

# Sustainable blasting solutions

# Delivering Sustainable Future Fit Solutions

- Established in 1984, BME is a leading global manufacturer and supplier of explosives, related accessories and blasting services to the mining, quarrying and construction industries.
- Added to this is our mining chemicals and metallurgy solutions, client tailored to extract maximum value from ore while reducing costs and environmental impacts.

"BME aims to be a globally trusted mining solutions provider by prioritising safety, sustainability, and continuous technological innovation. Through strong governance, community engagement, and a commitment to a carbonfree future by 2050, we are building a winning culture that not only empowers our clients, but our employees."



# BME is a division of the Omnia Group

### PURSUING GROWTH FROM THE CORE AMMONIA AND NITROGEN VALUE CHAIN





**AGRICULTURE** 



MINING



**CHEMICALS** 





# Mining segment overview

Delivering blasting technology and metallurgical solutions in Africa and beyond



1 720 Across employees 18 countries

284 explosives customers

70 chemicals customers



# A global and diverse leadership team

## Extensive sector & technical knowledge



Ralf Hennecke Managing Director Mining Engineer, MBA



**Deon Swart**Chief Operating Officer *CA (SA)* 



**Dirk Voogt**General Manager:
Production & Logistics *B.Engineering, Chemical* 



**Nishen Hariparsad** General Manager: Technology & Marketing Chemical Engineer, MBA



**Nic Dreyer**General Manager:
Southern Africa Operations
Honours: Business Management



**Lucy Diole**Financial Director *CA (SA)* 



Agusman
General Manager:
Indonesia
Civil engineer, Masters in
Finance



Michael Wiseman General Manager: Australia/Asia B. Engineering, Mining



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Global Operational Excellence
Industrial Chemist, MBA



Kasturi Adari General Manager: Human Resources Post Grad: Labour Law



Nelisile Thanjekwayo
Head of Legal
LLM, Commercial and business



**Lefa Masiuana**General Manager:
Mining Chemicals
Chemical Engineer



Neil Alberts
General Manager:
Americas
MPhil: International Business,
MRA



# We are a purpose-led business

Innovating to enhance life, together creating a greener future



### **Food security**

### **Critical mineral extraction**

### **Economic growth**

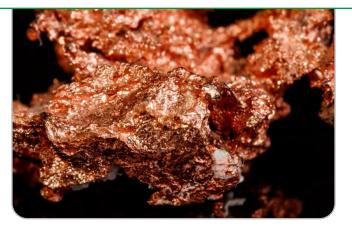
### Our business impact on the world

Increased food production capacities ensuring stable, productive food supply and combating global hunger

Fostering innovation and sustainability in essential global industries

Enhanced economic stability and growth in regions of operation, improving living standards and fostering long-term development











# Consolidated product and service offering: Blasting Solutions



### **Products**

- Axxis Detonators
- Axxis Wire
- **Bulk Raw Material**
- INNOVEX (Surface and Underground)
- INNOPAK
- INNOFEX
- Viperdet
- Boosters
- Traded packaged explosives
- Traded 3rd party Nonelectric and Electric I.S. and Accessories

### Infrastructure and equipment

#### Surface

- MMU truck **Emulsion**
- MMU truck HA
- Stemming Truck
- LDV Bulk
- Apex Plant
- Acid plant
- AXXIS blasting boxes and various other components

#### Production infrastructure

- Mobile plants
- Water tanks
- Silos

#### Underground

- Megacharger
- CCU
- ECU's
- Chargers
- Transfer cassette
- Filling Station –
- Rapid Emulsion **Delivery System**
- Vertical pipeline
- Closed Emulsion System
- CBS

#### Support structures

- Offices
- Fences

# **SERVICES**



### People

#### Operations personnel

- Blaster
- Blaster Assistant
- Truck Operator
- Truck Assistant
- Site Manager
- Operations Foreman
- **Priming Operator**
- Administration person
- Blasting licence holders
- Magazine master

### **Technical personnel**

- Blasting Technician
- Blasting Engineer
- Blast Optimisation head
- Blasting Technology Director



