

MINERAL RESOURCE AND ORE RESERVE STATEMENT

Cardinal Resources Limited (ASX/TSX: CDV) (“Cardinal” or “the Company”) announces its Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve statement as at June 30, 2019 as part of the Company’s annual filing under ASX Listing Rules.

Since the Company’s press release dated April 18, 2019, the Company has not made any changes to the categories or size of the 5.1Moz Ore Reserve*, as no mining has occurred.

Cardinal presents the following summary, prepared in accordance with the requirements of ASX LR 5.20 to 5.24.

Tenements summary

Table 1 summaries the tenements held by Cardinal in Ghana, West Africa, as required by ASX LR 5.20.

Project	Area	Lease Number	Percentage held by Cardinal
Namdini	Namdini	LVB14619/09	100%
Bolgatanga	Bongo	RL9/29, PL9/37 & PL9/38	100%
	Kungongo	RL9/28	100%
	Ndongo	PL9/13, PL9/19, PL9/22 & PL936	100%
Subranum	Subranum	PL/309	100%

Table 1: Cardinal Leases and Percentage Held

Mineral Resource and Ore Reserves Statement – Namdini Gold Project

In accordance with ASX LR 5.21.1 the Company has reviewed its Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves in its 100% owned Namdini Project located in northern Ghana, which can be summarised as Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources of 182 million tonnes @ 1.12g/t Au, and Inferred Mineral Resources of 12 million tonnes @1.2 g/t Au. which include the Proved and Probable Ore Reserves are 138.6 million tonnes @1.13 g/t Au.

Tables 2, 3, and 4 present the tabulated breakdowns, as per ASX LR 5.21.2.

Mineral Resource Category	Mineral Resources as at 30 June 2018			Mineral Resources as at 30 June 2019 (Effective date: 3 April 2019)		
	Tonnes (Mt)	Gold Grade (g/t Au)	Contained Gold (Moz)	Tonnes (Mt)	Gold Grade (g/t Au)	Contained Gold (Moz)
Measured Resource	-	-	-	7.5	1.31	0.32
Indicated Resource	180	1.1	6.5	174	1.11	6.21
Measured and Indicated	180	1.1	6.5	182	1.12	6.53

Table 2: Namdini Project Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource Statements as at June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2019.

Mineral Resource Category	Mineral Resources as at 30 June 2018			Mineral Resources as at 30 June 2019 (Effective date: 3 April 2019)		
	Tonnes (Mt)	Gold Grade (g/t Au)	Contained Gold (Moz)	Tonnes (Mt)	Gold Grade (g/t Au)	Contained Gold (Moz)
Inferred Resource	13	1.2	0.5	12	1.2	0.46

Table 3: Namdini Project Inferred Mineral Resource Statements as at June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2019.

*Ore Reserve of 5.1Moz (138.6 Mt @ 1.13 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off), inclusive of 0.4Moz Proved (7.4 Mt @ 1.31 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off) and 4.7Moz Probable (131.2 Mt @ 1.12 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off).

Ore Reserve Category	Material Type	Tonnes (Mt)	Gold Grade (g/t)	Contained Gold (Moz)
Proved	Oxide	1	1.21	0.1
	Fresh	6.4	1.33	0.3
Total Proved		7.4	1.31	0.4
Probable	Oxide	3	1.08	0.1
	Fresh	128.2	1.13	4.6
Total Probable		131.2	1.12	4.7
Proved and Probable	Oxide	4.1	1.11	0.2
	Fresh	134.5	1.13	4.9
Total Ore Reserves		138.6	1.13	5.1

Table 4: Namdini Project Proved and Probable Ore Reserves (effective date April 18, 2019)

Notes to Table 4:

1. The Ore Reserve reported in accordance with JORC Code 2012 guidelines and Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum "CIM Definition Standards for Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves" (CIM, 2014).
2. The Ore Reserve was evaluated using a gold price of USD \$1,300 / oz with USD \$1,225 / oz optimised pit chosen for Ore Reserve pit design to maximise cash flow.
3. The Ore Reserve was evaluated using an average cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t Au.
4. Ore block grade and tonnage dilution was incorporated through the use of an MIK recoverable resource estimation model which was demonstrated to incorporate an expected level of equivalent ore loss and dilution for the scale of mining envisaged.
5. All figures are rounded to reflect appropriate levels of confidence. Apparent differences may occur due to rounding.
6. There was no Ore Reserve estimate as of June 30, 2018.

Since the Company's press release dated April 18, 2019, the Company has not made any changes to the categories or size of the 5.1Moz Ore Reserve (138.6 Mt @ 1.13 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off), inclusive of 0.4Moz Proved (7.4 Mt @ 1.31 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off) and 4.7Moz Probable (131.2 Mt @ 1.12 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off), as no mining has occurred.

As per JORC Code Clause 15 and ASX LR 5.21.3, the Company's annual reporting date for Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves is June 30, 2019, and any changes or updates to the Mineral Resources since June 30, 2018 are compared and summarised in Tables 2 and 3. The current Mineral Resources have an effective date of April 3, 2019 and were previously announced on the ASX platform on September 18, 2018. A maiden Ore Reserve was announced on September 18, 2018 "Cardinal Namdini Pre-Feasibility Study 4.76 Moz Ore Reserve" and updated on April 3, and April 18, 2019 "Cardinal's Namdini Ore Reserve Now 5.1Moz" and "Addendum to Namdini Ore Reserve Press Release ". There was no Ore Reserve as at June 30, 2018.

Mineral Resources

In accordance with ASX LR 5.21.4, the following discussion relating to the comparison of the June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2019 Mineral Resources summary is applicable.

The Mineral Resource incorporates the results from all resource drilling to February 5, 2019 comprising 175 HQ diamond core holes and 151 RC drill holes totalling 87,140 metres. (ASX / TSX Press Release April 3, and April 18, 2019). Tables 2 and 3 presents a summary of the Mineral Resources on a 100% Project basis

The resource drilling comprises east-west trending traverses of easterly inclined holes. Hole spacing varied from around 12.5m by 25 metres in shallow portions of the southern part of the deposit to around 50m by 50 metres and broader in the north and at depth. The additional drilling up to February 5 2019, has resulted in no material change in overall Mineral Resources from 2018 to 2019 however, approximately 4% of the total Indicated Mineral Resource was converted to Measured Mineral Resource through addition infill drilling, and a small amount of Inferred Mineral Resource converted to Indicated.

Tables 2 and 3 highlight the Mineral Resource estimation reported at a 0.5 g/t Au cut-off grade. Currently, the 0.5 g/t Au cut-off grade approximates an operational parameter that the Company believes to be applicable. This is in accordance with the guidelines of Reasonable Prospects for Eventual Economic Extraction (“RPEEE”) per the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum “CIM Definition Standards for Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves” (CIM, 2014) and the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (the JORC Code 2012). The effective date of the Mineral Resource estimate is the April 3, 2019.

All figures in Tables 2, 3 and 4 have been rounded to reflect the relative precision of the estimates and to include rounding errors. Mineral Resources are inclusive of Ore Reserves.

Ore Reserves

In accordance with ASX LR 5.21.4, the following discussion relating to the June 30, 2019 Ore Reserves summary is applicable. Table 4 presents a summary of the Ore Reserves on a 100% Project basis. Please note that there was no Ore Reserve estimate as of June 30, 2018, compared to the current Proved and Probable Ore Reserve of 138.6 million tonnes @1.13 g/t Au.

