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#### WHY SILICON? DEMAND TO REACH 3.8 M MT WORTH US\$ 10 BILLION BY 2025<sup>1</sup>







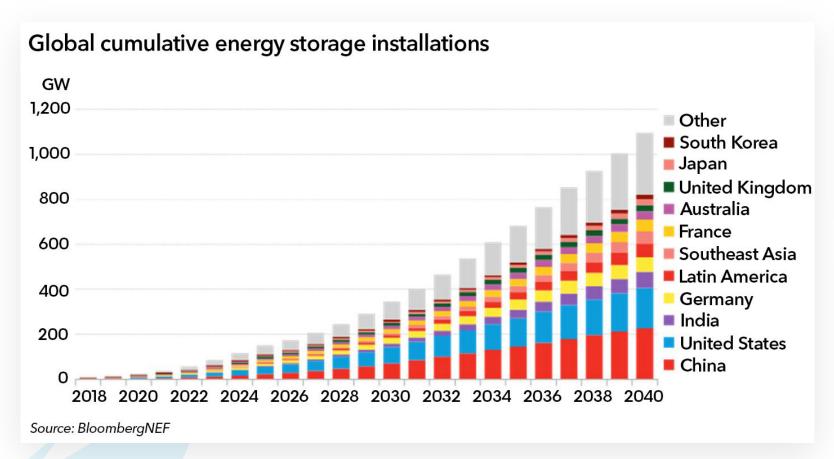
	Megatrends	Implications	End Customer Product		
Metallurgical Grade Si	Population Growth	Growing middle class China and India: consumption economy	Silicones: healthcare, cosmetics, packaging		
(76.0X = 76.7X 31)	Urbanization	India, Brazil and other emerging markets: infrastructure build	<ul> <li>Silicon: aluminum for cars, housing growth</li> <li>Silicon: Silicone sealants for construction</li> </ul>		
Chemical Grade Si (99.0% - 99.5% Si)	Energy Efficiency	Reduce weight of vehicles and 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>Silicone sealants for wind turbine and solar</li> <li>Higher consumption of silicon for polysilicon used to make solar cells</li> <li>Prospects for silicon Base Energy Storage</li> </ul>		

- GROWTH WILL BE DRIVEN BY DEMAND FOR CHEMICAL GRADE SILICON (2N+ Si)
- 2N+ Si IS THE FEEDSTOCK NEEDED:
  - > To make Silicones, a market expected to grow to US\$ 23 B by 2025 (CAGR 10.7%)2
  - > To produce Polysilicon for solar energy, a market expected to surpass US\$ 200 By 2026 (CAGR 20%)<sup>3</sup>
  - For the battery sector, a new market coming online, that is expected to exceed 200K MT by 2030<sup>4</sup>

