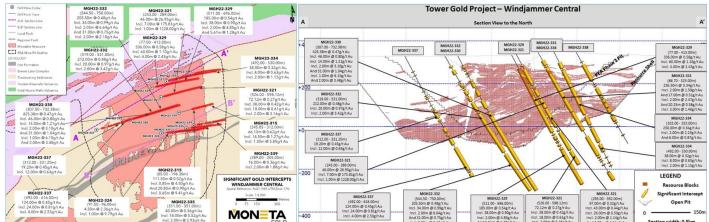
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| - | | | 01 February 2023 |
| Ticker: ME CN | Cash: C\$14m | Project: Tower Gold Project | |
| Market cap: C\$163m | Price: C\$1.59/sh | Country: Canada. Timmins | |

REC. (unc): BUY TARGET (unc): C\$4.40/sh RISK RATING (unc): SPECULATIVE

Today's results are mostly infill, with average of 132m @ 1.0g/t for all highlight hits or 137m @ 0.5g/t (vs. 2.2Moz @ 0.6g/t MRE) excluding high-grade flyer 46m @ 26.9g/t carried by 1m @ 1,228g/t sub-interval and falling within existing PEA pit shell. Overall, this is good validation of continuity and extents of mineralization, but also necessary PFS/DFS derisking for self-build and / or M&A. While today's highlight hole saw exceptional grades, other hits point to potential resource expansion to W, E, S and at depth on today's drilling, although will be strip dependent given depth and average 0.5g/t grades as to whether or not ounces find their way into mine inventory. For now, we maintain our BUY rating and C\$4.40/sh PT based on 0.25xNAV_{5%-1700}, adding only US\$5/oz for pittable resources outside inventory plus cash/options. Key catalysts remain more drilling/results and updated MRE ahead of the 2024 PFS for now.

Figure 1. Windjammer Central (A) plan view and (B) section view showing today's results



Source: Moneta Gold

Windjammer drilling hits high-grade within PEA pit shell; 46m @ 26.9g/t; 190km drilling ongoing

Moneta announced results from 13 infill and step-out holes (7,732m) as part of a broader 76,000m completed in 2022 at Windjammer, which saw broad highlights of **46.0m @ 26.9g/t**, **425.4m @ 0.5g/t**, **336.0m @ 0.6g/t**, **205.5m @ 0.5g/t**, **and 425.4m @ 0.5g/t**. Additionally, in the northern area of Windjammer Central, **425.4m @ 0.5g/t**, **212.0m @ 0.5g/t**, and **205.5m @ 0.5g/t** extended mineralization over 200m west of current resource from ~300-550m down-hole, **230.0m @ 0.3g/t** and **38.0m @ 0.32g/t** extended mineralization 250m east of current resource from ~100-490m down-hole and **4.5m @ 2.4g/t**, **40.0m @ 0.4g/t** and **16.0m @ 0.4g/t** hit adjacent to the banded iron formation extending mineralization SE up to 200m from 90-300m. Assays are pending and drilling is ongoing through a 190,000m resource infill and upgrade program on 50m centres ahead of an MRE update and PFS.

Why we like Moneta Gold

- Timmins developer with 12.8Moz @ 1.0g/t and still growing
- Garrison acquisition lifts scale, provides capital-friendly schedule
- PEA 200-300koz pa, on infrastructure to drive margin on pits, improved by UG operations

Catalysts

- CY23: Results from 190,000m infill / exploration drilling + historical core sampling
- 1Q24: PFS start for an integrated project / EIS