The Ore Reserve is based upon the following key input parameters:

- A Mineral Resource as outlined in Table 2 and Table 3.
- A Proved and Probable Ore Reserve and detailed monthly mining and processing schedules, derived entirely from the Ore Reserve, after the application of mining parameters, ore haulage costs based on in-country contractor miner supplier inputs and owner mining cost models, processing inputs and geotechnical pit design considerations.
- The cut-off grade parameters remain the same as of the ASX/TSX announcement September 18, 2018 Cardinal Namdini Pre-Feasibility Study.
- Geotechnical inputs and parameters for Life of Mine pit design, as of the ASX/TSX announcement September 18, 2018 Cardinal Namdini Pre-Feasibility Study.
- Process engineering design, capital and operating costs remain as of the PFS September 18, 2018.
- Metallurgical recovery inputs are based on testwork by ALS Global (Perth) and recent testwork results from Maelgwyn Mineral Services Africa (Johannesburg, South Africa).
- Process infrastructure design including and not limited to, waste, residue, tailings storage and water management design as of ASX/TSX announcement September 18, 2018 Cardinal Namdini Pre-Feasibility Study.
- Other cost inputs e.g. supporting infrastructure, HV power, administration and accommodation by owner’s team and external consultants’ inputs as of ASX/TSX announcement September 18, 2018 Cardinal Namdini Pre-Feasibility Study.
- The status of the social and environmental approvals, mining tenements, other government factors and other infrastructure requirements for selected the mining method remains the same as per the ASX/TSX announcement September 18, 2018 Cardinal Namdini Pre-Feasibility Study.

The Mineral Resource estimate was reported in accordance with the JORC Code (2012) as shown in Appendix 1 – JORC Table 1. The Mineral Resource estimate, summarised in the Table 1 and Table 2, reports the Mineral Resources by category above a 0.5 g/t gold cut-off grade. The classification categories of Measured, Indicated and Inferred Mineral Resources under the JORC Code (2012) are equivalent to the CIM categories of the same name (CIM, 2014). Ore Reserves were estimated for the Namdini Gold Project by Golder Associates, which is summarised in Table 4. The total Proved and Probable Ore Reserve is estimated at 138.6Mt at 1.13g/t Au with a contained gold content of 5.1 Moz at 0.5 g/t Au cut off.

The mine design and Ore Reserve (CIM Mineral Reserve) estimate is based on the Mineral Resource model of April 3, 2019.

Trial open pit optimisations were run in Whittle 4X™ software to define the base of potentially economic material. Four cut back pits were then selected and full mine designs applied.

The Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource are inclusive of those Mineral Resources modified to produce the Ore Reserves.

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In accordance with ASX LR 5.21.5, the Company's governance arrangements and internal controls that are in place with respect to its estimates of Mineral Resource and Ore Reserves are guided by the principles of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves, JORC Code 2012 and Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum "CIM Definition Standards for Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves" (CIM, 2014). These include detailed internal company procedures such as for, but not restricted to:

- supervision of drilling;
- sampling;
- logging;
- surveying;
- quality control / quality assurance;
- internal model validation and peer review;
- external and independent peer review; and
- internal and external review of assumptions and inputs (Modifying Factors) to the Ore Reserve process.

The Ore Reserve for the Namdini Project is reported according to the JORC Code (and CIM definitions 2014). The Mineral Resource estimate was converted after applying appropriate Modifying Factors. The Proved and Probable Ore Reserve estimate are based on the Mineral Resource classified as Measured and Indicated only. The accompanying JORC Table 1, sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 are provide in Appendix 1, and meet the full requirements of the Company's annual reporting obligations, in accordance with Clause 14 of the JORC Code.

ABOUT CARDINAL

Cardinal Resources Limited (ASX/TSX: CDV) is a West African gold-focused exploration and development Company that holds interests in tenements within Ghana, West Africa.

The Company is focused on the development of the Namdini Project, for which the Company has published a gold **Ore Reserve of 5.1Moz** (138.6 Mt @ 1.13 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off), inclusive of 0.4Moz Proved (7.4 Mt @ 1.31 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off) and 4.7Moz Probable (131.2 Mt @ 1.12 g/t Au; 0.5 g/t cut-off), and a soon to be completed Feasibility Study.

Exploration programmes are also underway at the Company's Bolgatanga (Northern Ghana) and Subranum (Southern Ghana) Projects.

Cardinal confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in its announcement of the Ore Reserve of April 3, 2019. All material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning this estimate continue to apply and have not materially changed.

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Competent / Qualified Person Statement

All production targets for the Namdini Gold Mine referred to in this announcement are underpinned by estimated Mineral Resources which were prepared by competent persons and qualified persons in accordance with the requirements of the JORC Code and National Instrument 43-101- Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI43-101"), respectively.

The information in this announcement that relates to Namdini Mineral Resources is based on information compiled and reviewed by Mr Nicholas Johnson, a Competent Person who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and a full-time employee of MPR Geological Consultants Pty Ltd. Mr Johnson has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralization and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he has undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code 2012 and is a qualified person for the purposes of NI43-101. Mr Johnson has no economic, financial or pecuniary interest in the company and consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

The information in this announcement that relates to Namdini Ore Reserves and mining studies is based on information compiled and reviewed by Mr Glenn Turnbull, a Competent Person who is a Chartered Engineer and Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and a full-time employee of Golder. Mr Turnbull has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralization and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he has undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code 2012 and is a qualified person for the purposes of NI43-101. Mr Turnbull has no economic, financial or pecuniary interest in the Company and consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

The scientific and technical information in this announcement that relates to the Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves at the Namdini Gold Project has been reviewed and approved by Mr. Richard Bray, a Registered Professional Geologist with the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and Mr. Ekow Taylor, a Chartered Professional Geologist with the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr. Bray and Mr. Taylor have more than five years' experience relevant to the styles of mineralization and type of deposits under consideration and to the activity which is being undertaken 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" and as a Qualified Person for the purposes of NI43-101. Mr. Bray and Mr. Taylor are full-time employees of Cardinal and hold equity securities in the Company.

JORC 2012 (ASX Listing Rule 5.23.2)

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

- 18 April 2019 Addendum to Namdini Ore Reserve Press Release
- 03 April 2019 Cardinal's Namdini Ore Reserve Now 5.1 Moz
- 18 Sept 2018 Cardinal Namdini Pre-Feasibility Study 4.76Moz Ore Reserve
- 19 April 2018 Technical Report on Namdini Gold Project Filed on SEDAR
- 05 Mar 2018 Cardinal Upgrades Indicated Mineral Resource to 6.5Moz
- 22 Feb 2018 Cardinal Infill Drilling Results Returned
- 05 Feb 2018 Namdini Gold Project Preliminary Economic Assessment
- 22 Jan 2018 Namdini Infill Drilling Results Returned
- 14 Dec 2017 Namdini Drilling and Regional Exploration Update
- 12 Dec 2017 Cardinal Grade Control Drill Results Returned

The Company confirms it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in this announcement relating to Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves and all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves in those market announcements continue to apply and have not been 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 announcements.

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This press release contains summary information about Cardinal, its subsidiaries and their activities, which is current as at the date of this press release. The information in this press release is of a general nature and does not purport

to be complete nor does it contain all the information, which a prospective investor may require in evaluating a possible investment in Cardinal.

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Certain statements contained in this press release, including information as to the future financial or operating performance of Cardinal and its projects may also include statements which are 'forward-looking statements' that may include, amongst other things, statements regarding targets, anticipated timing of the feasibility study (FS) on the Namdini project, estimates and assumptions in respect of mineral resources and anticipated grades and recovery rates, production and prices, recovery costs and results, capital expenditures and are or may be based on assumptions and estimates related to future technical, economic, market, political, social and other conditions. These 'forward – looking statements' are necessarily based upon a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by Cardinal, are inherently subject to significant technical, business, economic, competitive, political and social uncertainties and contingencies and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from estimated or anticipated events or results reflected in such forward-looking statements.

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All forward-looking statements made in this press release are qualified by the foregoing cautionary statements. Investors are cautioned that forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and accordingly investors are cautioned not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements due to the inherent uncertainty therein.

