

PRICE TARGET REVISION | COMMENT

JULY 11, 2007

Mincor Resources NL (ASX: MCR)
Guidance of 16-17kt Nickel in FY08

Outperform
Above Average Risk

Price:	4.30	Price Target:	5.50 ↓ 6.00
Shares O/S (MM):	196.0	Implied All-In Return:	30.0%
Dividend:	0.09	Market Cap (MM):	843
NAVPS:	2.95	Yield:	2.1%
BVPS:	0.36	P/NAVPS:	1.5x
ROE:	41.0%	P/BVPS:	11.9x
Float (MM):	196.0	Enterprise Val. (\$MM):	796.4
Debt to Cap:	0.3%	Avg. Daily Volume (MM):	1.38

Closing share price is of July 11, 2007.

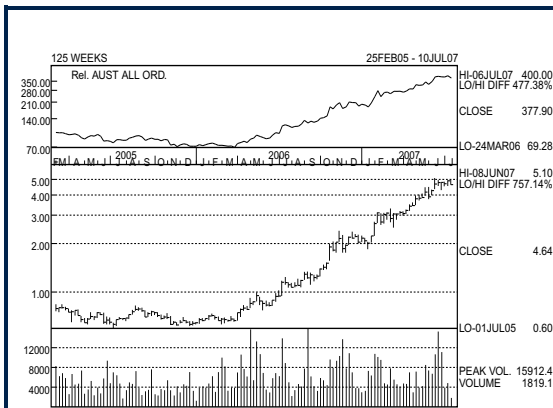
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Mincor's 16-17kt FY08 nickel guidance has resulted in slight downgrades to our estimates and target.

Investment Opinion

- Mincor provided FY08 guidance of 16-17kt of nickel in concentrates for the first time and we have reduced our forecast by 1kt to 17.3kt. This lower production has reduced our FY08 earnings estimate by 19% and our target from A\$6.00 to A\$5.50.
- The Otter-Juan mine was purchased on 1 July 2007, and along with Carnilya Hill that contributes in 2H FY08, will be the main growth driver, with the company forecasting 28% production growth for FY2008. This should place the company within reach of its goal of 20ktpa in ore.
- We forecast production growth of 34% to 17.3kt in FY08 and earnings of A\$136m (down 19% from A\$166m), but as yet have not included McMahon or Durkin in our forecasts.
- We consider Mincor to be trading on undemanding P/E multiples of ~6x in FY08 & FY09, with a moderate dividend of ~4% ff, equating to a payout of only ~25%. We view growth to 20ktpa as looking more secure and with longer mine lives. Our target price of A\$5.50 implies an all-in return of 30%.
- Since its peak in mid-May, the nickel price has retraced 40% to under US\$15/lb, whereas ASX nickel shares have fallen on average 12%. Should nickel remain sub US\$15/lb, we believe that there will be selling pressure on Mincor.

Valuation: Our price target of A\$5.50 is reduced from A\$6.00 and is based on an unchanged average of 7x P/E multiple and 6x P/CF multiple. We have, however, shifted from FY07 & FY08 to FY08 & FY09 years. We expect the re-rating of Mincor to continue once the current weakness in the nickel price abates. We rate the shares Outperform, Above Average risk.



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FY Jun	2006A	2007E	2008E	2009E
EPS (Op) - FD	0.15	0.50	0.69	0.81
Prev.		0.56	0.85	0.91
P/E	28.7x	8.6x	6.2x	5.3x
CFPS - FD	0.28	0.66	0.87	0.99
Prev.		0.71	1.03	1.09
P/CFPS	15.4x	6.5x	4.9x	4.3x
EPS (Op) - FD		H1		H2
2006		0.05A		0.10A
2007		0.21A		0.29E
Prev.		0.24A		0.32E
2008		0.34E		0.35E
Prev.		0.44E		0.41E
2009		0.44E		0.37E
Prev.		0.50E		0.41E
CFPS - FD				
2006		0.12A		0.16A
2007		0.30A		0.36E
Prev.		0.32E		0.39E
2008		0.42E		0.45E
Prev.		0.53E		0.50E
2009		0.54E		0.45E
Prev.		0.59E		0.50E

June Year-end
All values in AUD unless otherwise noted.

