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**DRILLING AT KATANNING GOLD PROJECT CONFIRMS
EXTENSIVE HIGH GRADE SHOOT**

- Northern extension of White Dam high-grade shoot has been intersected underneath the Jinkas orebody. Results include:
 - 10m @ 3.55g/t Au from 193m in BSRC0729 including:
 - 2m @ 5.03g/t Au from 193m; *and*
 - 1m @ 15.15g/t Au from 197m
 - 10m @ 1.22g/t Au from 193m in BSRC0730 including:
 - 1m @ 5.62g/t Au from 193m; *and*
 - 3m @ 1.41g/t Au from 200m
- Southern extension of Jinkas high-grade lode intersected. Results include:
 - 15m @ 2.03g/t Au from 16m in BSRC0720 including:
 - 1m @ 9.24g/t Au from 25m; *and*
 - 2m @ 7.57g/t Au from 29m
- Follow-up drilling has commenced, further assay results will be released when available
- Mineral resources for White Dam and Jinkas expected to increase with further drilling and geological modelling.

Ausgold Limited (ASX: AUC) ("Ausgold" or "the Company") is pleased to announce that all assay results have been received from the recent RC drilling undertaken at its 100% owned Katanning Gold Project ("KGP") prior to the programs temporary suspension over the Christmas holiday period. The assay results demonstrated the down-plunge continuity of the White Dam high-grade shoot, which was a key objective of the program.

Two holes for 424m were drilled targeting the down-plunge extents of the White Dam high-grade shoot and seven holes for 625m were drilled targeting the shallow or "up-plunge" extents of White Dam (Figure 1, Table 1, Appendix 1).

Miss Melanie Sutterby, Ausgold's Geology Manager, commented on the results:

"The new results demonstrate that the high grade shoot at White Dam continues at depth. BSRC0729 and 730 intersected the shoot 80m north of the last confirmed section. We are excited by the success of the modelling and results to date, and the drill rig is currently on site testing the White Dam shoot further along its projected extension."