### Advanced technical services

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### **Software**

- BLASTMAP
- **BLASTMAP Underground**
- **XPLOLOG**
- XPLOCHARGE
- Smart MMU
- BME Blasting Guide
- API development



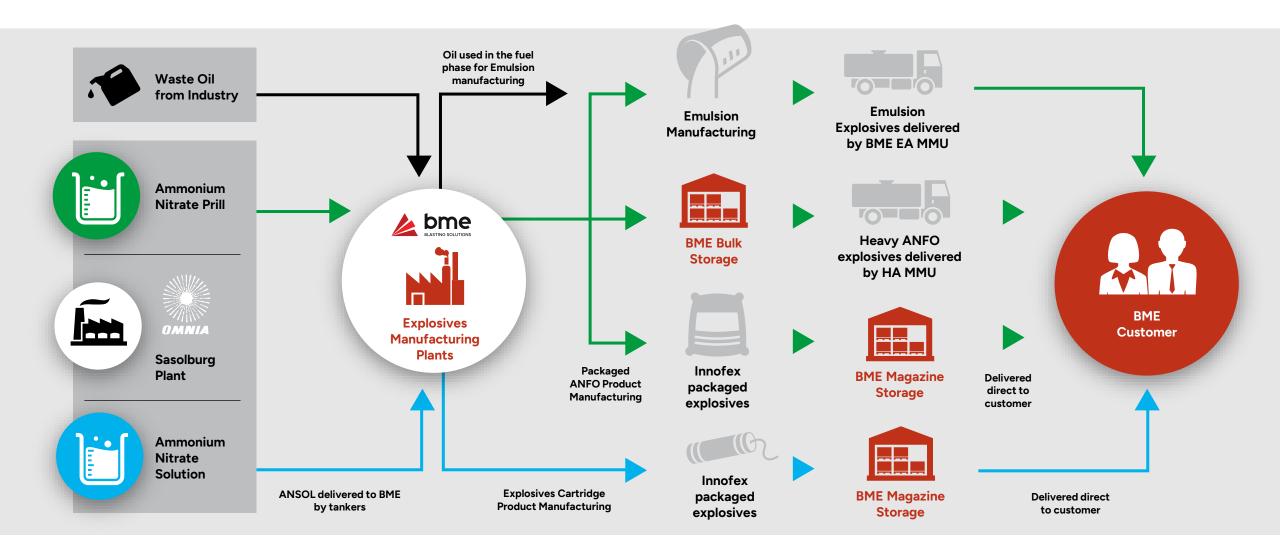
# Unlocking value across the entire mining value chain: mine-to-mill process



- BME is investing in the next generation of digital technologies and solutions as customers seek operational efficiencies across the mining value chain
- Innovative solutions to enhance mine yields & cost saving from blasting to mineral processing
- Opencast market leader bulk emulsion & blended bulk explosives
- Proprietary **precision software & electronic detonators** strong mining relationships & global presence
- **Dual salt emulsion** using less AN, requiring less electricity to produce and more stable
- Award-winning used oil technology
- Exemplary safety record

