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# Our plant is fully operational with those related risks...

- Personal Protection Equipment required for the tour includes:
  - ✓ Long Sleeved Shirts & Reflective Vests
  - ✓ Hard Hats
  - $\checkmark$  Safety Glasses and Steel Toed Boots
  - $\checkmark$  Hearing protection
- Some of you have been here before. To remind everyone, key risks that you are going to encounter today are:
  - $\checkmark$  Dehydration: Hydrate constantly and if you do not feel well, advise your guide.
  - ✓ Footing: Lots of uneven ground and tripping hazards. Pay attention to your surroundings and footing at all times. Stay with your guides.
  - $\checkmark~$  All areas are now energized and operational.
  - ✓ Reagent Usage including cyanide (no eating or drinking within process areas)
- We value your input and particularly your safety observations --- please advise if you note anything that could be a safety risk

### ...and some construction activity related risks as well



### We planned well in advance to be operationally ready...



- Thirty participants from across the site organization including plant designers and
- Examined various ramp-up signatures and industry performance for similar facilities
- Determined two performance curves, either one of which will meet performance expectations. Those curves are driven by
  - Instantaneous Production Rate
  - Plant Uptime (Reliability)
- Determined specific risks to the Ramp-up Plan and in the process of developing actions to mitigate.

... primary focus on compliance to Schedule

- May 2015 Ramp-Up Workshop
- Focused on **Tonnes** and **Uptime**
- The plan was:
- Month 1 1964 dmtpd and 28% Uptime
- Month 2 4900 dmtd and 50% Uptime
- Month 3 7840 dmptd and 70% Uptime
- Always about ounces, but it starts with tonnage and reliability

### ...and had a team vested in delivering the outcome

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...on tonnes, reliability and ounces

#### Runtime trumps everything (in the early days)...



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...the success speaks to teams using data driven problem solving

# Ramp-up (aka Discovery Period)



#### We discovered nothing extraordinary or unusual...

#	P	Issue/Concern	Actions / Observations	WHO	0/C	Status
13	1	The 600 TK 006 Tank can be backfilled with Tk 2 or 3 tailings if the flush line to the feed pumps is left open.	Need to review installation against drawings.	W.Nelson	OPEN	Drawings indicate a check valve (Reference 600 PD 001, Item 6°CK-20/V60273) If there is not a check valve, we need to install one. 4VJan165: Field review is complete. W.Nelson to forward a summary to engineering. Strong link between this issue and Item 15. 07Jan: Summary has been sent waiting now on DCN from M3. 11Jan: Debate of check valves versus automated valves. PDugan to review the DCN and comment. 11Jan: Reyat has completed review and forwarded to Stuart. Stuart to now review issue with Pat Dugan so that we can move forward with DCN. 27 Jan: William developing ERFP for purchase of materials, eta pending- 4Feb outage looking unlikely. 05Feb: William reports that ETA for items required to implement this modification is about 4 weeks. Evention looks to he mid March.
20	1	Ecause of plant process design, we are restricted to washdown using process water. We need some effective manner in utilizing this water in terms of pressure and flow.	Pumps M3 to review process water network for tie-ins, identifying pressure and flows.	B.Loyer W.Nelson	OPEN	Can a booster be put onto the line which will ald with settisfying greater line pressure? Can we utilize special wheeled hydraulic monitors with/without integral boosters? 4)an16: This went out to M3 in mid December. (Initiated by F.Avarez) M3 to review status and options. 07)an: Modifications to the process water network now received from M3. B.Loyer/D.Alduenda to review and comment on next step. 11 Jan14)an: Comment back to Fred Alvarado regarding Pipe Fio analysis conducted by Andres do we go forward with this arrangement or not. Next step is a DCN. 14)an: BLoyer to distribute to MML team members. 20)an/22 Jan: DCN approved. and M3.will now identify execution plan. BLoyer to have review with Operations team reaarding this scope and cost.
30	1	Nash Down 610-TH-001 Recycle Pipe Line, needs re-routing.	Solution, Ticur to titsh are an inis mound solve the routing and perceived sanding concern.	R.Pyatt W.Nelson	OPEN	OfJaniči: William to prepare and submit summary for Engineering review. 07Jan: William to prepare and submit summary for Engineering review, 11Jan/14an: Verwyone agreed on this approach of the 4 <sup>+</sup> flush line. Dave Vancas to complete DCN for signoff and initiate modification as soon as possible 27Jan: David Vancas developing another option that includes all gravity fed line (no valves) to reduce outage time and to send weight to Structural for load calcs. 05Feb: Execution plannet for Votate #6.
38	1	400 PP 018 and 019 are running without a VFD Process Pum	Review calculation. Initiated engineering to reform a VEP of this pump. TP Speed C	Ashley Onti		MTD motor start count is 1269. OVIandi: Three is confusion regarding the numbers. BLoyer to review pump numbers. These are 400 PP 18 and 19 OZIandi: Under review by Pat Dugan. 11Jan/14Jan: Decision to go forward with VFDs for this application. Ashley to prepare DCN and will incorporate into one DCN for all pump v/dr equirements. 27Jan: DCN for all 6 VFDS on PP018 /013, 005/006, and 003/004 was approved, m3 purchasing going for quote and to provide ETA on delivery. Engineering has advised that VFDs should not be required once plant reaches steady state. DSFeb: Ashley to provide ETA for hardware. Once we know ETA. MHL will schedule install.
39a	1	Pumps 610 PP 005 and 006 are running without a VFD and constantly cycling pump and motor.	Review calculation. Initiated engineering to retrofit a VFD to this pump.	Ashley	OPEN	MTD motor start count is 427. 04Pan15: Willem to review, summarize and advise on status to Engineering. 07Jan16: Under review by P8t Dugan. 11Jan/14Jan: Decision to go forward with VP5 for this application. Ashley to prepare DCN and will incorporate into one DCN for all pump vfd requirements. 27Jan: DCN for all 6 VPDS on PPUS /015, 005/006, and 003/004 was approved, m3 purchasing going for quber and to provide ETA on delivery. Engineering has advised that VPDs should not be required once plant reaches steady state. 05Feb: Ashley to provide ETA for hardware. Once we know ET, MML will install.
39b	1	Pumps 450 PP 3 and 4 CIP tails pumps are not equipped with VFD and are constantly cycling.	Review calculation. Initiated engineering to retrofit a VFD to this pump.	Ashley	OPEN	11Jan/14jan: Becision to go forward with VFDs for this application. Ashley to prepare DCN and will incorporate into one DCN for all pump of requirements. 27Jan: DCN for all 6 VFDS on PP018 /019, 005/006, and 003/004 was approved, m3 purchasing going for quote and to provide ETA on delivery. Engineering has advised that VFDs should not be required once plant reaches steady state. 05Feb: Ashley to provide ETA for hardware. Once we know. ETA, MML will shedule install.
43	1	All Kaeser Compressors appear to be overheating.		Ashley	OPEN	04Jan16: Currently have removed building siding with Immediate positive results. Need to review with the manufacturer as we are in the cooler part of the year at the moment and this equipment is overheating. Share status of communications with OEN at next meeting. 07Jan: N3 reviewing design criteria and specification. 14Jan: Need to review calca sgainst the current operating data and determine why the shortfall in performance. What is required to eliminate the overheating issue. (Ashley) 27Jan: Vendor submitted designed change for additional ducting to remove heat, N3 to provide modification to vent from the side of the building. No compressor trips recently, as weather has been noted to be much cooler. <u>05Feb: M3 to present proposed ducting/cooling arrangement. Are we ok with operating this equipment with doors and side panels remove?</u>