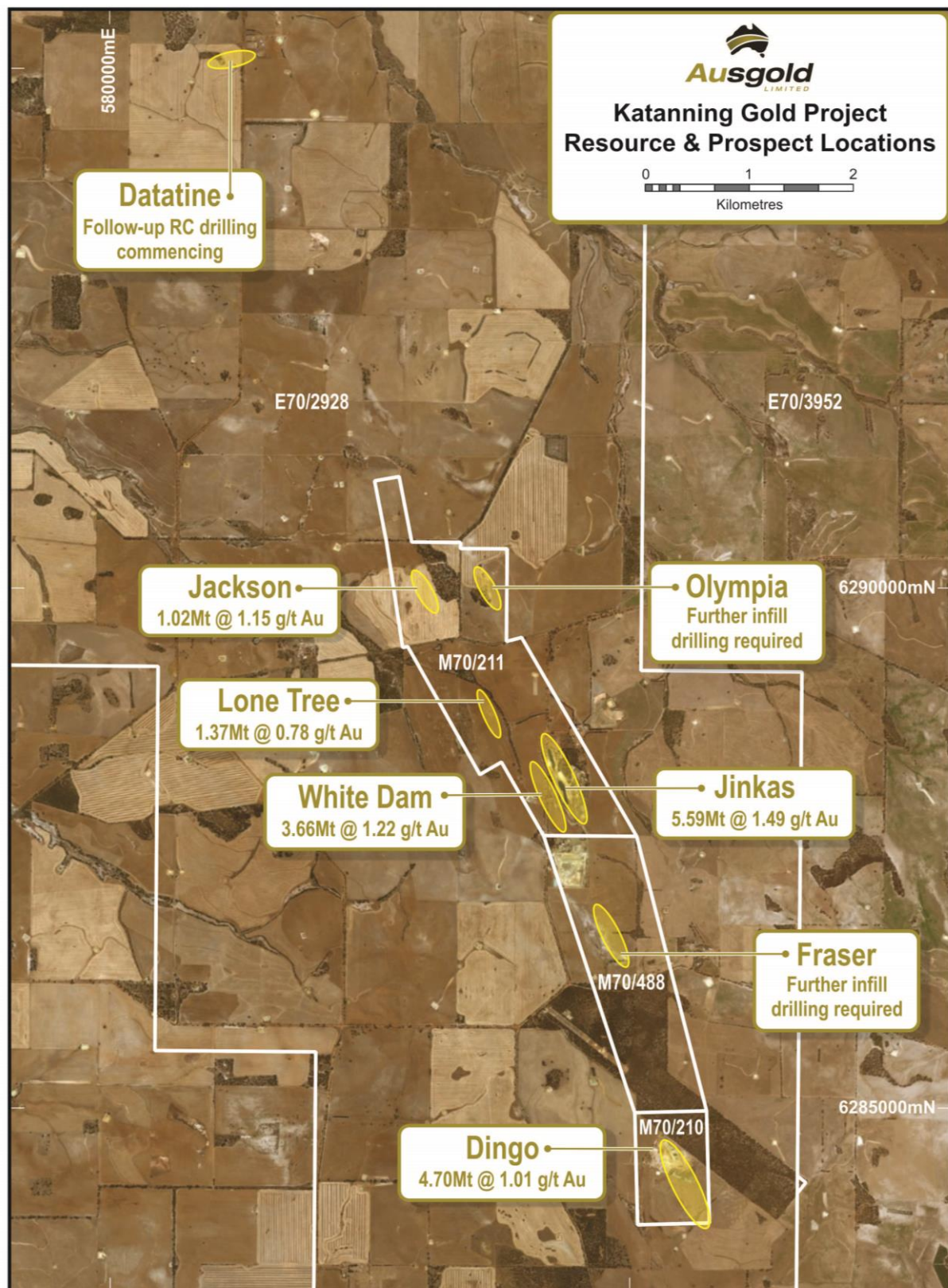


Figure 1. Katanning Gold Project resource and prospect locations (Mineral Resources developed in accordance with JORC 2012 Code; refer "Updated JORC Resource" ASX announcement 21 October 2015)

WHITE DAM AND JINKAS ASSAY RESULTS

Significant results for the RC drilling at White Dam and Jinkas lodes are shown in Table 1, including:

- 10m @ 3.55g/t Au from 193m in BSRC0729, including:
 - 2m @ 5.03/t Au from 193m; and
 - 1m @ 15.15g/t Au from 197m.
- 10m @ 1.22g/t Au from 193m in BSRC0730, including:
 - 1m @ 5.62/t Au from 193m; and
 - 3m @ 1.41g/t Au from 200m.
- 15m @ 2.03g/t Au from 16m in BSRC0720, including:
 - 1m @ 9.24g/t Au from 25m; and
 - 2m @ 7.57g/t Au from 29m.

Hole ID	Northing MGA 50	Easting MGA 50	AHD RL	Magnetic Azimuth	Dip	Total Depth (m)	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)	Au (ppm)	Lode
WHITE DAM and JINKAS LODES											
BSRC0716	6287605	584404	373	244°	-61°	76	59	60	1	1.29	White Dam
BSRC0717	6287627	584436	372	244°	-85°	100	80	81	1	2.00	White Dam
BSRC0718	6287626	584435	372	244°	-60°	96	79	80	1	2.27	White Dam
BSRC0719	6287588	584379	373	244°	-61°	59	No significant intersections				White Dam
BSRC0720	6287700	584533	369	242°	-55°	132	16	31	15	2.03	Jinkas
							25	26	1	9.24	
							29	31	2	7.57	
BSRC0721	6287452	584449	383	244°	-61°	72	No significant intersections				White Dam
BSRC0722	6287465	584489	383	244°	-60°	90	87	88	1	5.15	White Dam
BSRC0728	6288276	584433	384	244°	-70°	163	No significant intersections				Hole Abandoned
BSRC0729	6288275	584432	384	244°	-65°	214	97	98	1	5.66	Jinkas
							193	203	10	3.35	White Dam
							193	195	2	5.03	
BSRC0730	6288275	584431	384	244°	-60°	210	116	117	1	1.14	Jinkas
							193	203	10	1.22	White Dam
							193	194	1	5.62	
BSRC0730	6288275	584431	384	244°	-60°	210	200	203	3	1.41	White Dam

Table 1. Anomalous gold values received from RC drilling at White Dam and Jinkas South (*GDA 1994 MGA Zone 50).

