

### Australian Cleantech, Energy & Resources

**INDUSTRY UPDATE – 31 October 2023** 

#### **VALUATION MULTIPLES**

12.0x 11.0x 10.0x 9.0x 8.4x 8.0x 7.0x 6.0x 5.0x 4.6x 4.0x 3.0x 2.0x Nov-21 Sep-21 Jan-22 Sep-22 Mar-23 May-23 Mar-22 May-22 Jul-22 Nov-22 Jan-23 Jul-23 Sep-23 ASX 200 Cleantech, Energy & Resources

Forward EV / EBITDA Multiples (monthly to 30/09/2023) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Multiples in the Cleantech, Energy & Resources sector have remained constant over the period. At the end of September, the sector traded on a forward EV / EBITDA multiple of 4.6x, compared to the ASX200 on 8.4x.

Average Values and Trading Multiples (monthly to 30/09/2023) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Subsector	Enterprise Value (\$m)	EV/EBITDA FY2023	EV/EBIT FY2023	Price / Earnings FY2023
Environmental Services	6,848	9.2x	19.4x	29.9x
Metals & Mining	457,392	1.9x	16.8x	14.7x
Oil & Gas	108,133	5.4x	8.6x	11.1x
Natural Resources	2,626	4.2x	5.3x	11.3x
Cleantech, Energy & Resources	574,999	5.2x	12.5x	16.8x

Note: Multiples are based on the forward year of the unreported period, which for the majority of companies in the sector is FY2023. Difference in forward EV/EBITDA multiples between Figure and Table are representative of the timing difference between month-end result, and current day result. Composition of companies in Sector Dashboards are updated every 6 months.



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#### **MERGER & ACQUISITION NEWS...**

	Value: Not Disclosed			
Affordable. Reliable. Sustainable.	Octopus Capital Ltd, the United Kingdom based investment company has acquired Blackstone Battery Energy Storage System, the Australia based energy storage asset from Firm Power Pty Ltd, the Australia based developer of solutions that accelerate the energy transition, solar, wind, transmission infrastructure and energy storage. The terms of the deal were undisclosed.			
	Value: AUD 9.6m			
	<b>Aquirian Group,</b> the Australia based australia-based mining services business is to acquire Wubin Ammonium Nitrate Emulsion Plant, the local ammonium producing plant from <b>Hanwha Mining Services</b> , the local provider of comprehensive mining services, including drilling, blasting, and explosive supply. The company also offers mining chemical products and solutions. The consideration was 9.6m AUD.			
Miningentar & Gri Expiran rg	Value: undisclosed. <b>RSK Group Ltd</b> , the United Kingdom based environmental consultancy service provider, through its subsidiary RSK Environment Australia Pty Ltd, the Australia based provider of a range of engineering and environmental services to sectors including transport, water, defence, property/construction and energy, has acquired Adenco Water Management & Civil Engineering, the local water management & civil engineering company. The terms of the deal were undisclosed.			
	Value: undisclosed.			
	<b>Mineral Resources Ltd,</b> the Australia based iron ore,lithium and manganese mining company, also providing mining support services has signed a conditional agreement to acquire <b>Tawana Resources NL</b> , the local mineral exploration company focused on iron ore exploration from Alita Resources Ltd (Australia), the local lithium and tantalum mining company. The terms of the deal were undisclosed. The transaction is subject to approval of SGX, as well as delisting of Alita Resources.			
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	Value: USD 136m			
<b>Peabody</b>	<b>Stanmore Resources</b> [ASX:SMR] signed a definitive agreement with <b>Peabody Energy</b> [NYSE:BTU] to divest the southern portion of the Wards Well tenement.			
	Value: Not disclosed			
TOMBADOR IRON	<b>Tombador Iron</b> has accepted an offer for the acquisition of the Tombador Iron Ore Project. Under the terms of the agreement, PJ Investtimentos e Participacoes Ltda, an affiliate of the current mining contractor at the Tombador Iron Ore Project, will acquire the Company's Brazilian subsidiary, Tombador Iron Mineracao.			
	Tombador Iron has a market cap of AUD 30m.			



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#### DRILLING FOR DEALS...

- Gina Rinehart would play a key role in determining the fate of Azure Minerals, as the Australian private investor in the mining sector could spoil SQM's AUD 1.6bn takeover offer for the Australia-based lithium miner.
- · Castillo Copper, the Australian miner, has announced a strategic asset portfolio review.
- Vysarn, an Australian water services provider, is looking to acquire in the water services space as well as to expand geographically including into overseas markets. The Perth-based company, with a market cap of AUD 78m, is on the lookout for a target such as a water pipelines design and construction company, a test pumping company, an "injection company" or a water storage company.
- Chile-based copper producer Codelco is in advanced talks to purchase Sydney-based Lithium Power International [ASX;LPI]. The deal would value the lithium mining and exploration business was approximately AUD 315m.
- Amp Energy, a Canada-based renewable energy infrastructure business, is seeking a buyer for its Australian renewable generation and storage assets.
- Smart Energy, an Australia-based solar rooftop and battery system installer, is seeking a backer to help expand the business.



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