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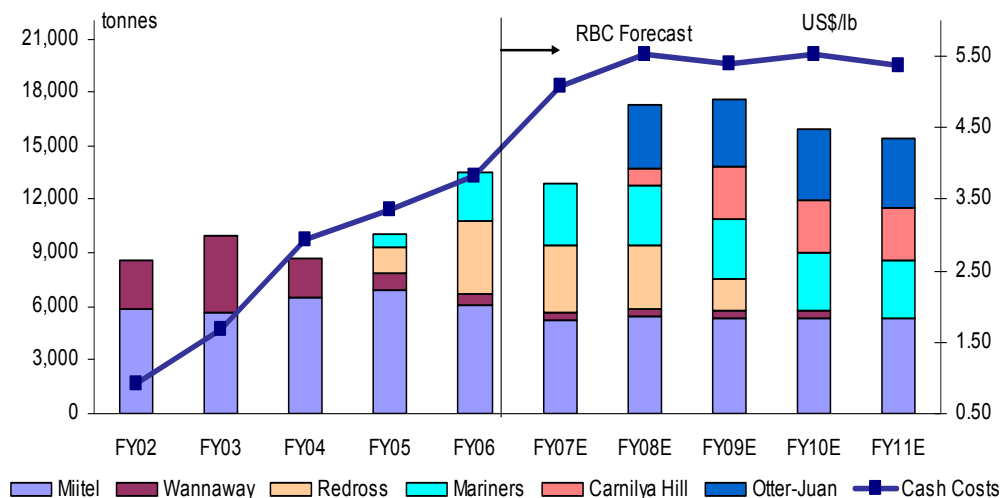
Guidance of 16-17kt Nickel in Conc in FY08

Mincor's released guidance for its total nickel in concentrate production for FY08 of 16kt-17kt. We had been forecasting in excess of 18kt and have slightly lowered our expectations to <18kt.

Key points from Mincor:

- targeting a 28% increase in production in FY08 to 16-17kt nickel in conc
- this target is ~19kt of nickel in ore and close to the company's strategy to achieve 20kt pa
- FY07 production was 12.9kt of nickel-in-concentrate (first time announced and compares to target of 12.5-13.5kt), compared to 13.5kt in FY06
- In FY07, 616,000 tonnes of ore was milled at 2.45% for 15.1kt of nickel in ore
- the newly-acquired Otter Juan mine is budgeted to contribute 4.0kt of nickel metal in ore in FY08
- Carnilya Hill (70%) is expected to make a strong contribution in the June HF 08 – development work underway in late July
- feasibility studies are underway on the McMahon and Durkin Deeps nickel projects and development decisions could be less than six months away, depending on drilling results

Exhibit 1: Mincor Nickel in Concentrate Production - RBC forecasts



Source: RBC Capital Markets, Company

Valuation:

We have reduced our price target to **A\$5.50** (A\$6.00) using an average P/E multiple for FY08 & FY09 of 7x and a P/CF multiple of 6x. These multiples are unchanged but we previously used FY07 and FY08 multiples. We see the company as delivering on its growth target of 20kt pa nickel in ore within 18 months with Carnilya Hill and the GMM assets. We maintain our Outperform, Above Average Risk rating.

RBC Earnings Revisions:

- There are no surprises in this release from Mincor, but we have reduced our production forecast for FY08 by 6% to 17.3kt from 18.3kt previously.
- We have also lowered our earnings forecast for FY07 on actual production as announced (little different from our forecast) and marked to market the nickel price in the year. We would emphasise that this profit forecast is subject to any revisions due to provisional pricing of outstanding sales tonnages at year-end.
- We have not included a contribution from the recently acquired McMahon & Durkin projects that could be brought into production within 12 months. Drilling success will decide whether production commences or not.
- Mincor's share price has outperformed most other nickel shares over the past few months and we believe the steady stream of positive news from Mincor is creating a re-rate of the company. We expect positive news flow throughout FY08 and Mincor's re-rating to resume once the present sell off in nickel shares is completed once (hopefully) nickel trades back > US\$15/lb.