Notes to Table 1.

For RC assay results the intervals reported are thickness-weighted averages (ie. XXm grading XX grams per tonne gold content). Reported intervals are calculated using $\geq 0.5\text{g/t}$ Au cut-off grade and using a $\leq 2\text{m}$ minimum Internal Dilution (unless otherwise stated).

Figure 2 shows a cross-section view and Figure 3 shows a long-section view of White Dam highlighting gold grade distribution and the apparent shoot-like geometry of the high-grade mineralisation.

The new results demonstrate the down-plunge continuity of the White Dam high-grade shoot, with BSRC0729 and BSRC0730 (section 18410mN) intersecting the shoot 80m north of its previously confirmed extent on section 18340mN (refer ASX announcement 4th May 2016). The strike length of the White Dam high-grade shoot has now been modelled in excess of 550m and remains open at depth.

The current RC drilling (refer to ASX release 10th January 2017), which commenced on Tuesday and consists of approximately 1200m, is designed to test the down plunge continuity at White Dam a further 180m beyond these latest results.

A zone of shallow mineralisation was intersected by BSRC0720 approximately 50m south of the historical pit, which appears to be the southern extension of the Jinkas orebody. There are historical drill holes in this location. However, they were drilled on a sub-optimal azimuth, rendering the logging and assay results unsuitable for inclusion in mineral resource modelling and estimation. As such, this southern mineralised extension of approximately 300m has not been effectively drill-tested and will be assessed at a later date.

The up-plunge drilling at White Dam successfully intersected the interpreted shoot position. However, the results were of a low tenor. Interpretation of the results is ongoing. It is possible that the shoot pinches out towards the surface or that the lode is structurally complicated.

Follow-up drilling has commenced in anticipation of a global mineral resource update later in the year.

