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Research Quick Note

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Recommendation: Speculative BUY Valuation: N/A

**Company Information** 

ASX Code	CZL
Last Price (\$)	\$0.045
12 month share low	\$0.02
12 month share high	\$0.07
Shares on Issue (m)	254
Market Capitalisation (\$m)	\$11.4m
Daily Volume (90-day)	0.87m
	Factset, DJC Research

**Business Description** 

CZL are an exploration / development company with an advanced, high grade zinc and lead asset in Mexico. The project has been in private hands for the last 30 years and is only now being explored with modern techniques. Extensive mine infrastructure already exists including an open underground mine which CZL is using to drill newly discovered mineralisation both down dip in the main zone and in the footwall. The mineralisation remains open in several directions.

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#### **Performance**



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## Consolidated Zinc Ltd (CZL): High grade Zn-Pb results

- CZL announces further high grade Zn-Pb results: CZL has announced further high grade zinc and lead results from its latest drilling at the Plomosas high grade zinc project in Mexico. Several samples have assayed over 50% combined Zn+Pb with significant silver credits. Results from 10 drill holes have recorded values in excess of 50% combined. Results from a further 11 holes are still awaited. A previously announced intersection (LVDD002) has returned final assays of 6.75m at 30.13% Zn, 12.67% Pb and 94.2g/t Ag (42.8% combined Zn+Pb).
- Pinch and swell still in evidence: Typical for this style of mineralisation, pinch and swell structures are determining the thickness of mineralisation. Mineralisation widths typically vary from 0.5m to 4.0m whilst averaging approximately 2.0m. A systematic drill out will be required to properly evaluate the deposit. Several intersections of around 4.0m are still awaiting assay results.
- Recoveries could be under-calling mineralisation: CZL have noted recovery issues
  in some of the holes that intersected mineralisation breccia with recoveries of between
  47% and 86%. CZL believe that loss of drill circulation fluid may be causing a recovery
  loss of mineralised breccia.

#### **ANALYSIS**

- Continuing to see this evolve: CZL continue to make in-roads into the understanding of the Plomosas deposit. Intersections of high grade massive sulphide are very common hover the width is determined by structural controls within and adjacent to sheered margins within the main manto horizon below Level 7. In our view intersections of around 2.0m to 2.5m are mineable at these grades and have been mined previously at the project. With these high grades, edge dilution can be absorbed without making profitability tenuous.
- On track for maiden resource: CZL are working towards a maiden JORC resource for the project. We would expect this at some point in Q2. We do not expect to see a large tonnage in this resource given the amount of drilling completed. At this stage we are more interested in the grade of the resource and what parameters are being set around 'mineability'. We would like to see 'mineable resources' as it will be an underground mining environment. i.e. an estimate that takes into account whether the resource can be physically mined.
- Effect of core recovery: CZL have noted low core recovery for some of the intersections as loss of core in breccia zones has likely lost mineralised material. We believe that the intersection widths do not take into account the core loss and we would therefore expect to see thicker zones in these areas during mining.

### **OUR VIEW**

It is still early days in the exploration of the Plomosas Project but the geological understanding is improving. The encouraging sign is that 90% of holes drilled are intersecting massive sulphide or disseminated sulphide mineralisation and, importantly, the grade is consistently high. We look towards a maiden JORC resource in the coming months to establish some 'mineability' parameters and acknowledge that this will be a relatively small number. However, the real exploration of the property has hardly begun and we would expect to see further, high grade and thicker zones being discovered as the program expands.

We retain our **Speculative BUY** recommendation.

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SELL – 10% or more underperformance

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