## **ENERGY STORAGE DEMAND ABOUT TO EXPLODE**



#### ENERGY STORAGE CAPACITY MUST INCREASE TO OFFSET THE VARIABILITY OF RENEWABLE ENERGY



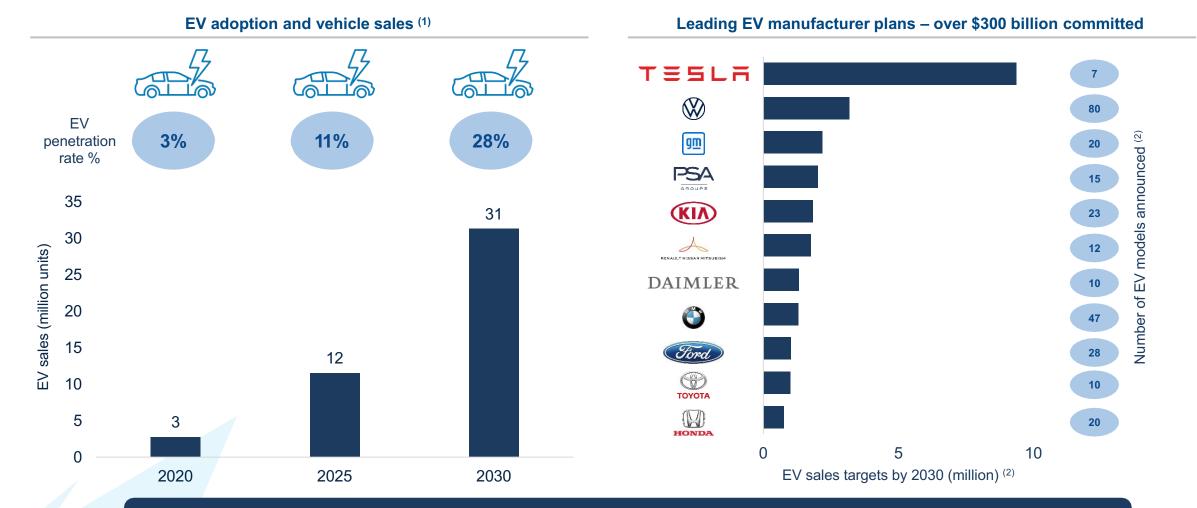




"Investment dedicated to energy storage will exceed \$40 billion by 2040"
Yayoi Sekine, energy storage analyst for BNEF

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

# + THE LONG-TERM EV MEGATREND IS ONLY STARTING



The World is going "all-in" on electric vehicles

<sup>1)</sup> Source: Benchmark Mineral Intelligence, Rho Motion

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BATTERY PERFORMANCE HAS EVOLVED MUCH MORE SLOWLY THAN ELECTRONICS AND COMPUTERS

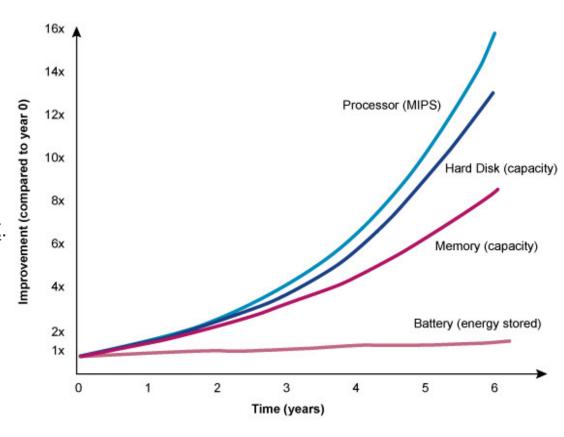
Improvements have been made in battery technology, but they have not kept pace

#### WHY IS BATTERY TECHNOLOGY EVOLVING SO SLOWLY?

Batteries have evolved differently than electronics:

- Electronics improve by shrinking physical circuits enabling manufacturing technology to evolve rapidly.
- Batteries improve by advances in **CHEMISTRY** & **MATERIALS SCIENCE**.
- Many of the chemical processes used in modern batteries have reached their limits

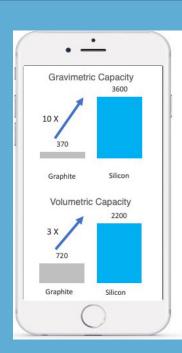
# IMPROVEMENTS IN MATERIALS SCIENCE ARE REQUIRED



## BREAKTHROUGHS NEEDED IN BATTERY MATERIAL SCIENCE



## **AUTO MANUFACTURERS ARE PIVOTING TO SILICON**



#### LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES CAPACITIES ARE LIMITED BY GRAPHITE

- In conventional batteries, the negative electrode or anode is made of carbon in the form of graphite.
- Graphite is batteries limiting factor.
- Silicon allows for faster charging and higher storage capacity than graphite.

## THIS IS WHY SILICON (Si) IS NEEDED TO BREAK LI-ION BATTERIES' LIMITATIONS

"Silicon anodes are generally viewed as the next development in lithium-ion battery technology ... Silicon's ability to absorb more charge translates to longer battery life and smaller batteries."

(Yury Gogotsi, Director, A.J. Drexel Nanomaterials Institute, Drexel University)



Tesla's latest battery day presentation confirmed that the future of battery anodes will include Silicon. Tesla "...plans on removing graphite from the anode."

(NBCFM September 23, 2020 Research Flash)



Porsche is researching high-performance batteries with silicon instead of graphite anodes in order to achieve an even higher energy density and better fast-charging capability.



"The battery cell is the combustion chamber of tomorrow," says Oliver Blume, Chairman of the Executive Board of Porsche AG. "Our electrified high-performance sports and racing cars place the highest demands on battery technology. To meet these demands, Porsche needs special high-performance cells. Silicon has big potential."

