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29 October 2020

### SEPTEMBER 2020 QUARTER ACTIVITIES & CASH FLOW

### **Highlights**

- Drilling recommenced at Kempfield
- Rock chip and drill hole sampling results
- Signed West Wyalong landowner agreement
- Geophysical interpretation reports
- Completion of heavily oversubscribed placement of \$2.2 million
- Conversion of ARDOB Options

**Argent Minerals Limited (ASX: ARD, Argent, or the Company)** is pleased to report its activities and cash flow for the quarter ended 30 September 2020.

### **EXPLORATON PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS UPDATE**

### **Kempfield RC Drilling Program**

Kempfield Stage 1 RC drilling program was affected by poor weather and ground conditions allowing only 5 days of drilling in 6 weeks during the quarter. Favourable weather conditions are forecast, and this will assist with getting the remaining drill program finished and in line with the Company's safety management plan.

The Company expects to receive assay results for samples during November.

Interstate transport and laboratory availability to process samples has been affected by COVID-19 related delays.

### Outstanding results from Kempfield rock chip sampling program

During the quarter, the Company continued to conduct surface rock chip sampling outside the Kempfield resource area and to date over 32 samples have been collected returning anomalous gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc and barite assays.

The rock chip program aims to define anomalous extensions to the Kempfield resource with reconnaissance and target drilling programs.

The rock chip sampling programs targeted the gold-copper footwall areas, barite test pits, historic barite production quarries and old gold, silver and copper prospects to the south and north of the existing Kempfield resource area. The rock chip sampling will continue until the end of the year.

The surface and historic sample locations that have been sampled and available assay results have included;

*Kempfield Copper Shaft* gossan located centrally within the Kempfield resource Au, Ag, Cu, Pb, Zn lode containing:

• 85.1g/t Ag, 62.8% BaO

Colossal Reef approximately 1.1 km to the west of Kempfield with the highest assay results containing:

• 4.96% Cu, 0.96g/t Au, 40.2 g/t Ag and 1.56% Pb.

and 300 meters further west containing:

0.81g/t Au, 79.6g/t Ag, 0.31% Cu, 0.61% Pb

**Mastodon quartz reef outcrops** 2.8km to north-north west outside of the Kempfield resource area with the highest assay results containing:

2.15g/t Au, 0.1% Pb

*Henry Zone North* 900 meters north-north east of the Henry Zone lode with the highest assay results containing:

236g/t Ag, 64% BaO, 0.15% Pb

and 450 meters south east:

359g/t Ag, 0.93% Pb, 0.68% Zn, 53.8% BaO

**Sugar Loaf Hill** historic silver -gold and copper prospect 1.4km south east of Kempfield resource area with the highest assay results containing:

0.4g/t Au, 123 g/t Ag, 0.23% Pb, 58.3% BaO

The rock chip sampling program will concentrate further to the north of the Henry Zone where mineralization remains open along strike and assay results will be published in late October or early November.

### West Wyalong Drilling Program Update

The Company executed a Rural Access and Compensation Agreement with West Wyalong Landowner B.F.B Pty Limited (the Landowner).

This land access agreement will allow the Company to apply to the NSW regulator to program the preliminary works and plan drilling for January 2021.

The Company is currently finalising the drilling program and has signed a contract with a drilling contractor with the objective of undertaking drilling in January 2021.

### **Geophysical Interpretation Update – Pine Ridge and Tasmanian Projects**

The Company continued to work closely with geophysical consultants for the Pine Ridge Gold Mine with preparing the geophysical interpretation of the magnetic and radio metric geophysical survey data.

The Company also worked with other geophysical consultants preparing the geophysical interpretation of seismic lines and overlaying magnetics over the Loch Lily tenements and the north western Tasmanian tenements.

The Pine Ridge geophysical modelling is complex. A scope of work for building the geophysical model has been undertaken and once the model is complete an Interpretation Report will be finalised.

