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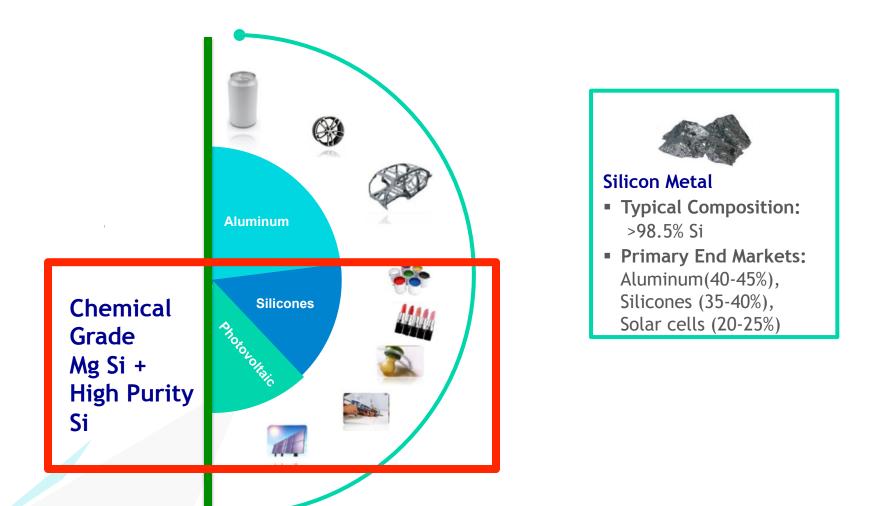
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#### Silicon Metal End Markets







Megatrends	Implications	End Customer Product	
Population Growth	Growing middle class China and India: consumption economy	<ul> <li>Silicones: healthcare, cosmetics, packaging</li> </ul>	
Urbanization	India, Brazil, and other emerging markets: infrastructure build	<ul> <li>Silicon: aluminum for cars, housing growth</li> <li>Silicon: Silicone sealants for construction applications</li> </ul>	
<b>Energy Efficiency</b>	Lightweighting of vehicles Electric vehicles	<ul> <li>Silicon as alloying agent for aluminum to replace steel in vehicles</li> <li>Prospects for silicon alloys in batteries</li> </ul>	
Alternative Energy & Sustainability	Growing demand for solar, and other sources of renewable energy	<ul> <li>Higher consumption of silicon for polysilicon used to make solar panels</li> <li>Prospects for silicon Base Energy Storage</li> </ul>	



# SILICON METAL (Si) NEEDED FOR ELECTRIC CARS

## A HISTORY OF SUCCESSFUL RESULTS

The aluminum alloy chassis of Tesla car is 10% Silicon!