Appendix 1

JORC Code 2012 Edition – Table 1

Section 1 – Sampling Technique and Data

Criteria	JORC Code Explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<p><i>Nature and quality of sampling (e.g. 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></p> <p><i>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</i></p> <p><i>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</i></p> <p><i>In cases where ‘industry standard’ work has been done this would be relatively simple (e.g. ‘reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g 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 (e.g. submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</i></p>	<p>Resource drilling comprises 175 diamond core holes and 151 Reverse Circulation (RC) drill holes totalling 87,140 m. Diamond core sampling includes half-core and quarter-core samples of HQ core size. RC drilling utilised face-sampling hammers of nominally 127 to 140 mm diameter, with samples collected by riffle splitting. Additional drilling including exploration and sterilisation drilling outside the resource area, and 10 by 15m spaced trial RC grade control drilling was not included in the resource estimation dataset.</p> <p>Field sampling followed Cardinal Namdini protocols including industry standard quality control procedures. Sample representativity is ensured by:</p> <p>RC samples: Collecting 1m samples from a cyclone, passing them through a 3-tier riffle splitter, and taking duplicate samplers every 20th sample.</p> <p>Diamond Core: For drilling prior to approximately April 2016 core was halved for sub-sampling with a diamond saw. From approximately April 2016 to June 2017 core was quartered for assaying. For drilling after June 2017 diamond core was halved for sub-sampling. Sample intervals range from 0.2 to 1.8 m in length, with majority of samples assayed over 1 m intervals.</p> <p>After oven drying diamond core samples were crushed using a jaw crusher, with core and RC samples crushed to a -2mm size using an RSD Boyd crusher. Riffle split sub-samples were pulverised to nominally 85% passing 75 microns.</p> <p>Pulverised samples were fire assayed for gold using a 30 or 50-gram charge with an atomic absorption finish, with a detection limit of 0.01 g/t. Assays of greater than 100 g/t were re-analysed with a gravimetric finish.</p>
Drilling techniques	<p><i>Drill type (e.g. core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc.) and details (e.g. core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc.).</i></p>	<p>Diamond core drilling is completed with core size of HQ with tiple tube drilling through surficial saprolite and standard tubes for deeper drilling. Core was orientated using a digital Reflex ACT II RD orientation tool.</p> <p>Reverse circulation drilling utilised face sampling hammers of nominal 127 to 140mm diameter.</p> <p>The resource drilling comprises east-west trending traverses of holes inclined towards the east at generally 45^o to 65^o approximately perpendicular to mineralisation.</p>

Criteria	JORC Code Explanation	Commentary
Drill sample recovery	<p><i>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</i></p> <p><i>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</i></p>	<p>All drill collars are surveyed using an RTK GPS with most diamond holes and deeper RC holes downhole surveyed at intervals of generally around 30 m using electronic multi-shot and gyroscopic equipment.</p> <p>Recovered core lengths were measured for 98% of the diamond resource drilling, showing generally very high recoveries, which average 99.8% for mineralised domain samples.</p> <p>RC sample recoveries were assessed by weighing recovered sample weights for 1m intervals. For the combined dataset estimated recoveries average 85% which is considered acceptable.</p> <p>All drilling activities were supervised by company geologists.</p> <p>Measures taken to maximise diamond core recovery included use of HQ core size with triple tube drilling through the saprolite zone, and having a geologist onsite to examine core and core metres marked and orientated to check against the driller's blocks and ensuring that all core loss is considered.</p> <p>RC sample recovery was maximised by utilising drilling rigs with sufficient compressor capacity, including auxiliary compressors to provide dry, high recovery samples. In cases where the RC rig was unable to maintain dry samples the hole was continued by diamond core drilling.</p> <p>RC sample condition was routinely logged by field geologists with less than 0.2% of resource RC samples logged as moist or wet.</p>
Logging	<p><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></p> <p><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></p>	<p>No relationship is seen to exist between sample recovery and grade, and no sample bias is due to preferential loss/gain of any fine/coarse material due to the generally high sample recoveries obtained by both drilling methods employed.</p> <p>All drill holes were geologically logged and selected diamond core was geotechnically logged. The lithology, alteration and geotechnical characteristics of core are logged directly to a digital format on a Field Toughbook laptop logging system following procedures and using Cardinal geologic codes. Data is imported into Cardinal's central database after validation in Maxwell LogChief™ software.</p> <p>The geological and geotechnical logging is of appropriate detail to support the Mineral Resource estimation, and mining and metallurgical studies.</p>
Sub-sampling techniques	<p><i>Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc.) photography.</i></p> <p><i>The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</i></p> <p><i>If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</i></p>	<p>Logging was both qualitative and quantitative depending on the field being logged.</p> <p>RC chips in trays and HQ core were photographed both in dry and wet form.</p> <p>Geological logs are available for 86,728 (99.5%) of the resource drilling</p> <p>For sampling, diamond core was either quartered or halved with these sample types providing 36% and 64% of mineralised domain core samples respectively.</p>

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and sample preparation	<p><i>If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc. and whether sampled wet or dry.</i></p> <p><i>For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.</i></p>	<p>RC samples were split using a three-tier riffle splitter. Rare wet were air dried prior to riffle splitting.</p> <p>Sample preparation and gold assaying was undertaken by independent commercial laboratories. Most primary samples were submitted to SGS Ouagadougou or SGS Tarkwa for analysis by fire-assay with assays from these laboratories contributing around one third and two thirds of the estimation dataset respectively. Samples analysed by Intertek Tarkwa provide around 0.5% of the estimation dataset.</p> <p>After oven drying diamond core samples were crushed using a jaw crusher, with core and RC samples crushed to minus 2mm using an RSD Boyd crusher. Riffle split sub-samples were pulverised to nominally 85% passing 75 microns.</p> <p>The sample preparation is of appropriately high quality for Mineral Resource estimation.</p>
	<p><i>Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.</i></p>	<p>Procedures adopted to maximise representivity of samples include crushing and pulverising of samples prior to further sub-sampling by appropriate splitting techniques. Sample preparation equipment was routinely cleaned with crushers and pulveriser flushed with barren material at the start of every batch.</p>
	<p><i>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.</i></p>	<p>Measures taken to ensure sample representivity include use of appropriate sub-sampling methods, including riffle splitting for RC samples and halving, or quartering diamond core with a diamond saw. RC field duplicates were routinely collected, and selected samples were submitted for inter-laboratory check assaying.</p>
	<p><i>Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.</i></p>	<p>Sample sizes are appropriate for the grain size of the sampled material.</p>
Quality of Assay data and laboratory tests	<p><i>The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.</i></p>	<p>Samples are analysed for gold by lead collection fire assay of a 30 or 50g charge with AAS finish; the assay charge is fused with the litharge-based flux, cupelled and prill dissolved in aqua regia and gold tenor determined by flame AAS.</p> <p>The quality of the Fire Assaying and laboratory procedures are considered to be entirely appropriate for this deposit type. The analytical method is considered appropriate for this mineralisation style and is of industry standard.</p> <p>Pulverised samples were fire assayed for gold using a 30 or 50-gram charge with an atomic absorption finish, with a detection limit of 0.01 g/t. Assays of greater than 100 g/t were re-analysed with a gravimetric finish.</p> <p>The fire assays represent total analyses and are appropriate for the style of mineralisation. They are of appropriately high quality for Mineral Resource estimation.</p>
	<p><i>For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc., the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and</i></p>	<p>No hand-held geophysical tools were used.</p>