- Originally listed 45 items to check
- We are down to 14 ítems of which only 4 are considered Priority 1.
- Priority 1 items are being addressed to ensure consistent operation at name plate

#### ...which is indicative of a robust design



Principally operational & maintenance practices...

- Keeping copper in solution and out of Dore Short Term
- Discharging the copper from solution to Dry Stack Long Term
- Increasing filter plant throughput.
- Managing Tailings Dry Stack Conveyor Network to 90% Utilization
- Equipment Maintenance Plan: Learning & Adjusting

### **Current Focus - Increase Milling Rate**

#### Per plan we ran at 60% of design capacity per hour...



... the next step is to move from 400 dtph to 641 dtph



### And as expected, bottleneck will surface at Filtration...

- The filters are operating as designed. All 7 filters are typically available unless going through a cloth change. So equipment <u>reliability</u> is good.
- Utilization is key --- getting cycle times down to about 20 minutes will put us over nameplate.
  - $\checkmark\,$  Currently average cycle time is 30.2 minutes
  - $\checkmark$  Now improved to an average of 24.7 minutes on Filter 5
  - ✓ And an average of 26.3 minutes on Filter 7
  - $\checkmark\,$  And an average of 42.4 dry tonnes per cycle
- Key will be cloth selection (currently running three types) and operating practices.
- At the current machine production rate per cycle, the target is 370 cycles per day.

# ...but consistently improving cycle time



### Crushing through to TDS...

# Guajes

Completion of site grading	01Mar
Pond Pumpback Stations Completion of Pond 3/Z3&6	01May
Completion of F/W System	15Mar
I&E Punchlist	<del>01Mar</del>
Emergency Gen Set	13Apr
Wet Commissioning TDS Conv	<del>01Mar</del>
Fire Protection	15Mar
Emergency Gen Set	01Apr

# El Limon + Overall

Pond 5	01Jun
Pond 6 New Spillway Requirement	20Apr
Completion of Crusher Station	29Mar
Dome Foundation	09Mar

Site Access Garita	22Mar
Truck Scale	28Feb
Core Storage Bldg	Q4
Fuel Station	16Apr
Truck Shop	03Mar
Village	15Mar

### ...and now completing El Limon and ancillary items.

## **Runtime, Milling Rate and Recovery**



#### In January leaching was at 82% vs. plan at 77%...

...this, plus throughput generated the ounces