LEADING THE WORLD IN MOLY







INTRODUCTION

There is a growing global demand for molybdenum, a versatile element with diverse applications in the chemical, engineering and petroleum industries. Molybdenum and its alloys are key components in chemical and metallurgical applications.

Climax Molybdenum Company, a subsidiary of Freeport-McMoRan, is one of the world's leading molybdenum producers. From our early beginnings in Colorado, Climax Molybdenum has grown into a global, diversified company with downstream operations and a proven commercial presence worldwide.





1918

CLIMAX MINE BEGINS PRODUCTION

On April 2, 1918, Climax ships its first concentrate totaling 21,000 pounds with a market value of \$100,000. Climax is a major contributor to the allied war effort during World War I.

GLOBAL OPERATIONS

conversion capabilities provide Climax Molybdenum with a premier source for **ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS Roasting**, Chemicals **HENDERSON, COLORADO** Primary Mine CLIMAX, COLORADO Primary Mine PHOENIX, ARIZONA Global Headquarters, Sales Office SIERRITA, ARIZONA **By-product Mine** Roasting **BAGDAD, ARIZONA By-product Mine** Pressure Leach FORT MADISON, IOWA **Roasting**, Chemicals **STOWMARKET, UNITED KINGDOM CERRO VERDE, PERU** Ferromolybdenum **By-product Mine** Sales Office

upgraded molybdenum chemical products. The Climax Stowmarket plant in the United Kingdom provides ferromolybdenum and Climax Molybdenum B.V. in the Netherlands produces technical molybdic oxide, ammonium dimolybdate and pure molybdic oxide.

Our operations in North America and

South America include both primary and by-product molybdenum mines.

We are also one of the leading global

producers of molybdenum with chemical

and metallurgical products manufactured

at our production facilities in the United States and Europe. Our Fort Madison's

Serving customers worldwide, Climax Molybdenum's resources are well positioned to maintain molybdenum production rates for decades to come.





MINING AND DOWN STREAM PRODUCTION

Climax Molybdenum operates the Henderson Mine and Mill in the Rocky Mountains, west of Denver. It is the world's largest primary producer of molybdenum and has been in operation since 1976. Henderson has the capability to produce between 30 and 40 million pounds of molybdenum per year.

Separated by the Continental Divide, the Henderson Mine and Mill are connected by one of the world's longest conveyor systems, a 10 mile elevated belt that runs underneath the Continental Divide and emerges above ground for the final five miles.

Our Climax mine near Leadville, Colorado, restarted in 2012 and has a potential production capacity of 30 million pounds per year.

1945 WORLD'S LARGEST MINE Climax becomes the world's largest underground mine.







CHEMICAL APPLICATIONS OF MOLYBDENUM



Molybdenum chemicals are used in the production of catalysts for a variety of reactions, notably hydrotreating and selective oxidation. The increasingly stringent requirements for low sulfur fuel oils, gasoline and diesel fuel make this application a particularly important use for molybdenum.



Molybdenum metal and alloys are used in a number of important end products including lamp applications, glass melting electrodes and electronic devices. The characteristics of molybdenum metal powders are determined not only by the process conditions during reduction, but also by the physical and chemical properties of the starting materials.

1957

The naturally occurring form of molybdenum (MoS₂) is an important solid lubricant used primarily for reduction of wear and friction, and maintains good lubricating performance in tough conditions. Molybdenum complexes, soluble in petroleum oils and other organic solvents, are finding increased use as antiwear and extreme pressure additives as well as friction modifiers in lubricating oils, greases and coatings.

LUBRICANTS





Molybdate, usually in the form of Sodium Molybdate, is used as an anodic corrosion inhibitor in aqueous systems, such as cooling water treatments and automobile anti-freeze/coolant products. It is effective in inhibiting corrosion of steel, cast iron, aluminum, copper, brass, cadmium and solder, and is typically used with other corrosion inhibitors.

Molybdenum in the form of Ammonium Octomolybdate (AOM) or Molybdic Oxide is used as a smoke suppressant in plastics, especially polyvinyl chloride (PVC). Common applications include wire and cable for use in plenum spaces, interiors of mass transit vehicles, carpet backing for commercial grades of vinyl backed carpet, and building materials for interior use in public buildings.

1957

CLIMAX MERGES Climax and American Metal Trading Company merge to become AMAX.



CHEMICAL APPLICATIONS OF MOLYBDENUM





Historically Molybdenum compounds have been used in pigments generally called Molybdenum Orange, for use in paints, plastics and inks providing a reddish hue, cleanliness and striking colors. White corrosion inhibiting pigments are used as paint primers and other Molybdenum compounds are important components in organic toners. More recent uses include incorporation into Bismuth Vanadate Yellow and the emerging classes of Rare Earth Molybdenum high-performance pigments.

1976

HENDERSON MINE PRODUCES

Henderson begins production at the rate of 10,000 tons per day via panel caving from the 8,100 foot level.

METALLURGICAL APPLICATIONS OF MOLYBDENUM



Molybdenum is primarily used to improve the corrosion resistance of stainless steel in more demanding applications, such as chemical processing plants or in marine applications. The addition of molybdenum increases the pitting and crevice corrosion resistance of stainless steels in chloride containing solutions.



To increase hardness and wear resistance over a broad temperature, molybdenum is added to tool- and high-speed steel. It increases the strength and hardness of cast iron, as well as increases elevated temperature strength and creep resistance. In high-strength, lowalloy steels (HSLA) molybdenum improves strength and weldability.

Molybdenum is an important alloying element in highperformance nickel base alloys. The corrosion-resistant nickel base alloys find extensive use in the chemical processing, pharmaceutical, oil and gas, petrochemical, and pollutioncontrol industries.

NICKEL BASE ALLOYS



1980 **BREAKING RECORDS**

Climax and Henderson mines produce a record 100 million pounds of molybdenum; employment peaks at 3,000 at Climax and at 2,000 at Henderson.



1993

AMAX MERGER Cyprus Minerals and AMAX merge becoming Cyprus AMAX.





1996

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HENDERSON REPLACES TRAIN Project at Henderson commences to replace train with an underground crusher and 15 mile long conveyor system.

1999

CONVEYOR SYSTEM COMPLETE Phelps Dodge purchases Cyprus AMAX; conversion from train haulage to conveyor system is completed.

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ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY

Climax Molybdenum is committed to sustainable development, combining social and environmental responsibility with economic growth. We aim to minimize environmental impacts by implementing strategies based on valid data and sound science, and we work to maintain a safe workplace by having a solid framework for managing risk and meeting compliance obligations.

2000

HENDERSON MODERNIZATION COMPLETED

Over one million hours worked without a lost time accident. Highest yield ever.



Reclamation of Robinson Tailings Storage Facility







LEADING THE WORLD OF MOLY INTO THE FUTURE

At Climax Molybdenum, we mine metals and produce products for the future. With growth in demand for our products, we continue to explore opportunities to provide more molybdenum to the world while respecting our sustainable priorities and maintaining safe operations.

2007

PHELPS DODGE ACQUISITION FCX acquires Phelps Dodge and announces restart of Climax.



2012

CLIMAX OPERATIONS START

Commercial operation starts at Climax with first shipment of molybdenum in May.



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