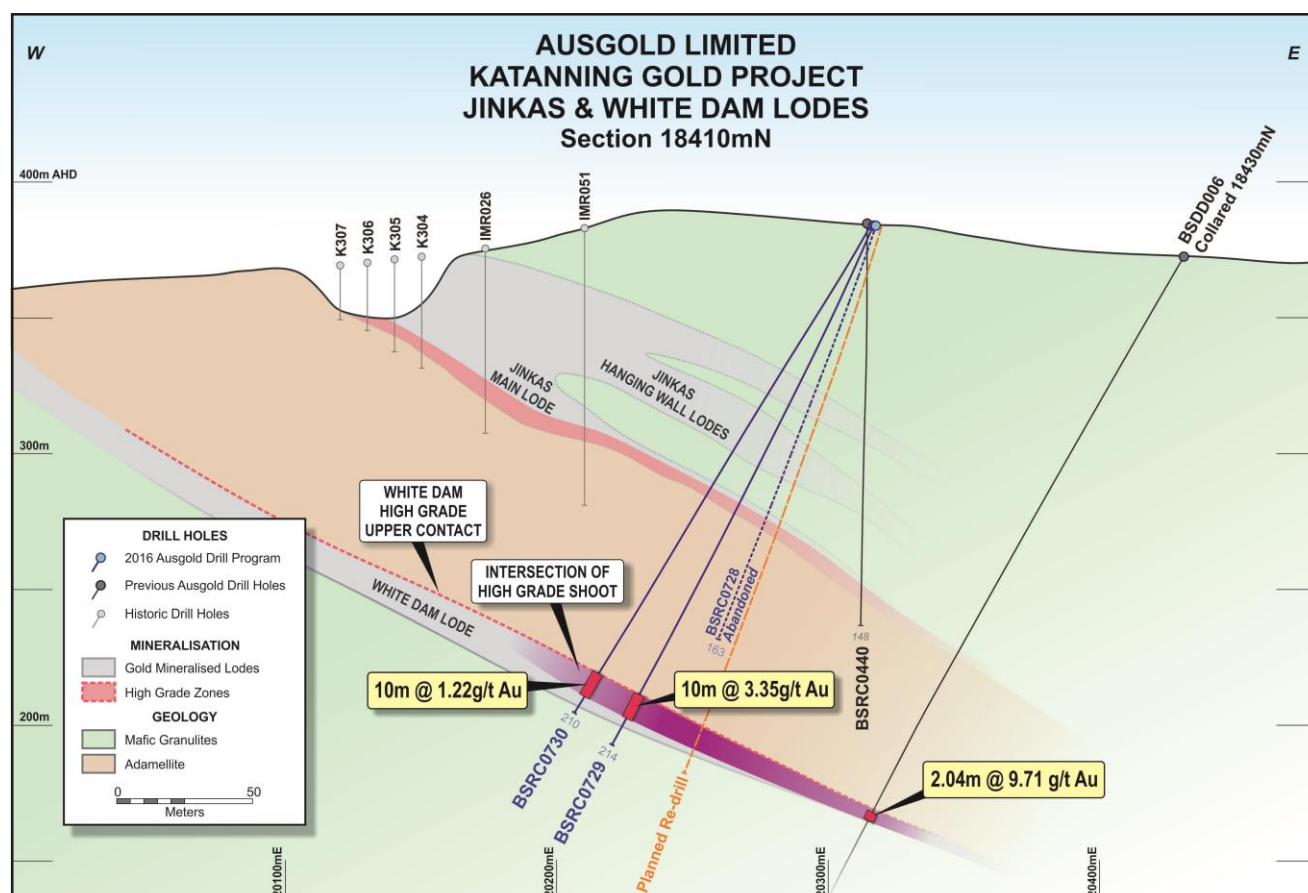


Figure 2. White Dam project cross-section 18410mN

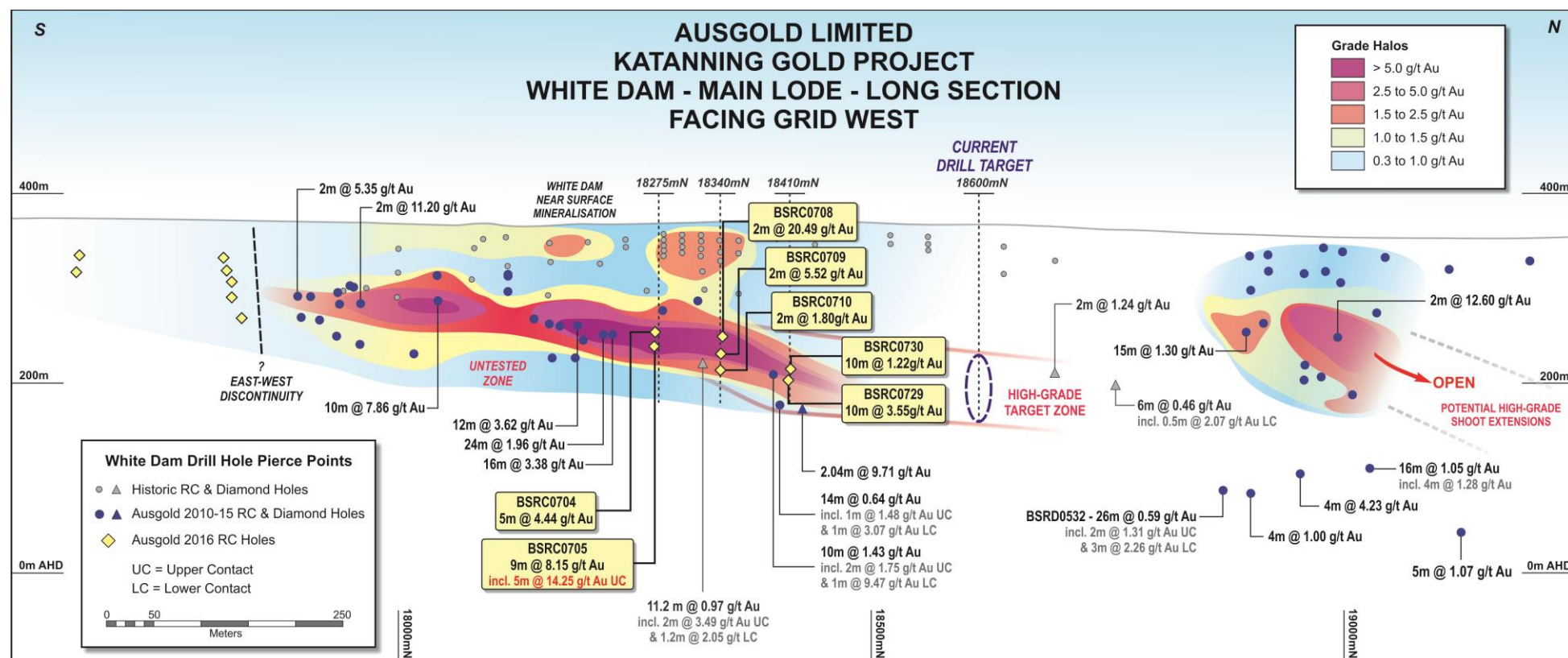


Figure 3. White Dam showing South-North long section of Mineral Resource Model, completed RC drilling, current RC drilling and interpreted extension of potential high grade shoot.

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Competent Person’s Statements

The information in this announcement that relates to Exploration Targets and Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Miss Melanie Sutterby who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM) and has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation under consideration and to the activity which she undertakes to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 edition of the “Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves”. Miss Sutterby is an employee of Ausgold Limited and consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.

The information in this announcement that relates to the Mineral Resource Estimates is based on work done by Mr Rod Brown of SRK Consulting (Australasia) Ltd and Miss Sutterby. Miss Sutterby takes responsibility for the integrity of the Exploration Results including sampling, assaying, and QA/QC, and the preparation of the geological interpretations. Mr Brown takes responsibility for the Mineral Resource Estimate.

Mr Brown and Miss Sutterby are members of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and have sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration, and to the activity that they are undertaking, to qualify as Competent Persons in terms of the “Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves” (JORC Code, 2012 edition). The Competent Persons consent to the inclusion of such information in this announcement in the form and context in which it appears.

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Appendix 1 – Table 2.

“JORC Code, 2012 Edition – Table 1 report template”

Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

