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The technical information in this presentation was reviewed and approved by Mr. Bruce Mitton, P.Geo., Vice-President, Exploration, and Mr. David Cataford, Eng., Vice-President, Engineering, for Champion Iron Mines Limited who are Qualified Persons under NI 43-101.

The Company (or Champion) reported a JORC Resource & Reserve Statement on 27 October 2014. The Company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the JORC report and confirms that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the JORC Resource & Reserve statement continue to apply and have not materially changed.



# **Champion Iron (ASX: CIA, TSX: CIA)**

An iron ore exploration and development company with properties located in the heart of Canada's premier iron ore mining district, the Labrador Trough

Shares on Issue	o 196.6 million (Includes the future conversion of 1.8 million exchangeable shares).
Total Assets	o C\$121.3m (as at 30 June 2014)
Major Project	<ul> <li>Located in the Labrador Trough, Champion's Consolidated Fire Lake North is situated in eastern Québec immediately north of ArcelorMittal's Fire Lake Mine, and 60 km south of Cliffs Natural Resources' Bloom Lake Mine.</li> <li>A total resource of 3.4 billion tonnes of which 1.2 billion tonnes (total in-pit) outlined in the Fire Lake North East Pit and West Pit are currently in Feasibility Study</li> </ul>
Focus: 2015	Final project feasibility study to be delivered in 4Q 2105 in coordination with the completion of the government sponsored railway feasibility study for the Labrador Trough
Focus: 2015	



# **Achieving major milestones**

Significant progress towards the delivery of the full Feasibility Study

December 2014	Positioning to build the next major iron ore mine in the Labrador Trough
November 2014	SFNQ executes contract with Canarail to complete Phase One of railway feasibility study
October 2014	Champion becomes founding partner of SFNQ to advance the Labrador Trough rail feasibility study
June 2014	Government of Québec announces contribution of C\$20 million to study optimum Labrador Trough rail option
February 2013	Preliminary Feasibility Study on Consolidated Fire Lake North complete
November 2012	Environmental base study states that the project will not impact water quality
August 2012	Metallurgical test indicate coarse liberation size of $850\mu$ to produce marketable sinter feed concentrate



### **Positioned for Success**

### Fire Lake North Project based on Preliminary Feasibility Study, February 2013

Product	<ul> <li>66% Fe Premier product with low levels of deleterious elements (i.e. alumina and phosphorus) aimed at the sinter market</li> </ul>
Reserve	<ul> <li>465Mt of Proven and Probable reserves within greater than 1.2 billion tonnes of global in-pit resources</li> </ul>
Size	<ul> <li>Average production forecast at 9.3Mtpa of iron ore concentrate at 66% Fe over LOM of 19.6 years</li> </ul>
NPV	<ul> <li>NPV 8% of C\$3.3b based on C\$44.05/t opex (US\$110/t - \$115/t 62% Fe CFR China)</li> </ul>
Management	<ul> <li>Successful track record of developing and funding large tonnage mining and infrastructure projects</li> </ul>
Rail	<ul> <li>Champion is a founding partner of Société ferroviaire du Nord québécois (SFNQ), a limited partnership between Government of Québec and industry, to execute Phase One of feasibility study for rail line connecting the Port of Sept-Îles with the mining region of Fire Lake North</li> <li>QNS&amp;L common carrier rail is an alternative transport solution</li> </ul>
Port	<ul> <li>Access to common user port with available capacity at Pointe-Noire (two shiploaders with capacity of 8,000 tonnes per hour load rate)</li> </ul>
Power	<ul> <li>Low-cost hydroelectricity: \$0.045/kwh</li> </ul>



### An Industry and Market-proven Executive Chairman



### Michael O'Keeffe

Michael is the Executive Chairman & CEO of Champion Iron Limited, and Executive Chairman of Riversdale Resources (which recently acquired "Grassy Mountain," a Canadian coal asset from Consol Energy and Devon). Michael is a metallurgist and has significant experience and achievement in growing mining resources companies. Some companies previously under Michael's stewardship:

