan Mineral Belt



Projects in proven mining jurisdictions - Utah and Colorado, USA



Uranium experienced board and management team with successful track record



# **Experienced Board and Management**

Uranium exploration and development expertise



Alastair Clayton Chairman Non-Executive

25 years of experience in the mining and exploration industry, identifying, financing, and developing mineral, energy and materials processing projects in Australia, Europe and Africa.



Nicole Galloway Warland Managing Director

More than 30 years in mining & exploration in Australia, Eastern Europe & South America.

Experience spans from grass roots exploration to project evaluation to open cut and underground mining with a commodity focus of gold, coppergold, nickel, uranium and lithium.

Involved in the Discovery of Samphire uranium deposit, SA.

Director - Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG) and Councillor of AMEC.



Mark McGeough Non-Executive Director

An experienced geologist who has explored for gold, IOCG coppergold, silver-lead-zinc and uranium.

Involved in the discovery of the White Dam gold deposit in South Australia and the Theseus uranium deposit in WA.

Career includes Chinova Resources, Toro Energy, Xstrata Copper, Mount Isa Mines and AGIP Australia. He was also the Manager of the SA Geological Survey.



Ray Ridge CFO & Joint Company Secretary

A chartered accountant with over 20 years accounting and commercial management experience. Roles include Senior Audit Manager with Arthur Andersen, Divisional CFO with Elders Ltd, and GM Commercial & Operations at engineering and construction company Parsons Brinckerhoff.

# **Corporate Snapshot**

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A\$16.3
A\$2.3M
NIL
58%



Strong corporate position with focus on advancing projects towards discovery and development success – creating shareholder value



# Uranium

# Colorado & Utah, USA

# **Project Locations**

- Uravan Mineral Belt, Utah and Colorado, USA
- 3 Projects 100% owned by Thor Energy Plc
  - Wedding Bell, Colorado
  - Radium Mountain, Colorado
  - Vanadium King, Utah







# **Neighbours**

### **Uranium Companies**

- Energy Fuels, Inc
- Western Uranium and Vanadium Inc
- UVRE Ltd

### **Uranium Mill**

- White Mesa Mill, Energy Fuels
- Only fully licensed and operating conventional uranium and vanadium mill in the USA.
- Processing plant with available capacity for toll treatment of uranium and vanadium ore

La Sal Complex- Measured/indicated Resource 1.14Mt @ 0.18%  $U_3O_8$  (4.1 Mlbs) and 0.94%  $V_2O_5$  (21.5Mlbs) Energy Fuels Website



# **Community and Stakeholder Engagement (ESG)**

- Local geology and exploration team
- Projects are located on federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM) owned land.
- Extensive history with strong connections to the uranium and vanadium industry
- Positive/favourable local attitude towards uranium exploration and mining









## "Saltwash" Style Uranium and Vanadium

### Geology

- "Saltwash Style" Sandstone filled paleochannels hosting uranium and vanadium
- Laterally extensive deposits (kilometers), hosted mainly in the Salt Wash member of the Morrison Formation (Jurassic)
- High-grade ore generally adjacent to the oxidation-reduction boundary
- Some small, high-grade ore bodies consist of fossil logs and pod-like accumulations of carbonaceous material replaced with uranium and vanadium minerals
- Analogy to the Bigryli Deposit, Northern Territory Australia





**PROJECTS** 

**NEXT STEPS** 

## **Exploration Activities**

- Surface Sampling Returned high-grade uranium (up to 1.25% U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>) and vanadium (up to 3.4% V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>)
- Maiden Drilling Program 15 Rotary holes; Confirmed uranium and vanadium mineralisation













# **2022 Maiden Drilling Program**

- Reconnaissance Program (15 Holes)
- Targeting the Salt Wash Sandstone
- Drilling testing high-grade uranium and vanadium mineralisation along strike at 3 areas:
  - Rim Rock
  - Groundhog
  - Section 23
- Downhole gamma (uranium) followed by a selection of geochemical samples to the laboratory (uranium & vanadium)





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**PROJECTS** 

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# **Section 23**



### Assays Validate Downhole Gamma and Highlight Vanadium Enriched Halo

### Uranium and Vanadium results :

 $eU_3O_8 = Gamma and U_3O_8 = Assay$ 

Groundhog

- 2.1m @ 360ppm eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> from 85m (22WBRA012A), including
  0.3m @ 1400ppm eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>, and
  1.5m @ 601ppm U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and 2660ppm V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> from 83.8m
- 3.0m @ 519 ppm U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and 1640ppm V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> from 83.8m (22WBRA012)
- 1.2m @ 340ppm eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> from 78m (22WBRA013), including
  0.5m @ 5000ppm eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>