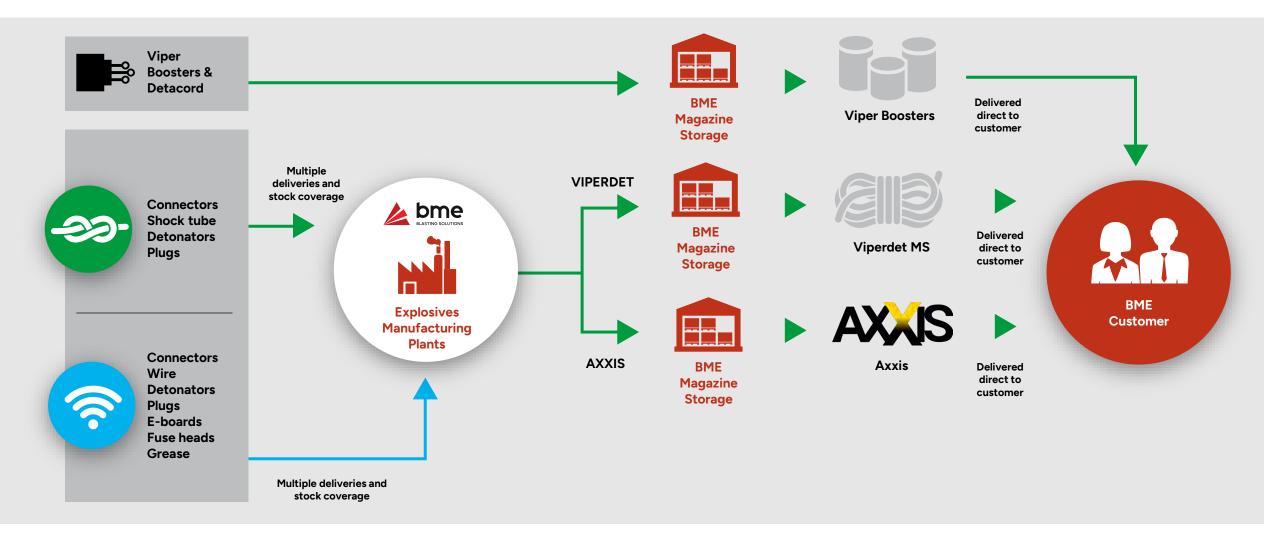


# Our value chain: BME explosives manufacturing



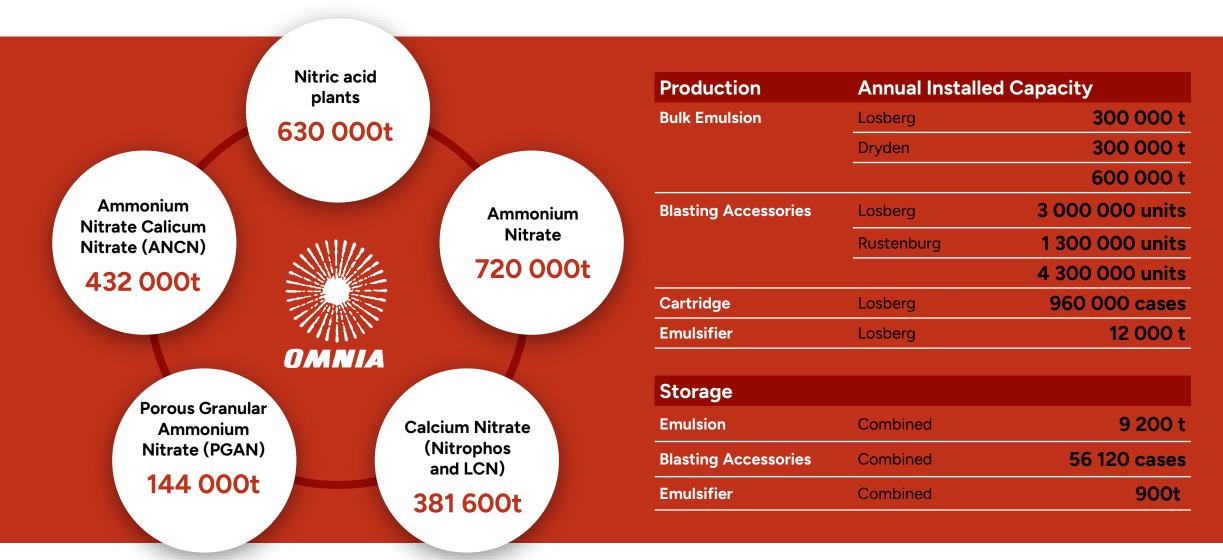


# Our value chain: BME accessories manufacturing





# Plant capacities: Omnia & BME (annual)





# **Consolidated value proposition**

Leveraging key technologies to deliver growth and value delivery

**Emulsion**System of technologies



INNOVEX

Bulk emulsion systems

**Chemistry**Differentiated chemicals



Emulsification

Unique analytical chemistry solutions

**Initiation System**Innovative benefits



**AXXIS**Enhanced precision and accuracy

**Manufacturing**Modular and Automated



Manufacturing

Enabled assembly
and quality systems



# Meeting customer needs throughout the mining value chain

Evolution of technologies continue to unlock new opportunities and drive value creation