- o Riversdale Mining Limited (2004-2011), Executive Chairman. Led the development of Riversdale Mining from a junior with a market cap of A\$7 million until it was acquired by Rio Tinto for A\$4 billion. During his period at Riversdale Mining, Michael raised around A\$780 million for the company.
- O Glencore Australia (Pty) Limited (1995-2004), Managing Director.
  Responsible for Glencore's Australian trading acquisitions. Increased
  Glencore's market share in Australia and SE Asia, growing the turnover from
  US\$100 million to US\$2.4 billion.
- O Mt Isa Mines (1975-1994). At Mt Isa, Michael held a series of senior operating positions, rising to Executive Management level in commercial activities. His achievement among others was undertaking feasibility studies into downstream copper smelting and refining opportunities in Europe, Asia, North and South America.



### **Board with Strong Governance and Industry Experience**

# Successful track record in developing and funding of large tonnage mining and infrastructure projects

#### Andrew Love, FCA | Non-Executive Director

- Deputy Chairman of Riversdale Mining Ltd.
- o 30 years of experience in finance with banking and corporate recovery
- Established Ferrier Hodgson in Hong Kong (1985)

#### Gary Lawler, LLB, LLM | Non-Executive Director

- o Partner of Ashurst Australia, a leading Australian law firm
- o Previously a director with both Dominion Mining Ltd. and Riversdale Mining Ltd.
- Recognized as a leading lawyer in Corporate/M&A by Chambers Global 2011; and M&A and Corporate/Governance by Best Lawyers Australia, 2011

#### Paul Ankcorn, CA | Non-Executive Director

- o Former President and Director of Cartier Iron Ore Corporation from 2012 to 2013
- Chief Financial Officer of Tartisan Resources Corp. and Shield Gold Inc. since 2008
- o President of Remington Resources Inc. from 2005 to 2010
- o Director of ACME Resources Corp., Shielf Gold Inc., Tartisan Resources Corp., and Fancamp Exploration Ltd.



### **Experienced Management Team**

### **Mine Development & Operating Experience**

#### Alexander Horvath, P.Eng. | Chief Operating Officer

- Over 32 years of experience in mineral exploration and mining, including senior operational roles at Asarco Inc. and its associated international subsidiaries in Canada, Portugal and French Guyana
- Experience managing base and precious metals exploration, mineral resource estimates, feasibility studies, reserve audits and acquisition due diligence reviews

#### David Cataford, Eng. | Champion Iron Mines – Vice President, Engineering

- Held several management positions at Cliffs Natural Resources Inc., including senior roles at their major iron ore mine:
   Bloom Lake in Québec; part of the management team that increased mining capacity by 80 percent
- o Instrumental in delivering the completion of phase-one ramp-up of Bloom Lake Plant
- Experience in ore characterization projects at Bloom Lake and ArcelorMittal's Mont Wright, and in adapting the recovery circuit to meet new customer's demands

#### Barry Knight, MAusIMM | Technical Director

- Over 25 years of experience as qualified geologist working with Robe River and Fortescue Metals
- Expansive experience in iron ore from early phase exploration, resource estimates and resource strategy, product development and testing, and technical marketing to end-users in Asia

#### Beat Frei | Champion Iron Mines – Director, Finance

- Over 20 years of experience in senior management positions at Credit Suisse/CSFB, UBS AG, Klöckner & Co. (leading steel distribution company) and OOO Enisey
- Significant experience in steel and metal plants upgrade in the Middle East and CIS countries, as well as in global steel trading

#### Bruce Mitton | Champion Iron Mines – Vice President, Exploration

- Over 25 years of mineral exploration experience
- Spent 10 years at Noranda Inc. (now part of Glencore Xstrata Plc) and 15 years as geological consultant to several mining and junior mineral exploration companies in Eastern Canada and Ecuador



