

AUREFIELD GLOBAL RESOURCES

Independent Supplier & Lot Verification Report

SAMPLE ? redacted for demonstration

Report reference	AGR-VR-2026-001 (SAMPLE)
Subject	Counterparty A ? West African lithium concentrate lot
Commodity / Tier	Lithium (spodumene/lepidolite) ? Tier 2 ? Full Verification
Verdict	HIGH RISK ? PROCEED ONLY ON STRICT CONDITIONS

1. Executive Summary & Verdict

Verdict: HIGH RISK ? PROCEED ONLY ON STRICT CONDITIONS.

Counterparty A presented high-grade lithium material (third-party assays indicating 4.9?6.9% Li₂O) and photographs of bagged material in a shipping container. While concentrate-grade material plausibly exists within the supply network, the evidence provided does NOT establish that the counterparty owns a verified, quantified, deliverable lot. Title is undocumented, all assays are small third-party grab samples not tied to the specific lot, and the container photographs show cement-branded packaging that cannot evidence lithium content. The pattern is consistent with ? though not proof of ? common advance-fee and misrepresentation schemes. Do not transfer funds until the conditions below are satisfied.

Conditions before any payment:

1. Independent SGS or Bureau Veritas sampling and assay of the actual sealed lot (not historical grab samples).
2. Documented title / right to sell and a valid mineral export licence covering this product.
3. Weighbridge-verified quantity with chain-of-custody from source to storage.
4. Payment structured via escrow or Letter of Credit, released only on independent inspection at loading.

2. Subject Identification

- Counterparty: 'Counterparty A' (identity redacted in this sample).
- Asset: lithium concentrate, claimed high grade; claimed bulk quantity in shipping container(s).
- Origin: West Africa (Nigeria). Introduced via a local mining contact.
- Terms as offered: redacted.

3. Corporate & Counterparty Verification

Check	Finding	Status
Entity in official registry	Not evidenced for the selling party	NOT VERIFIED
Right-to-sell entity vs. assayed parties	Assays name three unrelated third parties	MISMATCH
Operational footprint	Local sourcing relationship only; no corporate trail	WEAK
Documented link to the lot	None provided	NOT VERIFIED

4. Document Authentication ? Assays

- Assay 1 (independent lab, ICP-AES): Li₂O 6.20?6.68% ? credible grade, but a 100g grab sample for a third-party client.
- Assay 2 (overseas lab): Li₂O 4.9?6.9% on a 100g 'Nigeria' sample ? not tied to this lot or counterparty.
- Assay 3 (local lab): 'spodumene composite' 4.94% ? a blended composite; not lot-representative.
- Conclusion: assays show good-grade material EXISTS in the network, but NONE verifies the grade or existence of the specific bulk lot being offered.

5. Quantity, Title & Chain of Custody

- Quantity: photographs only; no weighbridge tickets or independent count. UNVERIFIED.
- Title: no document establishing the counterparty's right to sell. NOT PROVIDED.
- Export licence: not provided. NOT PROVIDED.
- Chain of custody: not documented.

6. Red Flags & Fraud Indicators

- CRITICAL ? Container photographs show 'cement / building plaster' branded bags; packaging cannot evidence lithium content (negative evidentiary value).
- HIGH ? All assays are small grab samples from unrelated third parties, not lot-representative.
- HIGH ? No documented title or export licence.
- MEDIUM ? Documents assembled from disparate sources/dates (2023?2026) rather than a single clean trail.
- GUIDANCE ? Treat any request to pay 'clearing / export / assay' fees in advance as a stop signal.

7. Risk Rating

Dimension	Rating
Corporate / counterparty	HIGH
Title & legal right to sell	HIGH
Product (grade & existence of lot)	HIGH
Compliance / ESG	MEDIUM
Overall	HIGH RISK

8. Recommendation

Do not proceed on the current evidence. The material may be genuine, but the buyer carries unacceptable risk until an independent inspector verifies the actual lot and title/export documents are produced. Re-engage only against the four conditions in Section 1, with payment secured by escrow/LC released on independent inspection. A confirmed independent assay and clean title would move this from HIGH RISK to a conditional PROCEED.

9. Methodology, Sources & Limitations

Method: corporate/registry review, document authentication, assay assessment, fraud-pattern analysis against Aurefield's screening framework. Sources: documents provided by the introducing party; public registries.

Limitations: independent risk assessment based on information available as of the report date; not a guarantee or a recommendation to transact. Aurefield takes no custody of goods or funds and earns no commission on the subject transaction.

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