The company made this announcement at the first Volkswagen Power Day, held on March 15 2021



General Motors Co, President Mark Reuss said at an investor conference held Wednesday April 7 2021, that GM is experimenting with **silicon-rich** and lithium metal anodes, solid state and high voltage electrolytes, and dry processing of electrodes for its next generation of Ultium batteries, due around 2025. (Reuters April 08, 2021)

# **DEPLOYING SILICON IN BATTERIES REQUIRES INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS!**







# SINCE 2015 HPQ IS IMPLEMENTING A SILICON INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

#### PROVIDING SILICON MATERIALS FOR BATTERIES & MORE

- Currently advancing development of numerous silicon products
- Creating silicon products to resolve Material Science issues
- Breakthrough imminent with Nano Silicon for battery anodes
- Cost effective silicon solution for EV and battery manufacture
- HPQ is the only vertically integrated advanced Silicon solution provider that is public

# DEPLOYING A REVOLUTIONARY AND BREAKTHROUGH GREEN HYDROGEN EXTRACTION TECHNOLOGY VENTURE

 Working to reduce the cost and environmental footprint of making Silicon

# SILICON INOVATIONS WITH PYROGENESIS



# **PROJECTS**

DEVELOPING A MULTITUDE OF GAME CHANGING TECHNOLOGIES

PUREVAP™ QRR

From Quartz to High Purity
Silicon in one step









PUREVAP™ NSiR

From Silicon to Nano Materials in one step











FUMED SILICA REACTOR From Quartz to fumed silica in one step











**OTHERS** 

Using Nano Silicon for others high value applications









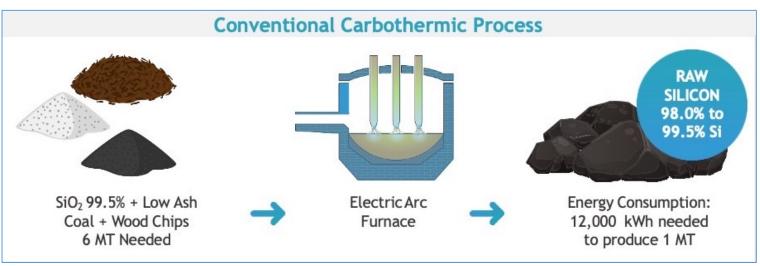
# **SILICON 101**



#### YES, SILICON IS AWESOME, BUT INEXPENSIVE? NOT REALLY

Silicon may be the most abundant element in earth's crust after oxygen, but like all other energy metals (lithium, graphite, cobalt, nickel and others):

- It does not exist in its pure state!
- Expensive carbothermic process needed to extract it from Quartz

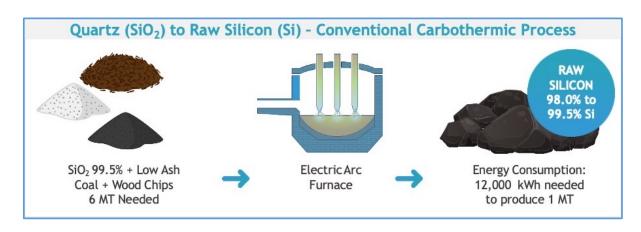


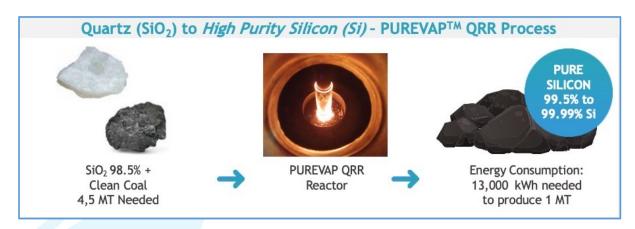
# + RAW SILICON MUST BE ENGINEERED BEFORE IT CAN BE USED FOR BATTERY APPLICATIONS