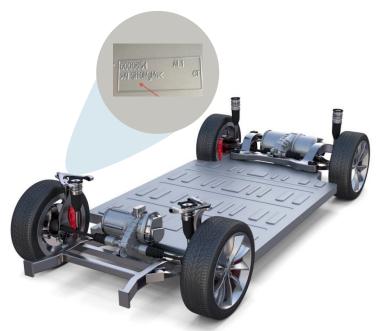


Aluminum silicon alloy makes the aluminum lighter and stronger

Silicon also found in the battery anode

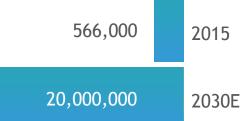


Silicon in the windshield







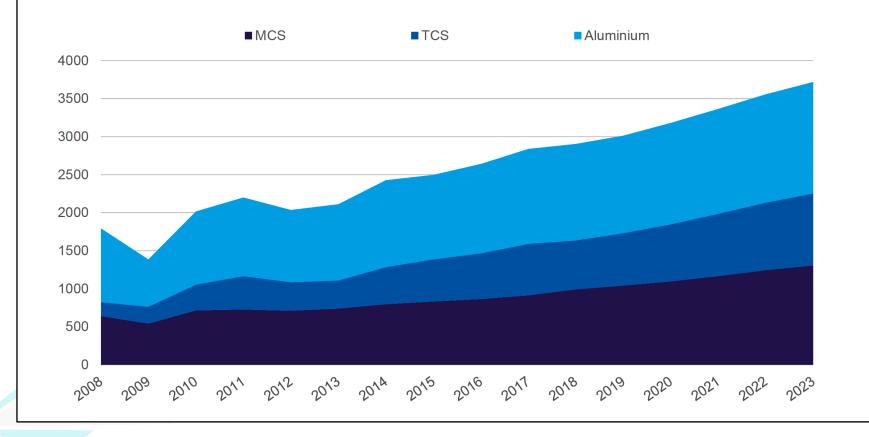




#### **CRU** Silicon market outlook

# Silicon demand continues to be driven by chemical sector

Silicon consumption by intermediate end-use, '000 t

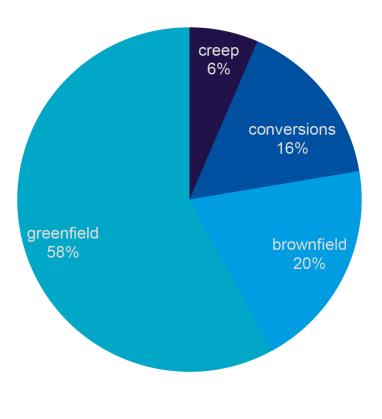




#### **CRU** Silicon market outlook

# Greenfield plants will provide the majority of new capacity

Contribution to the expected growth in annual production capacity outside China and the CIS between 2010 and 2020, %

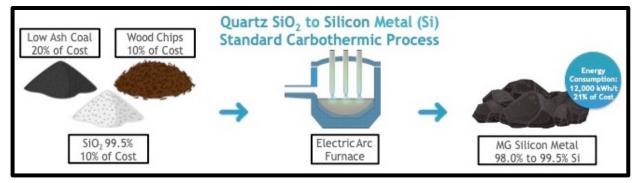


## HPQ SOLUTION TO MEET Mg Si DEMAND:

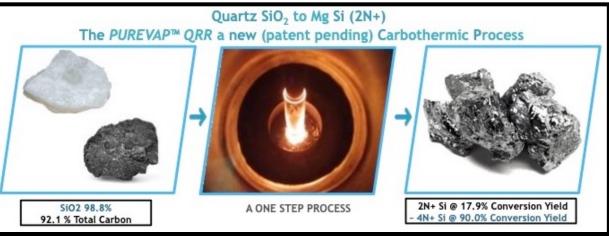


#### New Greenfield plants needed to meet anticipated demand requires scale (> 30,000 MTY):

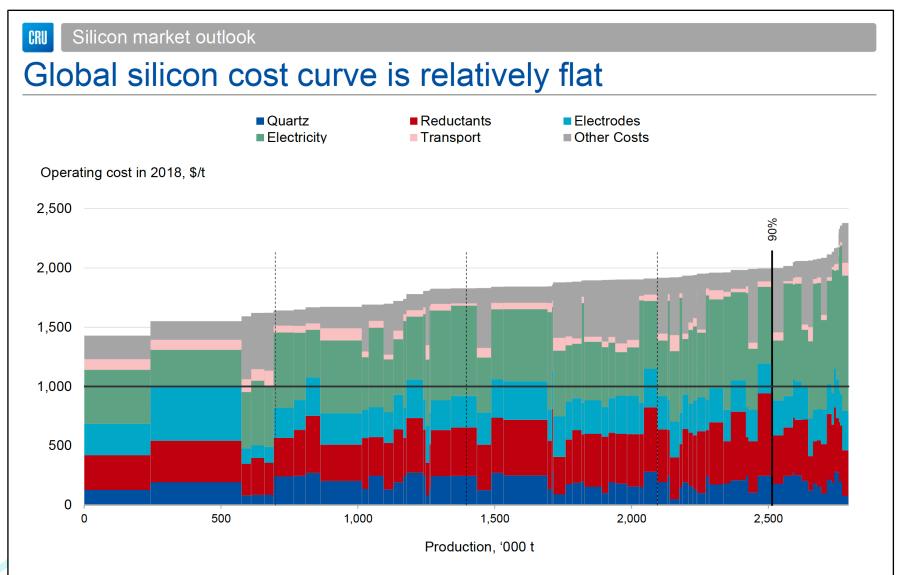
- Capex Cost range between US\$8 to US\$9 per Kg of annual capacity or US\$ 240M to US\$ 270M investments<sup>1</sup>
- OPEX are high with little cost control options (70% of Operating Cost are process driven and variable)