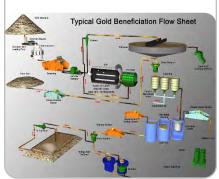
Trust Supply chain security Safety Integrated technology ESG Localisation Cost saving Knowledge transfer

# Beyond Mining Excellence





Optimised extraction and yield



End to end product solutions



Transforming mining

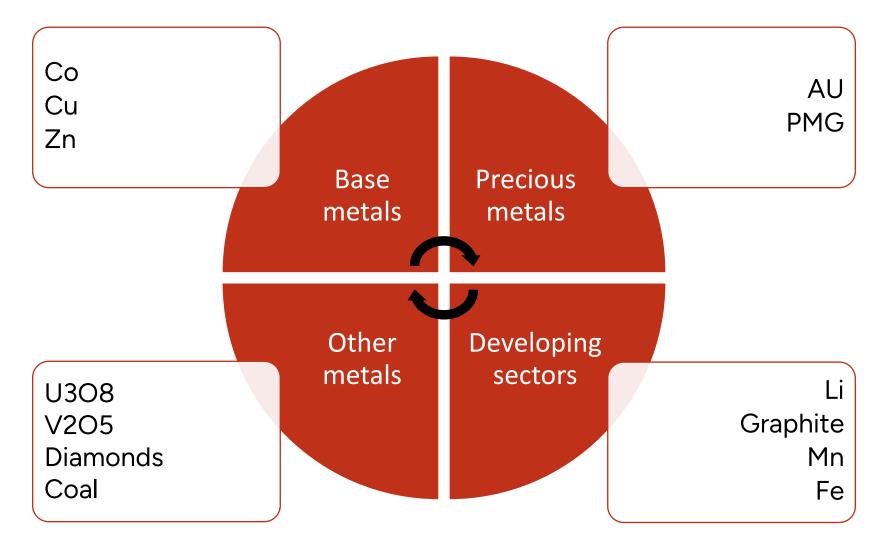






# **Mining Solutions - Mineral Sectors**

We partner with global industry leaders in delivering innovative cost saving mineral recovery solutions





# **Areas of support**

Primary areas where we support clients in driving success, address challenges, and deliver value.

### Comminution



- Grinding media
- Lime

**Flotation** 



- Frothers
- Depressants
- Dispersants
- Collectors
- Activators
- Promoters
- Sulphidizers

# Solid-liquid separation



- Flocculants
- Coagulants
- Filter aids

### SX/EW



- Diluent
- Colloidal Silica
   Coagulant
- Smoothing agents
- Acid demister

## **Precipitation**



- MgO
- Lime
- Soda ash
- Caustic



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### Adsorption



- Carbon blanking agents
- Activated Carbon

### **Water Treatment**



- Coagulants
- Biocides
- Corrosion inhibitors

### Leaching



- Acids
- Bases
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Ammonia

### **Support services**



- Risk Mitigating Services
- Training
- Metallurgical support

### **Analysis**



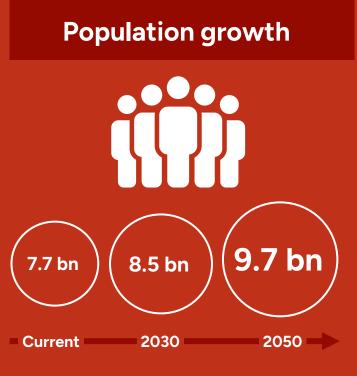
- Lab analysis
- Flux formulations





# Sustainability: BME's solutions are positively aligned to global mega trends

**Factors driving demand for minerals** 



2050 urban occupancy projected at 68%, increasing the need for natural resources, infrastructure and industrialisation

