



# Standard Definitions International Reporting Template July 2006 to November 2013

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#### Standard Definitions

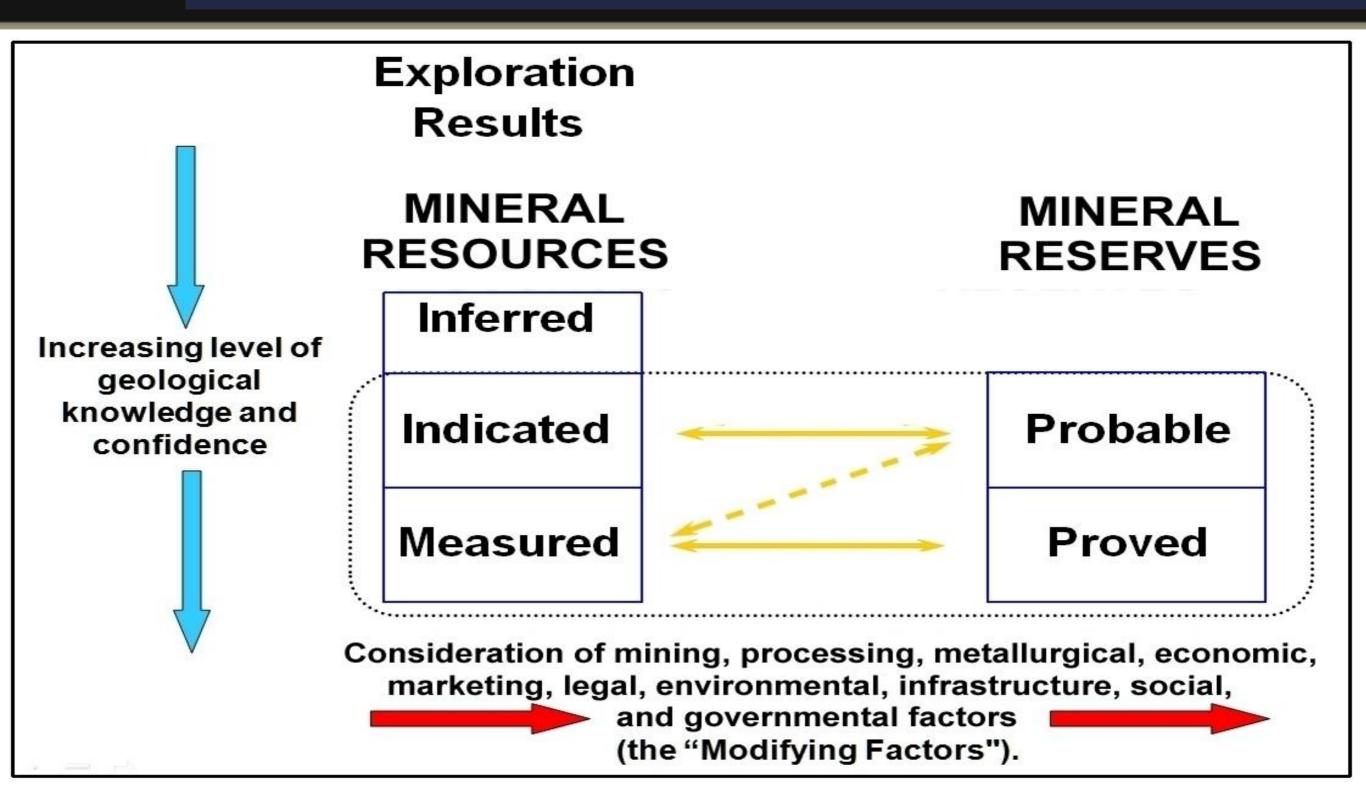
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# General relationship between exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves







## Public Reports

Public Reports are reports prepared for the purpose of informing investors or potential investors and their advisers on <u>Exploration Results</u>, <u>Mineral Reserves</u> or <u>Mineral Reserves</u>.

They include, but are not limited to annual and quarterly company reports, press releases, information memoranda, technical papers, website postings and public presentations.





## Competent Person

- A Competent Person<sup>1</sup> is a minerals industry professional who is a member of a Recognised Professional Organisation with enforceable disciplinary processes including the powers to suspend or expel a member.
- A Competent Person must have a minimum of five years relevant experience in the style of mineralisation or type of deposit under consideration and in the activity which that person is undertaking
- Note that various CRIRSCO members use a different term for the Competent Person, e.g. Canada (Qualified Person) and Chile (Qualified Competent Person). These alternative terms are considered to be directly equivalent to Competent Person.





## Modifying Factors

Modifying Factors are considerations used to convert Mineral Resources to Mineral Reserves. These include, but are not restricted to, mining, processing, metallurgical, infrastructure, economic, marketing, legal, environmental, social and governmental factors.





## **Exploration Target**

An Exploration Target is a statement or estimate of the exploration potential of a mineral deposit in a defined geological setting where the statement or estimate, quoted as a range of tonnes and a range of grade or quality, relates to mineralisation for which there has been insufficient exploration to estimate <u>Mineral Resources</u>.





## **Exploration Results**

Exploration Results include data and information generated by mineral exploration programmes that might be of use to investors but which do not form part of a declaration of <u>Mineral Resources</u> or <u>Mineral Reserves</u>.





#### Mineral Resource

A Mineral Resource is a concentration or occurrence of solid material of economic interest in or on the Earth's crust in such form, grade or quality and quantity that there are reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction.

The location, quantity, grade or quality, continuity and other geological characteristics of a Mineral Resource are known, estimated or interpreted from specific geological evidence and knowledge, including sampling.