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| Ticker: MECN | Price / m | | | n, C\$163m ///cb | | Project PNAV today: | 0.12x | ch — | Asset: | Tower Go | |
|--|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------|----------|--|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Author: B Gaspar | Rec / xN/ | AV P1: | BUY, C\$4 | .4/SN | | 1xNAV build start, FD: | C\$13.37/ | sn | Country: | Canada, | UN |
| Commodity price | CY20A | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24E | 3Q22 MRE Tower Gold | | koz) | Au (g/t) | | |
| Gold price | 1,770 | 1,773 | 1,715 | 1,663 | 1,700 | M&I | | Okoz | 0.92g/t | | |
| SOTP project valuation* | | | | | | Inferred | | 2koz | 1.09g/t | _ | |
| | | C\$m | 0/ship | NAVx | C\$/sh | Global resource | | 52koz | 1.03g/t | _ | |
| Tower Gold proj @ 2025 build s | tart | 1,362 | 100% | 0.30x | 3.83 | 3Q22 PEA Tower Gold | Au (| koz) | Au (g/t) | | |
| Cash 3Q22 | | 14 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.14 | PEA OP inventory | | 3koz | 0.81g/t | | |
| Cash from options | | 7 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.07 | PEA UG inventory | | 'koz | 3.42g/t | _ | |
| 5.9Moz resource ex inventory (| US\$5/oz و | - | 100% | 1.00x | 0.38 | SCPe pittable outside inventory: | | 2koz | | | |
| Asset NAV5% US\$1700/oz | | 1,424 | | PT: | 4.42 | SCPe underground outside inventor | 1 899 | koz | | | |
| *Diluted for options but not mine l | | | Market P/I | VAV5 _{% 2Q22} | 0.12x | Funding: uses | | | Funding: sour | ces | |
| Asset value: 1xNPV project @ | | | | | | Mine build capex | C\$517m | | | Cash 3Q22 | - / |
| Project NPV (C\$m)* | \$1500oz | \$1600oz | \$1700oz | \$1800oz | \$1900oz | SCPe G&A to 1st Au | C\$16m | DFS / | ' Mine build e | quity (C\$m) | C\$257m |
| 10.0% discount | 479 | 646 | 809 | 971 | 1,131 | SCPe pre-production expl'n | C\$31m | Build de | bt @ 60% of F | P&E (C\$m) | C\$310m |
| 7.5% discount | 650 | 849 | 1,042 | 1,235 | 1,425 | SCPe fin. costs + wkg cap | C\$30m | | Tota | al proceeds | C\$581m |
| 5.0% discount | 883 | 1,126 | 1,362 | 1,595 | 1,826 | Total uses | C\$594m | | | Buffer | -C\$13m |
| Ungeared project IRR: | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | Ratio analysis | CY20A | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24E |
| 0.25xNAV PT (C\$/sh) * | \$1500oz | \$1600oz | \$1700oz | \$1800oz | \$1900oz | Average shares out (m) | 322.2 | 294.9 | 97.9 | 102.7 | 154.6 |
| 10.0% discount | 1.93 | 2.40 | 2.86 | 3.32 | 3.77 | EPS (C\$/sh) | - | - | - | - | - |
| 7.5% discount | 2.41 | 2.97 | 3.52 | 4.06 | 4.60 | CFPS (C\$/sh) | - | - | - | - | - |
| 5.0% discount | 3.07 | 3.76 | 4.42 | 5.08 | 5.73 | EV (C\$m) | 506.5 | 455.6 | 151.3 | 121.6 | 179.4 |
| *Project level NPV, excl finance co. | sts and cen | tral SGA, di | scounted to | build start | | FCF yield (%) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Share data | Basic | FD | FF FD | | | PER (x) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Basic in issue (m) | 102.7 | 106.5 | 154.6 | | | P/CF (x) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Group valuation over time^ | Jan-23 | Jan-24 | Jan-25 | Jan-26 | Jan-27 | EV/EBITDA (x) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tower Gold Project NPV (C\$m) | 1,149.8 | 1,211.8 | 1,272.5 | 1,654.7 | 2,039.4 | Income statement | CY20A | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24E |
| G&A and finance costs (C\$m) | (160.9) | (141.7) | (135.6) | (141.0) | (120.1) | Net revenue (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Net cash prior qtr (C\$m) | 4.4 | 9.1 | 297.6 | (18.6) | (245.0) | COGS (C\$m) | 0.3 | - | - | - | - |
| Cash from options (C\$m) | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | Gross profit (C\$m) | (0.3) | - | - | - | - |