### **Decarbonisation**

Global action towards



Mining companies are looking to reduce Scope 1, 2 and 3 GHG emissions – BME's green tech solutions reduce emissions across the supply chain (Scope 3)

carbon emissions by 2050

# Climate change and critical minerals



Markets for critical minerals used in green energy technologies are expected to expand sevenfold in the next decade



# Sustainability: ESG<sup>1</sup> goals to 2030<sup>2</sup>

Defined objectives with solid performance against targets<sup>3</sup> up to 31 Jan 2023



nergy





20% Absolute

energy use Achieved: 24%



15%

Renewable energy consumption

Achieved: 9%



25%

Energy efficiency Achieved: 21%

Water





25%

Absolute water use Achieved: 23%



20%

Water recycling Achieved: 6%



15%

Water efficiency Achieved: 21%

Climate Change





25%

GHG<sup>4</sup> emission Achieved: 77%







**50%** RCR<sup>5</sup>

Achieved: 67%



# Sustainability: Strengthening our ESG commitment

Omnia's strategic intent is to move towards facing green & sustainable products and solutions



### **Agriculture**

- Nutriology® Nutrient and water use efficiency
- Ammonium Nitrate fertilizer < carbon footprint than Urea</li>
- AgriBio product range
- Precision farming technology



### Mining

- Dual salt technology
- Used oil as a fuel agent for emulsions
- Precision blasting technology solutions
- R&D of innovative environmentally friendlier emulsion technology
- Innovated processes for the efficient extraction of minerals



Indonesian Government Good Mining Practices



CAIA Responsible Care®



CFI Best Sustainable Diversified Chemicals group in Africa



# **Production & supply chain**

- Reverse osmosis water treatment plant eases reliance on municipal water consumption, and decreases effluent discharge
- World class EnviNox<sup>TM</sup> emission abatement technology reduces carbon footprint
- **Solar installation** supplementing 25% 35% of Sasolburg's electricity demand; investment to double capacity currently underway



### Chemicals

- HydroEnergy® carbon reducing hydrogen fuel supply
- Sourcing of **green chemicals** and advisory on application



# **Sustainability: Green economy solutions**

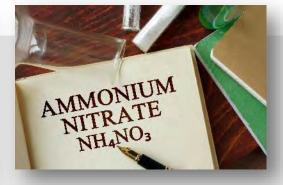




### **ESG** goal contributor

Used Oil & Recycling of Waste streams

- Conserves resources, eg diesel and water, used as alternative to diluents in fuel blend
- Mitigates environmental impacts of waste streams
- Improves safety, and reduction of costs



# Reduction in non-renewables

### **Dual Salt optionality**

- Reduces environmental impact, producing less toxic fumes
- Reduction in nitrates in mine fills and
- Lower ammonia leaching charac...
- Lower manufacturing temperature reduces reliance on energy sources



# Decarbonisation imperative

### **Circular Economy contribution**

- Reduction of waste into landfills;
- Prevention of soil contamination;
- Conserves resources, supplements
- Diesel reserves;
- Prevention of water contamination
- +/-20% contribution to the mineral economy of RSA;
- Boosts economy providing jobs from collection & transportation



# Future-fit product solutions

### **Nitrate Free, Eco Bulk Emulsion**

- Eco Bulk solution Nitrate free emulsion solution
- Alternative fuel > Carbon neutral fuel
- Elimination of ammonia and Nox fumes;
- Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> gasses;
- Minimise dependency on ammonia and nitrate streams



# **Decarbonisation: green emulsion technology**

# **Customer Value Proposition**

No nitrogen

**GHG** 

**NOx fumes** 

90% now

No nitrate/ ammonia waste

100% possible

Decreases reentry time

- HP emulsions have no nitrate or ammonia byproducts
- Used Oil Inclusion –
   contributes to circular
   economy and reduction
   of non renewables
- Sustainable manufacturing processes
- Renewable energy inclusion
- Reduces **environmental** impact
- Improves Safety









