

# Global Iron Ore & Steel Forecast Our culture to drive value in the Pilbara



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# **Key themes**

- The health and safety of our people and the communities in which we operate always come first
- China and Emerging Asia expected to support steel demand growth
- Our tier 1 assets and focus on productivity support strong and sustainable returns
- South Flank is our preferred option to sustain volumes
- The new organisational structure facilitates continuous improvement at all levels
- Inclusion and diversity are core to our success
- Partnering with our local communities to create shared value



# China and Emerging Asia expected to support steel demand growth

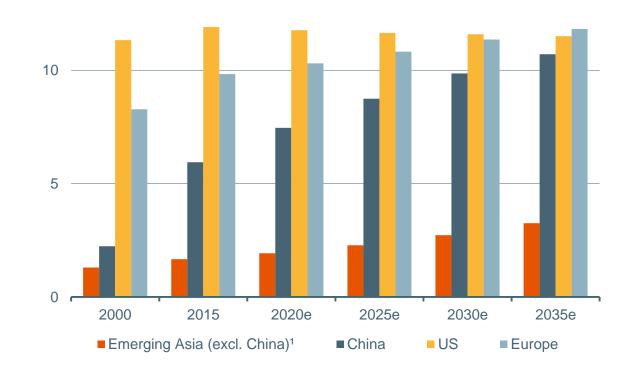
#### Gap to close in emerging market steel stock

- China's accumulated steel stock per capita still lags developed economies
- Chinese steel demand is expected to grow despite a moderation in the growth rate
- India and South East Asian economies have strong growth potential
- Geopolitical uncertainty and protectionism inhibit international trade and investment

#### Accumulated stock of steel per capita

(t)

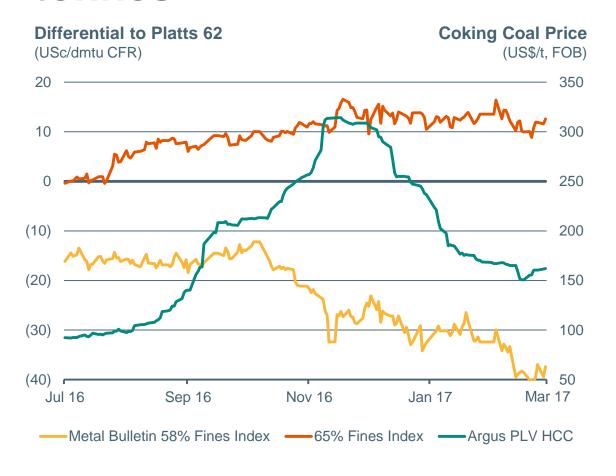
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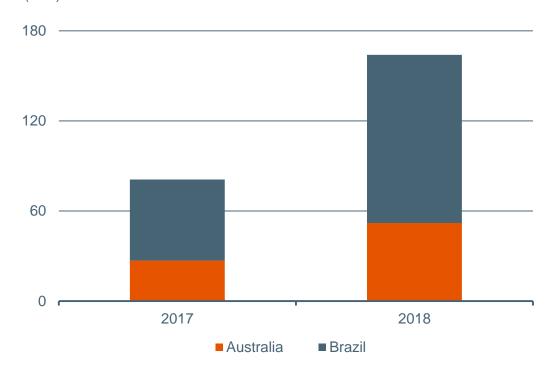
Source: World Steel Association; BHP Billiton analysis.

<sup>1.</sup> Emerging Asia includes India and countries in South Asia and North Asia, excluding China, Japan and South Korea.

# Seaborne suppliers continue to add low cost, high quality tonnes



Major producers continue to add low cost, high quality tonnes to market, Brazilian competition growing strongly<sup>1</sup> (wmt)



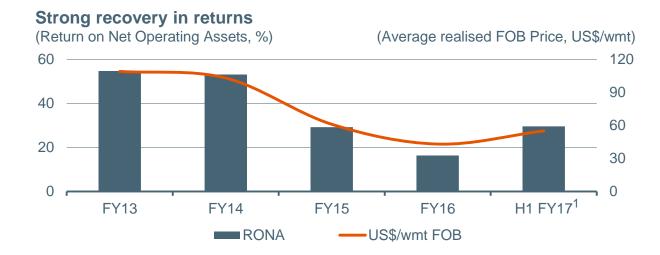
Source: Wood Mackenzie and publicly reported information.