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

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<i>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.</i> <i>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</i> <i>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</i> <i>In cases where ‘industry standard’ work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg ‘reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1m samples from which 3kg was pulverised to produce a 30g 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.</i>	The reverse circulation (“RC”) drilling program referred to in this announcement consisted of 9 reverse circulation holes for 1,049. Samples from RC drilling were collected in one metre intervals in mineralised zones with a 1/8 split for assay, split by a cyclone-mounted cone splitter, bagged in pre-numbered calico bags and the remainder retained in large plastic bags. In non-mineralised zones, a spear sample was taken from each bulk sample and composited to 4m. Spear samples were taken as consistently full and level for each sample. Where composite samples return assays at or above 0.5g/t Au the original samples (which are stored in plastic bags at the site) will be riffle spit to provide representative 1m samples for sample submission. QAQC samples consisting of field duplicates (additional split from RC), with standards and blanks inserted into the sequence of assay samples at a rate of 1 in 10. Each RC metre sampled weighed approximately 2 to 3 kilograms. All RC samples were sent to ALS Laboratories for crushing and pulverising to produce a 50 gram sample charge for analysis by fire assay and flame atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS).
Drilling techniques	<i>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-</i>	All samples in this program were from RC drilling conducted by Core Drilling Services Pty Ltd. The RC drill holes utilised a downhole hammer and face sampling bit and were 5.5 inches in diameter.