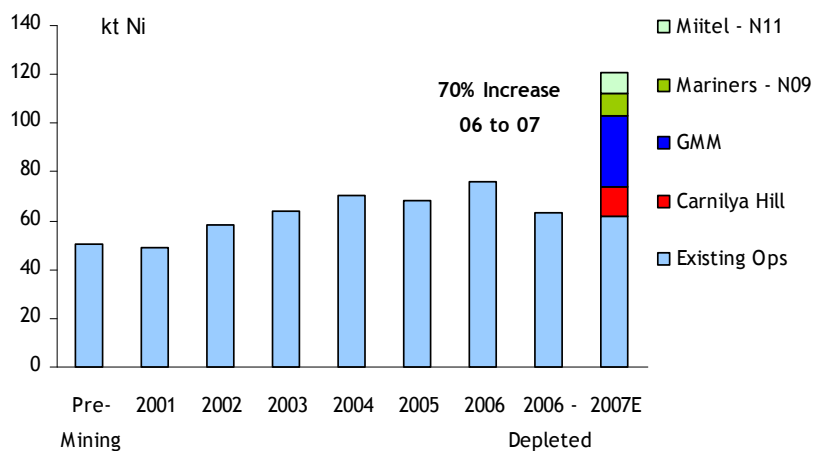
Exhibit 2: Mincor Earnings Revisions

Fiscal 2007		Revised	Previous	% Change
Normalised NPAT	A\$m	97.9	108.8	(10%)
EPS	¢	50.1	55.6	(10%)
DPS	¢	12.0	12.0	0%
Gross Cashflow	A\$m	129.8	140.7	(8%)
Cashflow/share	¢	65.9	71.4	(8%)
Nickel Production	kt	12.9	12.9	0%
Cash Costs	US\$/lb	5.09	5.09	(0%)
Realised Nickel Price	US\$/lb	14.25	14.86	(4%)
Fiscal 2008				
NPAT	A\$m	135.6	166.4	(19%)
EPS	¢	68.8	84.5	(19%)
DPS	¢	18.0	18.0	0%
Gross Cashflow	A\$m	171.9	203.2	(15%)
Cashflow/share	¢	87.3	103.2	(15%)
Nickel Production	kt	17.3	18.3	(6%)
Cash Costs	US\$/lb	5.54	5.22	6%
Realised Nickel Price	US\$/lb	14.08	14.38	(2%)
Fiscal 2009				
NPAT	A\$m	159.5	179.5	(11%)
EPS	¢	81.0	91.1	(11%)
DPS	¢	20.0	20.0	0%
Gross Cashflow	A\$m	194.9	214.9	(9%)
Cashflow/share	¢	98.9	109.1	(9%)
Nickel Production	kt	17.6	18.9	(7%)
Cash Costs	US\$/lb	5.39	5.28	2%
Realised Nickel Price	US\$/lb	14.15	14.16	(0%)
Valuation (A\$/sh)		2.60	2.95	(12%)

Source: RBC Capital Markets, Company

One positive new flow item we are anticipating is the 70% increase in the resource base as at 30 June 2007. Much of this increase has been announced to the market already.