Rim Rock

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- 1.5m @ 1776ppm V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> from 59.4m (22WB014)
- 0.3m @ 720ppm eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> from 59.7m (22WBRA014)
  Section 23
- 0.5m @ 510ppm eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> from 102.6m (22WBRA002)
- 1.5m @ 100ppm  $U_3O_8$  and 1026ppm  $V_2O_5$  from 83.8m (22WB011), and
- 0.5m @ 300ppm eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> from 100m

(ASX/AIM:THR 21 December 2022 and 24 April 2023)



# Vanadium King, Utah

### **Previous Exploration**

- Adjacent to Yellow Cat uranium historic workings
- 2 oil wells at the northern end of tenure recorded high gamma kicks at 117m reflecting the presence of uranium mineralisation







# **REE/Copper**

# **Alford East, SA**

# **Copper in South Australia**

### Geology

- Substantial near surface oxidised copper mineralisation, usually malachite or azurite trending at depth to readily leachable chalcocite, above primary chalcopyrite.
- Leachable gold can also be also present.

#### Infrastructure

 Many deposits are located adjacent to mains electricity and sealed highways and nearby towns that can a provide workforce on a daily commute basis

### **Objective**

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- Production of copper (with some gold credits) using low-impact In-Situ Copper Recovery (ISCR) techniques with a very small environmental footprint.
- Protect the environment with economic opportunities created

Thor Energy has a 30% Interest in a private company EnviroCopper Limited (ECL) that specialises in developing ISCR projects



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# Alford East Copper-Gold Project: High-Grade Results

- Broad high-grade copper-gold results (>500ppm) ideal for ISR
- Diamond drilling Phase 1 results included:
  - 21AED005: 72.7m @ 1.0 % Cu and 0.19g/t Au from 6.3m, including 18.2m @ 2.0% Cu and 0.34g/t Au
  - 21AED001: 32.9m @ 0.4% Cu and 0.31g/t Au from 81.5m (ASX:THR 31 August 2021)



# **High-Grade REE Discovery**

### **REE Review revealed:**

- 8 out of 9 of the 2021 diamond drill holes intersected shallow wide zones of highly enriched REE's
- Mineralisation from 6.3m
- Including:

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# 1.8m @ 4597ppm TREO, 1279ppm MREO (28%), 2017ppm HREO (44%) and 3.62% Cu from 20m (21AEDD005)

- REE mineralisation is in kaolin clay altered, copper rich oxide zones of IOCG style mineralisation.
- Mineralisation is open over a ~5km trend
- The kaolin association may represent an ionic style of REE mineralisation.
- REE analysis of available historic core and rock chips is underway to generate drill targets

(ASX/AIM:THR 26 April 2023)



# High grade REE results (TREO 500ppm Cut-off)

Hole ID	From (m)	To (m)	Interval	TREO %	TREO ppm	MREO ppm	HREO ppm	% HREO to TREO	Cu %
21AEDD005	6.3	43	36.7	0.16	1577	399	662	42	1.20
including	17.8	23.8	6	0.31	3077	776	1495	49	2.10
Including	20	21.8	1.8	0.47	4719	1279	2017	43	3.62
and	47	58	11	0.21	2101	467	1093	52	0.80
including	54	57	3	0.42	4165	767	2626	63	0.90



(ASX/AIM:THR 26 April 2023)



 $TREO = (Total Rare Earth Oxides) = (La_2O_3 + CeO_2 + Pr_6O_{11} + Nd_2O_3 + Sm_2O_3 + Eu_2O_3 + Gd_2O_3 + Tb_4O_7 + Dy_2O_3 + Ho_2O_3 + Er_2O_3 + Tm_2O_3 + Yb_2O_3 + Lu_2O_3 + Y_2O_3)$  MREO = (Magnet Rare Earth Oxides) = Nd2O3 + Pr6O11 + Tb4O7 + Dy2O3 $HREO = (Heavy Rare Earth Oxides) = Ho_2O_3 + Dy_2O_3 + Er_2O_3 + Tm_2O_3 + Yb_2O_3 + Lu_2O_3 + Y_2O_3$ 

# **Next Steps**

# **News Flow**

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### **Scheduled on Ground Exploration Activities**

### **URANIUM**

### Wedding Bell and Vanadium King Projects

- Airborne Geophysics over all 3 Projects
- Permitting drilling program
- Follow up drilling at Section 23, Rim Rock and Groundhog
- Drilling at Vanadium King

### **REE/COPPER**

### **Alford East Project**

- Metallurgical assessment of REE & Copper-Gold recoveries
- Sampling of historic core REE
- Geophysics Ambient Noise Tomography
- Drilling





# Thor Energy (THR) – Key Takeaways



Uranium-Copper-REE - high value commodities with favourable fundamentals



Mining friendly jurisdictions – no sovereign risk



Strong pipeline of targets to drill test in 2023



Modest market cap – potential for significant rerating of share price with positive exploration results



