



## Mount Gibson Iron Limited

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# QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31<sup>st</sup> March 2004

## Tallering Peak

### Project Development

All outstanding development activities at the Tallering Peak Iron Mine were completed and commissioned during the quarter.

### Production

Mining of hematite ore commenced in January with the Company's first shipment used to commission the Geraldton Port Authority's shiploading facilities in late February.

A second excavator and truck fleet were hired during the quarter to increase production levels in an endeavour to offset shipping volumes lost due to delays at the Geraldton Port. The increased production levels will be sustained for the life of the project with additional mining plant being sourced to join the existing fleet on a long term basis.

**March Quarter Production Statistics**

|                      | Mar Qtr 2004 | YTD 2004 |
|----------------------|--------------|----------|
| Waste Mined (bcm)    | 513,599      | 513,599  |
| Ore Mined (wmt)      | 261,846      | 261,846  |
| Crushing (wmt)       |              |          |
| Lump                 | 132,668      | 132,668  |
| Fines                | 73,075       | 73,075   |
| Total                | 205,743      | 205,743  |
| Road Transport (wmt) |              |          |
| Lump                 | 118,293      | 118,293  |
| Fines                | 69,398       | 69,398   |
| Total                | 187,691      | 187,691  |
| Rail Transport (wmt) |              |          |
| Lump                 | 79,792       | 79,792   |
| Fines                | 64,854       | 64,854   |
| Total                | 144,646      | 144,646  |
| Shipping (wmt)       |              |          |
| Lump                 | 67,466       | 67,466   |
| Fines                | 56,963       | 56,963   |
| Total                | 124,429      | 124,429  |

**Exploration**

No additional exploration work was carried out on the Tallering Peak tenements.

**Proposed Work Tallering Peak**

The remaining unsealed section of the Mullewa-Carnarvon Road to the mine site is to be sealed, increasing the tonnage achievable by road to 2.2 mtpa from the current 1.65mtpa, with sealing to be completed within the next quarter.

Production at the mine is scheduled to increase initially to 1.8mtpa with further increases in production possible once all three deposits (T3, T4 and T5) are fully developed. Final drilling of the T5 deposit will be completed in the June Quarter and mining rates will be re-scheduled once final results are available.

# Appendix 5B

## Mining exploration entity quarterly report

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appendix 8. Amended 1/7/97, 1/7/98, 30/9/2001.

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Quarter ended ("current quarter")

31 March 2004

### Consolidated statement of cash flows

| <b>Cash flows related to operating activities</b>               | Current quarter<br>\$A'000 | Year to date<br>(9 months)<br>\$A'000 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1.1 Receipts from product sales and related debtors             | 3,699                      | 3,793                                 |
| 1.2 Payments for                                                |                            |                                       |
| (a) exploration and evaluation                                  | -                          | -                                     |
| (b) development                                                 | (175)                      | (2,887)                               |
| (c) production                                                  | (5,581)                    | (5,581)                               |
| (d) administration                                              | (372)                      | (2,193)                               |
| 1.3 Dividends received                                          | -                          | -                                     |
| 1.4 Interest and other items of a similar nature received       | 17                         | 155                                   |
| 1.5 Interest and other costs of finance paid                    | (459)                      | (945)                                 |
| 1.6 Income taxes paid                                           | -                          | -                                     |
| 1.7 Other (inventory)                                           | -                          | -                                     |
| <b>Net Operating Cash Flows</b>                                 | <b>(2,871)</b>             | <b>(7,658)</b>                        |
| <b>Cash flows related to investing activities</b>               |                            |                                       |
| 1.8 Payment for purchases of:                                   |                            |                                       |
| (a) prospects                                                   | -                          | -                                     |
| (b) equity investments                                          | -                          | -                                     |
| (c) other fixed assets                                          | (634)                      | (8,889)                               |
| 1.9 Proceeds from sale of:                                      |                            |                                       |
| (a) prospects                                                   | -                          | -                                     |
| (b) equity investments                                          | -                          | -                                     |
| (c) other fixed assets                                          | -                          | 12                                    |
| 1.10 Loans to other entities                                    | -                          | (72)                                  |
| 1.11 Loans repaid by other entities                             | -                          | -                                     |
| 1.12 Other – payment for capitalised exploration                | (917)                      | (1,008)                               |
| <b>Net investing cash flows</b>                                 | <b>(1,551)</b>             | <b>(9,957)</b>                        |
| 1.13 Total operating and investing cash flows (carried forward) | <b>(4,422)</b>             | <b>(17,615)</b>                       |