1. Results presented on a cumulative basis.

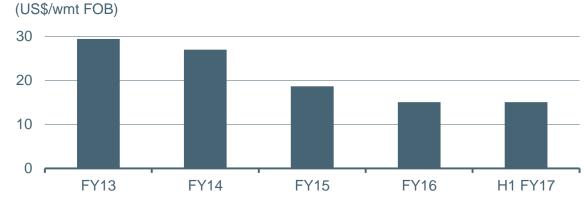


# Strong performance through the cycle

- Record H1 FY17 production of 136 Mt
- Reduced our unit cost<sup>2</sup> to US\$15.05/wmt FOB
- We have further opportunities to lower unit cost



#### Disciplined and sustainable cost<sup>2</sup> reduction

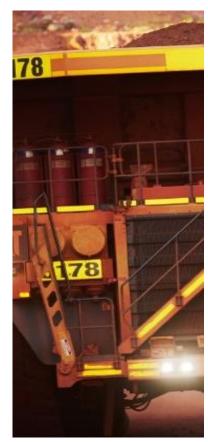


<sup>1.</sup> Based on WAIO H1 FY17 Underlying EBIT annualised, including third party products.

<sup>2.</sup> FOB unit cash cost excluding freight and royalties.

# Three years of continuous improvement has delivered strong results

- 11% improvement in TRIF
- >5,000 improvement initiatives
- 26% increase in production
- 48% reduction in cost¹









# Further strengthening our position

#### Improving operations to support further productivity

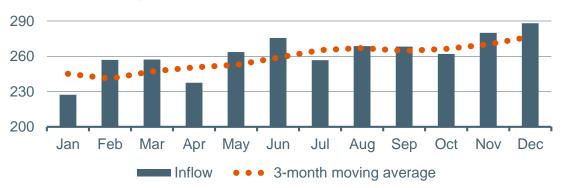
- Renewal of rail infrastructure will decrease cycle times, six months ahead of schedule
- Real time schedule optimisation across the supply chain
- Debottlenecking and minor capital supports 290 Mtpa by the end of FY19

#### **South Flank sustaining volumes**

- Unlocking resources within reach of the existing Mining Area C hub, using installed capacity as much as possible
- High quality and low strip ratio
- Low capital intensity

#### Port Hedland inflow

(Annualised Mtpa by month)



South Flank Deposit

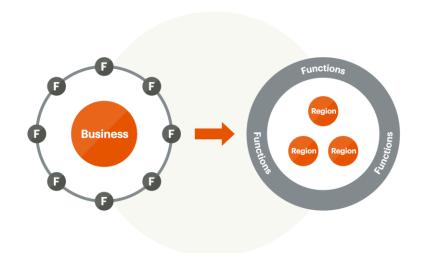








# New structure unlocks global sharing and learning



#### **Example: Maintenance Centre of Excellence**

- World leading performance
- Value through total equipment strategies

#### **Caterpillar 793F improvement outcomes**

- **20%** engine life improvement
- **50**% front suspension life improvement
- 20% final drive life improvement
- Servicing to improve reliability



# Inclusion and diversity are central to our success

#### Why?



### Safety

- 19% to 68% less injuries
- More likely to follow safe work practices and raise unsafe conditions



#### Culture

- Confident to speak up
- Rate BHP Billiton, their job and leader more favourably



## **Productivity**

- Production forecast accuracy is 7% to 15% higher
- 10% higher adherence to planned maintenance work



# Western Australia Iron Ore contributing to the broader community and economy



Payments to government<sup>1</sup> TOTAL

\$2.5 billion

80%

**Goods and services** sourced locally<sup>2</sup>

\$1.2 billion

in wages paid to our workforce of around

16,000



600 WA

Supplying to our operations

**businesses** 



\$255 million

in contributions to our host communities



100,000

retail shareholders in Western Australia sharing in the success of our business



Note: FY16 results, all AUD unless otherwise stated.

1. Include taxes and royalties.

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2. WAIO operational expenditure with vendors based in Western Australia

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