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PRODUCT MARKETING AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

- **Test order of aluminium-Precursor #2 shipped to a large Li-B cathode manufacturer**
- **Aluminium-Precursor #2 has now reached 5N+ purity**
- **Further sales of 5N purity aluminium-Precursor #1**
- **Large HPA pellet order for USA near completion**
- **Additional HPA powder and HPA pellet orders received from Taiwan**
- **Test orders received for HPA powder and Precursor #1 from German lighting company**
- **Boehmite test sample shipped to cathode technology developer in Canada**
- **HPA product development underway for Japan based ceramic/sapphire end user**
- **Boehmite and HPA powder product development underway for Li-ion battery end-users**

The Board of Alpha HPA Limited ('Alpha' or 'the Company') is pleased to provide an update on product marketing activities for its HPA First Project, representing the evaluation and intended commercialisation of the production of ~10,000tpa equivalent of high purity alumina (HPA) and related high purity products using the Company's proprietary licenced solvent extraction (SX) and HPA refining technology.

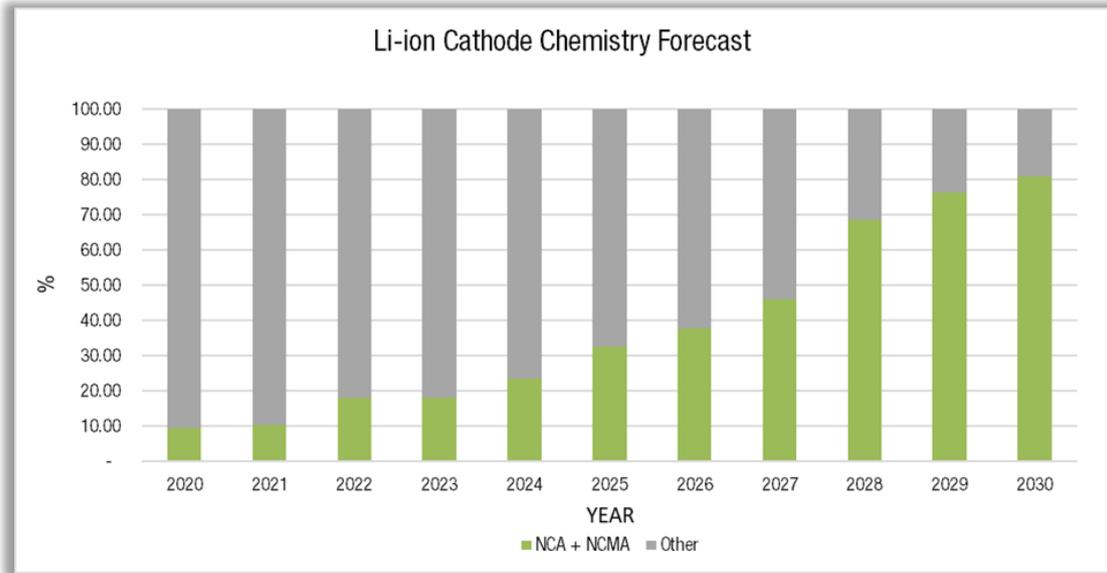
PRODUCT MARKETING UPDATE

Alpha is currently engaged in an aggressive global marketing effort across its full range of high purity alumina and aluminium products, spanning a diverse range of end users and applications as both direct engagements and primarily via Traxys. The Directors are delighted with the level of end-user engagement with the Company's products and Alpha continues to prepare and ship test samples for product assessment, pursue end user supply negotiations and expand product sales into speciality markets.

Test order for Precursor #2 shipped to a large Li-B cathode manufacturer at 5N+ purity

Alpha has shipped an initial test order for Al-Precursor #2, to a large manufacturer of cathode active materials for lithium-ion batteries. Alpha's initial synthesis of this material was reported to the ASX on 8 October 2020 as 4N purity, however, improved production processes with this order (1.2kg) has seen the purity lift to 5N+ (see Appendix 1).

This aluminium chemical precursor is used for the manufacture of aluminium bearing cathode chemistries, notably NCA (nickel-cobalt-aluminium) and NCMA (nickel-cobalt-manganese-aluminium). Aluminium bearing cathode chemistries are forecast to represent ~80% of all lithium-ion cathodes by 2030 (see graphic below).