A draft of the Tasmanian tenement Interpretation Report has been delivered to the Company and is

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currently under review.

Recent activity in north western Tasmania has renewed exploration and mining interest in the region with companies like NQ Minerals Limited undertaking exploration at the Hellyer Mine project expansion.

### **CORPORATE**

### **Heavily Oversubscribed Placement**

The Company completed a heavily oversubscribed placement of \$2,200,000 before costs through the issue of 40,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.055 per share (Placement shares) to sophisticated and professional investors.

The Placement Shares also attracted a 1 for 2 free attaching ARDOA listed option, each with an exercise price of \$0.05 and expiry date of 29 October 2021 (Placement Options), totalling 20,000,000 Options.

### **Conversion of ARDOB Options**

With the upcoming expiry on 29 October 2020 of the ARDOB listed options, the Company received conversion notices from option holders totalling with 25,600,451 ARDOB options, resulting in approximately \$640K being received by the Company during the quarter.

Below is a summary of key dates in relation to the expiry of the ARDOB options:

• Final date for exercise and payment of Options: 5:00pm (WST) 29 October 2020

Final date for allotment of new ARD shares
 and notice of number of Options that have expired:
 13 November 2020

The announcement made by the Company on 1 October 2020 outlines further information concerning the expiry of the ARDOB options and ARDOB options holders are encouraged to refer to this.

### Cashflows for the Quarter

Attached to this report is the Appendix 5B containing the Company's cash flow statement for the quarter. The significant cashflows relating to the quarter included \$395k spent on exploration and evaluation expenditure, which was primarily associated with the costs of the Kempfield drilling program, \$231K in administration and corporate costs, of which \$178k related to the payments made to related parties, which included Directors and their associates, and \$5K paid to Steinepreis Paganin Lawyers & Consultants ('Steinepreis'), an entity in which Chairman Mr Peter Wall holds a beneficial interest.

The Company also completed the settlement of the Director placement subsequent to shareholder approval on 24 July 2020 and received a further \$138K in funds.

As of 30 September 2020, the Company had available cash of \$4.18 million.

### **SEPTEMBER 2020 QUARTER - ASX ANNOUNCEMENTS**

This Quarterly Activities Report contains information extracted from ASX market announcements reported in accordance with the 2012 edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves" (2012 JORC Code). Further details (including 2012 JORC Code reporting tables where applicable) of exploration results referred to in this Quarterly Activities Report can be found in the following announcements lodged on the ASX:

**Exploration and Drilling Program Update** 

24 September 220

Heavily Oversubscribed Placement to Fast Track Drilling

12 August 2020

Exploration and Drilling Program Update

22 July 2020

These announcements are available for viewing on the Company's website www.argentminerals.com.au under the Investors tab. Argent confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in any original ASX announcement.

This announcement has been authorised by the board of directors of the Company.

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### **Appendix A - TENEMENTS**

The following mining tenement information is provided pursuant to Listing Rule 5.3.3:

Appendix Table 1 – Mining Tenement<sup>1</sup> Interest Activities for the Quarter Ended 31 December 2021.

Tenement	Location	Interest Acquired	Interest Divested	Interest Held at
Identifier		During Quarter	During Quarter	End of Quarter
Kempfield				
EL5645 (1992)	NSW			100%²
EL5748 (1992)	NSW	-	-	100% 100% <sup>2</sup>
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EL7134 (1992)		-	-	
EL7785 (1992)	NSW	-	4000/	100% <sup>2</sup>
EL7968 (1992)	NSW	-	100%	
EL8213 (1992)	NSW	-	-	100%²
PLL517 (1924)	NSW	-	-	100%²
PLL519 (1924)	NSW	-	-	100%²
PLL727 (1924)	NSW	-	-	100%²
PLL728 (1924)	NSW	-	-	100%²
West Wyalong				
EL8430 (1992)	NSW	0.13%	-	79.46% <sup>3</sup>
Loch Lilly				
EL8199 (1992)	NSW	-	-	51% <sup>4</sup>
EL8200 (1992)	NSW	-	-	51% <sup>4</sup>
EL8515 (1992)	NSW	-	-	51% <sup>4</sup>
EL8516 (1992)	NSW	-	-	51% <sup>4</sup>
Queensberry				
EL9/2016	TAS	-	-	100%
Ringville				
El12/2017	TAS	-	-	100%
	-			
Sunny Corner				
EL5964 (1992)	NSW	-	-	70% <sup>5</sup>