# Sustainability: SHERQ commitment to our stakeholders





# Security of supply: Supply chain capability

Omnia and BME have made significant investments into its manufacturing base



Two Nitric Acid Plants

Newest in Africa



**Nitrophos Plant** 

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Ammonium Nitrate Facility

ANS + ANCN Solution



Two Central Emulsion Plants



Two Automated AXXIS Electronic Detonator Plants



Cartridge Explosives Facility



Non-Electrics
Assembly Plant



MMU
Manufacturing and
Assembly



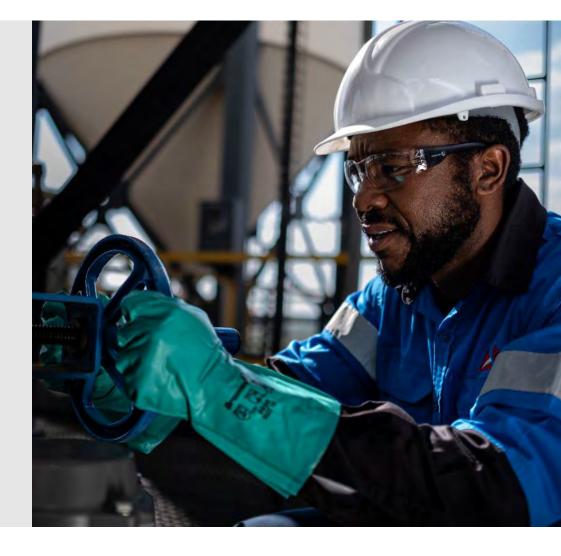
Remote Emulsion Plants



# Security of supply: Manufacturing competency

# Unique design efficiencies and low environmental impact, is a strong competitive advantage

- Most modern Nitric Acid and AN product manufacturing plants in SADC1
- Leveraging granulation and Nitroposphate technology
- EnviNoxTM reduces emissions by > 90% generating carbon credits
- Solar installations ongoing
- Electricity co-generation can provide approximately 50% of the Sasolburg complex
- Sasolburg Manufacturing has a dual ammonia supply
  - Sasol pipeline supply
  - Imported ammonia supply (own rail tankers)
- Increase in downstream storage of nitrogen
  - Expanding additional Ammonium Nitrate Solution storage tanks
  - Nitrogen is stored in raw materials, Nitrophos powder, final products and at the Liquids facilities



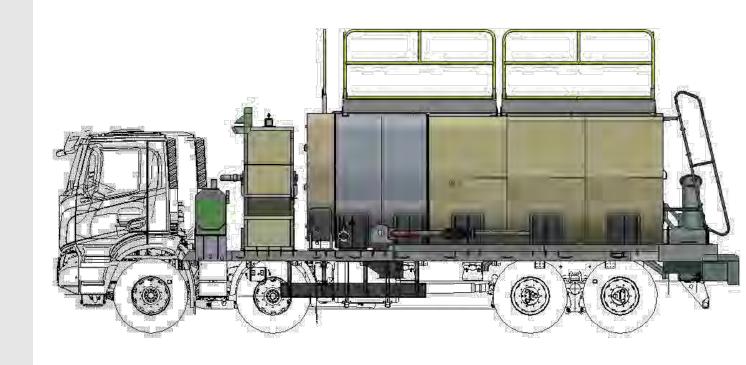


# Security of supply: In-house dedicated development & manufacturing



# Differentiated mobile equipment strategy:

- BME has limited variation in process design:
  - Allows easier management of assets,
  - · Control maintenance spend,
  - Optimised control systems for efficient management of control systems and easier adoption of BME's technology roadmap.
- BME's **standardisation of chassis** aid in maintenance and spares management of single OEM parts list.
- BME's MMU's are easier to redeploy to other customers provided product solution and capacity requirements are met. (not limited to regional technologies as others are.)
- BME has employed a consistent mixing technology (bar the homogeniser system) on the majority of its fleet allowing for BME to affirm product quality as consistent across all customers (respective of product type E vs HA).