| Resource ex reserve (C\$m) | 40.4 | 40.4 | 40.4 | 40.4 | 40.4 | D&A, attrib (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | - |
| NAV FF FD (C\$m) | 1,041 | 1,127 | 1,482 | 1,543 | 1,722 | Group G&A (C\$m) | 1.2 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 7.1 | 4.0 |
| Shares in issue (m) | 102.7 | 102.7 | 154.6 | 154.6 | 154.6 | Finance cost (C\$m) | - | - | (0.1) | (0.0) | 3.2 |
| 1xNAV5%/sh FF FD (C\$/sh) | 10.14 | 10.98 | 9.59 | 9.98 | 11.14 | Taxes (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | _ |
| Equity ROI from spot (% pa) | | | | 84% | 63% | Net income (C\$m) | (1.5) | (2.2) | (3.1) | (7.1) | (7.2) |
| Geared company NAV diluted | for mine b | uild. net G | &A and fin | ance costs | | EBITDA (C\$m) | (4.6) | (13.5) | (19.8) | (47.4) | (5.2) |
| 4Q25 1xNAV FF FD (C\$/sh)^ | | | | | \$1900oz | Cash flow, attrib. | CY20A | CY21A | CY22E | CY23E | CY24E |
| 10.0% discount | | 863 | 1,038 | 1,212 | 1,384 | EBIT (C\$m) | (1.5) | (2.2) | (3.1) | (7.1) | (4.0) |
| 7.5% discount | | 1,047 | 1,252 | 1,455 | 1,656 | Add back D&A (C\$m) | - | - | - | - | - |
| 5.0% discount | | 1,299 | 1,543 | 1,785 | 2,025 | Less tax (C\$m) | - | - | (0.1) | (0.0) | 3.2 |
| Geared project IRR: | | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | Change in wkg cap (C\$m) | (1.7) | (0.2) | 1.4 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
| 4Q25 1xNAV FF FD (C\$/sh)^ | \$1500oz | | | | | Add back other (C\$m) | (4.2) | (12.0) | (22.1) | (27.2) | (6.4) |
| 10.0% discount | 1 | 4.25 | 5.61 | 7.02 | 8.45 | Cash flow ops (C\$m) | (7.4) | (14.5) | (23.9) | (33.4) | (7.2) |
| 7.5% discount | | 5.77 | 7.43 | 9.14 | 10.86 | PP&E - build + sust. (C\$m) | - | (0.6) | (0.3) | - | (225.0) |
| 5.0% discount | | 7.92 | 9.98 | 12.08 | 14.19 | PP&E - expl'n (C\$m) | (0.0) | (1.5) | (0.1) | P | · _ |
| ^Project NPV incl grp SG&A & fin. | | | | | | Cash flow inv. (C\$m) | (0.0) | (2.1) | (0.4) | - | (225.0) |
| Production | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | Share issue (C\$m) | 6.1 | 23.4 | 15.4 | 50.0 | 256.8 |
| Gold production (000oz) | 259 | 298 | 2028 | 230 | 2030 | Debt draw (repay) (C\$m) | - | - 23.4 | | - | 160.0 |
| C1 cost (US\$/oz) | 669 | 710 | 773 | 948 | 864 | Cash flow fin. (C\$m) | 6.1 | 23.4 | 15.4 | 50.0 | 416.8 |
| AISC cost (US\$/oz) | 788 | 820 | 888 | 946 1,083 | 982 | Net change in cash (C\$m) | (1.3) | 6.8 | (8.9) | 16.6 | 184.6 |
| AISC cost (US702$) AISC = C1 + ug sustaining capex, 1 | | 620 | 000 | 1,005 | 50Z | Balance sheet | (1.3) CY20A | 6.8 CY21A | (8.9) CY22E | CY23E | 784.6 CY24E |
| nise – e i + ug sustaining tapex, i | , - 120 | | | | | Cash (C\$m) | 5.9 | 13.3 | 4.4 | 41.7 | 226.3 |
| Gold prod'n (L | HS 00001 | <u> </u> | ISC (RHS, U | 155/07 4.0 | | Cash (C\$m) Acc rec., inv, prepaid (C\$m) | 5.9 0.2 | 0.4 | 4.4 1.6 | 41.7 | 226.3 1.6 |
| 350koz | | - A | | , 5, 02 MU) | 1200/oz | | | | | | |
| 300koz | | | \sim | | 1100/oz | PP&E + other (C\$m) | 2.2 | 54.9 | 55.3 | 55.3 | 280.1 |
| 250koz | | | _ ` | \sim | 1000/oz | Total assets (C\$m) | 8.2 | 68.6 | 61.3 | 98.6 | 508.0 |
| 200koz | | | - | | 900/oz | Debt (C\$m) | - | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 159.9 |
| 150koz | | | | | 800/oz | Accounts payable (C\$m) | 1.1 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| 100koz | | | | | 700/oz | Others (C\$m) | 0.3 | 5.6 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| 50koz | | | | | 600/oz | Total liabilities (C\$m) | 1.4 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 166.9 |
| 0koz | , I | | - | | 500/oz | Sh'hlds equity + wrnts (C\$m) | 64.8 | 132.9 | 144.2 | 195.9 | 453.9 |
| 2026 2027 | 202 | 28 2 | 029 | 2030 | | Retained earn'gs + rsvs (C\$m) | (58.0) | (71.1) | (89.9) | (104.3) | (112.7) |
| 2020 2027 | 201 | | | | | Liabilities + equity (C\$m) | 8.2 | 68.6 | 61.3 | 98.6 | 508.0 |

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