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|      |                                                            |                |                |
|------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1.13 | Total operating and investing cash flows (brought forward) | (4,422)        | (17,615)       |
|      | <b>Cash flows related to financing activities</b>          |                |                |
| 1.14 | Proceeds from issues of shares, options, etc.              | 2,240          | 5,437          |
| 1.15 | Proceeds from sale of forfeited shares                     | -              | -              |
| 1.16 | Proceeds from borrowings                                   | 1,547          | 7,785          |
| 1.17 | Repayment of borrowings                                    | (413)          | (1,124)        |
| 1.18 | Dividends paid                                             | -              | -              |
| 1.19 | Other (Capital raising costs)                              | -              | (150)          |
|      | Other (Redemption – Convertible Notes)                     | -              | -              |
|      | <b>Net financing cash flows</b>                            | <b>3,374</b>   | <b>11,948</b>  |
|      | <b>Net increase (decrease) in cash held</b>                | <b>(1,048)</b> | <b>(5,667)</b> |
| 1.20 | Cash at beginning of quarter/year to date                  | 2,934          | 7,553          |
| 1.21 | Exchange rate adjustments to item 1.20                     |                | -              |
| 1.22 | <b>Cash at end of quarter</b>                              | <b>1,886</b>   | <b>1,886</b>   |

**Payments to directors of the entity and associates of the directors****Payments to related entities of the entity and associates of the related entities**

|      |                                                                  | Current quarter<br>\$A'000 |
|------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1.23 | Aggregate amount of payments to the parties included in item 1.2 | 14                         |
| 1.24 | Aggregate amount of loans to the parties included in item 1.10   | -                          |

## 1.25 Explanation necessary for an understanding of the transactions

Included in "Proceeds from borrowings" are advance payments by Stemcor (S.E.A) Pte Ltd for ore sales. Funds have been spent on the development of Tallering Peak Hematite Project and construction of iron ore storage facility in Geraldton.

**Non-cash financing and investing activities**

## 2.1 Details of financing and investing transactions which have had a material effect on consolidated assets and liabilities but did not involve cash flows

During the current quarter, plant totalling \$1,847,335 was purchased under Hire Purchase and Finance Lease arrangements.

## 2.2 Details of outlays made by other entities to establish or increase their share in projects in which the reporting entity has an interest

Nil

**Financing facilities available***Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the position.*

|                                 | Amount available<br>\$A'000 | Amount used<br>\$A'000 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 3.1 Loan facilities             | 9,462                       | 9,462                  |
| 3.2 Credit standby arrangements | 5,000                       | 786                    |

**Estimated cash outflows for next quarter**

|                                | \$A'000      |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| 4.1 Exploration and evaluation | 1,550        |
| 4.2 Development                | -            |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>1,550</b> |

**Reconciliation of cash**

Reconciliation of cash at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts is as follows.

|                                                  | Current quarter<br>\$A'000 | Previous quarter<br>\$A'000 |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 5.1 Cash on hand and at bank                     | (9)                        | 1,039                       |
| 5.2 Deposits                                     | 1,895                      | 1,895                       |
| 5.3 Bank overdraft                               | -                          | -                           |
| 5.4 Other (funds held in trust)                  | -                          | -                           |
| <b>Total: cash at end of quarter (item 1.22)</b> | <b>1,886</b>               | <b>2,934</b>                |

**Changes in interests in mining tenements**

|     | Tenement<br>reference                                         | Nature of interest<br>(note (2)) | Interest at<br>beginning<br>of quarter | Interest at<br>end of<br>quarter |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 6.1 | Interests in mining tenements relinquished, reduced or lapsed | N/A                              |                                        |                                  |
| 6.2 | Interests in mining tenements acquired or increased           | N/A                              |                                        |                                  |