# PUREVAP™ QRR – HPQ DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGY



#### THE PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR: GAME CHANGING VERSATILITY VERSUS CONVENTIONAL PROCESS





#### **SCALABILITY AND CAPEX ADVANTAGES:**

- New conventional plants are scalable by minimum increments of 30,000 MTY
  - Conventional plants 2N+ Si production limited at 40% of plant output
  - Requires additional purification steps
- PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR process is scalable by increments of 2,500 MTY, allowing flexible customer solutions
- PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR CAPEX per Kg of annual capacity matches that of a Tier 1 producer for (85% - 90%) less investment
  - ➤ PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR CAPEX per Kg of annual capacity is estimated at US\$ 6.22 for a (2) 2,500 MTY Plant
  - Rima Subsidiary, Mississippi Silicon, paid US\$ 6.11 per per Kg of annual capacity in 2015 to build a 36,000 MT annual capacity Raw Silicon plant. (a > US\$ 200M investment)

> PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR: THE BEST OPTION FOR NEW PLANTS NEEDED TO MEET SILICON DEMAND

# PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR – LOW COST, LOW EMISSIONS



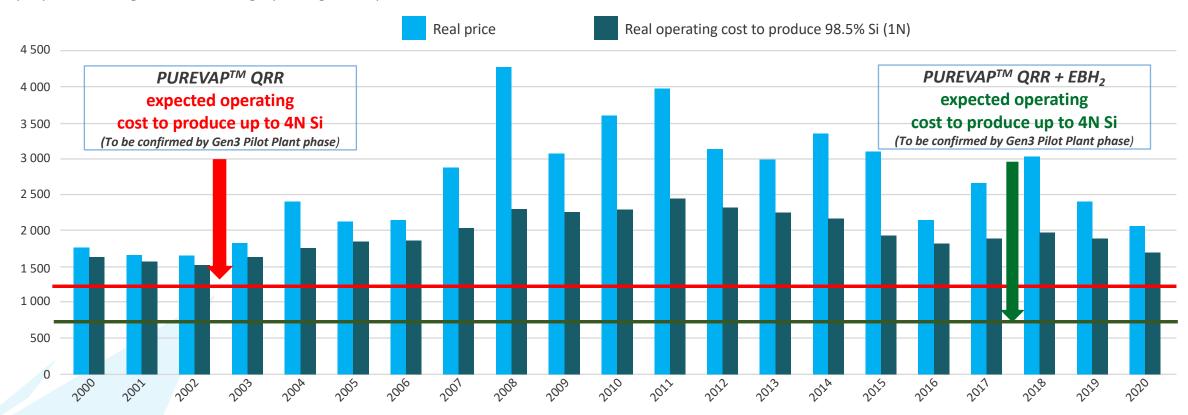
#### PUREVAP™ QRR OPEX VERSUS CONVENTIONAL SI PRODUCERS

Silicon in the 2020s

Data: CRU

#### Inflation-adjusted prices are higher than they were in the early 2000s

US spot price of 5.5.3 grade silicon vs. avg. operating cost at plants outside China and the CIS in real terms, \$/t



# PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR GEN3 READY FOR Q4 START









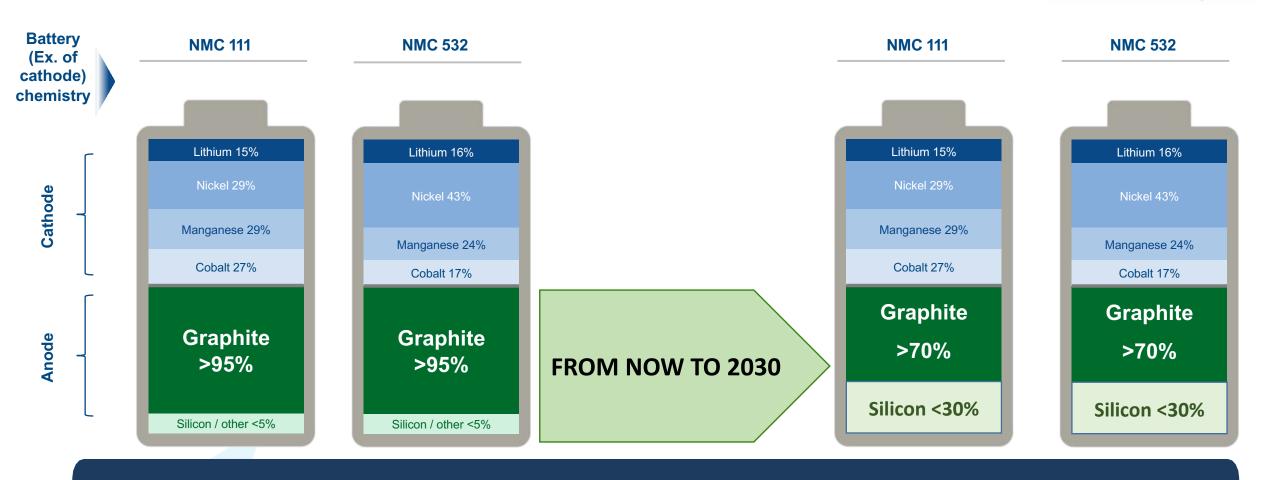
June 2021 pictures of Mr. P. Peter Pascali, President and CEO of PyroGenesis & Bernard Tourillon, President and CEO of HPQ Silicon next to the Gen3 *PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR* Pilot Plant (middle image blurred for confidentiality)