- New HPQ PUREVAP<sup>™</sup> plants maximum scale efficiency reached at 5,000 MTY
  - Capex Cost between US\$8.59 for 2.5K plant down to US\$5.93 per Kg of annual capacity at 5k MT per year<sup>2</sup>
  - Representing investment between US\$ 21M to US\$ 30M investments
  - Lowest operating cost process with capacity to control OPEX cost



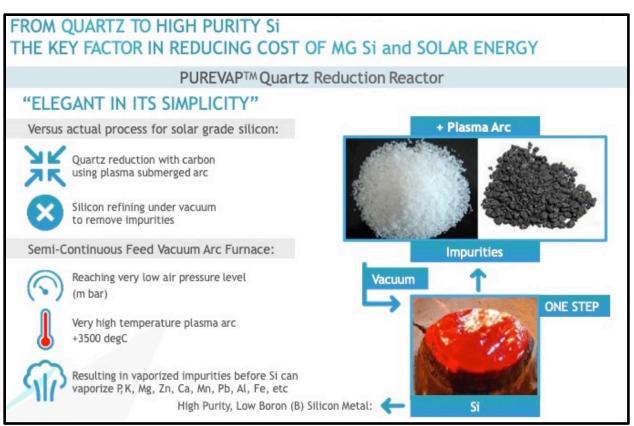




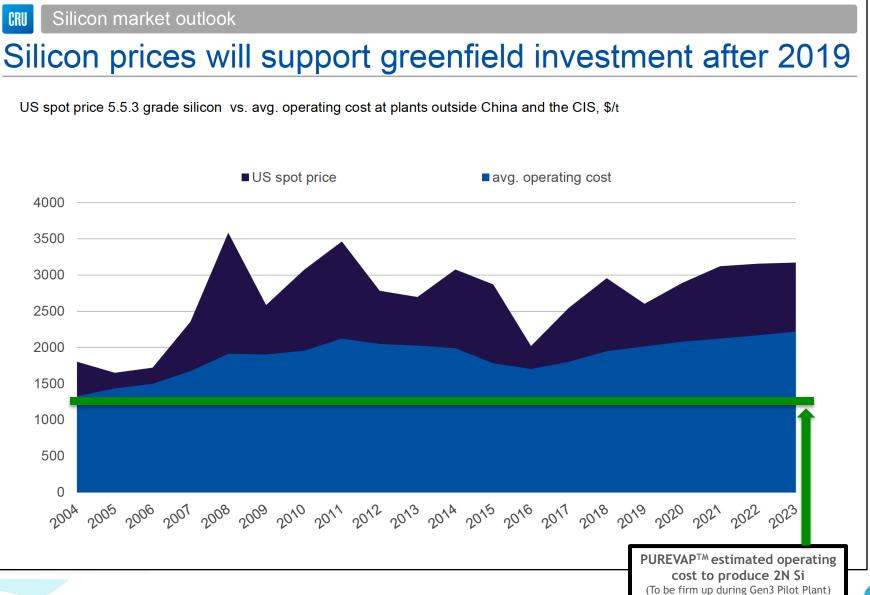


HPQ intend to maximize the proprietary advantages of its PUREVAP<sup>™</sup> process with the following two prong strategy:

- Near term cash flow niche market silicon metal applications (Chemical Grade Si, batteries,...), and
- High Purity silicon for advanced PV applications







# HPQ GLOBALLY RENOWNED TECHNICAL PARTNERS

HPQ - SILICON R E S O U R C E S

#### **PYROGENESIS** Plasma Expertise: One of the largest in the World



+25 years of experience & > 70 employees



>60 Patents worldwide (issued or pending)



40,900 ft<sup>2</sup> Manufacturing facility



The inventors of Plasma Atomization (Gold Standard)



