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WATER LICENCE SECURED

Sarytogan Graphite Limited (ASX: SGA, "the Company" or "Sarytogan") is pleased to advise that it has received the water licence for the Sarytogan Graphite Project in Kazakhstan.

Sarytogan Managing Director, Sean Gregory commented:

"Reliable access to the required quantities of good quality water nearby is critical to the success of every mining project. This milestone builds on the previous approvals including the grant of the mining licence, environmental permit for the mine, lease of land for the downstream project and the power allocation for the project. Each of these are another step towards derisking the development of the project."

Water Licence

The State Committee for Natural Resources and Ecology of the Ministry of Industry and Construction has now approved the water supply for the project to be drawn from the Sherubainura River alluvial aquifer, approximately 10km from the project (Figure 1), at a rate of 2,040 m³ per day for an initial period of 27 years. This rate is more than sufficient for the estimated peak water demands for the project.

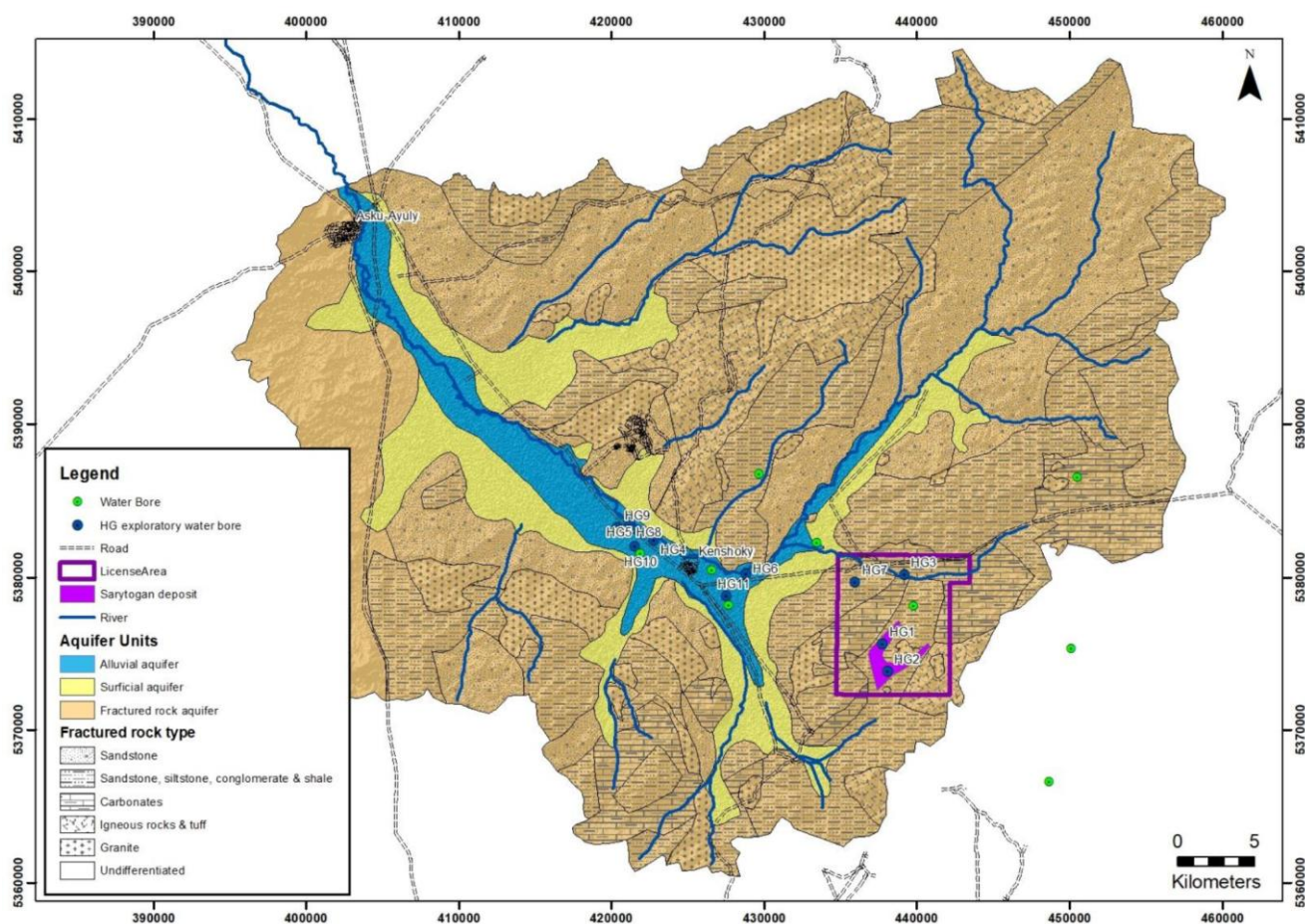


Figure 1 - Hydrogeology of the Sarytogan Area.