Forecast share of aluminium bearing cathode chemistries (NCA+NCMA) to 2030 (source UBS)

Further sales of 5N Precursor #1

Following on from the maiden sale of Alpha's 5N Precursor #1 (ASX: 11 November 2020), Alpha has confirmed further sales orders of this precursor to speciality markets in the USA, via Rhineland Specialities. Alpha has now received sales orders for more than 40kg of this product, with a further 20kg order expected in January 2021, at an average price of ~US\$496/kg.

Alpha continues to market this precursor to both specialty applications as well as the LED/Phosphor and lithium-ion battery markets, with further test orders sent and with new and follow-on orders anticipated.



20kg drum shipment- 5N Precursor #1



42kg carton shipment - 5N Precursor #1

Large HPA pellet order near completion

Alpha is close to finalising a large (~100kg) test order for HPA pellets for a North American based sapphire glass manufacturer. The order is now being progressively converted into HPA pellets in the Company's Brisbane facility and is on schedule to be shipped before the end of December 2020.



HPA pellets as a subset of the larger (~100kg) HPA pellet test order being packaged for shipment

Additional HPA powder and HPA pellet orders received from Taiwan

Alpha has received additional orders for HPA powder and pellets from a large Taiwan based sapphire glass and ceramics manufacturer. The pellet order has been shipped with the HPA powder order due for shipment in January 2021.

Test orders received for HPA powder and Precursor #1 from German lighting company

As part of its evolving marketing campaign in the solid state/LED lighting sector, Alpha has now received test orders from a German based lighting company for LED phosphor testwork. The test order included HPA powder as well as Precursor #1. The test products will be evaluated for solid state and wet process phosphor synthesis. The Precursor #1 sample has already been shipped, with the HPA powder due for shipping in early January 2021.

Boehmite test sample shipped to cathode technology developer in Canada

A sample order of Alpha's high purity boehmite product has been despatched to a cathode technology business in Canada for testing of the product into their cathode materials blend.

PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Alpha's broadening technical and commercial engagement with end-users has precipitated a number of product development requests which are now active projects within the Brisbane facility, in parallel with the delivery of end-user test orders. Current product development projects underway include:

- The development of HPA pellets with bespoke specifications for a Japanese based specialist ceramics and sapphire glass manufacturer.
- The development of a boehmite based product with bespoke specifications for a South Korean customer in the lithium-ion battery supply chain.
- The development of HPA powder with bespoke specifications for both existing cathode and potential future cathode manufacturers.

These product development projects have forecast completion timelines ranging from December 2020 through to February 2021.

Managing Director, Rimas Kairaitis, commented; *“Alpha is currently within a very active phase of its market outreach, and is excited about the level of market engagement based upon Alpha’s product purity and range, combined with supply chains that are actively expanding and rapidly diversifying”*

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About the HPA First Project

The Company's HPA First Project represents the evaluation and intended commercialisation of the production of ~10,000tpa equivalent of high purity alumina (HPA) and related products using the Company's proprietary licenced solvent extraction and HPA refining technology. The technology provides for the extraction and purification of aluminium from an industrial feedstock to produce 4N (>99.99% purity) alumina for the intended use within the lithium ion battery and LED lighting industry. Following a successful testwork program and completion of a Pre-Feasibility Study (PFS), updated in March 2019, Alpha has now completed Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) based on the successful completion of its Pilot Plant program at its dedicated laboratory facility in Brisbane.

The Company has commenced full permitting, market outreach and project financing processes, with the expectation of positioning the HPA First Project to Final investment Decision.

Competent Persons Statement (Process Development Testwork)

Information in this announcement that relates to metallurgical results is based on information compiled by or under the supervision of Dr Stuart Leary, an Independent Consultant trading as Delta Consulting Group. Dr Leary is a Member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM). Dr Leary has sufficient experience to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Persons under the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Dr Leary consents to the inclusion of the technical data in the form and context in which it appears.

For further information on testwork results and processes see ASX announcements dated 8 October 2020, 28 September 2020, 28 July 2020, 19 June 2020, 21 May 2020, 23 April 2020, 25 March 2020, 17 March 2020, 10 December 2019, 21 November 2019, 10 October 2019, 23 September 2019, 28 August 2019, 5 August 2019, 25 July 2019, 2 July 2019, 3 June 2019, 17 April 2019, 7 March 2019, 4 December 2018, 20 November 2018, 6 September 2018, 31 August 2018, 9 July 2018, 30 April 2018, 26 April 2018, 21 March 2018, 6 March 2018, 21 February 2018, 8 December 2017, 30 November 2017, 29 November 2017, 24 November 2017 and 13 November 2017.