### The Executive Chairman's Six Months Statement



Reduced Costs
Brought monthly cash
burn down to almost
50 percent



Culture
Transitioned from exploration to development stage



**Product**Completed initial testing and development work



Market Analysis
Identified strong demand
for high Fe and low silica
product



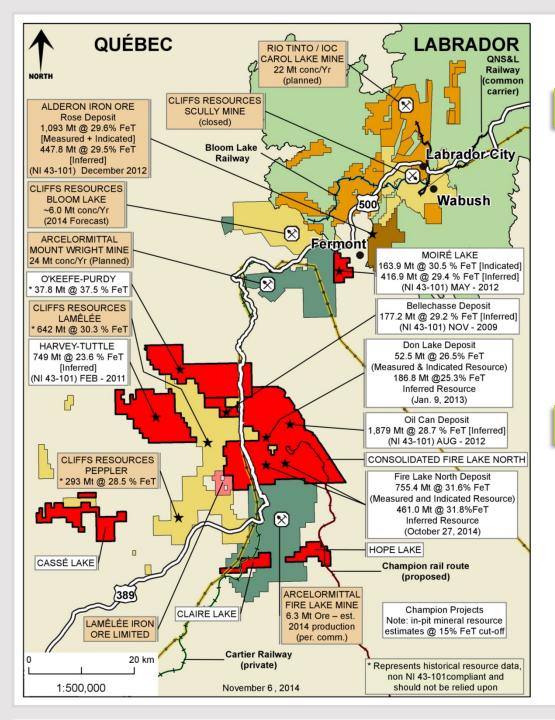
**Technical**Performed due diligence
on project – no technical
fatal flaws



Infrastructure: "Logistics before dirt"
Champion became a founding partner of
Société ferroviaire Nord québécois (SFNQ),
a government-industry partnership, to
advance the Labrador Trough rail feasibility
study to be delivered in Q4 2015



Resource
Released initial JORC
Resource Statement for
Consolidated Fire Lake
North project





### **The Labrador Trough**

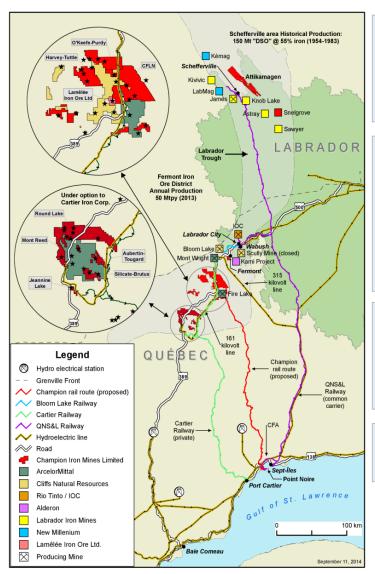
- Canada is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest exporter (2013)
- Labrador Trough accounts for Canada's nearly total iron ore production estimated at ~50Mt (2013)
- The Labrador Trough is known for its high grade and low impurities (i.e. aluminum, phosphorus and silica) iron ore product

### **Champion's Québec Holdings**

- Lies within the Fermont Iron Ore District (FIOD), a world-renowned iron mining camp at the southern end of the Labrador Trough
- Southern iron ore deposits have coarser grain size



# **Regional Infrastructure Supports Global Exports**



Champion is located near existing railways, including QNS&L common carrier railway with available capacity

Port of Sept-Îles' **50Mtpa expansion** is almost complete at
Pointe-Noire wharf to construct
an open access multiuser deepwater dock with two ship
loaders and two conveyor lines

Champion has access to low-cost hydroelectric power as low as C\$0.045/kwh, significantly reducing opex