"We have always believed that our PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR process would completely revolutionize the transformation of quartz ( $SiO_2$ ) into silicon, and yet we continue to be amazed by the truly unique capabilities of the system, especially as it pertains to producing a low-cost battery-grade silicon feedstock that can be used to make the nano silicon materials needed for Lithium-ion batteries."

Bernard Tourillon President and CEO HPQ Silicon Resources Inc

#### TODAY: GRAPHITE IS FUNDAMENTAL TO RECHARGEABLE BATTERY ANODES

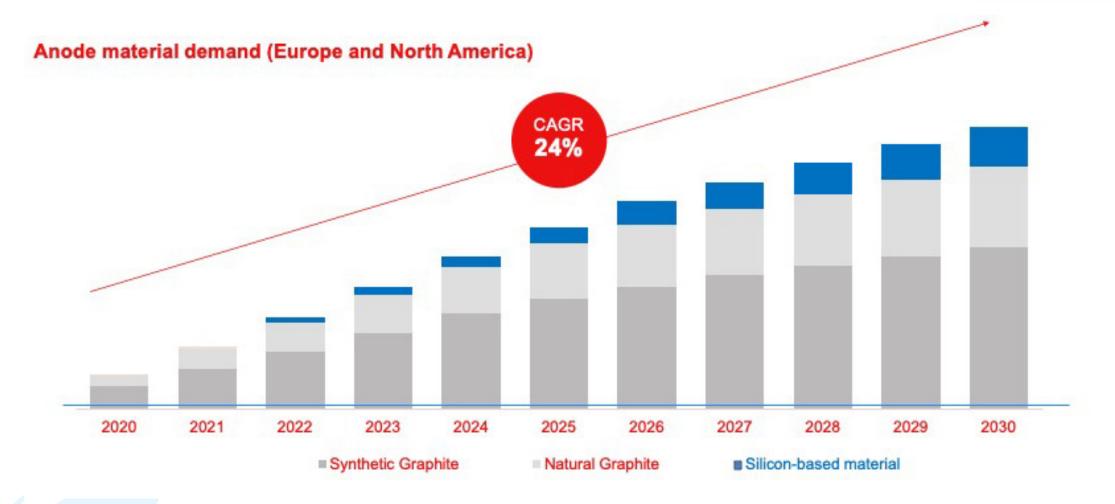




BY 2030, BATTERY ANODES MAY CONTAIN UP TO 30% SILICON<sup>1</sup>
THIS WILL CREATE MASSIVE DEMAND FOR BATTERY GRADE SILICON

#### SILICON SHARE OF ANODE MATERIAL DEMAND IS STARTING





WITH A POTENTIAL DEMAND > 200K MT BY 2030, WHO WILL BE IN POSITION TO PRODUCE, AT A PRICE THAT BATTERY MANUFACTURERS WILL BE WILLING TO PAY, THE SILICON MATERIAL NEEDED?

