

BRINE ENTERS FIRST CRYSTALLISER AT MARDIE SALT OPERATION

BCI Minerals Limited (ASX:BCI) (BCI or the Company) is pleased to advise it has successfully commissioned the brine channel and first crystalliser (C1-G1) at its Mardie Salt Operation and Potash Project with the transfer of high-density brine from pond 9.

This achievement enables the formation of a salt pavement in the crystallisers prior to harvesting, marking an important operational milestone on the pathway to first salt production.

Brine levels across ponds 1 to 9 remain in line with operational targets, with densities meeting specification.

To support safe and predictable harvesting, the first crystallisers and associated brine channel have been sealed with liners. Lining of the remaining crystallisers will progressively occur as the operation ramps up toward steady-state production.

BCI remains on schedule and budget, targeting first salt on ship¹ in the December 2026 quarter.



Figure 1: Commissioning of the brine channel

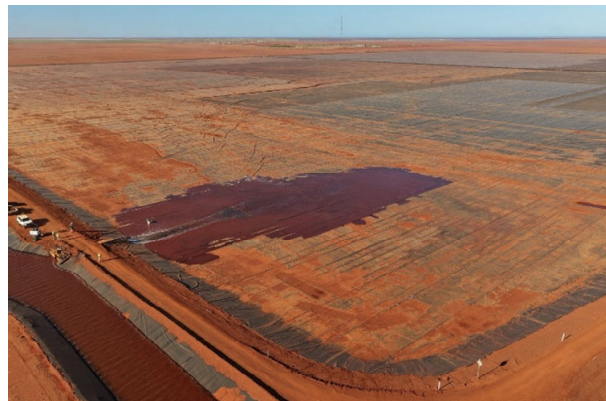


Figure 2: Commissioning of the first crystalliser

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¹ Timing of FSOS is dependent on environmental conditions (evaporation, seepage, rainfall), environmental approvals and construction completion.

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