

**ROME RESOURCES LTD.**

Financial Statements

For the Years Ended September 30, 2023 and 2022

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Shareholders of  
Rome Resources Ltd.

### *Opinion*

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Rome Resources Ltd. (the "Company"), which comprise the statements of financial position as at September 30, 2023 and 2022, and the statements of loss and comprehensive loss, changes in shareholders' equity (deficiency), and cash flows for the years then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at September 30, 2023 and 2022, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

### *Basis for Opinion*

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained in our audit is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### *Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern*

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which indicates that the Company has a history of operating losses and as at September 30, 2023, has a deficit of \$18,467,630 and working capital deficiency of \$850,549. As stated in Note 1, these events and conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

### *Key Audit Matters*

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current year ended. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

In addition to the matter described in the Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern section, we have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our auditor's report.

### *Assessment of Impairment Indicators of Exploration and Evaluation Assets, and Investment in Associate*

As described in Notes 5 and 6 to the financial statements, the amount of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets was \$3.5 million and the investment in associated entity was \$2.2 million as of September 30, 2023. Management assesses whether any indication of impairment exists at the end of each reporting period for exploration and evaluation assets and for the investment in associate, including assessing whether there are observable indications that either assets' value has declined during the period. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment (if any).



The principal considerations for our determination that performing procedures relating to the assessment of impairment indicators of exploration and evaluation assets and investment in associate is a key audit matter includes significant judgments by management in assessing whether there were indicators of impairment, specifically relating to the assets' carrying amount which is impacted by the Company's intent and ability to explore and evaluate those assets. This in turn led to a high degree of auditor judgment, subjectivity and effort in performing procedures to evaluate audit evidence relating to the aforementioned matters.

Addressing the matter involved performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence in connection with forming our overall opinion on the financial statements. These procedures included, among others:

- Evaluating the reasonableness of management's assessment of indicators of impairment for exploration and evaluation assets, and investment in associate.
- Assessing compliance with agreements and expenditure requirements including reviewing option agreements and vouching cash payments and share issuances.
- Assessing the Company's rights to explore exploration and evaluation assets including sending confirmation requests to optionors to ensure good standing of agreements.
- Assessing the Company's ability to fund future expenditure requirements to maintain good standing of option agreements.

### ***Other Information***

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report includes Management's Discussion and Analysis.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained Management's Discussion and Analysis prior to the date of this auditor's report. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### ***Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Company to express an opinion on the financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current year ended and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Daniel Nathan.



Vancouver, Canada

Chartered Professional Accountants

January 29, 2024

# ROME RESOURCES LTD.

Statements of Financial Position  
(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)  
As at September 30,

	2023	2022
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash	\$ 87,687	\$ 743,652
Amounts receivable (Note 4 and 9)	<u>—</u>	<u>5,850</u>
<b>Exploration and evaluation assets (Note 5)</b>	<b>3,478,299</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Investment in associate (Note 6)</b>	<b><u>2,213,051</u></b>	<b><u>—</u></b>
	<b>\$ 5,779,037</b>	<b>\$ 749,502</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 7)	\$ 188,301	\$ 83,843
Due to related parties (Note 9)	509,391	77,896
Loans payable (Note 8)	<u>240,544</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b><u>938,236</u></b>	<b><u>161,739</u></b>
<b>Shareholders' Equity (Deficiency)</b>		
Share capital (Note 10)	19,774,836	14,826,913
Share subscriptions received in advance (Note 10)	-	840,000
Share-based compensation reserve (Note 10)	3,533,595	1,934,582
Deficit	<u>(18,467,630)</u>	<u>(17,013,732)</u>
<b>Total shareholders' equity (deficiency)</b>	<b><u>4,840,801</u></b>	<b><u>587,763</u></b>
<b>Total liability and shareholders' equity (deficiency)</b>	<b>\$ <u>5,779,037</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>749,502</u></b>

Nature of operations and going concern (Note 1)

Subsequent events (Note 15)

These financial statements were authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on January 29, 2024.

**On behalf of the Board:**

“Mark Gasson”  
**Mark Gasson**  
President, CEO and Director

“David Jenkins”  
**David Jenkins**  
Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## ROME RESOURCES LTD.

Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss  
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For the years ended September 30,

	2023	2022
<b>Expenses</b>		
Consulting fees (Note 9)	\$ 154,974	\$ 18,326
Legal	141,056	208,915
Travel, promotion and advertising	115,809	2,540
Accounting and audit (Note 9)	79,303	38,600
Transfer agent and regulatory fees	52,348	63,531
Interest and bank charges	2,723	583
Office expense	1,261	263
Property investigation costs (Note 5)	-	516,790
	<b>(547,474)</b>	<b>(849,548)</b>
<b>Stock based compensation (Note 10)</b>	<b>(912,013)</b>	—
<b>Share of losses in associate (Note 6)</b>	<b>(4,756)</b>	—
<b>Gain on settlement of accounts payable (Note 7 and 10)</b>	<b>10,345</b>	151,318
<b>Loss and comprehensive loss for the year</b>	<b>\$ (1,453,898)</b>	<b>\$ (698,230)</b>
<b>Basic and diluted loss per share for the year</b>	<b>\$ (0.02)</b>	<b>\$ (0.02)</b>
<b>Basic and diluted weighted average number of shares outstanding</b>	<b>65,882,286</b>	<b>41,825,299</b>

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## ROME RESOURCES LTD.