Exhibit 3: Mincor Resource Growth - 2001 to 2007E



Source: RBC Capital Markets, Company

Exhibit 4: Mincor Resources Forecast Financial & Operating Summary

Mincor Resources														
ASX: MCR	Share Price: (A\$)	4.30		Stock Rating:	Outperform		Price Target:	A\$5.50						
Issued Shares (m)	Mkt Cap: (A\$MM)	847.0		Risk Qualifier:	Above Average		NAV:	A\$2.60						
Fiscal Year Ended June														
ASSUMPTIONS														
Exchange Rate	A\$/US\$	FY06A	FY07E	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E	ATTRIBUTABLE MINE STATS							
Spot Nickel Price	US\$/lb	7.05	17.24	16.35	14.33	12.50	Nickel Production (100% ownership)							
Spot Nickel Price	A\$/lb	9.44	21.82	19.90	18.61	16.54	Miitel	tonnes	6,101	5,212	5,415	5,304	5,348	
Realised Nickel Price	US\$/lb	6.43	14.25	14.08	14.15	12.50	Wannaway	tonnes	641	466	436	436	436	
Realised Nickel Price	A\$/lb	8.84	18.09	17.17	18.38	16.54	Redross	tonnes	3,999	3,722	3,564	1,782	0	
Cobalt Price	US\$/lb	14.91	23.39	21.50	17.50	12.50	Mariners	tonnes	2,754	3,485	3,341	3,374	3,257	
Realised Cobalt Price	US\$/lb	14.91	23.39	21.50	17.50	12.50	Carnilya Hill (70% interest)	tonnes			946	2,923	2,873	
Realised Cobalt Price	A\$/lb	19.94	29.64	26.18	22.69	16.54	Otter-Juan	tonnes			3,578	3,780	4,032	
Hedged % of Sales	%		36%	21%	15%	0%	TOTAL	tonnes	13,496	12,884	17,278	17,600	15,947	
Hedged Price	US\$/lb		6.58	8.04	10.01		Cash Costs (including Credits):							
RATIO ANALYSIS														
Shares outstanding	MM	FY06A	FY07E	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E	Miitel	A\$/lb	4.26	6.46	6.87	7.28	7.37	
Reported Net profit	A\$MM	29.3	98	136	159	112	Wannaway	A\$/lb	6.83	10.23	9.91	10.25	10.49	
Significant Items	A\$MM	5	0	0	0	0	Redross	A\$/lb	4.68	5.24	5.74	5.91	0.00	
Profit excl. one-offs	A\$MM	24	98	136	159	112	Mariners	A\$/lb	7.23	7.31	7.68	7.80	8.18	
EPS	A¢	15.0	50.1	68.8	81.0	57.0	Carnilya Hill	A\$/lb			5.33	5.78	5.88	
P/E	x	28.6x	8.6x	6.2x	5.3x	7.5x	Otter-Juan	A\$/lb			6.72	6.97	7.20	
CFPS	A¢	27.8	65.9	87.3	98.9	74.3	Average Cash Costs	A\$/lb	5.11	6.47	6.75	7.00	7.31	
P/CF	x	15.5x	6.5x	4.9x	4.3x	5.8x	Average Cash Costs	US\$/lb	3.82	5.09	5.54	5.39	5.52	
Dividend per share	A¢	5.0	12.0	18.0	20.0	15.0	Cash Margin	A\$/lb	3.73	11.62	10.41	11.38	9.23	
Dividend yield	%	1.2%	2.8%	4.2%	4.7%	3.5%	Cash Margin	US\$/lb	2.79	9.13	8.54	8.76	6.97	
Franking Level	%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	Reserves & Resources - Contained Nickel							
Payout Ratio	%	33%	24%	26%	25%	26%	Reserves Ni	%Ni	Rscs Ni*	%Ni				
Effective Tax Rate	%	28%	31%	33%	33%	33%	Miitel	14.8	2.6	29.8	3.8			
Book value per share	A\$	0.36	0.64	1.16	1.75	2.10	South Miitel	9.8	2.6	11.26	3.8			
P/Book value	x	11.9x	6.7x	3.7x	2.5x	2.0x	Wannaway	1.0	2.7	4.4	3.2			
R.O.E	%	41%	78%	59%	46%	26%	Redross	8.3	3.0	12.5	4.2			
R.O.A	%	18%	35%	37%	34%	21%	Mariners	10.9	2.7	15.7	4.5			
EBITDA	A\$MM	71	171	236	266	190	Carnilya Hill	14.0	2.9	16.1	4.6			
EBITDA per share	A\$	0.36	0.87	1.20	1.35	0.96	McMahon/Durkin	0.0	0.0	28.8	4.3			