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**Issued and quoted securities at end of current quarter**

Description includes rate of interest and any redemption or conversion rights together with prices and dates.

|                                                                                                                                | Total number                                                                                                            | Number quoted | Issue price per security (see note 3) (cents)                      | Amount paid up per security (see note 3) (cents)       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 7.1 <b>Preference + securities</b><br><i>(description)</i>                                                                     | -                                                                                                                       | -             | -                                                                  | -                                                      |
| 7.2 Changes during quarter<br>(a) Increases through issues<br>(b) Decreases through returns of capital, buy-backs, redemptions | -                                                                                                                       | -             | -                                                                  | -                                                      |
| 7.3 <b>+Ordinary securities</b>                                                                                                | 282,565,822                                                                                                             | 282,565,822   | -                                                                  | -                                                      |
| 7.4 Changes during quarter<br>(a) Increases through issues<br>(b) Decreases through returns of capital, buy-backs              | 11,200,000                                                                                                              | 11,200,000    | 20 cents                                                           | 20 cents                                               |
| 7.5 <b>+Convertible debt securities</b><br><i>(description)</i>                                                                | Convertible @ 30 cents<br>6 monthly to 30/6/05<br>Interest @ 10% pa<br>6 monthly in arrears<br>Total on issue 7,916,667 | -             | -                                                                  | -                                                      |
| 7.6 Changes during quarter<br>(a) Increases through issues<br>(b) Decreases through securities matured, converted              | -<br>-                                                                                                                  | -<br>-        |                                                                    |                                                        |
| 7.7 <b>Options</b><br><i>(description and conversion factor)</i>                                                               | 18,800,000<br>2,083,332<br>10,000,000                                                                                   | -             | <i>Exercise price</i><br>22.00 cents<br>15.84 cents<br>25.00 cents | <i>Expiry date</i><br>15/10/05<br>28/02/06<br>31/12/04 |
| 7.8 Issued during quarter                                                                                                      | 10,000,000                                                                                                              | -             | 25.00 cents                                                        | 31/12/04                                               |
| 7.9 Exercised during quarter                                                                                                   | -                                                                                                                       | -             | -                                                                  | -                                                      |
| 7.10 Expired during quarter                                                                                                    | -                                                                                                                       | -             | -                                                                  | -                                                      |
| 7.11 <b>Debentures</b><br><i>(totals only)</i>                                                                                 | -                                                                                                                       | -             | -                                                                  | -                                                      |
| 7.12 <b>Unsecured notes</b> <i>(totals only)</i>                                                                               | -                                                                                                                       | -             | -                                                                  | -                                                      |

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## Compliance statement

- 1 This statement has been prepared under accounting policies which comply with accounting standards as defined in the Corporations Act or other standards acceptable to ASX (see note 4).
- 2 This statement does ~~not~~\* (*delete one*) give a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

Sign here:



Date: 30 April 2004  
(~~Director~~/Company Secretary)

Print name: Angela Dent

## Notes

- 1 The quarterly report provides a basis for informing the market how the entity's activities have been financed for the past quarter and the effect on its cash position. An entity wanting to disclose additional information is encouraged to do so, in a note or notes attached to this report.
- 2 The "Nature of interest" (items 6.1 and 6.2) includes options in respect of interests in mining tenements acquired, exercised or lapsed during the reporting period. If the entity is involved in a joint venture agreement and there are conditions precedent which will change its percentage interest in a mining tenement, it should disclose the change of percentage interest and conditions precedent in the list required for items 6.1 and 6.2.
- 3 **Issued and quoted securities** The issue price and amount paid up is not required in items 7.1 and 7.3 for fully paid securities.
- 4 The definitions in, and provisions of, *AASB 1022: Accounting for Extractive Industries* and *AASB 1026: Statement of Cash Flows* apply to this report.
- 5 **Accounting Standards** ASX will accept, for example, the use of International Accounting Standards for foreign entities. If the standards used do not address a topic, the Australian standard on that topic (if any) must be complied with.

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