Statements of Cash Flows  
(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)  
For the years ended September 30,

	2023	2022
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Loss for the year	\$ (1,453,898)	\$ (698,230)
<b>Items not affecting cash:</b>		
Share based payments	912,013	—
Share of losses in associate	4,756	—
Gain on settlement of accounts payable	(10,345)	(151,318)
Changes in non-cash working capital items:		
Amounts receivable	5,850	—
Current liabilities	546,298	134,614
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>4,674</b>	<b>(714,934)</b>
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Exploration and evaluation costs	(2,143,299)	—
Acquisition of associate company	(1,812,807)	—
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(3,956,106)</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Financing Activities</b>		
Loans payable (including related parties)	340,544	—
Repayment of loans from related parties	(100,000)	—
Proceeds from issuance of shares, net of share issue costs	3,054,923	618,586
Share subscriptions received in advance	—	840,000
<b>Net cash provided by financing activities</b>	<b>3,295,467</b>	<b>1,458,586</b>
<b>Increase in cash during the year</b>	<b>(655,965)</b>	<b>743,652</b>
<b>Cash beginning of year</b>	<b>743,652</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Cash end of year</b>	<b>\$ 87,687</b>	<b>\$ 743,652</b>
<b>Supplementary Cash Flow Information</b>		
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$ —	\$ —
Cash paid during the year for income taxes	—	—
	\$ —	\$ —

Supplemental Disclosure with respect to Cash Flows (Note 13).

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Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity (Deficiency)

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For the Years Ended September 30, 2023 and 2022

	Share Capital		Subscriptions received in advance	Reserves	Deficit	Total
	Number of Shares	Amount				
<b>Balance, September 30, 2021</b>	26,698,659	\$13,779,963	\$ —	\$ 1,934,582	\$ (16,315,502)	\$ (600,957)
Proceeds from issuance of shares, net of share issue costs	13,000,000	618,586				618,586
Shares issued for debt	8,567,280	428,364				428,364
Share subscriptions received in advance			840,000			840,000
Loss for the year	—	—	—	—	(698,230)	(698,230)
<b>Balance, September 30, 2022</b>	48,265,939	\$14,826,913	\$ 840,000	\$ 1,934,582	\$ (17,013,732)	\$ 587,763
Proceeds from issuance of shares, net of share issue costs	20,000,000	3,894,923	—	—	—	3,894,923
Share subscriptions transferred to share capital - shares issued	—	—	(840,000)	—	—	(840,000)
Shares issued for the acquisition of exploration and evaluation assets	9,000,000	1,335,000	—	—	—	1,335,000
Share issued for the acquisition of associated company	9,000,000	405,000	—	—	—	415,000
Residual value of attached warrants	—	(687,000)	—	687,000	—	—
Stock based compensation	—	—	—	912,013	—	912,013
Loss for the year	—	—	—	—	(1,453,898)	(1,453,898)
<b>Balance, September 30, 2023</b>	86,265,939	\$19,774,836	\$ —	\$ 3,533,595	\$ (18,467,630)	4,840,801

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Notes to the Financial Statements  
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### **1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND GOING CONCERN**

Rome Resources Ltd. (the “Company”) was incorporated in British Columbia on April 11, 1990 and is involved in the business of mineral exploration. The head office mailing courier, and registered and records office address is Suite 700, 688 West Hasting Street, Vancouver B.C., V6B 1P1.

The Company is in the process of acquiring and exploring exploration and evaluation assets. The recoverability of the amounts recorded is dependent upon the existence of economically recoverable reserves, and the ability of the Company to obtain necessary financing to complete their development.

The Company's shares were suspended from trading on NEX on April 4, 2016 following the issuance of a cease trade order by the British Columbia Securities Commission on April 1, 2016 for the Company's failure to file certain financial statements and related management's discussions and analyses. The cease trade order was revoked by the BCSC effective May 13, 2022 following the Company's filing of all required records and trading resumed on the TSX Venture exchange (“TSXV”) on November 22, 2022 as a tier 2 issuer.

These financial statements have been prepared with the assumption that the Company will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business rather than through a process of forced liquidation. The Company's continuing operations are dependent upon its ability to either secure additional equity capital or generate cash flow from operations in the future, which is not assured. These financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded assets and liabilities that might be necessary, should the Company be unable to secure additional equity capital or generate cash from operations in the future.

The Company has a history of operating losses and as at September 30, 2023, has a deficit of \$18,467,630 and working capital deficiency of \$850,549. The Company will need additional funding to continue operations for the upcoming year. These events and conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt as to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

### **2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **a) Basis of presentation**

These financial statements, including comparatives, have been prepared using accounting policies consistent with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”) and Interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (“IFRIC”) and which were in effect as of September 30, 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for financial instruments classified as financial instruments at fair value through profit and loss. In addition, these financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting except for cash flow information.