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	<p><i>model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc. Nature of quality control procedures adopted (e.g. standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (i.e. lack of bias) and precision have been established.</i></p>	<p>Monitoring of sample preparation and analysis included industry standard methods comprising routine submission of certified reference standards, coarse and fine blanks and inter-laboratory repeats. These procedures have confirmed the reliability and accuracy of the sample preparation and analysis with sufficient confidence for the Mineral Resource estimation. Acceptable levels of accuracy and precision have been established.</p>
Verification of sampling and assaying	<p><i>The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel. The use of twinned holes. Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols. Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</i></p>	<p>No individual drill hole results are reported in this announcement. Several small phases of independent core-sampling and assaying have been conducted. None of the drill holes in this report are twinned. Primary data were captured on field tough book laptops using LogChief™ Software. The software has validation routines and data was then imported onto a secure central database.</p>
Location of data points	<p><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. Specification of the grid system used. Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</i></p>	<p>No adjustments were made to assays. All drill collars are surveyed by RTK GPS ($\pm 10\text{mm}$ of accuracy) with most diamond holes and deeper RC holes downhole surveyed at intervals of generally around 30 m using electronic multi-shot and gyroscopic equipment. Coordinate and azimuth are reported in UTM WGS84 Zone 30 North. Topographic control was established from aerial photography using 12 surveyed control points. A 1m ground resolution DTM was produced by Sahara Mining Services from a UAV survey using a DJI Inspire 1 UAV at an altitude of 100m. Topographic control is adequate for estimation of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserve.</p>
Data spacing and distribution	<p><i>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results. 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></p>	<p>Drill spacing is at 50m x 100m line spacing with infill to 50m x 50m and 10m x 15m in selected areas. Drill data spacing and distribution are sufficient to establish geological and grade continuity for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve classifications were applied utilising this information. Mineralisation tested by generally 50 by 50 m and closer spaced drilling is assigned to the Indicated category, with estimates for zones with more closely spaced drilling classified as Measured. Estimates for panels not informed consistently 50 by 50 m drilling are assigned to the Inferred category.</p>
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<p><i>Whether sample compositing has been applied. Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type. If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key</i></p>	<p>Drill hole assays were composited to 2m down-hole intervals for resource estimation. Most resource drilling was inclined at around 45° to 60° to the east, providing un-biased sampling of the mineralisation.</p>

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Sample security	<p><i>mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material.</i></p> <p><i>The measures taken to ensure sample security.</i></p>	<p>Diamond core and RC samples were transported from the drill site by Cardinal vehicle to secure storage at the Bolgatanga field exploration office. Core yard technicians, field technicians and geologists ensured samples were logged, prepared and securely stored until collected for transportation to the assay laboratories by personnel employed by the assay laboratory.</p> <p>All samples submitted for assaying were retained in a locked secure shed until collected by laboratory personnel for transport to assay laboratory. Retained drill core and RC chips are securely stored in the core storage compound, and pulps are securely stored in the core shed</p> <p>A sign-off process between Cardinal and the laboratory truck driver ensured samples and paper work correspond. The samples were then transported to the laboratory where they were receipted against the dispatch documents. The assay laboratories were responsible for samples from the time of collection from the exploration office.</p>
Audits or reviews	<p><i>The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.</i></p>	<p>Data is audited by Maxwell Geoservices (Perth), who have not made any other recommendations.</p>

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Section 2 – Reporting of Exploration Results

(Criteria listed in section 1 will also apply to this section where relevant)

Criteria	JORC Code Explanation	Commentary
Mineral Tenement and Land Status	<p>Type, name/reference number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties including joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.</p> <p>The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a license to operate in the area.</p>	<p>The Mining Licence covering Cardinal's Namdini Project over an area of approximately 19.54 sq. Km is located in the Northeast region of Ghana.</p> <p>The previous holder of the Mining Licence, Savannah Mining Ghana Limited (Savanah) completed an initial Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and lodged the EIS with the Environmental Protection Agency of Ghana. The application by Savannah for a Large-Scale Mining Licence over an area of approximately 19.54 Sq. Km in the Upper East Region of Ghana covering Cardinal's Namdini Project has been granted by the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources of Ghana.</p> <p>Savannah applied for the assignment of this Large-Scale Mining Licence to Cardinal Namdini Mining Limited (Namdini), a wholly owned Subsidiary of Cardinal. The assignment has been granted by the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources of Ghana.</p> <p>All tenements are current and in good standing. The Mining Lease for Namdini was granted for an initial 15 years which is renewable.</p>
Exploration Done by Other Parties	<p>Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.</p>	<p>Aside from Cardinal there has been no recent systematic exploration undertaken on the Namdini Project.</p>
Geology	<p>Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation</p>	<p>The deposit type comprises gold mineralisation within sheared and highly altered rocks containing sulphides; mainly pyrite with minor arsenopyrite. The geological setting is a Paleoproterozoic Greenstone Belt comprising Birimian metavolcanics, volcanoclastics and metasediments located in close proximity to a major 30 km ~N-S regional shear zone with splays. The style of mineralisation is hydrothermal alteration containing disseminated gold-bearing sulphides.</p>
Drill hole information	<p>A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easting and northing of the drill hole collar • Elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in meters) of the drill hole collar • Dip and azimuth of the hole • Down hole length and interception depth • Hole length 	<p>No individual drill hole results are reported in this announcement.</p>

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	<p><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 Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</i></p>	There has been no exclusion of information.
Data aggregation methods	<p><i>In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (e.g. cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</i></p> <p><i>Where aggregated 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></p> <p><i>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</i></p>	<p>No individual drill hole results are reported in this announcement.</p>
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	<p><i>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of exploration results.</i></p> <p><i>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</i></p> <p><i>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (e.g. 'down hole length, true width not known').</i></p>	<p>Not applicable in this document.</p> <p>The resource drilling comprises east-west trending traverses of holes inclined towards the east at generally 45⁰ to 65⁰ approximately perpendicular to mineralisation.</p>
Diagrams	<p><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></p>	<p>Appropriate maps with scale are included within the body of the announcement</p>
Balanced Reporting	<p><i>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practical, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</i></p>	<p>No individual drill hole results are reported in this announcement.</p>
Other substantive exploration data	<p><i>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observation; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density,</i></p>	<p>Density measurements available for Namdini comprise 11,047 immersion measurements performed by either Cardinal (9,652) or SGS Tarkwa or Ouagadougou (1,395) on diamond core. Oxidised and porous samples were wax-coated prior to density measurement.</p>

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Further Work	<p>groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</p> <p>The nature and scale of planned further work (e.g. tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large – scale step – out drilling).</p> <p>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</p>	<p>Exploration drilling will continue to target projected lateral and depth extensions of the mineralisation along with infill drilling designed to increase confidence in Mineral Resource estimates.</p>

Section 3 – Estimation and Reporting of Mineral Resources

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Database integrity	<p>Measures taken to ensure that data has not been corrupted by, for example, transcription or keying errors, between its initial collection and its use for Mineral Resource estimation purposes.</p> <p>Data validation procedures used.</p>	<p>The database is managed using DataShed© drill hole management software (Maxwell Geoservices) using SQL database techniques. Validation checks were conducted using SQL and DataShed relational database standards. All geological and field data is entered using data-loggers and software developed by Maxwell GeoServices, that includes lookup tables and fixed formatting (and protected from modification) thus only allowing data to be entered using the Cardinal geological code system and sample protocol. Data is then loaded to the DataShed database, which was managed by consultants Maxwell GeoServices. Cardinal technical personnel validated the database using Micromine software. The DataShed database is then reviewed against the original logging spreadsheets and the assay data checked against the supplied assay certificates. The Competent Person's independent checks of database validity included checking for internal consistency between, and within database tables and comparison of database entries with original source files. These checks, which included 99% of primary assays, 53% of down-hole surveys, and all collar surveys for the resource drilling showed no significant inconsistencies. The Competent Person's checks were conducted on the database compiled for resource estimation and in addition to checking Cardinal's master database also check for data-compilation errors. Following importation, the data goes through a series of digital checks for duplication and non-conformity, followed by manual validation by the relevant project geologist who manually checks the collar, survey, assay and geology for errors against the original field data and final paper copies of the assays. The process is documented, including the recording of holes checked, errors found, corrections made and the date of database update.</p>