Other Approvals

This approval is in addition to the previous approvals (refer to corresponding ASX Announcements):

- Environmental Permit for the mine (ASX 23 December 2024)
- Granted Mining Licence (30 December 2024)
- Lease of 10Ha of land for the downstream plant (ASX 16 June 2025)
- Power Allocation for both the upstream and downstream development (ASX 3 December 2025)

Next Steps

Additional permits are being sought for the processing plant and the tailings storage facility.

The Definitive Feasibility Study for the upstream development of the Sarytogan Graphite Project is on track for completion in mid-2026.

This announcement is authorised by:

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About Sarytogan

The Sarytogan Graphite Deposit is in the Karaganda region of Central Kazakhstan. It is 190km by highway from the industrial city of Karaganda, the 4th largest city in Kazakhstan (Figure 2).

The project is designated as a Strategic Project under the European Union's Critical Raw Materials Act, validating Sarytogan's natural graphite deposit as world class and highlights our vital role in supplying sustainable critical raw materials to Europe for battery and other strategic uses.



Figure 2 - Sarytogan Graphite Deposit location.

The Sarytogan Graphite Deposit was first explored in the 1980s with sampling by trenching and diamond drilling. Sarytogan's 100% owned subsidiary Ushtogan LLP resumed exploration in 2018. The Mineral Resource Estimates (MREs) for the project stand at **225Mt @ 29.2% TGC (Error! Reference source not found.)**.

Table 1 - Sarytogan Graphite Deposit MREs. Refer to ASX Announcement 27 March 2023 for the NGZ MRE and 16 February 2026 for the CGZ MRE. Totals may vary due to rounding.

Zone	Cut Off Grade (%TGC)	Classification (JORC Code)	In-Situ Tonnage (Mt)	Total Graphitic Carbon (TGC %)	Contained Graphite (Mt)
Central (2026 MRE)	17	Measured	5.4	28.3	1.5
	17	Indicated	21.4	28.8	6.2
	17	Inferred	29.7	28.9	8.6
	17	Sub Total	56.6	28.8	16.3
North (2023 MRE)	15	Indicated	87	29.1	25
	15	Inferred	81	29.6	24
	15	Sub Total	168	29.3	49
Grand Total	15-17	Measured	5.4	29.0	1.5
	15-17	Indicated	108	29.4	31
	15-17	Inferred	111	29.4	33
	15-17	Total	225	29.2	66

Sarytogan has produced flotation concentrates at higher than **90% TGC** (refer ASX Announcement 2 June 2025) and further upgraded the concentrate up to **99.9992% C** "five nines purity" by thermal purification, without any chemical pre-treatment (refer ASX Announcement 5 March 2024). Sarytogan envisages three product types:

- Microcrystalline graphite at up to 90% C for traditional uses,
- Ultra-High Purity Fines (UHPF) for advanced industrial use including batteries, and
- Spherical Purified Graphite (USPG and CSPG) for use in lithium-ion batteries.

A Pre-Feasibility Study (PFS) was completed in August 2024 that outlined a staged development plan to match market penetration, minimise initial capital expenditure and deliver attractive financial returns.

An Ore Reserve of **8.6 Mt @ 30.0% TGC** (Table 2) was estimated using the Guidelines of the 2012 Edition JORC Code (refer ASX announcement 12 August 2024).

Table 2 - Sarytogan Probable Ore Reserve estimate. Refer ASX Announcement 12 August 2024.

Ore Mass (dkt)	TGC (%)	Concentrate Mass (dkt)	Concentrate Grade (%)	TGC in Conc. Mass (dkt)
8,587	30.0	2,654	81.4	2,160

Sarytogan is also progressing copper porphyry exploration at its Baynazar and Kopa projects across the highly prospective Central Asian Orogenic Belt.

Compliance Statements

The information in this report that relates to Sarytogan Mineral Resources was first reported in ASX announcements dated 27 March 2023 and 16 February 2026. The information in this report that relates to Sarytogan Ore Reserves was first reported in ASX announcement dated 12 August 2024. These reports are available at www.asx.com.au.

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in relevant market announcements and, in the case of estimates of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves, that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Persons' findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcements.

The Company confirms that all the material assumptions underpinning the production target, or the forecast financial information derived from the production target, in the initial public report (12 August 2024) continue to apply and have not materially changed.