# Security of supply: agility, supplier diversification and product mix



# Offsets the risk in current and future volatile commodity markets

- Robust supply chain to navigate supply and demand of key raw materials through:
  - Sector based seasonal analysis
  - Logistics management
  - Technology
  - Supplier diversification
  - Long term agreements
- Sophisticated supply chain management, own infrastructure
- Security of supply to customers maintained though leveraging alternative suppliers for key inputs
- Supply chain finance program



# Value add: In-house dedicated development & manufacturing





# In-house hardware and software Development Team

- Global partners with dedicated blast technology experience
- In-house and dedicated software and hardware development
- 6x dedicated developers
- 8x electronic and electrical engineers
- Dedicated network support engineers
- Dedicated quality and certification management



# Fit-for-purpose solutions: Variable cost improvements







## INNOVEX™

### **INNOVEX differentiator**

- Dual salt technology lowering impact of AN fluctuations
- Used oil inclusion lowering cost of fuel diluents
- In house emulsification technology providing lower cost of product



### **AXXISTM**

### **AXXIS Precision & Accuracy**

- Larger blasts (200,000 holes)
   more benefits, relieves
   pressure points within mining
   value chain
- Predictable outcomes, fragmentation allows for more material through crusher = improves production
- Predictable muck piles reduces dependency of energy and drives efficiency and cost improvements



### **BME Manufacturing**

### **Automated Manufacturing**

- Improved first pass efficiency improves cost to manufacture
- Automated systems improves quality and lowers burden rates
- Reduced reliance on people resources,
- Efficient manufacturing processes



# XPLOLOG, XPLOCHARGE, BLASTMAP

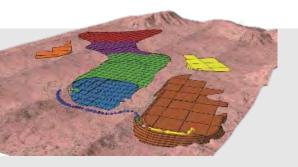
### **Ecosystem of Technologies**

- Informed decision making through an integrated product offer
- Productivity and utilization of systems;
- Increase data points for statistical process control
- Increased blast accuracy and safety while reducing errors and wastage of critical products.



# Fit-for-purpose solutions: 'Glocal' Technical Services Delivery





# Global Technical services allocation of resources

- Regional TS managers in place
- Dedicated TS Engineers per site
- 4x Senior Technical Specialists in RSA
- 11x Technical Specialists
- Fragmentation and Blast Analyst in place
- Dedicated Reactive Ground Support (Field + lab)

### Regional Product support managers dedicated per region/Customer

- Dedicated team of field support and Field technicians per region allocated
- Equipment and product support
- Maintenance servicing and repair model developed
- Global allocation of resources across various business units

### **Blasting Science**

- Global Manager Blasting Science - >40years experience
- >10 papers and case studies published at ISEE and SME
- Dedicated PhD chemists with extensive experience in emulsion technologies
- Extensive Blasting and Mining Engineers with significant field experience

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# Collaborating for positive change

Building resilient communities by addressing social challenges together

# **Food projects**



### Partnering with Reel Life Food Garden Project

- Promoting food security
- Innovative garden in a box
- Feeds a family of four for a year
- ~10 000 households supported

### Zamdela Community Food Project

- Developing agriculture entrepreneurs
- Supported 10 co-operatives, predominantly women



# Investing in education



# Partnering with Primestars and Youth Start Foundation

### Educate

- Improving maths and science for Grade
   12 learners
- Leveraging cinema and WhatsApp based learning
- Delivered 26 928 learner engagements



### Omnia Future Fund

- Education fund, for children of Omnia staff
- R4 million paid for school fees

### **Education for Women in STEM**

 R5 million (FY24) committed supporting bursaries, internships and mentorship opportunities



# Our commitment to inclusive social and economic development

## **Procurement programmes**

### Core

- Staff transportation
- Motor vehicle maintenance and repairs workshop
- Used oil bulking
- Motor vehicle wash bay





### Non-Core

- Office Consumables
- Building Maintenance
- PPE
- Laundry services

# Social programmes

### **Education**

- Grade 12 Maths and Science Revision
- Grade 8 to 11 Green Youth Entrepreneurship
- Bursaries for women in STEM <sup>1</sup>

### **Food Security**

Household Food Gardens <sup>1</sup>











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