# BREAKTHROUGHS NEEDED IN BATTERY MATERIAL SCIENCE

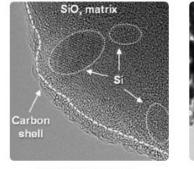


#### **DEPLOYING SILICON IN BATTERIES HAS CHALLENGES**

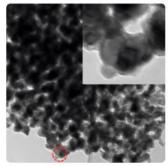
# THE BIG ONE • The volumetric fluctuations (>300 %) of Silicon (Si) during charge/discharge cycles leads to irreversible energy storage capacity loss. WHY • Repeated exposure of the fresh silicon surface to battery electrolyte leads to a continual reformation of the Solid electrolyte interphase (SEI); • Basically, the SEI grows thicker with each charge/discharge cycle. Charge Charge Charge Charge Charge Charge Charge Charge SEI

RESULTING IN POOR BATTERY LIFE CYCLE

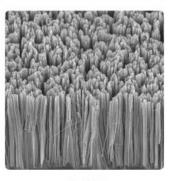
#### **CURRENT APPROACHES TO SILICON USE HIGHLY ENGINEERED AND EXPENSIVE MATERIALS**



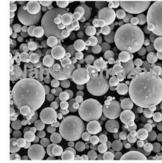




SILICON STRUCTURED IN GRAPHITE > 3,000 US\$ / Kg



SILICON NANOWIRES > 30,000 US\$ / Kg



SILICON NANOPOWDERS > 20,000 US\$ / Kg

#### SILICON NANOPOWDERS OR NANOWIRES COULD REPLACE GRAPHITE NOW

- · New manufacturing process must be developed to allow Si Nano material to reach cost parity with graphite...
- Graphite for anode cost between US\$10 to US\$20 per Kg

# **ECONOMICALLY VIABLE SOLUTION DO NOT EXIST NOW!**

# **HPQ - DEVELOPING LOW-COST SOLUTIONS**

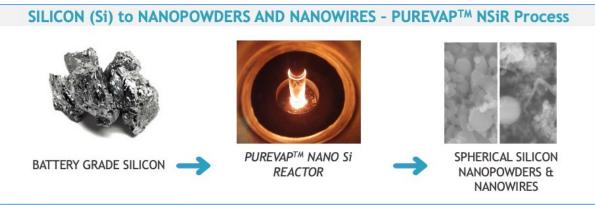


#### STARTING COMMERCIAL VALIDATION OF LOW-COST PROCESSES TO MAKE AND TRANSFORM SILICON

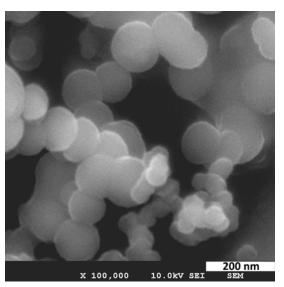
#### **HPQ** is developing:



A new scalable, versatile, low CAPEX & OPEX carbothermic process



A new scalable, versatile, low-cost plasma process with a capability to produce tailor made spherical Si materials from < 0.10 µm up to 5 µm



x 30,000 10.0kV SEI SEM W
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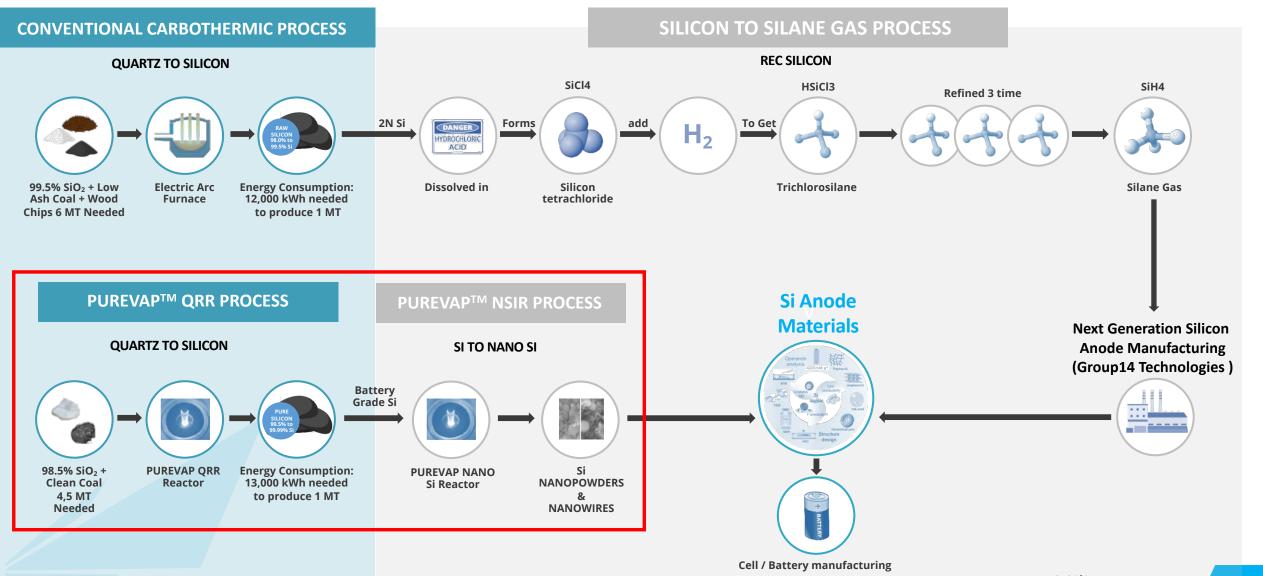
SILICON
NANOPOWDERS
NANOWIRES
Material produced by PyroGenesis during proof of concept test