The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Significant assumptions about the future and other sources of estimation uncertainty that management has made at the end of the reporting period, that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the event that actual results differ from assumptions made, relate to, but are not limited to, the following:

- i) The recognition of deferred tax assets. The Company considers whether the realization of deferred tax assets is probable in determining whether or not to recognize these deferred tax assets.

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### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- ii) The identification of indicators of impairment of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets. Management uses several criteria on its assessments of impairment indicators including, geologic and other technical information, the quality and capacity of existing infrastructure facilities, evaluation of permitting and environmental issues and local support for the project.
- iii) The Company uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model for valuation of share-based compensation. Option pricing models require the input of subjective assumptions including expected price volatility, risk-free interest rate, and forfeiture rate. Changes in the input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate and the Company's earnings and equity reserves.
- iv) The accounting for investments in other companies can vary depending on the degree of control and influence over those other companies. Management is required to assess at each reporting date the Company's control and influence over these other companies. Management has used its judgment to determine that as at September 30, 2023 the Company has significant influence in Medidoc-RD Congo SARLU (Note 6) and has therefore accounted for its investment using the equity method.

#### b) Share-based compensation

The Company grants stock options to buy common shares of the Company to directors, officers, employees and service providers. The Company recognizes share-based compensation expense based on the estimated fair value of the options. A fair value measurement is made for each vesting installment within each option grant and is determined using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The fair value of the options is recognized over the vesting period of the options granted as both share-based compensation expense and share-based compensation reserves. This includes a forfeiture estimate, which is revised for actual forfeitures in subsequent periods. The share-based compensation reserve account is subsequently reduced if the options are exercised and the amount initially recorded is then credited to share capital.

#### c) Income taxes

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity. Current tax expense is the expected tax payable on taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at period end, adjusted for amendments to tax payable with regards to previous years.

Deferred tax is recorded by providing for temporary differences, between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not provided for: goodwill not deductible for tax purposes; the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting or taxable loss; and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the date of the statement of financial position.

A deferred tax asset is recognized only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilized.

Additional income taxes that arise from the distribution of dividends are recognized at the same time as the liability to pay the related dividend. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

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### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### d) Loss per share

Basic loss per share is calculated by dividing the loss for the period by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period. Diluted loss per share is calculated using the treasury stock method.

Under the treasury stock method, the weighted average number of shares outstanding used in the calculation of diluted loss per share assumes that the deemed proceeds received from the exercise of stock options, share purchase warrants and their equivalents would be used to repurchase common shares of the Company at the average market price during the period.

Existing stock options and share purchase warrants have not been included in the computation of diluted loss per share as to do so would be anti-dilutive. Accordingly, basic and diluted loss per share are the same for the periods presented.

#### e) Financial instruments

##### Financial assets

The Company classifies its financial assets in the following categories: at fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”), at fair value through other comprehensive income (“FVTOCI”) or at amortized cost. The determination of the classification of financial assets is made at initial recognition. Equity instruments that are held for trading (including all equity derivative instruments) are classified as FVTPL; for other equity instruments, on the day of acquisition the Company can make an irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate them as at FVTOCI.

The Company’s accounting policy for each of the categories is as follows:

*Financial assets at FVTPL:* Financial assets carried at FVTPL are initially recorded at fair value and transaction costs are expensed in profit or loss. Realized and unrealized gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the financial assets held at FVTPL are included in profit or loss in the period.

*Financial assets at FVTOCI:* Investments in equity instruments at FVTOCI are initially recognized at fair value plus transaction costs. Subsequently they are measured at fair value, with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) in which they arise.

*Financial assets at amortized cost:* A financial asset is measured at amortized cost if the objective of the business model is to hold the financial asset for the collection of contractual cash flows, and the asset's contractual cash flows are comprised solely of payments of principal and interest. They are classified as current assets or non-current assets based on their maturity date and are initially recognized at fair value and subsequently carried at amortized cost less any impairment.

*Impairment of financial assets at amortized cost:* The Company assesses all information available, including on a forward-looking basis, the expected credit losses associated with its assets carried at amortized cost. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk. To assess whether there is a significant increase in credit risk, the Company compares the risk of a default occurring on the asset as the reporting date, with the risk of default as at the date of initial recognition, based on all information available, and reasonable and supportive forward-looking information.

*Financial liabilities and equity:* Debt and equity instruments are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all its liabilities. Equity instruments issued are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

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### **2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### **e) Financial instruments, continued**

The Company classifies its financial liabilities into one of two categories as follows:

Fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL) – This category comprises derivatives and financial liabilities incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term. They are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in profit or loss.

Amortized cost – This category consists of liabilities carried at amortized cost using the effective interest method. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are included in this category. The Company derecognizes a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled, or expire.

The Company has classified its cash FVTPL. Receivables are classified as amortized cost. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities, due to related parties, and loans payable are classified as amortized cost.