**Further expansion** options are available on both rail and port









# A premium product - ideal as a blending product for steel mills

# Large tonnage, high-quality hematite iron ore deposits.

- $\bullet$  Metallurgical coarse grained hematite mineralization that is easy to liberate at  $850\mu$
- 66% Fe premium product with low levels of alumina, phosphorous and sulphur
- 82% Fe recovery with conventional gravity spiral processing
- Alumina is 0.52% (industry standard of 2%) with circa 5% silica content
- Low alumina to silica ratio ideal as a blending product for steel mills

FS Targets: A low silica premium product resulting in higher Fe content of 68% Fe, and greater Fe recovery through modified flow sheet of 85% recovery





# **Multiple Ports and Ship Facilities**

#### Pointe-Noire: Multiuser wharf

- Phase 1: Capacity of 50Mtpa
  - o Near completion, Q4 2014
  - Federal government funding 25% of the project
- Phase 2: Easily expandable to 100Mpta

#### **Pointe-Noire: Cliffs**

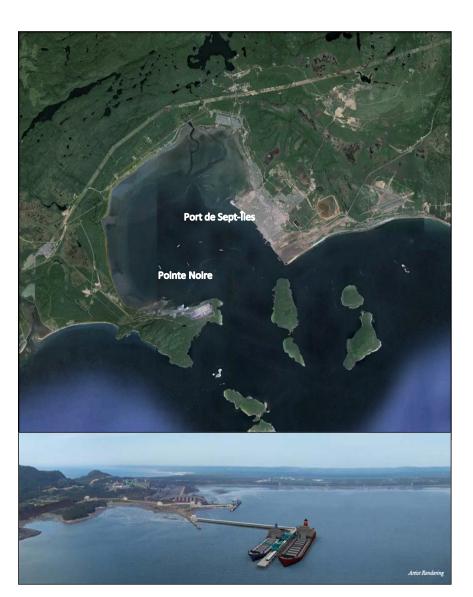
- Two berths with combined 13Mtpa capacity
- Larger ships require transhipping
- Planning and dredging to allow handling of larger ships

### Port of Sept-Îles – IOC/Rio

- Handling IOC and third party ores
- Capacity: Over 25Mtpa

#### Port Cartier (Private) - ArcelorMittal

- Approximately 27Mtpa shipped
- Capacity: 30-35Mtpa





# **Multiuser Labrador Trough Railway**

Québec Liberal Party wins the 2014 provincial election with a majority government (four-year term)

\$33b towards
infrastructure development
strategy with key point to
promote agreement of coinvestment among
businesses for the opening
up of the Labrador Trough
and to advance a rail
connection linking the iron
ore deposits with the Port
of Sept-Îles



Government of
Québec announces
contribution of
\$20m towards a
feasibility study to
determine the
optimum rail option
linking Port of SeptÎles and the Labrador
Trough





Government of
Québec, Champion
and Adriana
Resources form
Société ferroviaire
du Nord québécois
(SFNQ) to advance
Labrador Trough rail
feasibility







# **Strong and Increasing Value Proposition**

**CHAMPION: PREMIUM PRODUCT** 

WITH LOW IMPURITIES

**INCREASES** VALUE-IN-USE

- The price for premium product is expected to increase
- Consumers are finding ways to increase the load of high-grade concentrate to reduce hot metal/steel cost
- Targeting worldwide producers that require premium raw materials

The World: Declining ore body quality results in product with higher impurities

Impurities reduce the value-in-use:

- Higher energy cost
- Transportation cost
- Slag/environmental penalties
- Amortization of blast furnace



### **Iron Ore Price History**



- Price gap between58% Fe and 62% Feis significant.
- This price
   differential is
   forecast to widen,
   as is the gap
   between 62% Fe
   and 66% Fe
- The demand for rich iron burden (high Fe content with low impurities) is expected to continue to support this gap

Iron ore price: It's all about grade now...

"A more recent development is the widening gap between different quality fines: 65% fines at Qingdao fetched \$103 while Tianjin 58% goes for \$26 a tonne less. The discount to 62% has doubled from around \$8 at the start of the year to \$16 today." – Mining.com (June 2014)



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