World Leader In Advanced Plasma Processes



Technology Sold To US Navy For Use On Aircraft Carriers



Technology Tested and Validated By DARPA



Leaders in High Purity Spherical Metal Powders for Industrial 3D printing



Developer of PUREVAP One-Step Process To Produce High Purity Low Boron Silicon Metal



Developer of DROSRITE<sup>™</sup>: a Green Aluminum Recovery from Dross process



Agreements With Global Manufacturers and Trading Houses

## SOLAR SUB-MARKET OF MG SI LARGE US\$ MARKET THAT IS GROWING!



#### Renewable solar energies:

Solar Grade Si market: US\$ 7.1 B in 2018 - to exceed -US\$ 11.8 B by 2028

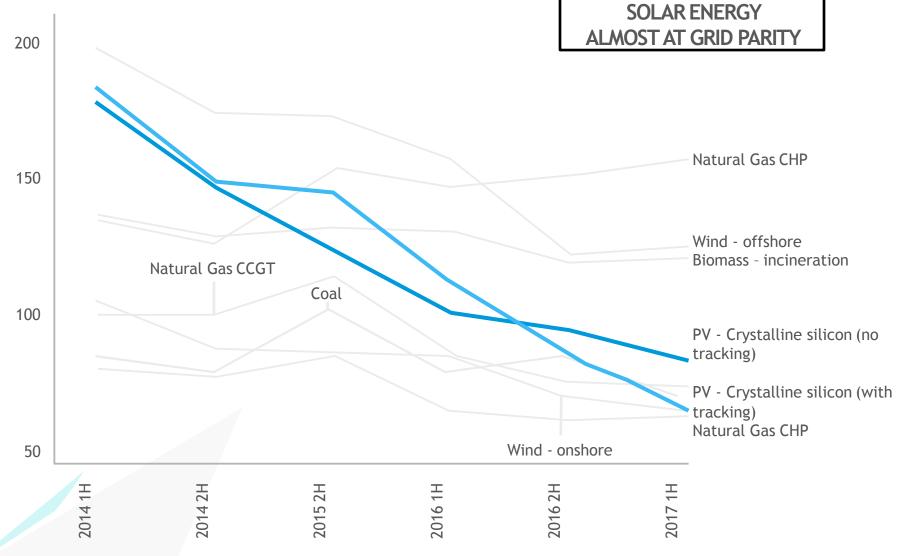


(Source: Deutsche Bank, Future Market Insights report titled, "Polysilicon Market: Global Industry Analysis 2013-2017 and Opportunity Assessment 2018-2028".)

#### SOLAR ON THE VERGE OF A PARADIGM SHIFT!



#### LCO benchmark value (\$/MWh)



#### **DEMAND READY TO EXPLODE!**



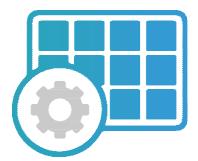


#### AT THE CUSP... BUT...





Solar power is at the cusp of fulfilling its renewable energy potential



But process improvements to produce Solar Grade Silicon Metal (SoG Si) have plateaued, creating a **"Catch 22"** 

#### HPQ PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup>

# THE SOLUTION TO THE SOLAR INDUSTRY'S "CATCH 22"

Technological innovation is needed to lower per unit costs, but the High Capex & Low Margins increase the degree of difficulty of executing an innovation-oriented business plan

Source: The capital intensity of photovoltaics manufacturing: barrier to scale and opportunity for innovation† (Energy Environ. Sci., 2015, 8, 3395)

#### HPQ SOLAR SOLUTION START WITH



The PUREVAP<sup>™</sup> QRR, a new proprietary (patent pending) carbothermic process:



SiO<sub>2</sub> 98.5+% Carbon

That will bring about ↓ SoG Si Capex 60% - 86% ↓ SoG SI Cash Cost 30% - 60% ↓ CO<sub>2</sub> Release by Up to 96%



4N + Si with low boron <1 ppm



## HPQ GLOBALLY RENOWNED TECHNICAL PARTNERS





A French Company fully dedicated to the field of energy transition



Created in 2001 by a team of engineers and scientists with longstanding expertise in Silicon Purification and Crystallisation - Solar Silicon -Photovoltaic Cells - Photovoltaic Modules