#### **f) Investment in Associate**

An associate is an entity over which the Company has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

The considerations made in determining significant influence is similar to those necessary to determine control over subsidiaries. The Company's investment in its associate is accounted for using the equity method.

Under the equity method, the investment in an associate is initially recognized at cost. The carrying amount of the investment is adjusted to recognize changes in the Company's share of net assets of the associate since the acquisition date. Goodwill relating to the associate is included in the carrying amount of the investment and is not tested for impairment separately.

The statement of profit or loss reflects the Company's share of the results of operations of the associate. Any change in OCI of those investees is presented as part of the Company's OCI. In addition, when there has been a change recognized directly in the equity of the associate, the Company recognizes its share of any changes, when applicable, in the statement of changes in equity. Unrealized gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Company and the associate are eliminated to the extent of the interest in the associate.

The aggregate of the Company's share of profit or loss of an associate is shown on the face of the statement of profit or loss outside operating profit.

The financial statements of the associate are prepared for the same reporting period as the Company. When necessary, adjustments are made to bring the accounting policies in line with those of the Company.

#### **g) Share Capital**

Common shares are classified as share capital. Transaction costs directly attributable to the issue of common shares and share purchase options are recognized as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects.

The proceeds from the issue of units are allocated between common shares and common share purchase warrants based on the residual value method. Under this method, the proceeds are allocated to share capital based on the fair value of the common shares and any residual value is allocated to common share purchase warrants.

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### **2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### **h) Exploration and Evaluation Properties**

Exploration and evaluation expenditures include the costs of acquiring licenses, costs associated with exploration and evaluation activity, and the fair value (at acquisition date) of exploration and evaluation assets acquired in a business combination. Exploration and evaluation expenditures are capitalized. Costs incurred before the Company has obtained the legal rights to explore an area are recognized in profit or loss as property investigation costs.

Option payments received are treated as a reduction of the carrying value of the related exploration and evaluation properties and deferred costs until the receipts are in excess of costs incurred, at which time they are credited to income. Option payments are at the discretion of the optionee, and accordingly, are recorded on a cash basis.

Once the technical feasibility and commercial viability of the extraction of mineral resources in an area of interest are demonstrable, exploration and evaluation assets attributable to that area of interest are first tested for impairment and then reclassified to mining property and development assets within property, plant and equipment.

Recoverability of the carrying amount of any exploration and evaluation assets is dependent on successful development and commercial exploitation, or alternatively, sale of the respective areas of interest.

#### **i) Impairment**

At the end of each reporting period, the Company's assets are reviewed to determine whether there is any indication that those assets may be impaired. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment, if any. The recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Fair value is determined as the amount that would be obtained from the sale of the asset in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable and willing parties. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount and the impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss for the period. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but to an amount that does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

### **3. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

There have been no changes in accounting policies or recent accounting pronouncements which the Company expects to have a material impact on financial position or results.

### **4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Accounts receivable was due from a company owned by a director of the Company related to the sale of a subsidiary and was repaid during the year.

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### 5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

During the year ended September 30, 2023, the Company received regulatory approval to two option agreements made effective as of August 15, 2022 to acquire majority interests in two properties situated in the Walikale District of the North Kivu Province in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo ("DRC"). The two contiguous properties are referred to collectively as the "Bisie North Tin Project".

#### **Exploration Permit PR 13274**

The Company has entered into an option agreement with a non-arm's length party to acquire up to a 71% interest in the issued and outstanding shares in Medidoc-RD Congo SARLU ("MRDC"). Pursuant to this agreement:

- The Company has acquired a 30% interest in MRDC (refer Note 6) by issuing 9,000,000 common shares (issued November 2022), and by funding exploration and evaluation expenditures totalling CAD\$250,000 ("MRDC First Option").
- The Company can acquire a further 41% interest in MRDC (for a total interest of 71%) by issuing a further 30,000,000 common shares, and funding additional exploration and evaluation expenditures totalling CAD\$1,750,000 (for a total of CAD\$2,000,000) on or before January 31, 2024 ("MRDC Second Option").

During the year ended September 30, 2023 the Company advanced a total of US\$1,328,186 (CAD \$1,812,806) to MRDC.

MRDC holds a 72.5% interest in PR 13274. The Company is responsible for funding exploration and development expenditures at PR 13274.

Subsequent to September 30, 2023, the Company fully exercised the second option under its option agreement for MDRC. As a result, the Company has increased its earned undivided indirect interest in and to exploration permit PEPM 13274 from 21.75% to 51.475% (note 15).

#### **Exploration Permit PR 15130**

The Company has also entered into an option agreement to acquire up to a 51% interest in PR 15130. Pursuant to this agreement:

- The Company has earned a 25% interest in PR 15130 by issuing 3,000,000 common shares (issued November 2022), and by funding exploration expenditures totalling CAD\$250,000 ("CTC First Option").