#### Inferred Mineral Resource

An Inferred Mineral Resource is that part of a Mineral Resource for which quantity and grade or quality are estimated on the basis of limited geological evidence and sampling.

Geological evidence is sufficient to imply but not verify geological and grade or quality continuity.

An Inferred Resource has a lower level of confidence than that applying to an <u>Indicated Mineral Resource</u> and must not be converted to a <u>Mineral Reserve</u>. It is reasonably expected that the majority of Inferred Mineral Resources could be upgraded to Indicated Mineral Resources with continued exploration.





#### Indicated Mineral Resource

An Indicated Mineral Resource is that part of a Mineral Resource for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape and physical characteristics are estimated with sufficient confidence to allow the application of Modifying Factors in sufficient detail to support mine planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit.

Geological evidence is derived from adequately detailed and reliable exploration, sampling and testing and is sufficient to assume geological and grade or quality continuity between points of observation.

An Indicated Mineral Resource has a lower level of confidence than that applying to a <u>Measured Mineral Resource</u> and may only be converted to a <u>Probable Mineral Reserve</u>.





#### Measured Mineral Resource

A Measured Mineral Resource is that part of a <u>Mineral Resource</u> for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape, and physical characteristics are estimated with confidence sufficient to allow the application of <u>Modifying Factors</u> to support detailed mine planning and final evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit.

Geological evidence is derived from detailed and reliable exploration, sampling and testing and is sufficient to confirm geological and grade or quality continuity between points of observation.

A Measured Mineral Resource has a higher level of confidence than that applying to either an <u>Indicated Mineral Resource</u> or an <u>Inferred Mineral</u>

Resource. It may be converted to a <u>Proved Mineral Reserve</u> or to a <u>Probable Mineral Reserve</u>.





#### Mineral Reserve

A Mineral Reserve is the economically mineable part of a <u>Measured</u> and/or <u>Indicated Mineral Resource</u>.

It includes diluting materials and allowances for losses, which may occur when the material is mined or extracted and is defined by studies at <u>Pre-Feasibility</u> or <u>Feasibility</u> level as appropriate that include application of <u>Modifying Factors</u>.

Such studies demonstrate that, at the time of reporting, extraction could reasonably be justified.

The reference point at which Reserves are defined, usually the point where the ore is delivered to the processing plant, must be stated. It is important that, in all situations where the reference point is different, such as for a saleable product, a clarifying statement is included to ensure that the reader is fully informed as to what is being reported.





#### Probable Mineral Reserve

A Probable Mineral Reserve is the economically mineable part of an <u>Indicated</u>, and in some circumstances, a <u>Measured Mineral Resource</u>.

The confidence in the <u>Modifying Factors</u> applying to a Probable Mineral Reserve is lower than that applying to a <u>Proved Mineral Reserve</u>.





#### Proved Mineral Reserve

A Proved Mineral Reserve is the economically mineable part of a Measured Mineral Resource.

A Proved Mineral Reserve implies a high degree of confidence in the Modifying Factors.





## Scoping Study

A Scoping Study is an order of magnitude technical and economic study of the potential viability of <u>Mineral Resources</u> that includes appropriate assessments of realistically assumed <u>Modifying Factors</u> together with any other relevant operational factors that are necessary to demonstrate at the time of reporting that progress to a <u>Pre-Feasibility Study</u> can be reasonably justified.





## Pre-Feasibility Study

A Pre-Feasibility Study is a comprehensive study of a range of options for the technical and economic viability of a mineral project that has advanced to a stage where a preferred mining method, in the case of underground mining, or the pit configuration, in the case of an open pit, is established and an effective method of mineral processing is determined. It includes a financial analysis based on reasonable assumptions on the Modifying Factors and the evaluation of any other relevant factors which are sufficient for a Competent Person, acting reasonably, to determine if all or part of the Mineral Resource may be converted to a Mineral Reserve at the time of reporting. A Pre-Feasibility Study is at a lower confidence level than a Feasibility Study.





## crirsco Feasibility Study

A Feasibility Study is a comprehensive technical and economic study of the selected development option for a mineral project that includes appropriately detailed assessments of applicable Modifying Factors together with any other relevant operational factors and detailed financial analysis that are necessary to demonstrate at the time of reporting that extraction is reasonably justified (economically mineable). The results of the study may reasonably serve as the basis for a final decision by a proponent or financial institution to proceed with, or finance, the development of the project. The confidence level of the study will be higher than that of a Pre-Feasibility Study.





## Additional Changes

#### **Clause 15: Effective Date**

(15) Companies must review and publicly report on their Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and/or Mineral Reserves at least annually and the effective date of each Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserve statement must be shown. Companies are encouraged to provide information in their Public Reports, which is as comprehensive as possible. A company's economic interest in the project must be declared.





#### Clause 30, 37, 38, 39: Technical studies

(30) In order to achieve the required level of confidence in the <u>Mineral Resources</u> and all of the <u>modifying</u> factors studies to <u>Pre-Feasibility</u> or <u>Feasibility level</u> as appropriate will have been carried out prior to determination of the <u>Mineral Reserves</u>.

The definitions of <u>Feasibility Study</u>, <u>Pre-feasibility</u> and <u>Scoping Study</u> are in clause (37, 38 and 39) and are part of the standard definitions given above.





## Clause 51: Reporting of Unconventional Energy resources

(51) Where the "Unconventional Energy" resource is a solid mineral, then the CRIRSCO Template can be applied for the Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves.





## Acknowledgements















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