Now Part of YRIEL Group, active in Fine Chemistry, Aromatic and Renewable Energies

23 Patents to their name

Obtained, an independently confirmed, world record conversion efficiency of 21.1% with monocrystalline ingots, for a solar cell made with 100% "SoG Si UMG"

#### HPQ TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTION

#### FROM QUARTZ TO SOLAR WAFERS

How HPQ will implement its technological solution By Combined Expertise In Three Critical Steps:

HPQ QUARTZ PYROGENESIS' PUREVAP™ PROCESS

HPQ – SILICO R E S O U R C E

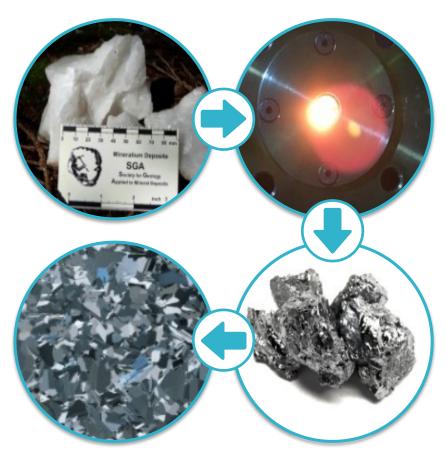
The PUREVAP<sup>™</sup> technology of PyroGenesis transforms Quartz (SiO<sub>2</sub>) to High Purity Silicon Metal (4N+ Si < 1 ppm B) in one step -"PUREVAP<sup>™</sup> Si"



PyroGenesis and Apollon Solar experts are developing a streamlined metallurgical pathway (UMG) for upgrading the "PUREVAP™ Si" to HPQ Solar Grade Silicon Metal (SoG Si)



Apollon Solar has the expertise to transform HPQ SoG Si into high performance multicrystalline and monocrystalline solar cells: "wafers"



SoG Si TO WAFER WITH APOLLON

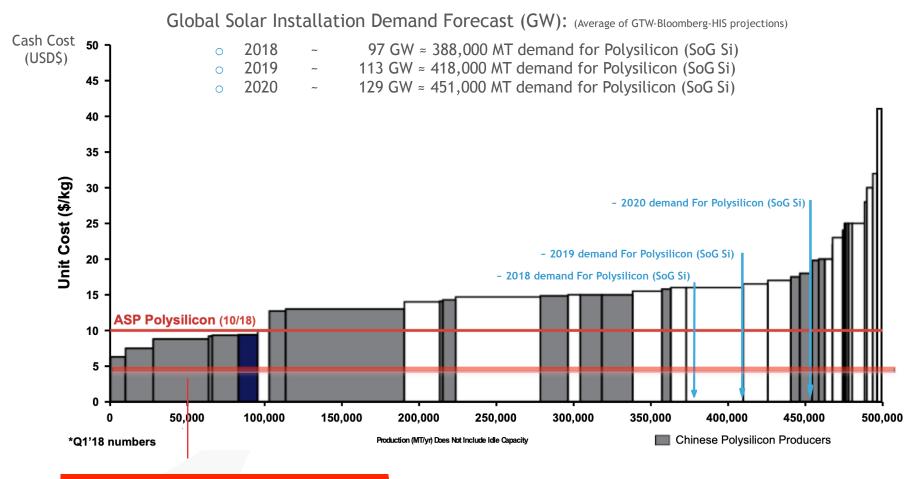
#### PUREVAP™ UMG CAPEX DISRUPTIVE POTENTIAL



Not Optimized Purevap UMG Capex (US\$ Cost per Kg of Annual Capacity) (5N+) (Canada) **Optimized Siemens Solar** (6N - 7N) (China) Optimized Siemens Solar (6N - 7N) (US & Europe) Standard Siemens Solar (6N - 7N) (China) Standard Siemens Solar (6N - 7N) (US & Europe) Standard Siemens Electronic (9N - 11N) (China) Standard Siemens Electronic (9N -11N) (US & Europe) **FBR Reactor** (6N - 7N) (China) FBR Reactor (6N - 7N) (US & Europe) Elkem UMG (5N+) (Norway) FerroGlobe UMG (5N+) Spain

