

# ACQUISITON OF A TIER 1 ALABAMA HARD COKING COAL ASSET

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## Building coking coal supply to access both Pacific & Atlantic markets ...





## ... and capitalising on strong demand for US seaborne met coal supply

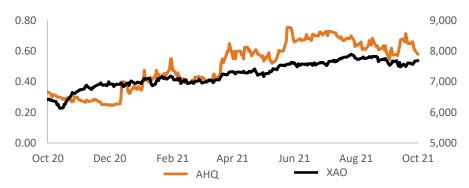
#### Growing a substantial coking coal resource

	Ownership	Status	Mt
New Elk Mine	100%	Operating	673
BWM Mine	100%	Operating	9
Short Creek Mine	*100%	Partly permitted	TBC
Short Creek Mine	**Offtake	Starting up	4
Lorencito Project	100%	Unpermitted	88
Telkwa Project	90%	Unpermitted	125

#### op 10 shareholders

Golden Energy and Resources Ltd	14.85%	48.8M
Regal Funds Management	7.33%	24.1M
Ascend Global Investment Fund (Asia Opp SP)	5.84%	15.0M
Cline Mining Corporation	4.30%	14.1M
Delphi Unternehmensberatung AG	3.96%	13.0M
2Invest AG	3.05%	10.0M
Deutsche Balaton AG	2.78%	9.1M
Mark Gray	1.70%	5.6M
Clive Thomas	1.52%	5.0M
JA Ashton Nominees (QLD) Pty	1.50%	4.9M
Total	47.77%	147.2M

#### AHQ share price



Source: IRESS

#### **Capital Structure**

Share price at 18 October 21	A\$	0.58
Number of shares on issue		328.8M
Market capitalisation	A\$	190.7M
Cash in AHQ at 30 September 21	A\$	9.8M
Performance rights		1.5M
Options expire various dates ex various prices		4.18M
Options expire 3 March 24 ex \$0.50		1.125M
Options expire 11 May 24 ex \$0.5625		1.033M
Convertible notes mature 20 January 22	A\$	1.7M

<sup>\*</sup>Blue Creek, Mary Lee & Newcastle seams \*\*Nickel Plate & American #1 seams



#### Allegiance to acquire the Short Creek Mine in Alabama

- Allegiance has entered into an agreement with Drummond Coal Inc. and related entities to acquire the Short Creek Mine.
- Acquisition will complete upon Marshall Miller & Associates delivering a JORC compliant resource statement and upon completion of the transfer of land and assets, existing permits, and the coal lease to the Blue Creek, Mary Lee and Newcastle coal seams.
  - The Mine is a tier one asset, a deposit with scale and premium quality coal, that consolidates and compliments Allegiance's investment in Alabama and Colorado.
  - While Mine permits exist and are in good standing for open pit production and the operation of the wash-plant and the barge load-out, Allegiance will have to permit the underground mine estimated to take 6 to 9 months.
  - Allegiance will purchase the land over the deposit and the fixed assets (CHPP, barge load-out, conveyors and stackers).

The acquisition cost is:

- US\$4.4M in cash to Drummond and related entities to acquire the land and assets; and
- US\$11.5M to replace the reclamation bond with the State of Alabama that follows the land and assets.

Drummond and related entities will retain ownership of the mineral rights to the Blue Creek, Mary Lee and Newcastle seams, and Allegiance will be granted a license to mine those seams in consideration for the payment of royalties ranging from 7% to 10% based on a sliding scale of the FOB sales price achieved.