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Site visits	<i>Comment on any site visits undertaken by the Competent Person and the outcome of those visits. If no site visits have been undertaken indicate why this is the case.</i>	Mr. Nicolas Johnson of MPR Geological Consultants Pty Ltd (MPR) visited the Namdini Gold Project in January 2017. Mr Johnson inspected drill core, mineralisation exposures and drilling and sampling activities and had detailed discussions with Cardinal geologists gaining an improved understanding of the geological setting and mineralisation controls, and the resource sampling activities. Mr. Richard Bray is a full-time employee of Cardinal and undertakes regular site visits.
Geological interpretation	<i>Confidence in (or conversely, the uncertainty of) the geological interpretation of the mineral deposit. Nature of the data used and of any assumptions made. The effect, if any, of alternative interpretations on Mineral Resource estimation. The use of geology in guiding and controlling Mineral Resource estimation.</i>	Gold mineralisation is widespread within the metavolcanic, granite and dioritic units which can be interpreted and modelled with a high degree of confidence. There is a sharp mineralisation boundary with the metasediments in the footwall while the hanging wall contact exhibits a more diffuse mineralisation boundary. Higher-grade mineralisation (>0.5 g/t Au) can be traced along structural corridors related to a pervasive NW-SE foliation which has been warped around the more competent granite. There is abundant structural information from oriented core which confirms this interpretation. The deposit's geological setting has been confidently established from drill hole logging and surface mapping. Geological setting of the Namdini mineralisation has been confidently established and alternative interpretations are considered unnecessary. Logging, interpretation and modelling undertaken by Cardinal Resources' technical staff and specialist structural consultants Orefind Pty Ltd produced a three-dimensional model of key rock types, structures and oxidation zones. These wire-frames were used for flagging of the resource composites into oxide, transition and fresh subdomains, and assigning rock types and oxidation zones to the block model for density assignment and partitioning final resources by oxidation type. Depth to the interpreted base of complete oxidation ranges averages approximately 10 m. Interpreted depth to fresh rock ranges averages approximately 18 m. Resource modelling included a broad mineralised domain capturing drill hole intercepts of greater than 0.1 g/t. Domain interpretation included reference to geological logging, and is consistent with geological understanding. The mineralised domain trends north-northeast over approximately 1.3 km with horizontal widths ranging from around 90 to 400 m and averaging approximately 250 m. The domain dips to the west at around 60° and is interpreted to around 860 m depth, well below the base of drilling. The continuity of grade is associated with a pervasive foliation, alteration, sulphides and the spatial distribution of lithologies including the interaction between structure and
	<i>The factors affecting continuity both of grade and geology.</i>	

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Dimensions	<i>The extent and variability of the Mineral Resource expressed as length (along strike or otherwise), plan width, and depth below surface to the upper and lower limits of the Mineral Resource.</i>	lithological competency contrasts. A broad zone of anomalous mineralisation is interpreted. Geological setting and mineralization controls have been established with sufficient confidence for the current estimates. The mineralised domain trends extend over 1.3 km of strike with an average horizontal width of approximately 250 m. Mineral resources are constrained within an optimal pit, and extend from natural surface to the bit base at around 580 m depth.
Estimation and modelling techniques	<i>The nature and appropriateness of the estimation technique(s) applied and key assumptions, including treatment of extreme grade values, domaining, interpolation parameters and maximum distance of extrapolation from data points. If a computer assisted estimation method was chosen include a description of computer software and parameters used.</i>	Mineral resources were estimated by Multiple Indicator Kriging (MIK) with block support adjustment. The modelling included a broad mineralised domain capturing drill hole intercepts of greater than 0.1 g/t, and oxidation domains outlining oxidised, transitional and fresh zones. Grade continuity characterised by indicator variograms modelled at 14 indicator thresholds. All class grades were derived from class mean grades, with the exception of upper bin grades, which were generally derived from bin medians, or for the case of fresh mineralised domain bin means inclusive of a 50 g/t upper cut. The modelling used a three-pass octant-based search strategy giving estimates extrapolated to a maximum of 92.5m from composite locations. Estimated resources include a variance adjustment to give estimates of recoverable resources for selective mining unit dimensions of 5 m east by 10 m north by 2.5 m in elevation. The variance adjustments were applied using the direct lognormal method. Data viewing, compositing and wire-framing was performed using Micromine software. Exploratory data analysis, variogram analysis and modelling, and Mineral Resource estimation utilised FSSI Consultants (Australia) Pty Ltd (FSSI) GS3M software. The modelling technique is appropriate for the mineralisation style, and potential mining method. Resulting Mineral Resource estimates were compared with the previous estimate performed by Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. ("RPA"). For the same area covered by RPA, the MPR estimate statistics and results are within 5% for grade, tonnes and ounces at the cut-off grade. MPR's estimate has the benefit of additional drilling and covers a larger area accounting for the global variances. Recent independent reviews were also conducted by Golder Associates Pty Ltd. There is no assumption made regarding the recovery of any by-product. Block modelling included estimation of sulphur and arsenic. These attributes are not included in mineral resources.
	<i>The availability of check estimates, previous estimates and/or mine production records and whether the Mineral Resource estimate takes appropriate account of such data.</i>	
	<i>The assumptions made regarding recovery of by-products. Estimation of deleterious elements or other non-grade variables of economic significance (eg sulphur for acid mine drainage characterisation). In the case of block model interpolation, the block size in relation to the average</i>	Block dimensions used were 12.5 mE by 25 mN by 5 mRL and chosen due to this dimension approximating the

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	<i>sample spacing and the search employed.</i>	average resource drill spacing in the areas of tightest resource drilling. The modelling includes a three-pass octant search strategy with search ellipsoids aligned with the average domain orientations. Search radii and minimum data requirements are: Search 1: 65 by 65 by 15 m (16 data), Search 2: 97.5 by 97.5 by 22.5 m (16 data), Search 3: 97.5 by 97.5 by 22.5 (8 data).
	<i>Any assumptions behind modelling of selective mining units.</i>	Estimated resources include a variance adjustment to give estimates of recoverable resources for selective mining unit dimensions of 5 m east by 10 m north by 2.5 m in elevation with grade control sampling on an 8 by 12 by 1.25 m pattern. The variance adjustments were applied using the direct lognormal method.
	<i>Any assumptions about correlation between variables.</i> <i>Description of how the geological interpretation was used to control the resource estimates.</i>	The modelling did not include any specific assumptions about correlation between variables. Interpretation of the mineralised domain used for resource modelling included reference to geological logging, and the domain is consistent with geological understanding. A three-dimensional model of key rock types and oxidation zones was density assignment and partitioning final resources by oxidation type.
	<i>Discussion of basis for using or not using grade cutting or capping.</i>	Statistical analysis showed the gold population in the mineralized domains to be highly skewed and generally having moderate to high coefficient of variation. All class grades were derived from class mean grades, with the exception of upper bin grades, which were generally derived from bin medians, or for the case of fresh mineralised domain bin means inclusive of a 50 g/t upper cut.
	<i>The process of validation, the checking process used, the comparison of model data to drill hole data, and use of reconciliation data if available.</i>	Model validation included visual comparison of model estimates and composite grades, and review of swath plots. Additional checking included comparison of model estimates with independent grade control models produced from the trial GC drill data, which showed close agreement.
Moisture	<i>Whether the tonnages are estimated on a dry basis or with natural moisture, and the method of determination of the moisture content.</i>	Tonnages are estimated on a dry basis.
Cut-off parameters	<i>The basis of the adopted cut-off grade(s) or quality parameters applied.</i>	The cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t sed for Mineral Resource reporting reflect Cardinal's interpretation of the potential project range of gold prices and process plant recoveries and operating costs for a potential operation.
Mining factors or assumptions	<i>Assumptions made regarding possible mining methods, minimum mining dimensions and internal (or, if applicable, external) mining dilution. It is always necessary as part of the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider potential mining methods, but the assumptions made regarding mining methods and parameters when</i>	Estimated resources include a variance adjustment to give estimates of recoverable resources for selective mining unit dimensions of 5 m east by 10 m north by 2.5 m in elevation with grade control sampling on an 8 by 12 by 1.25 m pattern. The variance adjustments were applied using the direct lognormal method. The Mineral Resource is constrained within an optimal pit shell based on a long-term gold price of US\$1,950 /oz using factors relevant to location and proposed processing and

