

Rio Tinto Exploration Pty. Limited

ABN 76 000 057 125 / ACN 000 057 125

A member of the Rio Tinto Group

Third and Final Annual Report for the Period Ending 26th May 2006 for EL 23676 Warramana East, McArthur Base Metals Programme, Mt Young SD5315, Northern Territory

Exploration Report No. 27873

Tenement Holder: North Mining Limited

Date: September 2006

Author: S R Bishop

Submitted: I Clementson

Distribution: Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries & Mines, RTE Perth Information Centre

This report and its contents are confidential. All rights to the report and its contents (including, without limitation, rights to confidential information and copyright in all works (including photographs, diagrams, charts, maps and graphs) comprised in the report) remain the property of Rio Tinto Exploration Pty. Limited. No part of this report or the information contained in it may be disclosed to any person without the consent of Rio Tinto Exploration Pty. Limited. No part of this report, or the information contained in it may be reproduced (including being stored in any form), transmitted, published or used for any purpose without the prior consent of Rio Tinto Exploration Pty. Limited.

Third and Final Annual Report for the Period Ending 26th May 2006 for EL 23676 Warramana East, McArthur Base Metals Programme, Mt Young SD5315, Northern Territory Report No. 27873

Page ii

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

This report is the third and final exploration report for exploration licences EL 23676 Warramana East, located within the McArthur Basin of northern Australia, approximately 44km northwest of Borroloola, on the Bauhinia Downs and Mt Young 1:250,000 map sheets, Northern Territory.

North Mining Limited (North) and Anglo American Exploration (Australia) (AAE) signed the Batten Trough Farm In and Joint Venture Agreement, that includes EL 23676, on 29th September 2003. North Mining is a subsidiary of Rio Tinto Ltd and for the purposes of the joint venture was being represented by Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Ltd (RTE). AAE withdrew from the joint venture and handed the tenements back to North on 24th March 2006. North relinquished EL 23676 on 26th May 2006.

Exploration activities for the year ending 26th May 2006 consisted of the following:

• A review of exploration data by Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Limited (RTE) failed to identify any exploration targets worthy of additional work.

There are no remaining exploration targets for large-scale Zn-Pb-Ag deposits within EL 23676 that provide sufficient encouragement for further exploration expenditure by RTE.

Three years of exploration activities by RTE and AAE did not identify any significant Zn-Pb-Ag mineralisation within EL 23676.

No rehabilitation is required by RTE in respect of exploration activities undertaken within the tenements.

Rio Tinto Exploration Con fidential Information - unauthorised use prohibited

Third and Final Annual Report for the Period Ending 26th May 2006 for EL 23676 Warramana East, McArthur Base Metals Programme, Mt Young SD5315, Northern Territory Report No. 27873

Page iii

VERIFICATION LISTING

Euclaration Work Tune	File News	Format
Exploration Work Type Office Studies	File Name	Format
Literature search Database compilation		
Computer modelling		
Reprocessing of data		
General research		
Report preparation	27873 Warramana East.	pdf
Other (specify)	WAp46638.pdf (Tenement Location Plan)	Pdf
Airborne Exploration Surveys		
Aeromagnetics		
Radiometrics		
Electromagnetics		
Gravity		
Digital terrain modelling		
Other (specify)		
Remote Sensing		
Aerial photography		
LANDSAT		
SPOT		
MSS		
Radar		
Other (specify)		
Ground Exploration Surveys		
Geological Mapping		
Regional		
Reconnaissance		
Prospect		
Underground		
Costean		
Ground Geophysics		
Radiometrics		
Magnetics		
Gravity		
Digital terrain modelling		
Electromagnetics		
SP/AP/EP		
IP		
AMT		
Resistivity		
Complex resistivity		
Seismic reflection		
Seismic refraction		
Well logging		
Geophysical interpretation		
Other (specify)		
Geochemical Surveying Drill sample		
Stream sediment		
Soll		
Rock chip		
Regolith		
Water		
Biogeochemistry		
Isotope		
Whole rock		
Mineral analysis		
Other (specify)		
Drilling		
Aircore		
Auger		
Diamond		
Reverse circulation		
Rotary air blast		
Rotary percussion		
Tungsten carbide bit (coring)		
Groundwater drilling		
All drilling		
File Verification Listing (this table)	27873 Warramana East V.pdf	.pdf
,		• •