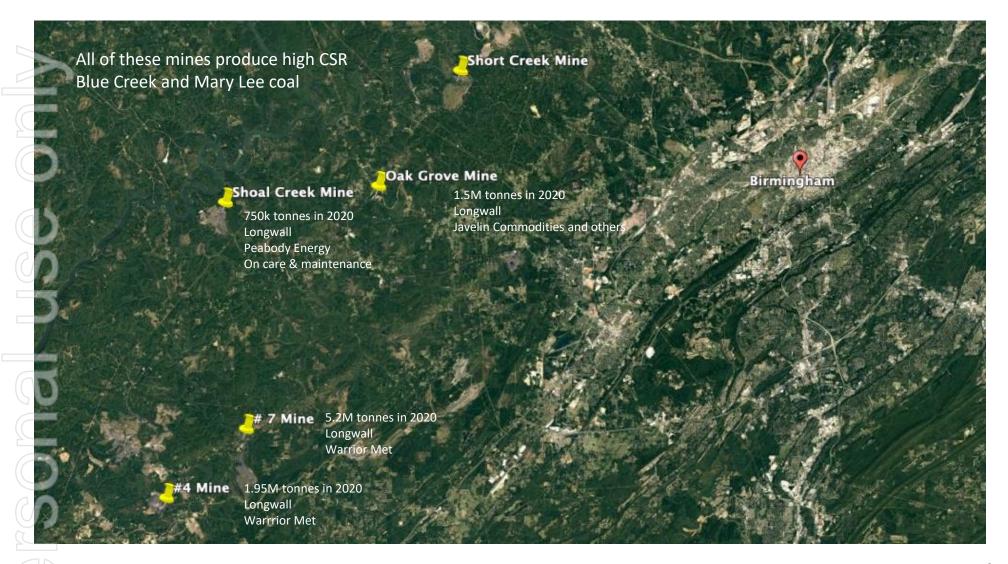
The cost of the acquisition, totaling US\$15.9M, is intended to be funded from equity capital raised by Allegiance.

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## A neighborhood of major underground coking coal mines





## Project location provides simple low-cost logistics

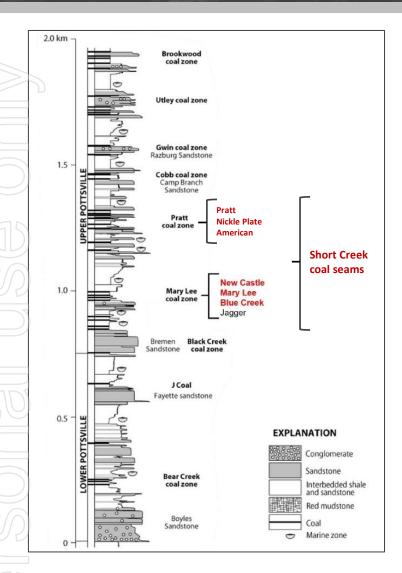


- Short Creek Mine is 27km from the Black Warrior Mine and 25km from Downtown Birmingham.
- It operated as a dragline open pit for many years mining mid-vol Pratt, Nickel Plate and American coal seams.
- It is adjacent to the Black Warrior River where a conveyor feeds a barge loadout direct from the CHPP clean pad.
- From there barges transport coal to McDuffie Coal
   Terminal in the Port of Mobile for all-in barge and port cost of ~US\$22/ton.





#### Regional and local stratigraphy

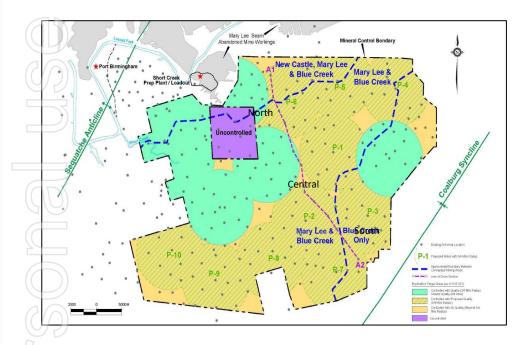


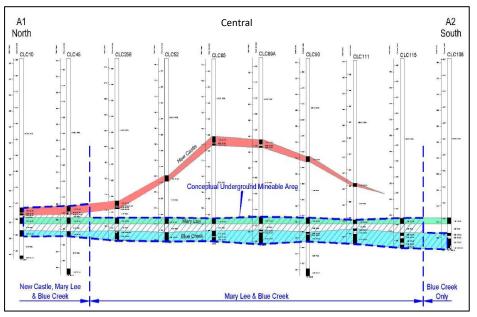
- The Short Creek Mine target coal seams are the Pratt, Nickel Plate and American seams (of which there are several with the #1 American being the seam of interest), and the Newcastle, Mary Lee and Blue Creek seams.
- The Pratt, Nickel Plate and American were surface mined by Drummond for several decades and a coal lease for the future mining of these coals has been granted by Drummond to Yellowhammer Energy.
- Allegiance has the off-take rights from Yellowhammer Energy for 30,000 tonnes per month over 4 years, of Nickel Plate and #1 American coal. These are low ash coals (~4%) which Allegiance will blend with its Black Warrior Mine, Mary Lee and Blue Creek coals.
- Historically the Nickel Plate and #1 American coals were supplied to local coke batteries and were exported on the met coal seaborne market.
- Around 150 to 600 feet (45 to 180 metres) below the surface is the Mary Lee coal zone comprising the Newcastle, Mary Lee and Blue Creek coals, the subject of this acquisition.
- Following completion of the acquisition, Allegiance will control all coal produced at the Short Creek mining complex.



