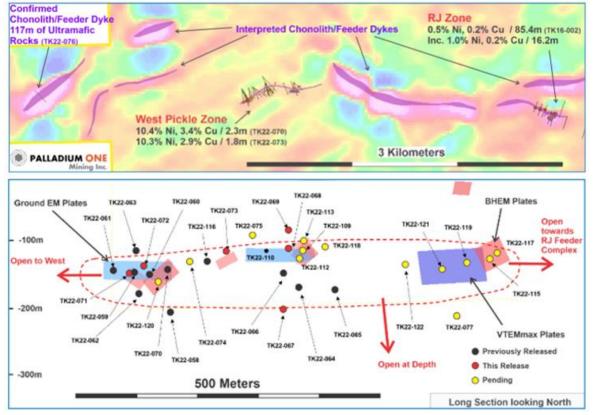
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|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Ticker: PDM CN | Cash: ~C\$11m | Project: LK Project / Tyko | | | |
| Market cap: C\$34m | Price: C\$0.10/sh | Country: Finland / Canada, ON | | | |
| REC. (unc): BUY | TARGET (-5c): C\$0.50/sh | RISK RATING (unc): HIGH | | | |

Today's headline hits demonstrate again the success of geophysics to get 'on the nickel' quickly. With four out of the sixteen drilled holes intercepting significant mineralization, the team is still putting the pieces of the puzzle together, but the drilling is over a substantial area, so infill here should be able to hone in on higher grade zones. The headline 2.6m @ 8.2% NiEq at West Pickle follows the previous best hit of 2.3m @ 12.8% NiEq there. Interestingly the belt is proving to have 'many cherries' over a large area, with Pickle being 20km from last year's Smoke Lake discovery (3.8m @ 10.2% NiEq) and 3km from the historic RJ deposit (16m @ 1.2% NiEq). Geologically today's results are similar to Smoke Lake, with massive sulphides potentially remobilized from a larger source, including five feeders (~100m each strike length) so far. For now, we maintain our BUY rating and lower our PT C\$0.55/sh to C\$0.50/sh to account for the recent raise, with our valuation based on 0.35xNAV_{7%-2000Pd} of a 2.7Moz @ 1.2q/t PdEq mining inventory in Finland. However, Tyko project, which we only hold at a nominal C\$10m, is clearly the key driver forward now in our view. Next steps are simple: step out drilling, and drilling on more conductors, here and on other targets at Tyko, with potential to connect West Pickle and RJ zones as well.





Source: Palladium One

Tyko drilling hits 2.6m @ 8.2% NiEq; C\$11m in treasury ahead of 2023 exploration program

Drill highlights from the West Pickel target on the Tyko Ontario project included **2.6m @ 8.2% NiEq** (incl. 1.8m @ 11.7%) and 4.1m @ 2.4% NiEg (incl. 1.5m @ 5.9%) both from 138-149m down the hole. This lies 2.7km from the historic RJ deposit where previous drilling returned 85.4m @ 0.6% NiEq, including 16.2m @ 1.2%. To date, 32 holes totalling 6,766 meters have been drilled within the West Pickle discovery, with a current strike length defined > 500m. Also, high-resolution magnetic survey is scheduled for 1Q23, while planning for 2023 field season is on-going. Raise (Dec 23, 2022): In December 2023, PDM closed a

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financing package totallig raising C\$4.95m, with C\$4.2m brokered 20c flow funding and C\$750k 15c hard equity.

Why we like Palladium One

- 1. Existing 4.0Moz @ 1.43g/t PdEq (spot, 5Moz @ 1.7g/t AuEq) in Finland, cheap power / 20% tax
- 2. SCPe +2-4Moz on Kaukua East and Haukiaho East, flyer on Kaukua West and Haukiaho deeps
- 3. Emerging high-grade 'domestic' nickel province in Ontario
- 4. Multiple high-grade discoveries made with future multi-line conductors to test

Catalysts

- 1. CY23: Drilling at Tyko project in Ontario
- 2. 1H23: SCPe PEA timing for Kaukua