EV/EBITDA	x	11.4	4.7	3.1	2.4	3.1	Reserves - Contained Nickel	58.7	2.7	118.6	4.1			
EV/EBIT	x	19.9	5.7	3.7	2.8	3.8	Reserves - Contained Nickel	129		261				
PROFIT & LOSS														
Revenue	A\$MM	FY06A	FY07E	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E	Enterprise Value/tonne Reserve	14,278		7,068				
Operating costs	"	(96)	(123)	(167)	(174)	(165)	Enterprise Value/tonne Reserve	11,137		5,513				
Mine Operating Profit	"	79	196	258	289	213	* Resources are inclusive of Reserves							
Exploration Expense	"	(5)	(10)	(12)	(12)	(12)	EARNINGS SENSITIVITY							
DD&A	"	(30)	(32)	(36)	(35)	(34)	Nickel Price US\$/oz	+10%	3	12	4%	23%		
Corporate & Other Costs	"	(4)	(15)	(10)	(10)	(11)	-10%	(3)	(11)	-4%	-21%			
Operating Income (EBIT)	A\$MM	41	139	199	231	156	Exchange Rate	+10%	(5)	(10)	-8%	-20%		
Net Interest	"	(0.0)	2	3	7	12	-10%	6	13	10%	26%			
Pre Tax Profit	"	41	141	202	238	167	NICKEL PRODUCTION PROFILE - 100%							
Tax Expense	"	(11)	(43)	(67)	(79)	(55)								
Net profit - as reported	A\$MM	29.3	98	136	159	112	REALISED NICKEL PRICE VS CASH COST							
Significant Items after tax	"	5	0	0	0	0								
Net Profit excl one-offs	A\$MM	24.4	98	136	159	112	SHARE VALUATION							
EPS	A¢	15.0	50.1	68.8	81.0	57.0	Projects							
DPS	A¢	5.0	12.0	18.0	20.0	15.0	Miitel	% Ownership	A\$MM	A\$/Shr	%			
CASH FLOWS														
Operating Cash Flow	A\$MM	FY06A	FY07E	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E	Wannaway	100%	7	0.04	2%			
Net Interest	"	0	2	3	7	12	Redross	100%	52	0.26	13%			
Tax Paid	"	0	(22)	(67)	(79)	(55)	Mariners	100%	80	0.40	20%			
Retained Op. Cash Flow	A\$MM	52	152	172	195	146	Carnilya Hill	70%	45	0.23	11%			
Exploration	"	(4)	(12)	(16)	(16)	(16)	Otter Juan	100%	83	0.42	21%			
Capital Expenditure	"	(28)	(46)	(58)	(48)	(35)	Total Operating Assets	400	2.03					
Loan Repayments	"	(1)	0	0	0	0	Exploration & Other	110	0.56					
Funding Surplus/(Deficit)	A\$MM	19	95	98	131	96	Debt	(4)	(0.02)					
Dividends Paid	"	(8)	(18)	(28)	(39)	(39)	Cash	55	0.28					
Borrowings	"	0	0	0	0	0	Corporate	(49)	(0.25)					
Equity Issues	"	0	1	0	0	0	Net Asset Value - \$A	512	2.60	166%				
Other	"	16	(68)	(10)	0	0								
Total Funds Provided	A\$MM	8	(85)	(37)	(39)	(39)								
Net change in cash	"	27	9	61	92	57								
Cash at start of year	"	18	45	55	115	207								
Cash at end of year	A\$MM	45	55	115	207	263								
Net Op. CFPS	A\$	0.27	0.88	1.20	1.35	0.96								
BALANCE SHEET														
Cash & equivalents	A\$MM	FY06A	FY07E	FY08E	FY09E	FY10E								
Other current assets	"	55	74	74	74	74								
PP&E & Other Mining Assets	"	63	146	171	188	192								
Other Non Current Assets	"	1	3	3	3	3								
Total assets	A\$MM	165	277	363	472	533								
Total liabilities	"	94	152	134	126	119								
Total Net Assets	A\$MM	71	126	229	345	414								
Total Debt	"	4	4	4	4	4								
Net Debt (Cash)	A\$MM	(41)	(51)	(111)	(203)	(259)								
Gearing (net debt : nd+ equity)	%	-134%	-67%	-94%	-143%	-155%								
Gearing (net debt:equity)	%	-57%	-40%	-48%	-59%	-61%								