#### HPQ TO BE IN A POSTION TO PRODUCE THE MATERIAL:

▶ Because the PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> NSiR is a game-changing low-cost plasma-based process that can transform battery grade Si made by HPQ PUREVAP<sup>TM</sup> QRR into the customized nano SI materials that Batteries and Electrical Vehicle manufacturers are looking for

# **HPQ LOW-COST SOLUTIONS VS COMPETITION**





# **HPQ – PYROGENESIS FUMED SILICA PROJECT**





## TRADITONAL PROCESS VS NEW PROCESS



#### QUARTZ (SiO<sub>2</sub>) TO SILICON (Si)

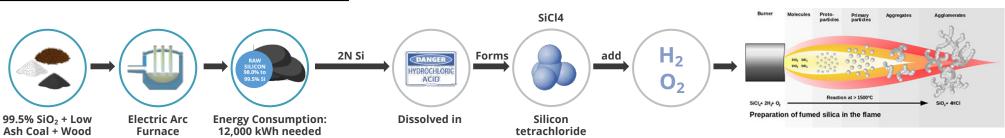
**Chips 6 MT Needed** 

#### SILICON (Si) TO FUMED SILICA (SiO<sub>2</sub>)

#### **CONVENTIONAL PROCESS TO MAKE SILICON**

to produce 1 MT





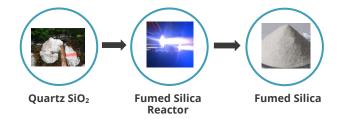
Energy Consumption: 98,000 kWh needed to produce 1 MT of Fumed Silica



Hydrogen Chloride Gas

#### QUARTZ (SiO<sub>2</sub>) TO FUMED SILICA

#### **FUMED SILICA REACTOR**



Energy Consumption: 15,000 kWh needed to produce 1 MT



# HPQ LAUNCHES REVOLUTIONARY AND BREAKTHROUGH GREEN HYDROGEN EXTRACTION TECHNOLOGY VENTURE

- August 24, 2021, HPQ announces the signature of an agreement with EBH<sub>2</sub> Systems SA, ("EBH<sub>2</sub>") a Swiss company that possesses a proprietary electrolysis technology that can efficiently extract, from virtually any water source including salt water, a Clean Hydrogen also called Green Hydrogen that can be used to create low-cost electricity with no environmental impact.
- WORKING TOGETHER TO DEVELOP AN INDUSTRIAL SCALE EBH2 SYSTEM TO PRODUCE GREEN SILICON
- COMBINING FORCES TO ESTABLISH A NORTH AMERICAN EBH2 GENERATOR SALES CAPABILITY