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| Ticker: PDM CN Authors: B Salier, E Magdzinski | Price / m Rec / 0.3 | | C\$0.1/sh, : BUY, C | , C\$28m \$0.5/sh | | Project PNAV today: 1xNAV _{3Q24} FF FD: | 0.07x C\$1.06/sh | | Asset: Country: | LK Projec Finland | t |
|---|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------|---|---------------------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|------------|
| Commodity price | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24E | SPOT | Resource / Reserve | Tonnes | PdEq | Grade | PdEq oz | AuEq oz |
| Palladium price | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,312 | Kaukua Area+ Murtolampi | 69 | 1.44 | 4g/t | 3202koz | 3865ko |
| Platinum Price | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 931 | Haukiaho | 18.9 | 1.38 | Bg/t | 839koz | 1012ko |
| Gold price | 1,850 | 1,850 | 1,850 | 1,850 | 1,720 | Total | 87.9 | 1.43 | 3g/t | 4041koz | 4878ko |
| Vickel Price | 17,632 | 17,632 | 17,632 | 17,632 | 22,000 | SCP inventory @ 80% conv. | 70.3 | 1.19 | 9g/t | 2701koz | 2921ko |
| Copper Price | 8,926 | 8,926 | 8,926 | 8,926 | 7,685 | Project: USES | | | Funding: | SOURCES | |
| OTP project valuation* | | C\$m | 0/ship | NAVx | C\$/sh | Pre-DFS exploration / G&A: | C\$5m | Ca | .sh + pre fi | rst Au op.: | C\$25m |
| Jngeared @ build start (3Q23) | | 353.8 | 100% | 1.00x | 1.08 | Build capex: | C\$387m | | Pre-bu | ild equity: | C\$5m |
| CPe Pro-forma Cash 4Q22 | ٩ | 11.4 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.03 | Fin. cost + WC over DFS | C\$16m | Build | l equity @ | 0.6xNAV: | C\$135i |
| Cash from options + warrants | | 14.4 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.04 | TOTAL USES: | C\$408m | 65% | 6 geared c | lebt @ 8%: | C\$252i |
| 5CPe resources ex invty @ US\$5 | 60/oz | 86 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.26 | Buffer / drill budget: | C\$9m | | TOTAL | SOURCES: | C\$416 |
| yko nominal upside (C\$m) | | 10.0 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.03 | Share data | Basic | FD with o | ptions | FD for | build |
| Asset NAV7% US\$2000/oz Pd | | 476 | | | 1.45 | Basic shares (m) | 283.8 | 327.6 | | 530 | |
| Shares diluted for options mine bu | uild | I | Market P/I | NAV 7%3Q2 | 2 0.07x | Ratio analysis | CY20A | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24 |
| Asset value: 1xNPV project @ b | uild start | (C\$m, ung | eared)* | | | Average shares out (m) | 274.0 | 499.2 | 530.0 | 530.0 | 530.0 |
| Project NPV (C\$m) | \$1500oz | \$1750oz | \$2000oz | \$250002 | z \$3000oz | CFPS (C\$/sh) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Discount rate: 9% | 146 | 278 | 403 | 633 | 853 | EV (C\$m) | 20.2 | 34.9 | 41.6 | (5.8) | 313.0 |
| Discount rate: 7% | 195 | 339 | 476 | 730 | 974 | FCF yield (%) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Discount rate: 5% | 253 | 412 | 564 | 846 | 1,119 | P/CF (x) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Ungeared project IRR: | 11% | 16% | 21% | 29% | 36% | EV/EBITDA (x) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Project NPV (C\$/sh) | \$1500oz | \$1750oz | \$2000oz | \$250002 | z \$3000oz | Income statement | CY20A | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24 |
| Discount rate: 9% | 0.45 | 0.85 | 1.23 | 1.93 | 2.60 | Net revenue (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Discount rate: 7% | 0.59 | 1.03 | 1.45 | 2.23 | 2.97 | COGS (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Discount rate: 5% | 0.77 | 1.26 | 1.72 | 2.58 | 3.42 | Gross profit (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | - |
| *Project NPV, ex fin. costs and cent | G&A, disco | unted to bu | ild start | | | D&A, attrib (C\$m) | - | (0.4) | 0.0 | - | - |