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	<i>sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).</i>	
<i>Drill sample recovery</i>	• <i>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</i> • <i>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</i> • <i>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.</i>	RC drilling sample weights (inclusive of moisture) are recorded for bulk reject samples. Recoveries are calculated qualitatively. In general, sample recovery observed was high (+95%). The cyclone-mounted cone splitter was cleaned on a regular basis to eliminate/minimise down hole and/or cross-hole contamination. Samples recovered where almost all dry, with occasional moist samples. The relationship between sample recovery and grade and whether bias has been introduced has not been investigated at this stage.
<i>Logging</i>	• <i>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.</i> • <i>Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.</i> • <i>The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</i>	All drill holes in the current program have been geologically logged to a level of detail to support the definition of geological domains appropriate to support Mineral Resource estimation and classification. The 4m composited sampling is not appropriate for Mineral Resource estimation. Representative rock chips were collected in chip trays, and logged by the geologist at the drill site. Sample condition and degree of weathering were recorded qualitatively. No geotechnical logging is possible on reverse circulation samples. Lithology, weathering (oxidation state), structure, veining, mineralisation and alteration are recorded in detail using standard digital logging sheets and defined look up tables to ensure that all data is collected consistently. This data is logged using tablet computers. All data is validated by the logging geologist before being entered in an acQuire [?] database. All drill holes are logged.
<i>Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation</i>	• <i>If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</i> • <i>If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.</i> • <i>For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.</i> • <i>Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.</i>	RC chip samples were collected from each sampling interval from the rig mounted cyclone. This sample was riffle split to produce a sample that represents 12.5% of the initial sample collected. Another 25% sample is retained as a reference sample and when required (1 in 30) another 12.5% sample was collected as a field duplicate. Upon receipt by the laboratory the samples were sorted and dried at 160°C before being pulverised to nominally 80% passing 75 microns. Samples weighing more than three kilograms were halved by riffle splitting prior to pulverising with smaller samples completely pulverised. For QAQC samples, a sequence of matrix matched certified reference materials, commercial certified reference materials and blanks were inserted into the sample run at a frequency of approximately one in 14 samples. Sample sizes are considered to be appropriate for the style/texture of oxide and sulphide

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	- 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.	mineralisation at the Katanning Gold Project.
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	- 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.	The analytical techniques used are considered appropriate using four acid digestion or sample fusion. Gold was analysed by ALS at Perth (Australia) using the Au-AA26 fire assay with Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy (AAS) method with a 50g sample charge. This method has a lower detection limit of 0.01g/t and upper detection limit of 100g/t. When gold is greater than 100g/t the Au-DIL (gold by dilution) method is used (lower detection of 1g/t). Certified field duplicates, blanks and standards were inserted approximately every 10m. Blank samples are inserted to check for contamination in field sampling, laboratory sample preparation and analysis. The blank material used should be below detection limits. The gold standards were sourced from Geostats Pty Ltd and Gannet Holdings with gold certified values ranging between 0.38g/t and 7.07g/t. Standard reference materials are used to check accuracy and bias of the analytical method. The results were similar to the standard concentration for the specific standard. QAQC samples were monitored on a batch-by-batch basis. An assay batch is accepted if the blank samples are within the acceptable limits (5 times the lower detection limit) and the standards are within the + 3SD (standard deviations). One failed standard can cause rejection if the results around the failed standard are not in the normal grade range. A batch is also re-assayed when assay results from two or more standards are outside the acceptable limits. The inserted blank materials did not show any consistent issues with sample contamination. 100% of the gold standards assays were within acceptable limits with no low or high bias. The performance of field duplicates in RC samples is generally reasonable and the variations are related to the style of mineralisation. ALS also insert QAQC samples to internally test the quality of the analysis. These results are received with the assay results in each batch. The ALS QAQC included standards, blanks and duplicates for independent quality control. The results of the lab standards were also monitored on a batch to batch basis by the data geologist. The results did not show any issues with the laboratory.