Source: Company Reports and RBC Capital Markets estimates

Valuation

We have reduce our price target to **A\$5.50** (A\$6.00) using an average P/E multiple for FY08 & FY09 of 7x and a P/CF multiple of 6x. These multiples are unchanged but we previously used FY07 and FY08 multiples. The company should deliver on its growth target of 20kt pa nickel in ore within 18 months with Carnilya Hill and the GMM assets. We maintain our Outperform, Above Average Risk rating.

Price Target Impediment

Earnings are most sensitive to the nickel price and the A\$/US\$ exchange rate. Ore is processed through BHP's Kambalda concentrator under ~65% profit sharing agreement and so is not susceptible to operating plant failures. The main operational risk is mining but we do not believe head grade is high risk because of the district's long history of mining. However, a mine life based on reserves of only 4-5 years is a risk. Finally, a severe downturn in global economies, especially in China, would cause the nickel price to fall and hurt Mincor's earnings. Mines are moderate to high cost.

Company Description

Mincor is a relatively small Australian nickel sulphide producer with four modest-sized, underground mines and sizable acreage around the Widgiemooltha Dome, south of Kambalda, Western Australia. It is the largest supplier of nickel ore to BHP Nickel West's concentrator at Kambalda and has an off-take agreement with the company. Mincor owns the Miitel, Redross, Mariners and Wannaway mines. It is debt-free and at June 2006 had resources of 2Mt grading 3.8% for 75.8kt of contained nickel metal, and reserves of 1.7Mt grading 2.7% for 44.7kt nickel. The company has a substantial exploration programme. Mines were first purchased in 2001 for A\$54m and production began in 2002. Beginning April 2006, Mincor earned 70% of Carnilya Hill, which is expected to be in production by year end 2007. It paid A\$2m to farm into RAV 8 by spending A\$5m over 3 years for 80%. In May 2006 it paid A\$68.5m cash to private group GMM for the 3.6ktpa Otter-Juna mine and former mines McMahon & Durkin which have 29kt nickel resources .

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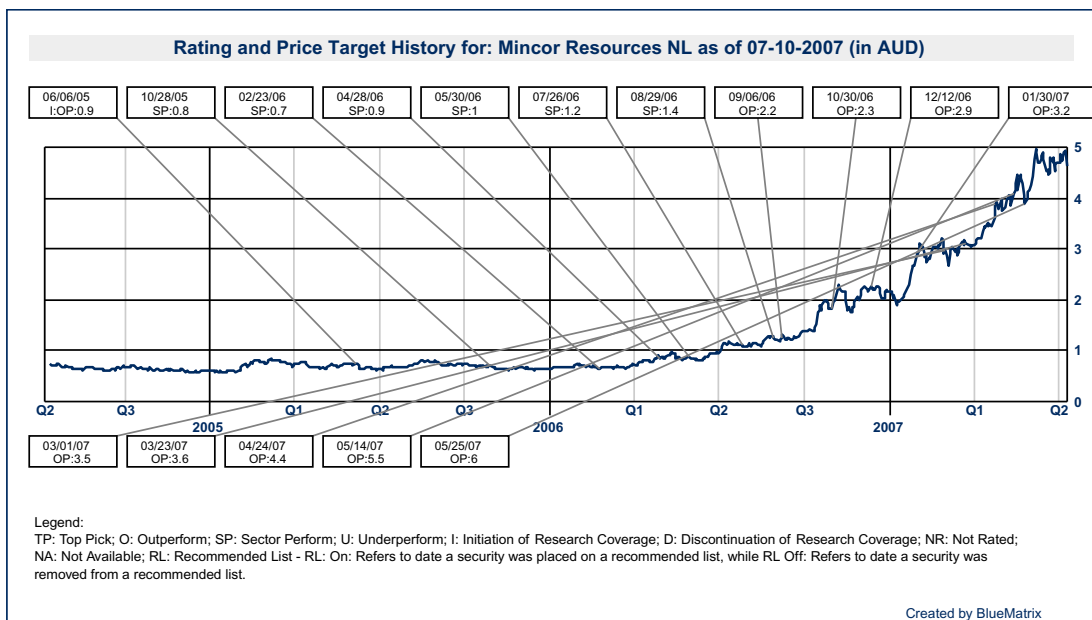
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