| Group NAV over time^ | Mar-23 | | Mar-25 | Mar-26 | Mar-27 | G&A + sh based costs (C\$m) | 1.3 | 2.3 | 3.0 | 4.3 | 4.5 |
| LK Project NPV (C\$m) | 336 | 458 | 815 | 768 | 674 | Finance cost (C\$m) | 3.7 | 8.3 | 6.6 | 4.6 | 7.7 |
| G&A and finance costs (C\$m) | (89) | (86) | (78) | (57) | (41) | Taxes (C\$m) | _ | _ | - | _ | _ |
| Net cash prior gtr (C\$m) | 8 | (12) | (264) | (164) | (49) | Net income (C\$m) | (5.0) | (10.7) | (9.6) | (8.9) | (12.2) |
| Cash from options (C\$m) | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.4 | Cash flow, attrib. | CY20A | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24 |
| NAV FF FD (C\$m) | 269 | 374 | 487 | 561 | 599 | EBIT (C\$m) | (1.3) | (2.3) | (3.0) | (4.3) | (4.5) |
| Shares in issue (m) | 328 | 375 | 375 | 530 | 530 | Add back D&A (C\$m) | - | (0.4) | 0.0 | - | - |
| 1xNAV7%/sh FF FD (C\$/sh)* | 0.82 | 1.00 | 1.30 | 1.06 | 1.13 | Less tax + net interest (C\$m) | 3.7 | 8.3 | 6.6 | 4.6 | 7.7 |
| Geared NAV at first con, diluted | for build. | net G&A a | and fin. co | sts^ | | Net change in wkg cap (C\$m) | | 0.9 | (1.3) | (0.2) | - |
| NAV at first con (C\$m) | | | | | z \$3000oz | Other non-cash (C\$m) | (8.4) | (18.0) | (10.4) | (8.1) | (14.9) |
| Discount rate: 9% | 225 | 369 | 510 | 776 | 1,039 | Cash flow ops (C\$m) | (5.5) | (11.5) | (8.0) | (8.1) | (11.7) |
| Discount rate: 7% | 258 | 411 | 561 | 846 | 1,127 | PP&E - build + sust. (C\$m) | 0.5 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 80.0 | 307.1 |
| Discount rate: 5% | 296 | 460 | 622 | 928 | 1,232 | | ۲. <u>-</u> | - | - | | F |
| Geared project IRR: | | 14% | 18% | 26% | 33% | Cash flow inv. (C\$m) | (0.5) | (0.0) | (2.2) | (80.0) | (307.1 |
| NAV at first con (C\$/sh)* | \$1500oz | | \$2000oz | | | | 7.9 | 19.4 | 4.7 | 135.5 | - |
| Discount rate: 9% | 0.26 | 0.58 | 0.91 | 1.58 | 2.25 | Debt draw (repay) (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | 251.6 |
| Discount rate: 7% | 0.34 | 0.69 | 1.06 | 1.78 | 2.50 | Cash flow fin. (C\$m) | 7.9 | 19.4 | 4.7 | 135.5 | 251.6 |
| Discount rate: 5% | 0.44 | 0.83 | 1.23 | 2.01 | 2.79 | Net change in cash (C\$m) | 1.9 | 7.8 | (5.5) | 47.3 | (67.2) |
| ^Project NPV incl grp SG&A & fin. cc | | | | | 2.7.5 | EBITDA (C\$m) | (4.9) | (11.0) | (10.8) | (8.9) | (4.5) |
| Production | Y1 | Y2 | Y3 | Y4 | Y5 | Balance sheet | CY20A | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24 |
| PdEq production (000oz) | 112 | 130 | 130 | 105 | 96 | Cash (C\$m) | 7.2 | 15.1 | 11.4 | 58.8 | (8.4) |
| AISC cost (US\$/oz PdEq) | 806 | 780 | 780 | 961 | 1,043 | Acc rec., inv, prepaid (C\$m) | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | - | - (0.4) |
| AISC = $C1 + sustaining capex, Y1 =$ | | 700 | /00 | 100 | C+0,1 | PP&E + other (C\$m) | 0.3 | 0.2 | (0.4) | - 79.6 | - 386.7 |
| 0, 1 | | | | | | Total assets (C\$m) | 7.6 | 15.7 | (0.4) 11.2 | 138.3 | 378.2 |
| 150koz 🔤 Oz prod'n (LHS, (| 000oz) | | cost (US\$/ | oz PdEq) | 1500/oz | Debt (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | 251.6 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 100koz | | | Г | ◆ _ + | 1000/oz | Accounts payable (C\$m) | 1.0 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| | - | | | | | Others (C\$m) | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| 50koz | | | | | 500/oz | Total liabilities (C\$m) | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 253.3 |
| | | | | | 0/- | Issued capital (C\$m) | 20.0 | 37.7 | 43.2 | 179.2 | 179.8 |
| Okoz Y1 Y2 | | | 1 | | 0/oz | Retained earnings (C\$m) | (13.3) | (24.0) | (33.6) | (42.5) | (54.8) |
| ¥1 ¥2 | Y3 | Y | + | Y5 | | Liabilities + equity (C\$m) | 7.6 | 15.7 | 11.2 | 138.3 | 378.2 |

Source: SCP estimates

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| | |
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