



**AZTEC MINERALS CORP.**

**Consolidated Financial Statements**

**(stated in Canadian dollars)**

**Years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

**TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF AZTEC MINERALS CORP.**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Aztec Minerals Corp., which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the consolidated statements of comprehensive loss, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

*Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements*

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

*Auditors' Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained in our audits is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

*Opinion*

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Aztec Minerals Corp. as at December 31, 2017 and 2016, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

*Smythe LLP*

Chartered Professional Accountants

Vancouver, British Columbia  
April 27, 2018

# AZTEC MINERALS CORP.

(An Exploration Stage Company)

Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

(Stated in Canadian dollars)

	Notes	December 31,	
		2017	2016
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash		\$ 2,571,660	\$ 582,142
Receivables and prepaids		77,183	2,450
Total Current Assets		2,648,843	584,592
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Mineral property interests	6, 8(b), 10	1,108,152	452,915
Equipment	7	8,803	-
Total Non-Current Assets		1,116,955	452,915
Total Assets		\$ 3,765,798	\$ 1,037,507
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	10	\$ 92,683	\$ 90,342
<b>Shareholders' Equity</b>			
Share capital	8(b)	4,789,318	1,264,304
Reserve for share-based payments		668,876	-
Deficit		(1,785,079)	(317,139)
Total Shareholders' Equity		3,673,115	947,165
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		\$ 3,765,798	\$ 1,037,507

Refer to the accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Approved on behalf of the Board:

/s/ *Bradford Cooke*

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Director

/s/ *Patricio Varas*

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Director

# AZTEC MINERALS CORP.

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Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss

(Stated in Canadian dollars)

	Notes	Years ended December 31,	
		2017	2016
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Accounting and audit		\$ 59,570	\$ 24,016
Amortization	7	1,036	-
Employee remuneration	10	298,482	82,660
Legal		120,508	40,830
Office and sundry	9	66,353	16,158
Property investigation	9, 10	133,148	50,356
Regulatory		102,284	111
Shareholder relations		148,452	762
Share-based payments	8(c), 10	522,481	-
<b>Loss before the undernoted</b>		<b>(1,452,314)</b>	<b>(214,893)</b>
Interest income		18,711	-
Foreign exchange loss		(19,337)	(2,246)
Write-down of value added tax		(15,000)	-
Write-off of investment in former parent	10	-	(100,000)
<b>Net loss and comprehensive loss for the year</b>		<b>\$ (1,467,940)</b>	<b>\$ (317,139)</b>
<b>Basic and diluted loss per share</b>		<b>\$ (0.06)</b>	<b>\$ (0.08)</b>
<b>Weighted average number of common shares outstanding</b>		<b>24,081,086</b>	<b>3,818,703</b>

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Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

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	Notes	Share Capital		Reserve for		Total
		Number of Shares	Amount	Share-Based Payments	Deficit	
Balance, December 31, 2015		100	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1
Property acquisition	8(b)(ii)	11,216,941	279,914	-	-	279,914
Private placement, net of share issue costs	8(b)(ii)	5,150,000	984,389	-	-	984,389
Net loss for the year		-	-	-	(317,139)	(317,139)
Balance, December 31, 2016		16,367,041	1,264,304	-	(317,139)	947,165
Initial public offering, net of share issue costs	8(b)(i)	11,500,000	3,630,360	-	-	3,630,360
Property acquisition	8(b)(i)	100,000	35,000	-	-	35,000
Fair value of compensation warrants	8(b)(i)	-	(146,455)	146,455	-	-
Exercise of compensation warrants	8(b)(i)	225	172	(60)	-	112
Exercise of warrants	8(b)(i)	23,750	5,937	-	-	5,937
Share-based payments		-	-	522,481	-	522,481
Net loss for the year		-	-	-	(1,467,940)	(1,467,940)
Balance, December 31, 2017		27,991,016	\$ 4,789,318	\$ 668,876	\$ (1,785,079)	\$ 3,673,115

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# AZTEC MINERALS CORP.

