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Processing and Metallurgical Modifying Factors

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CRIRSCO Template Appendix 1

Generic Terms and Equivalents

Metallurgy	Processing, Beneficiation, Preparation Concentration	Physical and/or chemical separation of constituents of interest from a larger mass of material. Methods employed to prepare a final marketable product from material as mined. Examples include screening, flotation, magnetic separation, leaching, washing, roasting etc.
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- Gravity separation for coal and gold
- Optical sorting for diamonds
- Magnetic separation of mineral sands
- Cyanide leaching of gold
- Froth flotation for base metals and coal
- Smelting and refining of copper concentrates

Standard Definitions in CRIRSCO Template

- PreFeasibility Study – “an effective method of mineral processing is determined”
- Feasibility Study – “appropriately detailed assessments”

- Not just Metallurgy
- Geology
- Geometallurgy
- Mining
- Environment
- Power
- Water
- Logistics

TABLE 1

CHECK LIST OF ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING CRITERIA

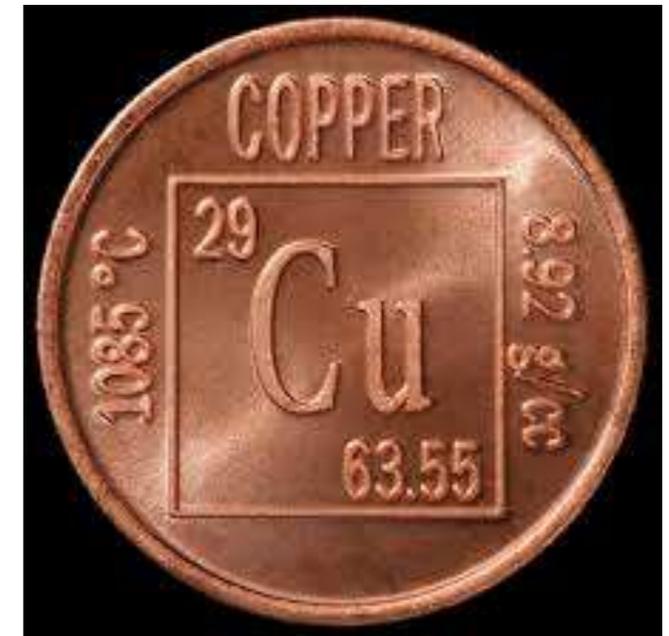
- *important to report any matters that might materially affect a reader's understanding or interpretation of the results or estimates being reported.*
- *the normal systematic approach to exploration and evaluation.*

- *The metallurgical process proposed and the appropriateness of that process to the style of mineralisation.*
- *Whether the metallurgical process is well-tested technology or novel in nature.*
- *The nature, amount and representativeness of metallurgical test work undertaken and the metallurgical recovery factors applied.*
- *Any assumptions or allowances made for deleterious elements.*

Considerations (continued)

- *The existence of any bulk sample or pilot scale test work and the degree to which such samples are representative of the orebody as a whole.*
- *The tonnages and grades reported for Mineral Reserves should state clearly whether these are in respect of material to the plant or after recovery.*
- *Comment on existing plant and equipment, including an indication of replacement and salvage value.*

In reporting Mineral Reserves, information on estimated mineral processing recovery factors is very important, and should always be included in Public Reports.





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