#### Geology

- There are 212 historical exploration drill holes within the deposit along with 185 gas wells and drill holes from adjacent properties.
- 9 of those 212 drill holes were undertaken by Drummond in 2019 and 2020 from which quality tests were taken from 7 of the drill holes.
- The deposit has been interpreted with 3 potential mining zones, North, Central and South, based on the in-seam partings of the 2 upper seams. In the north the parting is not significant suggesting all 3 seams should be mined as one; in the central the parting between the NC and the ML increases allowing the ML-BC to be mined as one; and in the south the parting between the ML-BC increases allowing the BC to be mined on its own, if necessary.







#### Resource exploration target

Prior to completing a JORC Resource Statement, Marshall Miller & Associates delivered a JORC Exploration Target by reference to the potential mining zones. The target indicates a substantial deposit with the premium Mary Lee and Blue Creek seams representing 87% of the target.

The exploration target is presented as a range of tonnages. It should be noted that the potential quantity and quality of an exploration target is conceptual in nature. At this stage there has been insufficient review of exploration data to estimate a coal resource in accordance with the JORC Code, and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the estimation of a mineral resource.

Mine Area	Mining Type	Low	High	Average	
		Short tons	Short tons	Short tons	
Short Creek Mine (controlled)					
Newcastle + Mary Lee + Blue Creek	Underground	20,978,000	21,572,000	21,275,000	
Mary Lee + Blue Creek	Underground	109,882,000	110,631,000	110,256,500	
Blue Creek	Underground	32,318,000	40,773,000	36,545,500	
Total	Underground	163,178,000	172,976,000	168,077,000	
Contiguous to Short Creek Mine (uncontrolled)					
Newcastle + Mary Lee + Blue Creek	Underground	1,720,000	1,667,000	1,693,500	
Mary Lee + Blue Creek	Underground	4,141,000	4,431,000	4,286,000	
Blue Creek	Underground	-	-	-	
Total	Underground	5,861,000	6,098,000	5,979,500	



#### **Product options**

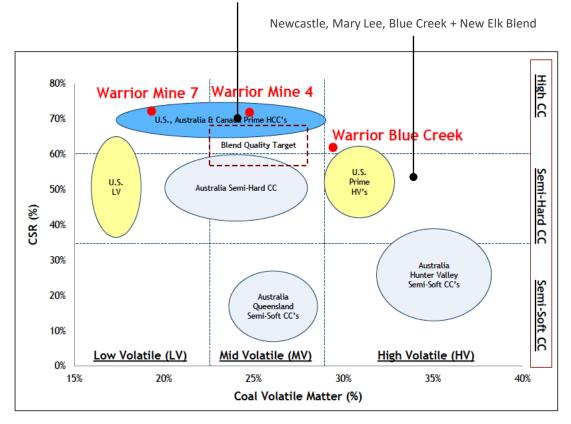
The Mary Lee and Blue Creek coals whether standalone or blended, are premium CSR mid-vol hard coking coals amongst the best in the world, and the Newcastle, Mary Lee and Blue Creek coals when mined together, can be blended with New Elk coal to deliver a product positioned between high-vol A and B.

Mary Lee and Blue Creek

#### Short Creek Premium mid-vol Product

		ВС	ML-BC
Ash	%	8.9	9.9
VM	%	24.9	25.2
Sul	%	0.7	0.8
FSI		8.8	8.8
Fluidity	ddpm	25,836	22,304
RoMax	%	1.3	1.3
CSR		-	69

- While the ML-BC ash is a little high, when a coal has a CSR +/-70, the ash is less of a problem to the steel mills as they are buying it for its coke strength.
- The CSR test was undertaken in a pilot oven at DMT, Germany, highly regarded by the steel mills.