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- 1. The definition of "Mining Tenement" in ASX Listing Rule 19.12 is "Any right to explore or extract minerals in a given place".
- 2. For all Kempfield tenements the tenement holder is Argent (Kempfield) Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Argent.
- 3. Under the West Wyalong Joint Venture and Fermin Agreement dated 8 June 2007 between Golden Cross Operations Pty Ltd and Argent as tenement holder (WWJVA), Argent has earned a 70% interest plus ongoing increments. The ongoing interests of the parties includes WWJVA expenditure contribution and dilution provisions commencing on a 70/30 basis.
- 4. The tenement holder for EL8199 and EL8200 is San Antonio Exploration Pty Ltd (SAE), and for EL8515 and EL8516 it is Loch Lilly Pty Ltd (LLP), a 100% owned subsidiary of Argent Minerals Limited. Under the Loch Lilly Fermin and Joint Venture Agreement (JVA) dated 12 February 2017 (effective date 17 February 2017), the respective ownership of all the tenements by the JVA Parties (SAE and LLP) is according to their respective JVA Interests. LLP has the right to earn up to a 90% interest, with the first 51% interest earned by completing the drill test for the Eaglehawk and Netley targets. For further details on earn in terms and conditions see ASX announcement 20 February 2017 Argent secures strategic stake in Mt. Read equivalent belt.
- 5. The tenement holder is Golden Cross Operations Pty Ltd.
- 6. EL7968 is in the process of being replaced by ELA5864 (1992) due to an inadvertent administration oversight by an external tenement agent, that caused EL7964 to lapse. Argent is the sole applicant for ELA5864.

### **Competent Person Statements**

### Previously Released Information

This ASX announcement contains information extracted from the following reports which are available for viewing on the Company's website http://www.argentminerals.com.au

22 Dec 2015 Significant intersections at Kempfield including Cu and Au<sup>1</sup>

### Competent Person:

1. Stuart Leslie Till

The Company confirms it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements and, in the case of estimates of Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves, Exploration Targets, and historical Pre-JORC Code mineralisation estimates ('Historical Estimates'), that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcements continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

### **Appendix 5B**

# Mining exploration entity or oil and gas exploration entity quarterly cash flow report

Name of entity

### **ARGENT MINERALS LIMITED**

ABN

Quarter ended ("current quarter")

89 124 780 276

30 September 2020

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (3 months) \$A'000
1.	Cash flows from operating activities		
1.1	Receipts from customers	-	-
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) exploration & evaluation	(395)	(395)
	(b) development	-	-
	(c) production	-	-
	(d) staff costs	(26)	(26)
	(e) administration and corporate costs	(205)	(205)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	-	-
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	-	-
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8	Other (provide details if material)	(15)	(15)
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(641)	(641)

2.	Ca	sh flows from investing activities
2.1	Pay	yments to acquire or for:
	(a)	entities -
	(b)	tenements -
	(c)	property, plant and equipment -
	(d)	exploration & evaluation -
	(e)	investments -
	(f)	other non-current assets -

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (3 months) \$A'000
2.2	Proceeds from the disposal of:		
	(a) entities	-	
	(b) tenements	-	
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-	
	(d) investments	-	
	(e) other non-current assets	-	
2.3	Cash flows from loans to other entities	-	
2.4	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	
2.5	Other (provide details if material)	-	
2.6	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	-	