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

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		Years ended December 31,	
	Notes	2017	2016
<b>Cash provided from (used by):</b>			
<b>Operations:</b>			
Loss for the year		\$ (1,467,940)	\$ (317,139)
Items not involving cash:			
Amortization		1,036	-
Share-based payments		522,481	-
Unrealized foreign exchange loss		3,657	-
Write-down of value added tax		15,000	-
Write-off of investment in former parent	10	-	100,000
		<b>(925,766)</b>	<b>(217,139)</b>
Changes in non-cash working capital items:			
Receivables and prepaids		(89,733)	(2,449)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		12,687	54,597
Cash used by operating activities		<b>(1,002,812)</b>	<b>(164,991)</b>
<b>Financing:</b>			
Proceeds from initial public offering, net of transaction costs	8(b)(i)	3,630,360	-
Issuance of share capital, net of share issue expenses		-	984,389
Exercise of warrants		6,049	-
Cash provided from financing activities		<b>3,636,409</b>	<b>984,389</b>
<b>Investing:</b>			
Mineral property interests, net of recoveries		(630,583)	(137,256)
Equipment		(9,839)	-
Investment in former parent	10	-	(100,000)
Cash used by investing activities		<b>(640,422)</b>	<b>(237,256)</b>
<b>Foreign exchange loss on cash held in foreign currency</b>		<b>(3,657)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Increase in cash</b>		<b>1,989,518</b>	<b>582,142</b>
Cash, beginning of year		582,142	-
<b>Cash, end of year</b>		<b>\$ 2,571,660</b>	<b>\$ 582,142</b>

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		Years ended December 31,	
	Notes	2017	2016
<b>Non-cash financing and investing activities:</b>			
Accrual for mineral property interests		\$ 25,399	\$ 35,745
Issuance of common shares:			
Property acquisition	6(a), 8(b)	35,000	279,914
Fair values from:			
Issuance of compensation warrants	8(b)(i) and (d)	146,455	-
Exercise of compensation warrants		60	-
Interest paid		-	-
Income taxes paid		-	-

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## 1. Nature of Operations and Continuance of Operations

Aztec Minerals Corp. (the “Company”) was incorporated on July 6, 2007 under the laws of British Columbia, Canada. The address of the Company’s registered office is #910 – 800 West Pender Street, Vancouver, BC, Canada, V6C 2V6 and its principal place of business is #1130 – 609 Granville Street, Vancouver, BC, Canada, V7Y 1G5.

From its date of incorporation in July 2007 to fiscal 2015, the Company was a dormant, wholly owned subsidiary of Aztec Metals Corp., which share common directors with the Company, (“AzMet”). On October 13, 2016, AzMet issued all its 11,017,041 shares in the Company to AzMet shareholders on a pro rata basis by way of a reduction of AzMet’s paid up share capital on the basis of one (1) share of the Company for every two (2) shares held of AzMet, pursuant to Section 74 of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), after which the Company was no longer a subsidiary of AzMet.

The common shares of the Company were listed for trading on the TSX Venture Exchange (the “TSX-V”) on May 4, 2017 (the “Listing Date”), after completing its initial public offering (the “IPO”). (Note 8(b)(i)).

The Company is in the mineral exploration business and has not yet determined whether its mineral property interests contain reserves. The recoverability of amounts capitalized for mineral property interests is dependent upon the ability of the Company to arrange appropriate financing as needed, the discovery of reserves, the development of its properties, confirmation and maintenance of the Company’s interest in the underlying properties, the receipt of necessary permitting and upon future profitable production or proceeds from the disposition thereof.

The Company has no operating revenues, has incurred a significant net loss of \$1.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2017 (2016 - \$317,139), and has a deficit of \$1.8 million as at December 31, 2017 (2016 - \$317,139). These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which assumes the realization of assets and liquidation of liabilities in the normal course of business. The Company’s ability to continue as a going concern is dependent on the ability of the Company to raise debt or equity financings, and the attainment of profitable operations. Management would need to raise the necessary capital to meet its planned business objectives. There can be no assurance that management’s plans will be successful. These consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. Such adjustments could be material.

## 2. Basis of Presentation

### (a) Statement of compliance:

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”).

### (b) Approval of consolidated financial statements:

These consolidated financial statements were approved by the Company’s Board of Directors on April 27, 2018.



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## 2. Basis of Presentation (continued)

### (c) Basis of presentation:

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments which are measured at fair value, as disclosed in Note 5. In addition, these consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, except for cash flow information.

### (d) Functional currency and presentation currency:

The functional and presentation currencies of the Company and its subsidiaries are the Canadian dollar. Amounts recorded in a foreign currency are translated into Canadian dollars as follows:

- monetary assets and liabilities at the exchange rate at the consolidated statement of financial position date;
- non-monetary assets and liabilities at historical exchange rates, unless such items are carried at fair value, in which case they are translated at the exchange rate in effect on the date which the fair value was determined; and
- revenue and expense items at the rate of exchange in effect on the transaction date.

Exchange gains and losses are recorded in profit or loss in the period in which they occur.

### (e) Critical accounting estimates and judgments:

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires management to make estimates, assumptions and judgements that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements along with the reported amounts of revenues, if any, and expenses during the period. Actual results may differ from these estimates and, as such, estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Significant areas requiring the use of management estimates relate to the determination of accrued liabilities; accrued site remediation; the variables used in the determination of the fair value of stock options granted and compensation warrants issued; and the valuation of deferred tax assets. While management believes the estimates are reasonable, actual results could differ from those estimates and could impact future financial performance and cash flows.