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Metallurgical factors or assumptions	<p><i>estimating Mineral Resources may not always be rigorous. Where this is the case, this should be reported with an explanation of the basis of the mining assumptions made.</i></p> <p><i>The basis for assumptions or predictions regarding metallurgical amenability. It is always necessary as part of the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider potential metallurgical methods, but the assumptions regarding metallurgical treatment processes and parameters made when reporting Mineral Resources may not always be rigorous. Where this is the case, this should be reported with an explanation of the basis of the metallurgical assumptions made.</i></p>	<p>mining method, comprising conventional drill, blast, load and haul unit operations.</p> <p>The optimal pit shell generated for constraining resources assumes conventional milling of mineralized material, followed by flotation, regrinding and cyanide leaching of the concentrate.</p> <p>Metallurgical testing using industry standard gold techniques has demonstrated an average LOM gold recovery rate of 82%.</p> <p>A conventional grind-flotation-regrind-CIL flowsheet continues to be the preferred process option.</p> <p>Recovery appears to be dependent on head grade and upon the ratio of the different lithologies, which change as the Mineral Resource model is updated and depending upon the cut-off grade.</p>
Environmental factors or assumptions	<p><i>Assumptions made regarding possible waste and process residue disposal options. It is always necessary as part of the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider the potential environmental impacts of the mining and processing operation. While at this stage the determination of potential environmental impacts, particularly for a greenfields project, may not always be well advanced, the status of early consideration of these potential environmental impacts should be reported. Where these aspects have not been considered this should be reported with an explanation of the environmental assumptions made.</i></p>	<p>Cardinal's exploration activities are undertaken such that any potential emissions and effects associated exploration activities, which could include habitat modification and associated visual effects, are kept to a minimum.</p> <p>NEMAS Consult Ltd (NEMAS), of Accra, Ghana, has been contracted by Cardinal to undertake the Environmental Impact Assessment study for the Project. NEMAS has undertaken a site reconnaissance visit and completed the Scoping stage of the process in accordance with the Ghanaian Environmental Protection Agency procedures for the EIA.</p> <p>The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to complete the process of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approval in accordance with Regulations 15(1b) and (1c) of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, 1999 (LI 1652) and Ghana's Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Procedures, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Further detailed environmental studies are continuing.</p> <p>Cardinal believes that there are unlikely to be any specific environmental issues that would preclude potential eventual economic extraction.</p>

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Bulk density	<p><i>Whether assumed or determined. If assumed, the basis for the assumptions. If determined, the method used, whether wet or dry, the frequency of the measurements, the nature, size and representativeness of the samples. The bulk density for bulk material must have been measured by methods that adequately account for void spaces (vugs, porosity, etc), moisture and differences between rock and alteration zones within the deposit.</i></p> <p><i>Discuss assumptions for bulk density estimates used in the evaluation process of the different materials.</i></p>	<p>Resource data acquisition included routine immersion measurements of bulk densities for samples of diamond core. The bulk density database for the Mineral Resource estimate comprises 11,047 measurements. Oxidized and porous samples were wax-coated prior to density measurement. Lengths specified for these samples range from 0.01 to 1.4 m and average 0.3 m. Bulk density is determined using Archimedes principal on DD core samples.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Oxide – 2.06 ➤ Transition Metavolcanics – 2.54 ➤ Transition Granite – 2.54 ➤ Transition Diorite – 2.58 ➤ Transition Metasediments – 2.58 ➤ Fresh Metavolcanics – 2.81 ➤ Fresh Granite – 2.73 ➤ Fresh Diorite – 2.82 ➤ Fresh Metasediments - 2.82 <p>Bulk densities were assigned to the estimate by rock type and weathering zone. The assigned values were derived from the average of the available measurements for each zone. Assigned densities vary from 2.00 for strongly weathered metavolcanic to 2.82 t/m³ for fresh diorite and metasediments.</p>
Classification	<p><i>The basis for the classification of the Mineral Resources into varying confidence categories.</i></p> <p><i>Whether appropriate account has been taken of all relevant factors (ie., relative confidence in tonnage/grade estimations, reliability of input data, confidence in continuity of geology and metal values, quality, quantity and distribution of the data). Whether the result appropriately reflects the Competent Person's view of the deposit.</i></p>	<p>Resource model blocks were classified as Measured, Indicated or Inferred on the basis of search pass and three wire-frames outlining more closely drilled portions of the mineralisation.</p> <p>The classification approach assigns estimates mineralization tested by generally 50 by 50 m and closer spaced drilling to the Indicated category, with estimates for more zones with closely spaced drilling classified as Measured. Estimates for panels not informed consistently 50 by 50 m drilling are assigned to the Inferred category. Classification of the area of Grade Control sampling as Measured is warranted by the close agreement between resource and Grade Control estimates.</p> <p>The resource classification accounts for all relevant factors and reflect the competent person's views of the deposit.</p>
Audits or reviews	<p><i>The results of any audits or reviews of Mineral Resource estimates.</i></p>	<p>Mineral Resource reviews including comparative modelling have previously been undertaken by independent external consultants.</p>

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Discussion of relative accuracy/confidence	<p><i>Where appropriate a statement of the relative accuracy and confidence level in the Mineral Resource estimate using an approach or procedure deemed appropriate by the Competent Person. For example, the application of statistical or geostatistical procedures to quantify the relative accuracy of the resource within stated confidence limits, or, if such an approach is not deemed appropriate, a qualitative discussion of the factors that could affect the relative accuracy and confidence of the estimate. The statement should specify whether it relates to global or local estimates, and, if local, state the relevant tonnages, which should be relevant to technical and economic evaluation. Documentation should include assumptions made and the procedures used.</i></p> <p><i>These statements of relative accuracy and confidence of the estimate should be compared with production data, where available.</i></p>	<p>Confidence in the accuracy of the estimates is reflected by their classification as Measured, Indicated and Inferred.</p> <p>The Mineral Resource has been classified as Indicated and Inferred with the Indicated Resource considered to be of sufficient confidence to allow mine planning studies to be completed.</p> <p>The geostatistical techniques applied to estimate the Namdini deposit are deemed appropriate for the anticipated bulk mining method proposed.</p>

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Section 4 - Estimation and Reporting of Ore Reserves

Golder Associates Pty Ltd estimated the Ore Reserve in accordance with the JORC Code (2012). The term 'Ore Reserve' is synonymous with the term 'Mineral Reserve' as used by Canadian National Instrument 43-101 'Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects' (NI 43-101, 2014) and conforms with CIM (2014). The JORC Code (2012) is defined as an 'acceptable foreign code' under NI 43-101.

