

## FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE INTERIM PERIOD 6 MONTHS TO 31 DECEMBER 2016

### KEY POINTS

Significant improvements at the Hera Mine, relative to the prior corresponding period, have delivered a marked turnaround in financial performance:

- **22% increase in gold production to 22,680 oz**
- **49% increase in sale revenue to \$51.3M**
- **369% increase in Operating Cash flow to \$18.7M**
- **Reported profit of \$4.4M**
- **Net debt reduced by 22% to \$93.6M**

Aurelia's Managing Director & CEO, Jim Simpson comment: *"The improved financial performance is a reflection of the turnaround in operating performance at the Hera Mine. This result was delivered through increasing processing throughput and gold recovery to increase gold production, despite a 16% reduction in gold head grades, relative to the prior corresponding period. Generating \$18.7M in operating cash flow in the half was an excellent result and enabled the business to make an early start on reducing its debt. Delivering strong operational cash flow, reducing net debt, and growing our mine life are our key goals to creating future value."* Said Mr Simpson.

### INTERIM FINANCIAL RESULTS

Aurelia Metals Limited ("**AMI**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to report its financial results for the six months to 31 December 2016. Performance improved across all metrics relative to the prior corresponding period.

- Sales revenue increased by 49% to \$51.312 million
- EBITDA increased by 288% to \$20.668 million
- Reported profit increased to \$4.352 million (relative to a loss in the prior corresponding period)
- Net Debt (using nominal or face value of debt) reduced by 21% to \$93.574 million

The improved performance was delivered by significant improvements at the Hera processing facility, which delivered:

- Increased processing throughput, up 22% to 183,092 tonnes
- Increased gold recovery, up 18% to 86.6%
- Increased gold production, up 22% to 22,680 oz, despite a 16% reduction in head grade

Activity was also focussed on increasing mine life through successful exploration. During the period the Company commenced detailed drilling of the North Pod, at the northern end of the mine. The drilling intersected high grade gold and base metals and highlights the potential for the North Pod to be a high grade source of ore in future periods. Exploration is ongoing to test the potential of the North Pod, structural targets to the north, and at depth beneath the Hera mine.

Early debt reduction commenced in the period with a voluntary \$10.080 million debt repayment made in December 2016. This repayment reduced the nominal value of outstanding debt to \$114.970 million. The repayment had the consequential benefit of cancelling 108 million Glencore Options.

#### Further Information

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