Experienced board and management



# Thank You

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# Supplementary Information

## Alford East - Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate

### Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate for the Alford East Project

22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021 – 0.05% Cu cut-off (oxide material only) (ASX:AIM/THR 27 January 2021)

7625006	AE-7 AE-8	Domain	Tonnes (Mt)	Cu %	Au g/t	Contained Cu (t)	Contained Au (oz)
6257500N	AL-0	AE_1	24.6	0.12	0.021	30,000	16,000
	¢ OPEN	AE_2	6.8	0.13	0.004	9,000	1,000
	AE-5 ALFORD EAST MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATE DOMAINS IN PLAN VIEW AE-3 AE-1	AE_3	34.9	0.09	0.022	33,000	25,000
		AE_4	8.0	0.11	0.016	8,000	4,000
6255000N		AE_5	11.0	0.22	0.030	24,000	11,000
		AE-8 (NP)	31.3	0.19	0.008	61,000	8,000
		AE-7 (LW_E)	7.7	0.14	0.025	10,000	6,000
	AE-2	AE-6 (LW_W)	1.3	0.13	0.011	2,000	500
6252500N	0 1km OPEN Perce	Total	125.6	0.14	0.018	177,000	71,500

Thor Enery PLC to acquire 80% interest in the Alford East Project

Tall figures are rounded to reflect appropriate levels of confidence. Apparent differences may occur due to rounding.



The Company is not aware of any information or data which would materially affect this previously announced resource estimate, and all assumptions and technical parameters relevant to the estimate remain unchanged.

### Alford East REE Key Intercepts (TREO 500ppm Cut-off) (ASX:AIM:THR 24 April 2023)

Hole ID	From (m)	To (m)	Interval	TREO %	TREO ppm	MREO ppm	HREO ppm	% HREO to TREO	Cu %
21AEDD001	17.4	25	7.6	0.07	703	172	128	18	0.11
and	55	58.7	3.7	0.07	681	139	308	45	0.05
and	91.4	108.2	16.8	0.17	1730	248	1189	69	0.50
including	105.5	107	1.5	0.49	4856	665	3545	73	0.72
21AEDD001	110	115	5	0.08	781	165	108	14	0.35
21AEDD002	30.4	42	11.6	0.17	1706	583	584	34	0.26
including	34	40.1	6.1	0.23	2269	769	840	37	0.35
and	50.2	53.3	3.1	0.12	1169	259	685	59	0.16
and	65.5	75.3	9.8	0.08	753	145	457	61	0.33
21AEDD003	17.1	42.3	25.2	0.05	508	92	123	24	0.16
21AEDD004	10.1	11.7	1.6	0.25	2454	680	188	8	0.23
21AEDD004	19	23	4	0.08	817	190	169	21	1.14
21AEDD004	28	38	10	0.08	803	173	145	18	0.62
including	35	36.4	1.4	0.23	2321	482	174	7	0.83
and	42.8	55.9	13.1	0.14	1387	273	388	28	0.45
including	50	51	1	0.21	2081	447	302	15	0.70
21AEDD005	6.3	43	36.7	0.16	1577	399	662	42	1.20
including	17.8	23.8	6	0.31	3077	776	1495	49	2.10
Including	20	21.8	1.8	0.47	4719	1279	2017	43	3.62
and	47	58	11	0.21	2101	467	1093	52	0.80
including	54	57	3	0.42	4165	767	2626	63	0.90
21AEDD006	18	47	29	0.1	974	222	197	20	0.07
including	25.2	26.5	1.3	0.26	2580	175	211	8	0.46
and	52	60.6	8.6	0.07	706	107	99	14	0.09
and	74.9	87.1	12.2	0.09	920	201	156	17	0.07
including	84.3	86	1.7	0.32	3204	755	249	8	0.11
21AEDD007	13	30	17	0.09	916	256	245	27	0.13
including	19	20	1	0.22	2237	700	547	24	0.16
and	33	40	7	0.1	1028	178	318	31	0.10
including	33	34	1	0.17	1680	286	542	32	0.15
21AEDD008	7.8	10.6	2.8	0.09	881	184	94	11	0.14

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### **Period Table – Rare Earth Elements**





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# In Situ Recovery (ISR)

- ESG Favourable alternative to traditional mining
- Low-cost / low environmental impact metal production
- Chemical process rather than a high-cost mining operation (no large pit / no crushing or grinding / no waste dumps etc
- ISR techniques have been utilised commercially in South Australia for >15 years – Thor has the expertise locally

Refer to Thor website for ISR explanatory video:

https://thorenergyplc.com/projects/alford-copperprojects/

### ISR – Copper Projects (Arizona, USA)

- Florence Project Taseko Mines
- Van Dyke Project Copper Fox Metals
- Gunnison Project, Excelsior Mining Corp



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