0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 75 80 85 90 95 100





PUREVAP<sup>™</sup> QRR + UMG Process Not-optimized Potential Cash Cost Range \*

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\* Estimates will be firm up after Pilot plant phase

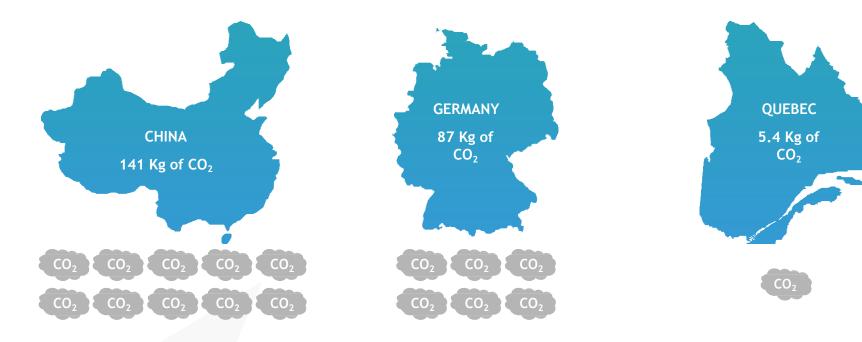
#### HPQ PUREVAP™ GHG DISRUPTIVE POTENTIAL



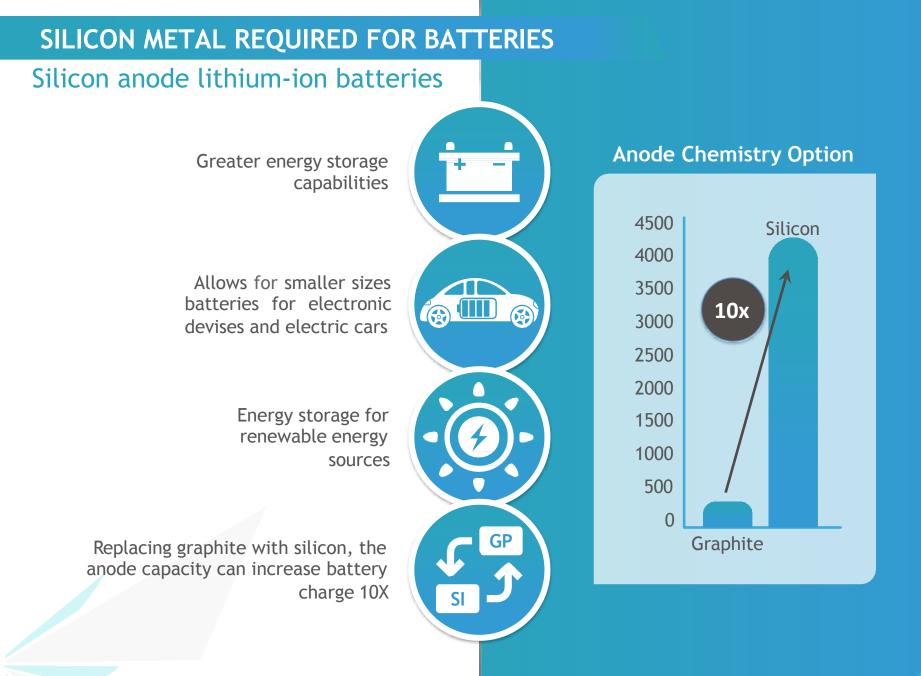


70% of the GHG generated by any solar project comes from the production of SoG Si (source: Energy Policy, February 2014, Pages 229-244)

HPQ's SoG Si is poised to produce the lowest carbon footprint



SoG Si in CHINA, world's largest producer, generates 141 Kg of CO<sub>2</sub> per Kg of SoG Si SoG Si in **GERMANY** using the same process, generates 87 Kg of CO<sub>2</sub> per Kg of SoG Si SoG Si in **QUEBEC** with the PUREVAPTM expected to produce  $5.4 \text{ Kg of CO}_2 \text{ per Kg of SoG Si}$ 