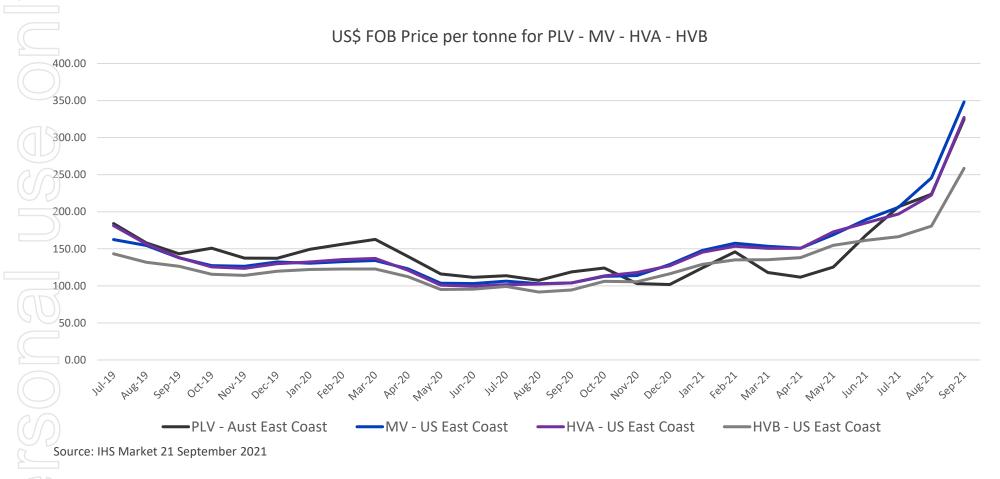


Source: Warrior Met Presentation February 2020



## Mid-vol Blue Creek and Mary Lee coals priced at a premium

Premium CSR US mid-vol hard coking coals like Short Creek Mine's Blue Creek and Mary Lee, eclipsed US\$400 per tonne in the first week of October, leading the price curve along with US low-vol.





# The timeline forward post acquisition

	2021	2022			2023				
	Dec	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Feasibility Study									
Permit UG mine									
Order UG equipment									
Rehab. loadout									
Rehab. conveyors									
Rehab. CHPP									
Develop drift									
Commence mining									

Indicative subject to change



## Allegiance Board and Management

Board of Directors	More than 150 ye	ears collective experience in open pit and thin seam underground coal mining		
Mark Gray	CEO & Chairman	Mark has 30+ years experience in M&A law including more than 15 years in running junior mining companies in coal, uranium and diamonds across many jurisdictions. Mark co-founded the introduction of thin seam underground coal mining to Australia in early 2000s (Thin Seam Mining).		
		Larry is a 40+ year mining engineer in coal, predominantly underground across many US States, as well as Australia. He is		
Larry Cook	Non Executive Director	highly regarded in the industry for safe, high productivity room and pillar mining. Larry will be intimately involved in the New Elk Mine start-up. Larry was a co-founder of Thin Seam Mining.		
	No. 5	Malcolm is a 40+ year geologist across many commodities in many capacities, including as Chief Commercial Officer of		
Malcolm Carson	Non Executive Director	NRE No.1 Colliery, formerly Bellambi West Colliery in the Illawarra coalfields near Wollongong. He is currently Executive Chairman of Dampier Gold Ltd (ASX:DAU).		
		Bernie is a 40+ year geologist across many commodities though mostly US coal. For the last 15 years Bernie has assumed		
Bernie Mason	Non Executive Director	senior management roles in some very large coal mining companies including the fourth largest producer in the US operating 50 surface and underground mines and producing in excess of 54Mtpa.		
Jonathan Reynolds	Finance Director	Jonathan is a qualified accountant with 30+ years experience more than half of which has been in CFO and Finance Director roles of both exploration, development and producing companies across several commodities and jurisdictions.		
Management	A team of specialist open pit and thin seam underground coal miners			
Amon Mahon	COO New Elk	Amon is a 30+ year mining engineer in coal both open pit and underground in the US and Australia, at all levels of management including as an owner and operator of US coal mines. Amon will be General Manager of the New Elk Mine in its first two years of production. Amon was a co-founder of Thin Seam Mining.		
Dan Farmer	COO Telkwa	Dan is a mining engineer with 30 years experience in Canadian coal including as the Operations Manager of Anglo American's coal mines in British Columbia. While Dan is responsible for managing Allegiance's Tenas Project, Dan is also		

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managing New Elk's logistics (tricking rail and port), minesite drilling, and coal quality testing



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