Appendix 1-Impurity Assays: Assay of Al-precursor #2

Analyte	Ag	As	Au	B	Ba	Be	Bi	Ca	Cd
Method	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-ICP02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-ICP02	ME-MS02
Unit	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Value	<0.001	0.01	<0.001	<1	0.02	<0.001	<0.001	1.37	<0.001

Analyte	Ce	Co	Co	Cr	Cs	Cu	Dy	Er	Eu
Method	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-ICP02	ME-ICP02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02
Unit	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Value	<0.001	0.14	<0.001	0.14	<0.001	0.25	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

Analyte	Fe	Ga	Gd	Ge	Hf	Hg	Ho	In	K
Method	ME-ICP02	ME-MS02	UHP						
Unit	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Value	0.14	0.09	<0.001	<0.01	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	2.45

Analyte	La	Li	Lu	Mg	Mn	Mo	Na	Nb	Nd	Ni
Method	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-ICP02	ME-ICP02	ME-MS02	ME-ICP02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02	ME-MS02
Unit	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Value	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<1	<0.1	<0.001	<1	<0.001	<0.001	0.16

Analyte	Ni	P	Pb	Pd	Pr	Pt	Rb	Re	Sb	Sc
Method	ME-ICP02	UHP	ME-MS02							
Unit	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Value	0.04	11.40	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.0001	<0.001	0.01

Analyte	Se	Si	Sm	Sn	Sr	Ta	Tb	Te	Th	Tl
Method	ME-MS02	ME-ICP02	ME-MS02							
Unit	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Value	0.04	<1	<0.001	0.01	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001

Analyte	Tm	U	W	Y	Yb	Zn	Zr
Method	ME-MS02						
Unit	ppm						
Value	<0.001	<0.001	0.03	<0.001	<0.001	1.46	<0.001

NB: Phosphorus (P) is a volatile element and will gasify on calcination and so is removed for purity calculations

TOTAL IMPURITIES	17.75	PPM
TOTAL IMPURITIES (less P)	6.35	PPM
PURITY (less P)	99.9994%	

1. JORC CODE, 2012 EDITION – TABLE 1

1.1 Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections.)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling. Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used. Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report. In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Samples of high purity aluminium bearing precursor were taken as ~10g splits of homogenised, crystalline powder
Drilling techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable. The samples were generated from a feedstock of industrial chemicals.
Drill sample recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed. Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples. Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Logging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies. Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography. The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Sub-sampling techniques and Sample Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken. If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry. For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique. Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Samples were presented as a homogenised, crystalline aluminium bearing pre-cursor generated from a crystallisation and centrifuge process

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	<p><i>samples.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling. Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled. 	
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total. For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc, the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc. Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The purity analysis of the high-purity pre-cursor was determined by ALS (Brisbane) The samples are dissolved to make a dilute solution which is able to be directly read on an ICP-OES. The solution is analysed firstly, after further dilution, to report Aluminium and other elemental analysis. It is then directly read by ICP-OES, with no dilution, to lower detection limits for specific elements other than Aluminium.
Verification of sampling and assaying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel. The use of twinned holes. Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols. Discuss any adjustment to assay data. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Location of data points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation. Specification of the grid system used. Quality and adequacy of topographic control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Data spacing and distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results. Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied. Whether sample compositing has been applied. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type. If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Sample security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The measures taken to ensure sample security. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duplicates of all samples submitted were retained at the Company's Brisbane laboratories to insure against any sample loss
Audits or reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not applicable

1.2 Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

(Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Mineral tenement and land tenure status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings. The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Exploration done by other parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Geology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Drill hole Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> easting and northing of the drill hole collar elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar dip and azimuth of the hole down hole length and interception depth hole length. If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Data aggregation methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated. Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail. The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results. If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported. If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known'). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
Diagrams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
<i>Balanced reporting</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
<i>Other substantive exploration data</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Applicable
<i>Further work</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling). Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Company is continuing operations at its pilot/demonstration facility in Brisbane.