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Mineral Resource estimate for conversion to Ore Reserves	<p><i>Description of the Mineral Resource estimate used as a basis for the conversion to an Ore Reserve.</i></p> <p><i>Clear statement as to whether the Mineral Resources are reported additional to, or inclusive of, the Ore Reserves.</i></p>	<p>The Mineral Resource model used as input to the mining model was the MIK model supplied by MPR (February 2019) using parent cell sizes of 12.5x25x5 m (X, Y, Z).</p> <p>The Ore Reserve is wholly inclusive of the Mineral Resource for the Namdini Gold Project.</p>																								
Site visits	<p><i>Comment on any site visits undertaken by the Competent Person and the outcome of those visits.</i></p> <p><i>If no site visits have been undertaken indicate why this is the case.</i></p>	<p>The Competent Person (Ore Reserves) visited the Namdini Gold Project site in Ghana on 14 and 15 December 2017. The site has road access and is readily accessible for power, water and additional infrastructure requirements.</p>																								
Study status	<p><i>The type and level of study undertaken to enable Mineral Resources to be converted to Ore Reserves.</i></p> <p><i>The Code requires that a study to at least Pre-Feasibility Study level has been undertaken to convert Mineral Resources to Ore Reserves. Such studies will have been carried out and will have determined a mine plan that is technically achievable and economically viable, and that material Modifying Factors have been considered.</i></p>	<p>A Preliminary Feasibility Study has been completed and a NI43-101 Technical Report for the TSX was submitted in October 2018.</p> <p>Ore Reserves are declared for the Namdini Gold Project based upon a mine plan and mine designs that are deemed technically achievable and have been tested for economic viability using input costs, metallurgical recovery and expected long term gold price, after due allowances for royalties.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Class</th> <th>Ore tonnes (Mt)</th> <th>Contained ounces (Moz)</th> <th>Grade (Au g/t)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Proved Oxide</td> <td>1.0</td> <td>0.1</td> <td>1.21</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Probable Oxide</td> <td>3.0</td> <td>0.1</td> <td>1.08</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Proved Fresh</td> <td>6.4</td> <td>0.3</td> <td>1.33</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Probable Fresh</td> <td>131.2</td> <td>4.6</td> <td>1.13</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Proved and Probable</td> <td>138.6</td> <td>5.1</td> <td>1.13</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Class	Ore tonnes (Mt)	Contained ounces (Moz)	Grade (Au g/t)	Proved Oxide	1.0	0.1	1.21	Probable Oxide	3.0	0.1	1.08	Proved Fresh	6.4	0.3	1.33	Probable Fresh	131.2	4.6	1.13	Total Proved and Probable	138.6	5.1	1.13
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Total Proved and Probable	138.6	5.1	1.13																							
Cut-off parameters	<p><i>The basis of the cut-off grade(s) or quality parameters applied.</i></p>	<p><i>Apparent differences may occur due to rounding.</i></p> <p>A marginal cut-off grade (COG) was estimated for gold using a gross long-term gold price of US\$1300/oz. Input processing costs of \$14.30/t plus \$1.50/t stockpile reclaim using an estimated 82% metallurgical recovery. A marginal COG was estimated as: <i>process cost / (net gold price * process recovery)</i></p> <p>i.e. $COG = (\\$14.30 + \\$1.50) / (\\$39.67 * 82\%)$ giving 0.5 g/t (to one significant figure)</p> <p>Using this marginal COG, the proportion of ore, and the gold grade above the COG, were defined in the mining model and</p>																								

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Mining factors or assumptions	<p><i>The method and assumptions used as reported in the Pre-Feasibility or Feasibility Study to convert the Mineral Resource to an Ore Reserve (i.e. either by application of appropriate factors by optimisation or by preliminary or detailed design).</i></p> <p><i>The choice, nature and appropriateness of the selected mining method(s) and other mining parameters including associated design issues such as pre-strip, access, etc.</i></p> <p><i>The assumptions made regarding geotechnical parameters (eg pit slopes, stope sizes, etc), grade control and pre-production drilling.</i></p> <p><i>The major assumptions made and Mineral Resource model used for pit and stope optimisation (if appropriate).</i></p> <p><i>The mining dilution factors used.</i></p> <p><i>The mining recovery factors used.</i></p> <p><i>Any minimum mining widths used.</i></p> <p><i>The manner in which Inferred Mineral Resources are utilised in mining studies and the sensitivity of the outcome to their inclusion.</i></p> <p><i>The infrastructure requirements of the selected mining methods.</i></p>	<p>the parcelled (ore + waste) blocks were exported for open pit optimisation.</p> <p>The Namdini Gold Project will be mined by medium scale conventional open pit mining equipment. The mining process will include drill and blast, and conventional load and haul operations. There is a minimal amount of free-dig material with most material requiring drilling and blasting.</p> <p>Mining will be carried out using staged cut-backs with four identified Stages being incorporated into the LOM final pit. Oxide ore will be stockpiled temporarily and treated separately within the process plant as a batch process at the end of life of mine. Waste rock will be dumped separately with the waste rock piles on the western side of the pit.</p> <p>The pit slopes have been assessed from a detailed geotechnical investigation by Golder with the Oxide (upper material) requiring an estimated overall slope angle of 40°, Slope angles in the fresh rock have been determined in accordance to the lithology type, and zone within the pit in accordance with the prescribed geotechnical parameters. Grade control drilling will precede ore identification and ore mark-out on a bench basis.</p> <p>The mining model has assumed that sufficient account for estimated ore loss and dilution was incorporated into the Mineral Resource model through the resource estimation technique (MIK with post-processing of variance adjustment and change of support). Moderate bulk mining (minimal selectivity) will be used with 400 t excavators feeding 130 t rigid body haul trucks. The ore will be mined in a series of three flitches within a 10m bench and the waste rock will be mined in 10m benches where practicable.</p> <p>A minimum mining width of 80m was assumed.</p> <p>Inferred Mineral Resources have been considered as waste material. There is minimal Inferred Resource material within the final pit design.</p> <p>Mining infrastructure requirements will be provided by the selected mining contractor with the mining performed on an outsourced basis.</p>
Metallurgical factors or assumptions	<p><i>The metallurgical process proposed and the appropriateness of that process to the style of mineralisation.</i></p> <p><i>Whether the metallurgical process is well-tested technology or novel in nature.</i></p> <p><i>The nature, amount and representativeness of metallurgical test work undertaken, the nature of the metallurgical domaining applied and the corresponding metallurgical recovery factors applied.</i></p> <p><i>Any assumptions or allowances made for deleterious elements.</i></p>	<p>Metallurgical process recoveries have been defined on various samples for Oxide and Fresh ore. Metallurgical testwork was carried out by ALS Laboratories Perth, Australia. An average estimated 90% for the oxide ore and 82% recovery for the Fresh ore was applied in the LOM plan and the pit optimisation process. Testwork is ongoing.</p> <p>The process plant will be a conventional crush, grind, flotation, regrind (of flotation concentrate), Carbon-In-Leach with elution circuit, electrowinning and gold smelting to recover the gold from the loaded carbon to produce doré.</p>

