

## NZURI COPPER LIMITED

### Equity Research

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#### SPECULATIVE BUY

Bid Price **\$0.37**

Share Price (pre-bid) **\$0.26**

52-Week Range	\$0.15 - \$0.415
Market Capitalisation	\$76.9m
Shares Outstanding	295.9m
NZCAA Options (90¢, 6 July 2021)	2.0m
Other Options (20¢ to 34¢, Sep-26-> Jul-28)	10.3m
Cash (31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2018)	\$2.5m
Enterprise Value	\$74.5m
Director/Major Shareholders:	
Tembo Capital	48.5%
Huayou Cobalt	14.7%
GICC	3.8%
Afrimines	3.3%
Traxys	3.0%
Board & Management	1.9%
Free Float	22.5%



Nzuri Copper Limited is an exploration and development company focused on the identification, acquisition, development and operation of high grade copper and cobalt projects in the Katangan Copperbelt of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

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Flash Note: \$0.37 Cash Offer from Chengtun Mining Group Co. Ltd

Nzuri Copper Ltd announced today it has received from Chengtun Mining Group Co. Ltd (a Chinese metals mining, trading and industrial group) a cash offer to buy all shares of the company at a price of A\$0.37 per share valuing the company at A\$109.5m.

Chengtun is a major player in the Kolwezi region of the DRC, having recently completed a major new US\$150 million SX-EW processing facility with a cobalt hydroxide circuit, which will have many synergies with Nzuri's flagship Kalongwe Copper-Cobalt Project.

The offer price represents the following premium:

- A 42% premium to the closing price of Nzuri shares on 26 Feb 2019;
- A 93% premium to the 30-day VWAP of Nzuri shares; and
- A 64% premium to the 3-month VWAP of Nzuri shares.

The bid price of A\$0.37 fits above the valuations of A\$0.30 and A\$0.35 for the Kalongwe Stage 1 (85% interest) derived respectively from the base case and NZC scenarios envisaged in our research report published 30<sup>th</sup> July 2018, but below the A\$0.50 price target set for NZC as a whole (Stage 1 + Stage 2 + Exploration Upside and inclusive of assumed capital raising for project development).

Kalongwe Stage 1 project returns using different metal prices scenarios

Scenario	GTW	Base	NZC	Current Prices
Initial Capex	\$52.5m	\$52.5m	\$52.5m	\$52.5m
Copper Price	\$2->3/lb	\$3.0/lb	\$3.0/lb	\$2.93/lb
Copper Price		\$6,614/t	\$6,614/t	\$6,460/t
Cobalt Price	\$15->23	\$23.3/lb	\$36.9/lb	\$15/lb
Cobalt Price		\$51,345/t	\$81,417/t	\$33,000/t
NPV (post tax)	\$75m	\$116m	\$133m	\$100m
IRR (post tax)	40%	69%	77%	60%
NPV (post tax)	A\$100m	A\$155m	A\$177m	A\$139m
Initial Capex	A\$71m	A\$71m	A\$71m	A\$71m
Stage 1 Value /sh post financing	A\$0.23	A\$0.35	A\$0.41	A\$0.32
85% interest	A\$0.19	A\$0.30	A\$0.35	A\$0.27
Bid Price	A\$0.37	A\$0.37	A\$0.37	A\$0.37
Premium/ (Discount)	90%	23%	7%	36%

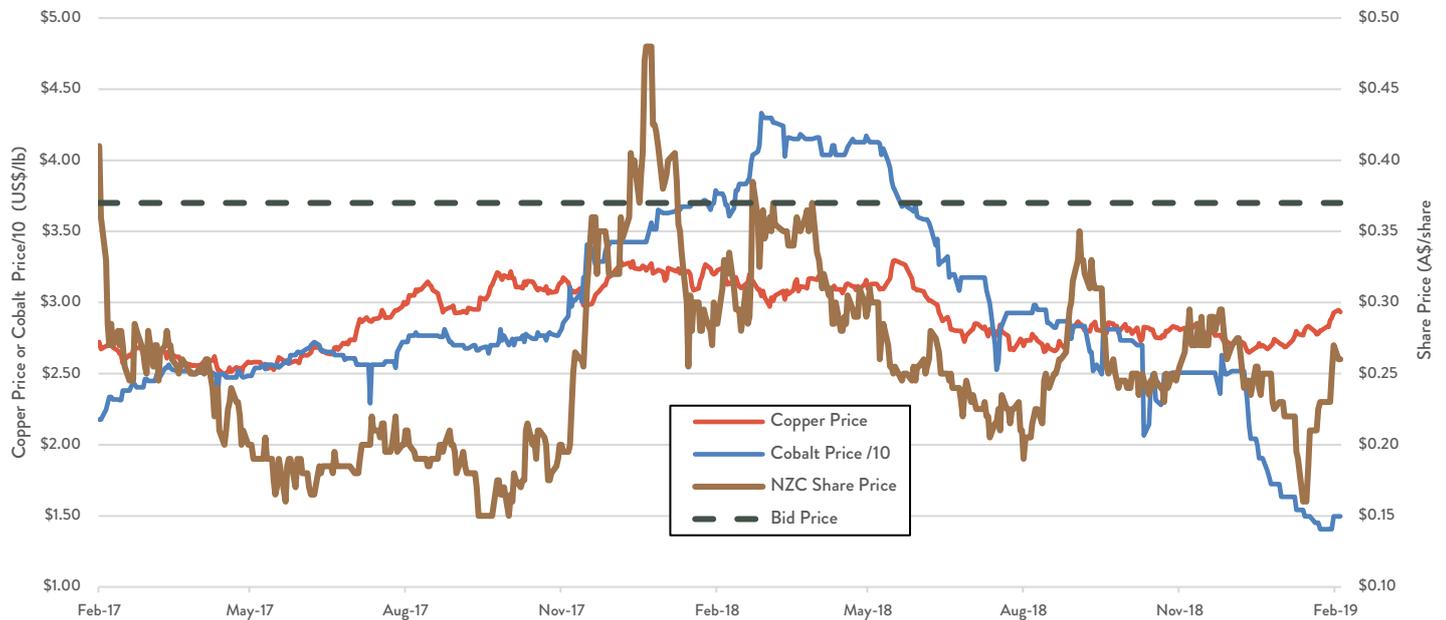
Source: Terra Studio, in US\$ unless otherwise stated. GTW = Global Trade War  
GTW scenario: copper \$2/lb during 2019-22, then \$3/lb; cobalt \$15/lb for 2019-22, then \$23/lb  
The financing assumed at the time was composed of \$35m debt and \$35m equity raised at \$0.25

At yesterday's close price [\$0.26/share], NZC was basically trading at the NPV value [0.27/share] of the Stage 1 project post assumed financing and based on current metal prices, i.e. no market value for Stage 2 and exploration upside.

The bid price represents a premium of 36% above the NPV value of the Kalongwe Stage 1 project based on the yesterday's copper and cobalt metal prices.

The following chart places the bid price in context of the NZC share price performance and historical copper and cobalt prices over the last two years. Note that the cobalt prices have been divided by 10.

**NZC Share Price Performance vs Copper and Cobalt Metal Prices**



Source: Terra Studio

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