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ASX CODE: LIT
Speculative Buy
Capital Structure

Sector	Materials
Share Price	A\$0.18
Fully Paid Ordinary Shares	313.57m
Partly Paid Shares	132.85m
Market Capitalisation (undil)	A\$56.4m
Share Price Year High-Low	A\$0.7 - 0.21
Approx Cash(17/10/17)	A\$4.8m

Directors

George Bauk	Non-Executive Chairman
Adrian Griffin	Managing Director
Bryan Dixon	Non-Executive Director

Major Shareholders

JP Morgan Nominees	4.89%
Acuty Capital Investment	4.78%
Citicorp Nominees	3.15%
Adrian Griffin	2.73%
Parkway Minerals	2.33%

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Share Price Performance


Lithium Australia NL

Lithium Australia completes due diligence for the acquisition of advanced lithium ion cathode production technology

Due Diligence Completed

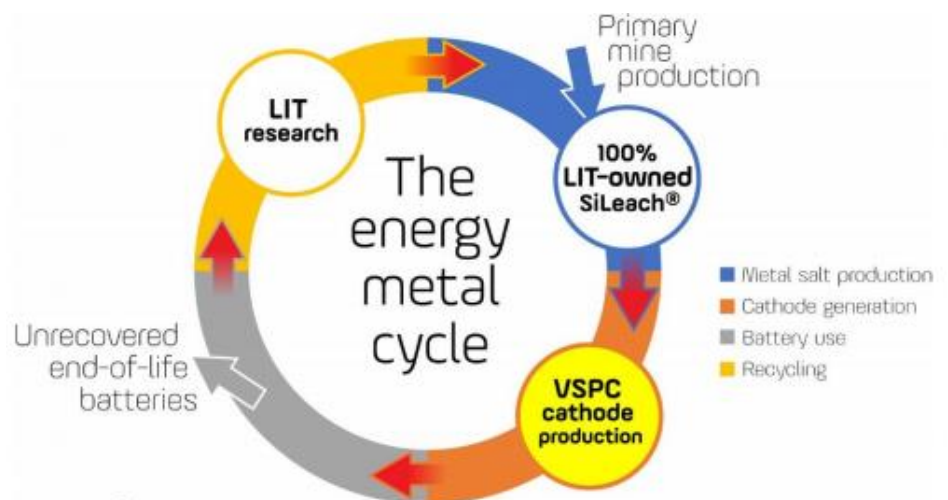
- **Lithium Australia** developer of disruptive lithium processing technology has completed its due diligence for the acquisition of advanced cathode material producer, the **Very Small Particle Company (VSPC)**.
- Completion of due diligence represents a positive outcome for **Lithium Australia** as it moves forward to seeking shareholder approval to complete the acquisition.
- **VSPC's** research and development work has resulted in supplying high-quality cathode material including Lithium Iron Phosphate (LFP) cathode material, widely used in hybrid electric vehicles, power tools and domestic storage batteries - into global test markets.

Key Acquisition benefits

- Innovative, patent-protected chemical process for the production of lithium ion battery cathode material.
- Ability to produce the world's most advanced cathode materials.
- Acquisition value at deep discount to the \$30million previously invested in **VSPC**.
- Acquisition includes **VSPC's** Brisbane based pilot plant and Australia's most advanced Lithium ion battery-laboratory and testing facility, The laboratory includes cathode coating equipment and cell production capacity.
- **Leverage** and expansion of **VSPC's** global strategic partnerships.

An integrated lithium technology portfolio

- **Lithium Australia** is focused on developing the seamless production of cathode materials from hard-rock minerals using hydrometallurgical front-end processes including its 100% owned SiLeach® process and the LMax® process (owned by **Lepidico Ltd-ASX:LPD**) for which **Lithium Australia** has exclusive rights in Western Australia.
- The acquisition of **VSPC** provides **Lithium Australia** with access to the technologies required to participate in all sectors of the energy metal cycle.
- The integration of SiLeach® or LMax® with VSPC's technology has the potential to remove two process steps involved in the manufacture of cathode materials, resulting in a revolutionary process with significant economic benefits over legacy processes.



Action and Recommendation

- **RMR** initiates a Speculative Buy for **Lithium Australia**.

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