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Verification of sampling and assaying	<i>The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.</i> <i>The use of twinned holes.</i> <i>Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.</i> <i>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</i>	High standard QAQC procedures are in place (and will be audited), therefore repeatability issues from a QAQC point of view are not considered to be significant. Significant and/or unexpected intersections were reviewed by alternate company personnel through review of geological logging data, physical examination of remaining samples and review of digital geological interpretations. All assay data was accepted into the database as supplied by the laboratory. Data importation into the database is documented through standard operating procedures and is guided by acQuire import validations to prevent incorrect data capture/importation. Geological, structural and density determination data is directly captured in the database through a validation controlled interface using Toughbook computers and acquire database import validations. Primary data is stored in its source electronic form. Assay data is retained in both the original certificate (.pdf) form and the text files received from the laboratory. Data entry, validation and storage are discussed in the section on database integrity below.
Location of data points	<i>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.</i> <i>Specification of the grid system used.</i> <i>Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</i>	Drillhole collars (and drilling foresight/back-sight pegs) were set out and picked up by Ausgold personnel using a differential GPS; which provided +/- 100 millimetre accuracy. The grid system is MGA94 datum, UTM zone 50. Elevation values were in AHD. An end of hole gyroscopic drill hole survey was completed by the drilling contractors using a Reflex tool. The gyro measured the first shot at 0m followed by every 10m down-hole. The data was examined and validated onsite by the supervising geologist. Any surveys that were spurious were re-taken. Validated surveys are entered into the acQuire data base by data entry personnel.
Data spacing and distribution	<i>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.</i> <i>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.</i> <i>Whether sample compositing has been applied.</i>	Historic drilling at the Jinkas deposit (pre-mining) is mainly 5m down-dip spacing on 20m spaced cross-sections to a vertical depth of approximately 40-50m, over what is now the historical open pits at Jinkas and Dingo. Grade control blast holes and trenches were completed during the campaign of mining from December 1995 to July 1997. Historic drilling was also completed on both the footwall (White Dam mineralisation) and hanging wall (Olympia and Fraser mineralisation) of the historic Jinkas open pit as well as to the north and south of the main Jinkas deposit, mainly at 20m down-dip spacing on 20m cross-sections, with vertical depths to 30m in the hanging wall and to 150m on the footwall. Ausgold has extended this drill pattern both down-dip and to the north, with down-dip spacing of 20m on 20m spaced cross-sections, to a vertical depth of

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		250m. Ausgold has also completed drilling further to the north (approximately 500m north of the Jinkas open pit) with down-dip spacing of 40m on 40m cross-sections, to a vertical depth of 300m. The nominal RC grids are deemed adequate to identify mineralisation envelopes which are infilled as appropriate.
<i>Orientation of data in relation to geological structure</i>	<i>Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.</i> <i>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.</i>	100% of RC drillholes were inclined perpendicular and drilled to the mine grid west (243°), commensurate with the interpreted dip and strike of the orebody. All holes were designed to best capture the interpreted dip and strike of the mineralisation and oriented perpendicular to the trend of interpreted lithology and structures to obtain as much as possible a true with representation. Observations of the current program do not suggest a bias in sampling from the drilling orientation.
<i>Sample security</i>	<i>The measures taken to ensure sample security.</i>	Calico bags were placed into numbered polyweave bags which were tied securely and marked with flagging. Rejects portions were routinely weighed during relocation to a designated location for temporary storage. Assay samples were stored at a dispatch area and dispatched, depending on the frequency of pickups and length of the program. Samples were shipped via Katanning Logistics directly to ALS in Perth. The sample dispatches were accompanied by supporting documentation signed by the geologist and showing the sample submission number, analysis suite and number of samples. The chain of custody is maintained by ALS once the samples are received on site and a full audit trail for every sample is available through the ALS' Webtrieve application. Assay results are emailed to the responsible geology administrators in Perth and will be loaded into the acQuire database through an automated process. QAQC on import is completed before the results are finalised.
<i>Audits or reviews</i>	<i>The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.</i>	Before the commencement of the current RC program, the sampling process was fully reviewed and documented as a standard company process. A number of operational and technical adjustments were identified to improve validation of collected data, interpretation of data and management of QAQC practices. These improvements have been updated into standard operating procedures.

Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

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

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
<i>Mineral tenement and land tenure status</i>	<i>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.</i> <i>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.</i>	Reported results are all from 100%-owned mining tenements, including M70/211. Apart from reserved areas, rights to surface land use are held under freehold titles. Ausgold has entered into access and compensation agreements with freehold landowners that permit exploration activities. Bordering the eastern wall of the Jinkas open pit, there is a registered Aboriginal Heritage Site 5353 known as "Jinkas Hill". No access for exploration or mining activities is allowed within this site unless a section 18 application to move/destroy an Aboriginal Heritage Site is submitted to the Department of Indigenous Affairs. The land is used primarily for grazing and cropping. The tenement is in good standing, and all work is conducted under specific approvals from the Department of Mines and Petroleum ("DMP").
<i>Exploration done by other parties</i>	<i>Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.</i>	Gold mineralisation was discovered by Otter Exploration NL in 1979 at Jinkas Hill, Dyliaing, Lone Tree and White Dam after following up stream sediment anomalies. Between 1984 and 1988 Otter and related companies evaluated the region with several other explorers including South West Gold Mines and Minasco Resources Pty Ltd. In 1987 Glengarry Mining NL purchased the project and in 1990 entered into a joint venture with Uranerz who agreed on minimum payments over three years to earn 50% interest. Uranerz withdrew from the project in 1991 after a decision by their parent company in Germany to cease Australian operations. International Mineral Resources NL ("IMR") purchased the mining leases and the Grants Patch treatment plant from Glengarry Mining NL in 1995 and commenced mining at the Jinkas deposit in December 1995. Ausgold understands the mine was closed in 1997 after producing approximately 20,000 oz of gold from the Jinkas and Dingo Hill open cuts at a head grade of approximately 2.4g/t. The mine closure was apparently brought about by a combination of the low gold price of the time (<US\$400/oz) and the inability of the processing plant's comminution circuit to process hard ore from below the base of weathering. Reports from the period indicate that the ore bodies were reasonably predictable in terms of grade and continuity and appeared to produce consistent and reproducible results from grade control (Ravensgate, 1999).

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		Great Southern Resources Pty Ltd (“GSR”) purchased the mining and exploration leases from IMR in August 2000. Ausgold entered into a joint venture with GSR in August 2010, and the mineral titles were transferred to Ausgold in their entirety in August 2011.
Geology	• <i>Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.</i>	The project includes two main deposit areas comprising Jinkas in the north, and Dingo in the south. The Jinkas area is further subdivided into a set of mineralised zones. The majority of the project area is overlain by residual clays with outcrop mostly limited to remnants of lateritic duricrust on topographic highs. Gold mineralisation is hosted by medium to coarse-grained mafic gneisses which dip at around 30° to 45° towards grid east (68°). These units represent Archaean greenstones metamorphosed to granulite facies. The mineralised gneissic units are interlayered with barren quartz-monzonite sills up to approximately 120 metres thick and are cross cut by several Proterozoic dolerite dykes that post-date mineralisation and granulite metamorphism. Gold predominantly occurs as free gold associated with disseminated pyrrhotite and magnetite, lesser pyrite and chalcopyrite and traces of molybdenite. Thin remnant quartz veins are associated with higher grade zones.
Drill hole Information	• <i>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:</i> ○ <i>easting and northing of the drill hole collar</i> ○ <i>elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</i> ○ <i>dip and azimuth of the hole</i> ○ <i>down hole length and interception depth</i> ○ <i>hole length.</i> • <i>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</i>	Plans showing location of drill holes and also location of significant results and interpreted trends are provided in the figures of report. Any new significant RC results are provided in tables in the above announcement [?].

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	<i>Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</i>	
<i>Data aggregation methods</i>	<i>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.</i> <i>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.</i> <i>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</i>	For RC assay results the intervals reported are thickness-weighted averages (ie. XXm grading XX grams per tonne gold content). Reported intervals are calculated using $\geq 0.5\text{g/t Au}$ cut-off grade and using a $\leq 2\text{m}$ minimum Internal Dilution (unless otherwise stated). Higher grade intervals within larger intersections are reported as included intervals and noted in results table. No top-cut off grades have been applied until more assay results become available to allow statistical determination.
<i>Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths</i>	<i>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</i> <i>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</i> <i>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').</i>	Drill holes are designed to intersect the plane of mineralisation (where this is known) at 90° so that reported intersections approximate true thickness, unless otherwise noted. All intersections are subsequently presented as downhole lengths. If downhole length varies significantly from known true width then appropriate notes are provided.
<i>Diagrams</i>	<i>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.</i>	Refer to figures

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Balanced reporting	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.	Please see information provided in results tables in the above announcement [?]
Other substantive exploration data	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.	At this stage there is no substantive exploration data from the recent drilling that is meaningful and material to report i.e. at this early stage of reporting of drill hole results there is insufficient data to composite cross sections.
Further work	- 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.	Further work is discussed in the above announcement [?].