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## 2. Basis of Presentation (continued)

### (e) Critical accounting estimates and judgments: (continued)

The Company applies judgment in assessing whether material uncertainties exist that would cast significant doubt as to whether the Company could continue as a going concern.

The Company applies judgment in assessing the functional currency of each entity consolidated in these consolidated financial statements. The functional currency of the Company and its subsidiaries is determined using the currency of the primary economic environment in which that entity operates.

At the end of each reporting period, the Company assesses each of its mineral property interests to determine whether any indication of impairment exists. Judgment is required in determining whether indicators of impairment exist, including factors such as: the period for which the Company has the right to explore; expected renewals of exploration rights; whether substantive expenditures on further exploration and evaluation of mineral property interests are budgeted or planned; and results of exploration and evaluation activities.

### (f) New accounting standards and recent pronouncements:

The standards listed below include only those which the Company reasonably expects may be applicable to the Company in the current period and at a future date. The Company is currently assessing the impact of these future standards on the consolidated financial statements.

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## 2. Basis of Presentation (continued)

### (f) New accounting standards and recent pronouncements: (continued)

The following standards will become effective in future periods:

#### (i) **IFRS 16 Leases**

This new standard sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both the lessee and the lessor. The new standard introduces a single lessee accounting model that requires the recognition of all assets and liabilities arising from a lease.

The main features of the new standard are as follows:

- An entity identifies as a lease a contract that conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.
- A lessee recognizes an asset representing the right to use the leased asset, and a liability for its obligation to make lease payments. Exceptions are permitted for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets.
- A lease asset is initially measured at cost, and is then depreciated similarly to property, plant and equipment. A lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the unpaid lease payments.
- A lessee presents interest expense on a lease liability separately from depreciation of a lease asset in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.
- A lessor continues to classify its leases as operating leases or finance leases, and to account for them accordingly.
- A lessor provides enhanced disclosures about its risk exposure, particularly exposure to residual-value risk.

The new standard supersedes the requirements in IAS 17 *Leases*, IFRIC 4 *Determining Whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease*, SIC-15 *Operating Leases – Incentives* and SIC-27 *Evaluating the Substance of Transactions Involving the Legal Form of a Lease*.

Applicable to the Company's annual period beginning January 1, 2019.

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## 2. Basis of Presentation (continued)

(f) New accounting standards and recent pronouncements: (continued)

### (ii) Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014–2016 Cycle

The following standards have been revised to incorporate amendments issued by the IASB in December 2016:

- IFRS 1 *First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards* – The amendments remove some short-term exemptions for first-time adopters.
- IFRS 12 *Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities* – The amendments clarify that the disclosure requirements in the standard apply to interests in entities within the scope of IFRS 5 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*.
- IAS 28 *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures* – The amendments clarify that the election available to some types of investment entities to measure investees at fair value through profit or loss at initial recognition is applied on an investment-by-investment basis. The amendments also clarify that an entity that is not an investment entity decides on an investment-by-investment basis whether to retain the fair value measurements applied by its associates and joint ventures that are investment entities.

Applicable to the Company's annual period beginning January 1, 2018.

### (iii) Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions (Amendments to IFRS 2 *Share-based Payment*)

The amendments provide guidance on the accounting for:

- the effects of vesting and non-vesting conditions on the measurement of cash-settled share-based payments;
- share-based payment transactions with a net settlement feature for withholding tax obligations; and
- a modification to the terms and conditions of a share-based payment that changes the classification of the transaction from cash-settled to equity-settled.

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## 2. Basis of Presentation (continued)

(f) New accounting standards and recent pronouncements: (continued)

(iv) **IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments***

IFRS 9 will replace IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* and IFRIC 9 *Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives*.

The main features introduced by this new standard compared with predecessor IFRS are as follows:

- *Classification and measurement of financial assets:*  
Debt instruments are classified and measured on the basis of the entity's business model for managing the asset and its contractual cash flow characteristics as either: "amortized cost", "fair value through other comprehensive income", or "fair value through profit or loss" (default). Equity instruments are classified and measured as "fair value through profit or loss" unless upon initial recognition elected to be classified as "fair value through other comprehensive income".
- *Classification and measurement of financial liabilities:*  
When an entity elects to measure a financial liability at fair value, gains or losses due to changes in the entity's own credit risk is recognized in other comprehensive income (as opposed to previously profit or loss). This change may be adopted early in isolation of the remainder of IFRS 9.
- *Impairment of financial assets:*  
An expected credit loss impairment model replaced the incurred loss model and is applied to financial assets at "amortized cost" or "fair value through other comprehensive income", lease receivables, contract assets or loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts. An entity recognizes twelve-month expected credit losses if the credit risk of a financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition and lifetime expected credit losses otherwise.
- *Hedge accounting:*  
Hedge accounting remains a choice, however, is now available for a broader range of hedging strategies. Voluntary termination of a hedging relationship is no longer permitted. Effectiveness testing now needs to be performed prospectively only. Entities may elect to continue to applying IAS 39 hedge accounting on adoption of IFRS 9 (until the IASB has completed its separate project on the accounting for open portfolios and macro hedging).