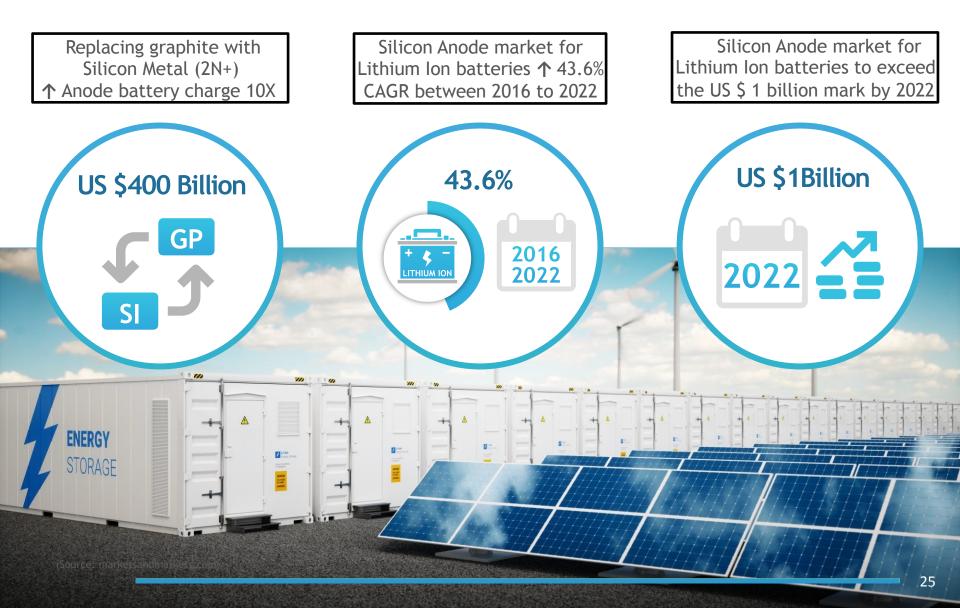


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## HPQ Si FOR BATTERIES: AN UNEXPECTED POSITIVE



#### A By-Product of PUREVAP™ is production of Si with application in the battery market



#### **HPQ Si Powders**

#### NANOSIZE HIGH PURITY Si POWDERS FOR LI-ION BATTERIES



R&D being done to develop to produce porous nanoparticles of Si  $\succ$ 

Paraclete Energy's standard silicon metal

Combining HPQ Purevap 2N+ Si and PyroGenesis Powders expertise to produce amorphous nanoparticles of Si

INDICATION OF POTENTIAL VALUE **OF HPQ SI-P** NANOSIZE SI **POWDER** 

system.

Paraclete Energy	's stan	dard silico	n metal
products:			
<u>Contact Us for Product</u> nSiO – Nanoparticle silico			rface
≥99.5%			\$250
<b>nSiH</b> – Nanoparticle silico	n metal witl	100g n hvdrogen on th	
≥99.5%		100g	\$500
<b>1Si</b> – Raw silicon metal wi	th substant	ally <0.5% impu	rities metals basis. This
product is highly reactive	to air.	,	
≥99.5%	100g	<u>Contact us f</u>	or details
n <mark>Si/C</mark> – Nanoparticle silico	on metal wit	h carbon on the	surface.
≥99.5%		100g	\$700
<mark>1Si/Cg</mark> – A composite of na	anoparticle	silicon metal wit	h graphene on the surfac
≥99.5%		100g	\$800
<b>1Si/Cg/P</b> – A composite of	nanopartic	le silicon metal v	vith graphene and
polymer on the surface.			
≥99.5%		100g	\$900
<mark>5M-Silicon™</mark> – Nanoparti			rietary <b>S</b> urface <b>M</b> odifier
that acts as artificial SEI fo	r cycle stab	-	
≥99.5%	100g	<u>Contact us f</u>	
SM-Silicon/C™ – Nanopa			
optimized to the customer	sapplicati	on, binder, electi	otyte, and cathode