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### 5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS, *continued*

#### Exploration Permit PR 15130, *continued*

- The Company can acquire a further 26% interest in PR 15130 (for a total interest of 51%) by issuing a further 6,000,000 common shares, and funding additional exploration expenditures totalling CAD\$1,750,000 (for a total of CAD\$2,000,000) on or before January 31, 2024 ("CTC Second Option"). During the year ended September 30, 2023, the Company exercised this option and acquired a further 26% indirect interest in PR 15130 by issuing a total of 6,000,000 common shares (issued July 2023). The Company's holdings interest in PR 15130 is now 51%.
- During the year ended September 30, 2023, the Company entered into a binding term sheet ("Term Sheet") with Palm Constellation SARL ("Palm") pursuant to which the Company agreed to acquire, from Palm, a 15% indirect interest in Exploration Permit 15130 ("PR15130"). The Company can acquire the additional 15% indirect interest in PR15130 by issuing 5,000,000 units in the capital of the Company to Palm, where each unit will consist of one common share of the Company and one common share purchase warrant exercisable for two years at \$0.50 per share. The 5,000,000 units will not be issuable by the Company until after: (a) a new joint venture company ("JV Company") has been incorporated to hold PR 15130; (b) PR15130 has been transferred to such newly incorporated JV Company; and (c) Palm has transferred a 15% interest in the JV Company to the Company

During the year ended September 30, 2023 the Company advanced a total of US\$1,575,704 (CAD \$2,143,299). To September 30, 2022 the Company advanced a total of US\$400,000 (CAD \$516,790) to MRDC, recorded as property investigation expense.

As at September 30, 2022 the Company advanced a total of US\$400,000 (CAD \$516,790) to MRDC, recorded as property investigation expense. After the exercise of the MRDC First Option, such advances will then be immediately attributed to the CAD \$1,750,000 to be incurred in exploration and evaluation expenditures pursuant to the MRDC Second Option and will be deemed to be repaid.

		<b>Year ended September 30, 2023</b>
Acquisition Costs (Shares – Note 10)	\$	1,335,000
Payments Made towards option agreement		2,143,299
<b>Total carrying value Claim 15130</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,478,299</b>

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### 6. INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATE

The Company earned a 30% interest MRDC upon the exercise of the MRDC First Option. The Company's interest is accounted for using the equity method in the financial statements.

	<b>Year ended September 30, 2023</b>
Acquisition Costs (Shares – Note 10)	\$ 405,000
Payments Made towards option agreement	1,812,807
Share of losses in associated company	(4,756)
<b>Total carrying value – Investment in Associate</b>	<b>\$ 2,213,051</b>

The following table illustrates summarized financial information of the MDRC and the Company's investment.

	<u>September 30, 2023</u>
Current assets	\$ 112,150
Non-current assets	3,695,483
Current liabilities	(1,533,266)
<b>Deficiency (Equity)</b>	<b>\$ 2,274,367</b>
Cost of investment	2,217,807
Company's share of net loss – 30%	(4,756)
<b>Company's carrying amount of the investment</b>	<b>\$ 2,213,051</b>
Total comprehensive loss – MDRC	(15,853)
Company's share of above loss – 30%	(4,756)

The Company can acquire a further 41% interest in MRDC (for a total interest of 71%) pursuant to the MRDC Second Option (refer Note 5).

### 7. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities for the Company as at September 30, are broken down as follows:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Trade payables	\$ 138,301	\$ 59,843
Accrued liabilities	50,000	24,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 188,301</b>	<b>\$ 83,843</b>

During the fiscal 2023 the Company settled certain accounts payable. The amounts settled in cash resulted in a gain of \$10,345 which is included in the gain on the settlement of accounts payable. During the year ended September 30, 2022 the Company settled certain accounts payable for shares and cash. The amounts settled in cash resulted in a gain of \$125,242 which is included in the gain on the settlement of accounts payable.

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### 8. LOANS PAYABLE

During the year ended September 30, 2023, the company received loans totaling \$400,000. These loans were unsecured, interest free with maturity dates of December 31, 2023. These loans were settled via the issuance of 2,000,000 shares subsequent to the year (Note 15). Of these loans, \$200,000 are payable to related parties of the Company (Note 9). The company also assumed a loan from a related party totaling \$159,456 (US\$120,000), this loan was unsecured, interest free and has a maturity date of July 2024. An additional \$100,000 was loaned from a related party and repaid during the year.

### 9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

- a) Related parties and related party transactions impacting the accompanying financial statements are summarized below and include transactions with the following individuals or entities:

Key management personnel:

Key management personnel include those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company as a whole. The Company has determined that key management personnel consist of executive and non-executive members of the Company's Board of Directors and corporate officers.

During the current year there was \$24,000 (2022 - \$18,000) paid to a director, David Jenkins, for consulting services rendered to the Company and \$21,543 (2022 - \$4,600) was paid to Sheryl Jones, the CFO of the Company for accounting services. In addition, there is \$309,409 (2022 - \$65,896) payable to a director, Dr. Georg Schnura for cash advances and expenses incurred during the year on behalf of the Company.

The Company entered into a non-arm's length agreement with MRDC (Note 6). Mark Gasson, the President of the Company serves as management of MRDC and received 3,000,000 shares as a result of the transaction.