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	2,350	2,350
3.2	Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	-	-
3.3	Proceeds from exercise of options	661	661
3.4	Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	(145)	(145)
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	-	-
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	-
3.8	Dividends paid	-	-
3.9	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
3.10	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	2,866	2,866

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,957	1,957
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(641)	(641)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	-	-
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	2,866	2,866

Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (3 months) \$A'000
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	-	-
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	4,182	4,182

5.	Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts	Current quarter \$A'000	Previous quarter \$A'000
5.1	Bank balances	279	1,153
5.2	Call deposits	3,903	804
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (provide details)	-	-
5.5	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	4,182	1,957

Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates	Current quarter \$A'000
Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1	183
Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	-
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Note: if any amounts are shown in items 6.1 or 6.2, your quarterly activity report must include a description of, and an explanation for, such payments.

7.	Financing facilities  Note: the term "facility' includes all forms of financing arrangements available to the entity.  Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the sources of finance available to the entity.	Total facility amount at quarter end \$A'000	Amount drawn at quarter end \$A'000
7.1	Loan facilities	-	-
7.2	Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3	Other (please specify)	-	-
7.4	Total financing facilities	-	-
7.5	Unused financing facilities available at qu	uarter end	Not applicable.
7.6	Include in the box below a description of each facility above, including the lender, interest rate, maturity date and whether it is secured or unsecured. If any additional financing facilities have been entered into or are proposed to be entered into after quarter end, include a note providing details of those facilities as well.		

8.	Estimated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9)	(641)
8.2	(Payments for exploration & evaluation classified as investing activities) (item 2.1(d))	-
8.3	Total relevant outgoings (item 8.1 + item 8.2)	(641)
8.4	Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (item 4.6)	4,182
8.5	Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (item 7.5)	-
8.6	Total available funding (item 8.4 + item 8.5)	4,182
8.7	Estimated quarters of funding available (item 8.6 divided by item 8.3)	6.5

Note: if the entity has reported positive relevant outgoings (ie a net cash inflow) in item 8.3, answer item 8.7 as "N/A". Otherwise, a figure for the estimated quarters of funding available must be included in item 8.7.

8.8 If item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the following questions:

8.8.1 Does the entity expect that it will continue to have the current level of net operating cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?

Answer: Not applicable.

8.8.2 Has the entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any steps, to raise further cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and how likely does it believe that they will be successful?

Answer: Not applicable.

8.8.3 Does the entity expect to be able to continue its operations and to meet its business objectives and, if so, on what basis?

Answer: Not applicable.

Note: where item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, all of questions 8.8.1, 8.8.2 and 8.8.3 above must be answered.

### **Compliance statement**

- 1 This statement has been prepared in accordance with accounting standards and policies which comply with Listing Rule 19.11A.
- 2 This statement gives a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

Date: 29 October 2020

Authorised by: By the board

(Name of body or officer authorising release - see note 4)

### **Notes**

- This quarterly cash flow report and the accompanying activity report provide a basis for informing the market about the
  entity's activities for the past quarter, how they have been financed and the effect this has had on its cash position. An
  entity that wishes to disclose additional information over and above the minimum required under the Listing Rules is
  encouraged to do so.
- 2. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the definitions in, and provisions of, AASB 6: Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources and AASB 107: Statement of Cash Flows apply to this report. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with other accounting standards agreed by ASX pursuant to Listing Rule 19.11A, the corresponding equivalent standards apply to this report.
- 3. Dividends received may be classified either as cash flows from operating activities or cash flows from investing activities, depending on the accounting policy of the entity.
- 4. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the board". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a committee of your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the [name of board committee eg Audit and Risk Committee]". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a disclosure committee, you can insert here: "By the Disclosure Committee".
- 5. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors and you wish to hold yourself out as complying with recommendation 4.2 of the ASX Corporate Governance Council's *Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations*, the board should have received a declaration from its CEO and CFO that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained, that this report complies with the appropriate accounting standards and gives a true and fair view of the cash flows of the entity, and that their opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.