Share Price (August 23, 2021)	\$0.730	Cash and Cash equivalent in hand					\$	9,180,000
Share Price (August 25, 2021)		Dedicated Cash for PUREVAP <sup>TM</sup> QRR Pilot Plant					\$	1,950,000
52 Week Low	\$0.305	In the money warrants and options			\$	5,997,932		
52 Week High	\$1.680	TOTAL CASH POSITION			\$	17,127,932		
		Warrants Breakdown						
Shares Outstanding	331,752,267	Expiration	Warrant	Exercise	Potential		In the money	
Shares Outstanding:		Date	Outstanding	Price	Cash to HPQ		Cash value	
Warrants:	24,441,012	Jan-22	4,152,000	0.155	\$	643,560	\$	643,560
Options:	5,650,000	Jul-22	1,779,412	0.150	\$	266,912	\$	266,912
Options.		Aug-22	200,000	0.150	\$	30,000	\$	30,000
Fully Diluted:	361,843,279	Dec-22	1,375,000	0.100	\$	137,500	\$	137,500
Fully Diluted:		Apr-23	8,540,000	0.100	\$	854,000	\$	854,000
Market Capitalization	\$242,179,155	Jun-23	4,394,600	0.100	\$	439,460	\$	439,460
Market Capitalization:		Sep-23	4,000,000	0.610	\$	2,440,000	\$	2,440,000
Market Capitalization (FD):	\$264,145,594	TOTAL	24,441,012	0.197	\$	4,811,432	\$	4,811,432

# **HPQ TRADING (last 12 months)**





# WHY INVEST IN HPQ SILICON?





UBS estimates that over the next ten years, the energy storage market in the United States alone could grow to as much as \$426 billion, and there are many ways to buy into the surge! (CNBC Dec 30, 2019)

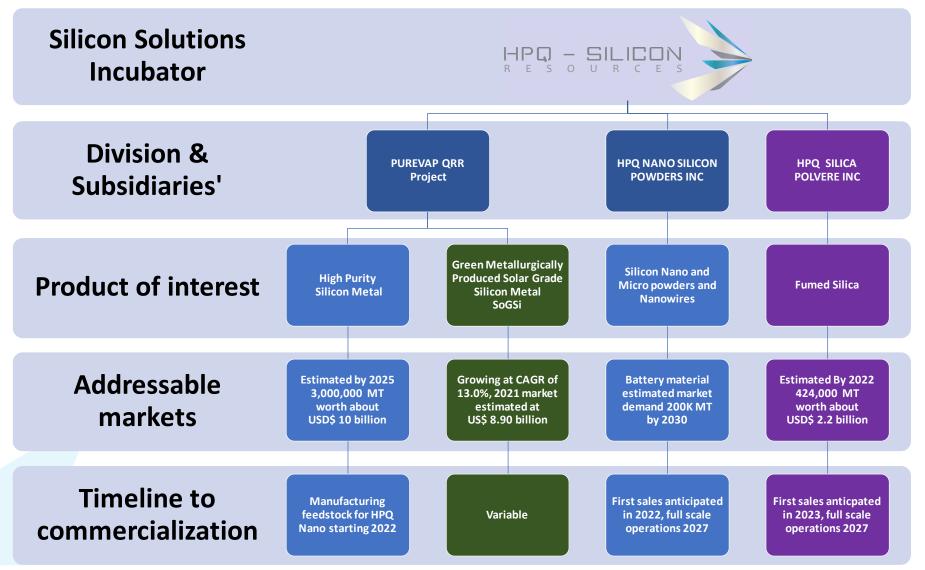
#### HPQ – SILICON: AN INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SURGE!

- > Ready to become the lowest cost producer of the nanomaterials needed for the renewable energy revolution:
  - Spherical Silicon Nano & Micron powders for Li-ion Batteries
    - ✓ <u>Material potential already generated NDA's with battery manufacturers and</u> <u>advance material companies</u>
    - ✓ Received a firm order for Si Nanopowders from major car manufacturer
  - Silicon Nanowires for Li-ion Batteries
  - Pure Silicon (99.5% Si up to 99.99% Si) for specialty applications
- ➤ Partnership to advance commercialization of a low-cost (<\$1.00 per Kg), game changing process of manufacturing Green Hydrogen (H2)</p>
- Supported by world class technology partners





## **VALUE PROPOSITION: COMMERCIALIZE AND MONETIZE**



# MANAGEMENT, BOARD & KEY INVESTORS





#### **Management**

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Vice-President, COO and Director

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CFO



#### **Major Investors**

Management & Board	≅ 6.7%	≅ 7.7% (FD)
PyroGenesis	≅ 8.0%	$\cong$ 11.0% (FD)
Investissement Québec		≅ 8.7% (FD)
Strategic Investors	≅ 4.3%	≅ 3.4% (FD)
Key Investors	≅ 6.6%	≅ 8.1% (FD)



#### **Independent Directors**

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