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	<p><i>The existence of any bulk sample or pilot scale test work and the degree to which such samples are considered representative of the orebody as a whole.</i></p> <p><i>For minerals that are defined by a specification, has the ore reserve estimation been based on the appropriate mineralogy to meet the specifications?</i></p>	<p>No deleterious elements have been identified in the testwork that could affect the saleability or price of the gold doré produced.</p> <p>Testwork carried out to date indicates that the Namdini Gold Project can use a conventional gold recovery process plant with fine regrind circuit and existing proven technology. Namdini will produce a readily saleable gold doré which will be exported for refining.</p>
Environmental	<p><i>The status of studies of potential environmental impacts of the mining and processing operation. Details of waste rock characterisation and the consideration of potential sites, status of design options considered and, where applicable, the status of approvals for process residue storage and waste dumps should be reported.</i></p>	<p>NEMAS on behalf of Cardinal submitted their Environmental Impact Statement report in October 2018 to the Environmental Protection Agency for approval. The report covers all regulatory requirements for environmental impacts, mitigation plans and monitoring programmes. The approval process is nearing completion.</p>
Infrastructure	<p><i>The existence of appropriate infrastructure: availability of land for plant development, power, water, transportation (particularly for bulk commodities), labour, accommodation; or the ease with which the infrastructure can be provided, or accessed.</i></p>	<p>Lycopodium completed FS level study of the infrastructure requirements including power, water, road access, and waste management.</p> <p>The site will be accessed by a new ~25 km gravel road linking the site to the existing national road N10 between Pwalagu and Shia. The N10 provides good access to the major cities and ports in southern Ghana and no upgrades of the N10 will be undertaken. The site access road will follow a similar route to the proposed new power line north of Pwalagu.</p>
Costs	<p><i>The derivation of, or assumptions made, regarding projected capital costs in the study.</i></p> <p><i>The methodology used to estimate operating costs.</i></p> <p><i>Allowances made for the content of deleterious elements.</i></p> <p><i>The derivation of assumptions made of metal or commodity price(s), for the principal minerals and co-products.</i></p> <p><i>The source of exchange rates used in the study.</i></p> <p><i>Derivation of transportation charges.</i></p> <p><i>The basis for forecasting or source of treatment and refining charges, penalties for failure to meet specification, etc.</i></p> <p><i>The allowances made for royalties payable, both Government and private.</i></p>	<p>Costs were provided by Lycopodium to a FS level. Capital and operating costs were estimated for the proposed 9.5 Mtpa processing operation.</p> <p>Operating costs were compiled from quotations, database and a variety of sources and compared against existing and planned gold mining operations elsewhere in Ghana. Mining costs built up from first principles by Golder Associates using vendor quotations and current databases to derive contractor equivalent rates. These rates were to previous fully quoted submissions from the two largest in-country mining contractors and supported by similar mining operations in Africa. The estimated base mining cost used an incremental cost increase with depth to account for increased haulage costs.</p> <p>All costs were determined on a US dollar (US\$) basis.</p>
Revenue factors	<p><i>The derivation of, or assumptions made regarding revenue factors including head grade, metal or commodity price(s) exchange rates, transportation and treatment charges, penalties, net smelter returns, etc.</i></p>	<p>An allowance for 5% royalties was used in the pit optimisations and financial modelling associated with the LOM planning assessment. An additional \$1.10 per ounce of doré bar has been allowed for as TC/RC costs.</p> <p>Gold will be the single product commodity from the Namdini Gold Project with the gold product being exported as doré.</p>

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Market assessment	<p><i>The derivation of assumptions made of metal or commodity price(s), for the principal metals, minerals and co-products.</i></p> <p><i>The demand, supply and stock situation for the particular commodity, consumption trends and factors likely to affect supply and demand into the future.</i></p> <p><i>A customer and competitor analysis along with the identification of likely market windows for the product.</i></p> <p><i>Price and volume forecasts and the basis for these forecasts.</i></p> <p><i>For industrial minerals the customer specification, testing and acceptance requirements prior to a supply contract.</i></p>	<p>Gold is a readily traded commodity and no specific market study has been carried out. Advice regarding the forward-looking gold price was provided by Cardinal Resources.</p> <p>No projected or oversupply of gold is envisaged which could affect the product market pricing.</p> <p>The long-term price of gold has been assumed to be US\$1,300 for the financial model evaluation metrics</p> <p>The gold will be sold as doré.</p>
Economic	<p><i>The inputs to the economic analysis to produce the net present value (NPV) in the study, the source and confidence of these economic inputs including estimated inflation, discount rate, etc.</i></p> <p><i>NPV ranges and sensitivity to variations in the significant assumptions and inputs.</i></p>	<p>High-level economic analysis indicates that the project is economically viable using a discount rate of 10%. The project has been tested against the primary value drivers of gold price, processing costs, mining costs and capital expenditure.</p>
Social	<p><i>The status of agreements with key stakeholders and matters leading to social licence to operate.</i></p>	<p>A feasibility level social study and relocation action plan is currently being carried out by NEMAS and Mark Addo Associates respectively, including active engagement of local and state regulatory bodies.</p>
Other	<p><i>To the extent relevant, the impact of the following on the project and/or on the estimation and classification of the Ore Reserves:</i></p> <p><i>Any identified material naturally occurring risks.</i></p> <p><i>The status of material legal agreements and marketing arrangements.</i></p> <p><i>The status of governmental agreements and approvals critical to the viability of the project, such as mineral tenement status, and government and statutory approvals. There must be reasonable grounds to expect that all necessary Government approvals will be received within the timeframes anticipated in the Pre-Feasibility or Feasibility study.</i></p> <p><i>Highlight and discuss the materiality of any unresolved matter that is dependent on a third party on which extraction of the reserve is contingent.</i></p>	<p>There are no known current impediments to the progression of the project or foreseen encumbrances to the granting of a licence to operate.</p> <p>Continued discussions with the regulatory authorities and submission of the mine plan and closure plan to the Ghanaian authorities are continuing as part of the Feasibility study</p>
Classification	<p><i>The basis for the classification of the Ore Reserves into varying confidence categories.</i></p>	<p>Probable and Proved Ore Reserves are declared for the Namdini Gold Project. Measured and Indicated Resources within the final pit design that have been scheduled for</p>

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Audits or reviews	<p><i>Whether the result appropriately reflects the Competent Person's view of the deposit.</i></p> <p><i>The proportion of Probable Ore Reserves that have been derived from Measured Mineral Resources (if any).</i></p> <p><i>The results of any audits or reviews of Ore Reserve estimates.</i></p>	<p>processing have been converted to Ore Reserves after application of the Modifying Factors.</p> <p>The Pre-feasibility and scoping study outputs have been the subject of internal review by the contributing parties and external review by other consultants. The feasibility study is continuing and due for completion in Q3 - 2019.</p> <p>No fatal flaws were identified by external consultants</p>
Discussion of relative accuracy/confidence	<p><i>Where appropriate a statement of the relative accuracy and confidence level in the Ore Reserve estimate using an approach or procedure deemed appropriate by the Competent Person.</i></p> <p><i>For example, the application of statistical or geostatistical procedures to quantify the relative accuracy of the reserve within stated confidence limits, or, if such an approach is not deemed appropriate, a qualitative discussion of the factors which could affect the relative accuracy and confidence of the estimate.</i></p> <p><i>The statement should specify whether it relates to global or local estimates, and, if local, state the relevant tonnages, which should be relevant to technical and economic evaluation.</i></p> <p><i>Documentation should include assumptions made and the procedures used.</i></p> <p><i>Accuracy and confidence discussions should extend to specific discussions of any applied Modifying Factors that may have a material impact on Ore Reserve viability, or for which there are remaining areas of uncertainty at the current study stage.</i></p> <p><i>It is recognised that this may not be possible or appropriate in all circumstances. These statements of relative accuracy and confidence of the estimate should be compared with production data, where available.</i></p>	<p>Ore Reserves have been classified as Proved by conversion of Measured Resource material above the 0.5 g/t Au cut-off grade within the final pit design. While Probable Ore Reserves have been estimated by the conversion of Indicated Resource material above the 0.5 g/t Au cut-off grade within the final pit design.</p> <p>The Ore Reserve was estimated from the Mineral Resource after consideration of the level of confidence in the Mineral Resource and taking account of material and relevant modifying factors including mining, processing, infrastructure, environmental, legal, social and commercial factors. The Probable Ore Reserve estimate is based on Indicated Mineral Resources. No Inferred Mineral Resource was included in the Ore Reserve. The Ore Reserve represents the economically mineable part of the Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources.</p> <p>The key to the accuracy of the Ore Reserve is the underpinning Mineral Resource that is considered to be of sufficient confidence to allow mine planning studies to be completed.</p> <p>The proposed mine plan is technically achievable. All technical proposals made for the operational phase involve the application of conventional technology that is widely utilised in the gold industry.</p> <p>The key factors that are likely to affect the accuracy and confidence in the Ore Reserves are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes in gold prices and sales agreements • Accuracy of the underlying Resource Block Models • Changes in metallurgical recovery • Mining loss and dilution