During the year ended September 30, 2022 there was \$12,000 accrued to a director, for consulting services rendered to the Company and \$4,600 was paid to the CFO of the Company for accounting services.

- b) As at September 30, 2023 due to related parties totaling \$349,935 (September 30, 2022 - \$77,896) is due to directors or a corporation controlled by a director or officer of the Company, or to corporations owned by a former director or officer of the Company. During the year ended September 30, 2022, \$367,364 of related party debt was settled by the issuance of shares. In addition, during the year ended September 30, 2023, the Company received loans from related parties totalling \$200,000. These loans were unsecured, interest free and were settled via the issuance of shares subsequent to the period (Note 15).
- c) Amounts receivable of \$5,850 was due from a related company as described in Note 4 and was repaid during fiscal 2023.
- d) During the year ended September 30, 2023, there was \$336,545 of share based compensation issued to related parties (2022- \$nil).

### 10. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES

The following is a description of the authorized and issued share capital:

- (a) Authorized: Unlimited common shares without par value.
- (b) Issued:

As at September 30, 2023 the total issued and outstanding share capital was 86,265,939 shares (September 30, 2022 - 48,265,939 shares).

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### 10. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES, continued

During the year ended September 30, 2023:

- The Company raised \$840,000 by the issuance of 5,600,000 units at \$0.15, each unit is comprised of one common share and one non-transferable common share purchase warrant with each warrant exercisable for one common share at \$0.25 per share on or before November 18, 2023. The securities issued pursuant to the private placement and any shares to be issued on the exercise of warrants are restricted from trading until March 19, 2023.
- The Company raised \$2,000,000 by the issuance of 10,000,000 shares at \$0.20 per share. The securities issued pursuant to the private placement are restricted from trading until June 11, 2023.
- The Company raised \$1,100,000 by the issuance of 4,400,000 units at \$0.25 per unit for gross proceeds of \$1.1 million. Each unit is comprised of one common share and half of one non-transferable common share purchase warrant with each warrant exercisable for one common share at \$0.30 per share within 2 years of the issue date.
- The warrants attached to the private placements that were issued during the year had a residual value of \$687,000 allocated to the warrants. In addition, the Company incurred related share issue costs of \$45,078.
- The Company issued 9,000,000 common shares (and expended \$250,000) to acquire a 30% interest in MRDC. In addition, the Company issued 3,000,000 common shares (and expended \$250,000) to acquire a 25% interest in Exploration Permit 15130 (refer notes 5 and 6).
- The company acquired a further 26% indirect interest in PR 15130 by issuing a total of 6,000,000 shares (Note 5)
- Subsequent to the period the company entered into a shares for debt agreement with an arms-length creditor to settle \$99,425 in debt owed by issuing 485,000 common shares at a deemed issue price of \$0.205 per share. All Shares issued in connection are subject to a statutory hold period of four months plus a day from the date of issuance of the Debt Shares in accordance with applicable securities legislation.

During the year ended September 30, 2022, the Company raised \$650,000 by the issuance of 13,000,000 shares at \$0.05 for a private placement, and in connection incurred \$31,414 in share issuance costs. The Company also issued 8,567,280 shares valued at \$428,364 to settle debt of \$454,440 resulting in a gain of \$26,076. In addition, the Company received \$840,000 toward a future private placement (Note 13).

#### (c) Escrow Shares

As at September 30, 2023 there are 15,209,452 common shares held in escrow (September 30, 2022 – 209,452).

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### 10. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES, continued

#### (d) Stock Options

The Company has established a stock option plan the purpose of which is to attract, retain and motivate directors, officers, employees and persons engaged to provide ongoing management and consulting services (“service providers”) by providing them with the opportunity, through stock options, to acquire a proprietary interest in the Company and benefit from its growth. The maximum number of shares, which may be issued under the plan, may not at any time exceed 10% of the issued Shares. This number is subject to adjustment resulting from changes in the share capital of the Company. Such adjustments are subject to approval by the TSXV and by the shareholders of the Company. The number of shares reserved for issuance to any one person may not exceed 2% of the issued and outstanding shares at the date of such grant. The maximum term of stock options is ten years from the grant. All options granted under the Plan will become vested in full upon grant, except options granted to consultants performing investor relations activities, which options are subject to vesting restrictions such that one-quarter of the options shall vest every three months subsequent to the date of the grant of the options.

The exercise price of the shares which are the subject of any option shall in no circumstances be less than the market price of the shares at the date of the grant of the option.

#### (f) Stock Options

Stock option transactions during the year:

	Options outstanding	Weighted average exercise price
Balance September 30, 2022 and 2021	–	–
Issued	4,000,000	\$0.26
Balance September 30, 2023	4,000,000	\$0.26

Fair value of options granted:

On February 9, 2023, the Company granted an aggregate of 3,300,000 incentive stock options, on February 20, 2023 a further 200,000 incentive stock options were granted; and on April 27<sup>th</sup> an additional 500,000 incentive stock options were granted. All options are exercisable at \$0.26 per share for a period of three years. During the year ending September 30, 2023, a total value of \$912,013 (2022 - \$nil) has been recorded to reserves – options and to share-based payments expense. The portion of share-based payment cost recorded is based on the vesting schedule of the options.