Type/Form = Crystalline Powder **Purity =** ≥99.5% Surface Purity = 0% SiO2, air stable (except nSi) **Total Metals Impurities = <0.5%** APS = 150nm (For PSD other than D50 150nm - Contact PE for a quote.) **BET / SSA =**  $30 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ Tap Density = 0.8 g/cm<sup>3</sup> **Color =** Gray to dark gray (except nSiO: yellowish brown) Morphology = Non spherical **mp** = 1414° C \* The composition would change by the specific

The following characteristics for all of PE's silicon\*:





SEM image of R&D Products

Silicon/PL<sup>™</sup>, nSi/C, nSi/Cg, nSi/Cg/P, nSiO, nSiH) be it custom SM for our SM-Silicon<sup>™</sup> or C, graphene, polymer or oxygen for the other R&D products.

#### PILOT PLANT FULLY FINANCED



## **ADVANCING TO PRODUCTION**

Pilot Plant Commissioning and Commercial Production



## WHY INVEST IN HPQ?



HPQ PUREVAP™ The successful innovation that will reduce the cost barriers to renewable energy

Advances from bench testing confirms cost savings potential and set the stage for Pilot Plant testing, with a new focus on Mg Si, SoG Si at commercial production, and the battery industry

# WHY INVEST IN HPQ?



Successful Gen 1 & 2 Bench Test (2016-2019) Validated the process

Gen 3 Pilot Plant Testing Operational Q4 2019

Sales of Gen3 Si Expected 2020 Commercial Plant Order - 2021

PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> PROCESS

VERSUS TRADITIONAL SILICON METAL PROCESS:

VERSUS ACTUAL PROCESS FOR SOLAR GRADE SILICON:

Low purity feedstock → High Purity Silicon Metal 98.5% SiO<sub>2</sub> + Reactive Carbon → (99.73%Si)R (99.99+% Si)A

#### THE ONLY 1-STEP PROCESS WORDWIDE

Solve State
 Solve

Vs. Traditional Mg Si Smelters

Traditional Metallurgical Silicon Metal Plant that NEED:



High purity feedstock → Metallurgical Silicon Metal (99.5%SiO<sub>2</sub>) + From 98.0% Si to 99.5% Si Low Ash Carbon



Disruptive technology for Solar Energy

 $\downarrow$ 60% (China - Lowest) to 86% Capex



↓30% (China - Lowest) to 60% Opex



Reduce the use of aggressive chemicals



Reduce production of dangerous byproducts during refining



↓ 96% Energy Carbon Footprint

#### MANAGEMENT AND BOARD SUMMARY



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Francois Rivard CFO

#### Major Investors

Management & Board	$\cong$ 9.7%	≅ 10.5% (FD)
PyroGenesis	$\cong$ 9.7%	≅ 12.1% (FD)
Investissement Quebec		$\cong$ 8.8% (FD)
Strategic Investors	$\cong$ 2.8%	$\cong$ 6.2% (FD)
Key Investors	≅ <b>18.8</b> %	$5 \cong 21.2\%$ (FD)

#### /Transfer Agent

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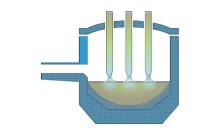
#### LEGACY PROCESS



#### Present Carbothermic process Quartz to silicon metal (Si)



SiO<sub>2</sub> 99.5% + Low Ash Coal + Wood Chips

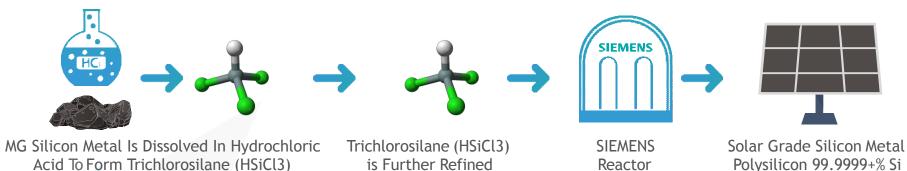


Electric Arc Furnace



Energy Consumption: 12,000 kWh/t

Present Chemical process MG-Si to SoG-Si



Energy Consumption: between 72,000 to 120,000 kWh/t

#### **LEGACY PROCESS**



Present Metallurgical Process Used By Elkem Solar and Ferroglobe



98,5% to 99.0% Si

5N+ SoG Si