The fair value of these options granted was estimated on the date of the grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, with the following weighted average assumptions:

Stock options granted	3,300,000	200,000	500,000
Share trading price on date of grant	\$0.34	\$0.32	\$0.31
Risk-free interest rate	3.47%	3.78%	3.35%
Expected dividend yield	Nil	Nil	Nil
Expected stock price volatility	100%	100%	100%
Expected life	3	3	3
Expected forfeiture rate	Nil	Nil	Nil

As at September 30, 2023, there are 4,000,000 share purchase options outstanding exercisable at \$0.26, 3,300,000 expire on February 9, 2026 200,000 expire on February 20, 2026, and 500,000 expire on April 27, 2026.

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g) Share purchase warrants

	Warrants outstanding	Weighted average exercise price
Balance September 30, 2022 and 2021	–	–
Issued	7,800,000	\$0.25
Balance September 30, 2023	7,800,000	\$0.25

As at September 30, 2023, there were 5,600,000 share purchase warrants outstanding exercisable to purchase one common share at \$0.25 and expire on November 18, 2023 (expired subsequent to the period), and 2,200,000 share purchase warrants outstanding exercisable to purchase one common share at \$0.25 and expire on June 9, 2025.

### 11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, CAPITAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to pursue the acquisition and exploration of its exploration and evaluation assets and to maintain a flexible capital structure, which optimizes the costs of capital at an acceptable risk.

The Company depends on external financing to fund its activities. The capital structure of the Company currently consists of common shares. The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares, acquire or dispose of assets or adjust the amount of cash.

The Company anticipates continuing to access equity markets to fund continued exploration of its exploration and evaluation assets and the future growth of the business.

There were no changes in the Company's approach to capital management during the year ended September 30, 2023. The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

#### Financial Instruments

Financial instruments measured at fair value are classified into one of three levels in the fair value hierarchy according to the relative reliability of the inputs used to estimate the fair values. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3 – Inputs that are not based on observable market data.

Cash is considered a level 1 financial instrument.

The fair value of the Company's amounts receivables, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and amounts due to related parties, and loans payable approximates their carrying values due to their short term nature.

The Company is exposed to varying degrees to a variety of financial instrument related risks:

### 11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, CAPITAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT, continued

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### *Credit risk*

Credit risk is the risk of loss associated with a counterparty's inability to fulfill its payment obligations. The Company's maximum exposure to credit risk includes the carrying amount of cash and amounts receivables. The Company manages its credit risk relating to cash by dealing only with highly-rated Canadian financial institutions. As at September 30, 2023, amounts receivable of \$Nil (September 30, 2022 - \$5,850) comprised of amounts due from a related company as described in note 4. As a result, credit risk is considered insignificant.

### *Liquidity risk*

The Company's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet liabilities when due. At September 30, 2023, the Company had a cash balance of \$87,687 to settle current liabilities of \$938,236. Therefore, additional financing will be required. All of the Company's financial liabilities have contractual maturities of less than 30 days and are subject to normal trade terms.

### ***Financial Instruments, continued***

#### *Market risk*

Market risk is the risk of loss that may arise from changes in market factors such as interest rates, rates, and commodity and equity prices.

The company is exposed to a variety of market risks by virtue of its activities including interest rate risk and price risk.

#### (a) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company's interest rate risk principally arises from the interest rate impact of interest earned on cash. The Company is not exposed to significant interest rate risk relating to its cash. The Company has cash balances and no interest-bearing debt. The Company is not exposed to significant risk due to fluctuating interest rates.

#### (b) Price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity and equity prices. Equity price risk is defined as the potential adverse impact on the Company's earnings due to movements in individual equity prices or general movements in the level of the stock market. Commodity price risk is defined as the potential adverse impact on earnings and economic value due to commodity price movements and volatilities. The Company closely monitors commodity prices of resources, individual equity movements, and the stock market to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company.

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### 12. INCOME TAXES

A reconciliation of income taxes at statutory rates with the reported taxes is as follows:

	2023	2022
Earnings (loss) for the year	(1,453,898)	\$ (698,230)
Expected income tax (recovery)	(393,000)	(189,000)
Permanent differences	247,000	—
Share issue cost	(12,000)	(8,000)
Change in unrecognized deductible temporary differences	158,000	197,000
<b>Total income tax expense (recovery)</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>

The significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets that have not been included on the statement of financial position are as follows:

	2023	2022
Deferred tax assets (liabilities)		
Exploration and evaluation assets	\$ —	\$ —
Share issue costs	15,000	7,000
Investment in associates	1,000	—
Non-capital losses	405,000	256,000
	421,000	263,000
Unrecognized deferred tax assets	(421,000)	(263,000)
<b>Net deferred tax assets</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>

The significant components of the Company's temporary differences, unused tax credits and unused tax losses that have not been included on the statement of financial position are as follows:

	2023	Expiry Date Range	2022	Expiry Date Range
<b>Temporary Differences</b>				
Share issue costs	55,000	2044 to 2047	25,000	2043 to 2046
Investment in associates	5,000	No expiry date	—	No expiry date
Non-capital losses available for future period	1,502,000	2027 to 2043	949,000	2027 to 2042
Canada	1,502,000	2027 to 2043	949,000	2027 to 2042

Tax attributes are subject to review and potential adjustment by tax authorities.

### 13. SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE WITH RESPECT TO CASH FLOWS

The significant non-cash transactions for the year ended September 30, 2023 was the issuance of shares for the acquisition of an associated company and exploration and evaluation assets totaling \$1,750,000. For the year ended September 30, 2022 significant non-cash transactions include share capital valued at \$428,364 issued for debt.

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### 14. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Company has one reportable segment, being the acquisition and exploration of exploration and evaluation assets. All long-lived assets are located in the Democratic Republic of the Congo ("DRC").

### 15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent to September 30, 2023 the Company:

- Closed a non-brokered private placement of 3,600,000 units at a price of \$0.20 per unit, for gross proceeds of \$720,000. The proceeds consisted of cash of \$320,000 plus \$400,000 of loans payable (referred to in note 5) converted into shares through this private placement financing. Each unit is comprised of one common share and one share purchase warrant, where each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one additional common share at a price of \$0.25 per share for two years.
- Granted 250,000 incentive stock options to a director pursuant to its stock option plan. The options have a three-year term and an exercise price of \$0.26 per common share, and vest immediately.
- Entered into a shares for debt agreement with an arms-length creditor to settle \$99,425 in debt owed by issuing 485,000 common shares.
- Entered into a non-binding heads of terms providing for the potential acquisition of the issued and outstanding securities of the Company by Pathfinder Minerals Plc ("Pathfinder"), a UK company quoted on AIM, which would constitute a reverse takeover of the Company by Pathfinder under the AIM Rules for Companies (the "AIM Rules") and a reorganization under Part 8 of Policy 5.3 of the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSX-V"). Related to the Proposed Acquisition, Pathfinder has agreed to lend the Company up to \$2,500,000 on an unsecured basis, upon finalization of loan documentation with the Company. The TSX Venture Exchange ("TSXV") has conditionally accepted for filing the loan between the Company and Pathfinder.

The loan amendment agreement dated January 10, 2024 with Pathfinder Minerals Plc ("Pathfinder"), which amends the loan agreement (as amended, the "Loan Agreement") between the Company and Pathfinder announced on December 28, 2023. The Company also announces that the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSXV") has conditionally accepted for filing the loan, between the Company and Pathfinder, whereby a total of CDN\$2,500,000 has been loaned to the Company. The Loan has a term of up to 24 months. The Company must repay the Loan, together with a fixed payment on the Loan equal to 10% of the outstanding balance of the Loan, which fixed payment will increase to 15% of the outstanding balance of the Loan if the proposed transaction between the Company and the Lender announced by the Company on November 29, 2023 (the "Transaction") terminates prior to April 15, 2024 or such later date as may be agreed between Pathfinder and Rome. Additionally, the TSXV has conditionally accepted for filing the issuance of up to 12,500,000 non-transferable bonus warrants to the Lender in connection with the Loan. Each bonus warrant is exercisable into one common share at no less than \$0.25 until the earlier of the term of the Loan or a maximum of five years.

Pursuant to the Loan Agreement, Pathfinder has loaned a total of \$2,500,000 to Rome. The Loan Agreement provides for the grant of loan bonuses to Pathfinder whereby a total of 10,000,000 share purchase warrants will be issued to Pathfinder in connection with the Loan. Each warrant will be exercisable to purchase one common share in the capital of the Company at a price of \$0.25 per share on or before the later of the Final Repayment Date or the Extended Repayment Date (as defined in the Loan Agreement). The Final Repayment Date is 12 months from January 12, 2024.

### 15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS, continued

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If the Loan is either reduced or repaid on or before January 12, 2025, then a pro rata number of the Warrants will have their term reduced to the later of one year from issuance of the Warrants and 30 days from the reduction or repayment of the Loan.15.

If the Transaction terminates before April 15, 2024 or such later date as may be agreed between Pathfinder and Rome, then the Loan Agreement provides for Rome to grant a further loan bonus to Pathfinder comprised of an additional 2,500,000 Warrants.

- Announced that it has fully exercised the second option under its option agreement for MDRC As a result, the Company has increased its earned undivided indirect interest in and to exploration permit PEPM 13274 from 21.75% to 51.475%. Pursuant to the option agreement, the Company has now acquired a further 29.725% indirect interest in PEPM 13274 (for a total indirect interest of 51.475%) by funding additional exploration expenditures totaling CAD\$1,750,000 at exploration permit PEPM 13274 and by issuing a total of 30,000,000 common shares, The 30,000,000 common shares are restricted from trading until April 20, 2024 and, in addition thereto, are subject to escrow provisions.