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## 3. Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements.

(a) Basis of consolidation:

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Minera Azteca Dorada S.A. de C.V. and Aztec Minerals America Corp.

All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Company has control. The Company controls an entity when the Company is exposed to, or had rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity.

(b) Financial instruments:

(i) Financial assets:

The Company classifies its financial assets in the following categories: fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"), loans and receivables, held-to-maturity ("HTM") and available-for-sale ("AFS"). The classification depends on the purpose for which the financial assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of financial assets at recognition.

*Financial assets at FVTPL*

Financial assets at FVTPL include derivative financial asset, and are initially recognized at fair value with changes in fair value recorded through profit or loss.

*Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are classified as current assets or non-current assets based on their maturity dates. Loans and receivables are carried at amortized cost less any impairment.

*Held to maturity*

These assets are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the Company's management has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity. HTM investments are initially recognized on their trade-date at fair value, and subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. If there is objective evidence that the investment is impaired, determined by reference to external credit ratings and other relevant indicators, the financial asset is measured at the present value of estimated future cash flows. Any changes to the carrying amount of the investment, including impairment losses, are recognized in profit or loss.

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## 3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (b) Financial instruments: (continued)

#### (i) Financial assets: (continued)

##### *Available-for-sale financial assets*

AFS financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated as available-for-sale or not classified in any of the other financial asset categories. Changes in the fair value of AFS financial assets are recognized as other comprehensive income and classified as a component of equity. AFS financial assets include investments in equities of other entities.

Management assesses the carrying value of AFS financial assets at each reporting date and any impairment charges are recognized in profit or loss. When financial assets classified as AFS are sold, the accumulated fair value adjustments recognized in other comprehensive income are included in profit or loss.

#### (ii) Financial liabilities:

The Company classifies its financial liabilities in the following categories: FVTPL and other financial liabilities.

##### *Financial liabilities at FVTPL*

Financial liabilities at FVTPL include derivative financial liabilities, and are initially recognized at fair value with changes in fair value recorded through profit or loss.

Derivatives are initially recognized at their fair value on the date the derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value at each reporting period with changes in the fair value recognized in profit or loss.

##### *Other financial liabilities*

Other financial liabilities are non-derivatives and are recognized initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method. Any difference between the amounts originally received, net of transaction costs, and the redemption value is recognized in profit or loss over the period to maturity using the effective interest method. Other financial liabilities are classified as current or non-current based on their maturity date.

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## 3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (b) Financial instruments: (continued)

#### (iii) Fair value hierarchy:

The Company categorizes financial instruments measured at fair value at one of three levels according to the reliability of the inputs used to estimate fair values. The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities included in Level 1 are determined by reference to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities. Financial assets and liabilities in Level 2 are valued using inputs other than quoted prices for which all significant inputs are based on observable market data. Level 3 valuations are based on inputs that are not based on observable market data.

#### (iv) Impairment of financial assets:

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired. An evaluation is made as to whether a decline in fair value is “significant” or “prolonged” based on indicators such as significant adverse changes in the market, economic or legal environment.

Impairment losses on financial assets carried at amortized cost are reversed in subsequent periods if the amount of the loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognized.

#### (v) Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities:

Financial assets are derecognized when the investments mature or are sold, and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred. A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expired. Gains and losses on derecognition are recognized in profit or loss.

### (c) Impairment of non-financial assets:

The carrying amounts of non-current assets are tested for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. If there are indicators of impairment, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset’s carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount and is recorded as an expense in profit or loss.



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## 3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (c) Impairment of non-financial assets: (continued)

The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's "fair value less costs to sell" for the asset's highest and best use, and "value-in-use". Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs is determined. "Fair value less costs to sell" 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. For mining assets this would generally be determined based on the present value of the estimated future cash flows arising from the continued development, use or eventual disposal of the asset. In assessing these cash flows and discounting them to the present value, assumptions used are those that an independent market participant would consider appropriate. In assessing "value-in-use", the estimated future cash flows expected to arise from the continuing use of the assets in their present form and from their disposal are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and risks specific to the asset.

For the purposes of impairment testing, mineral property interests are allocated to cash-generating units to which the exploration or development activity relates. 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 so that the increased carrying amount 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.

### (d) Mineral property interests:

The Company capitalizes all costs related to investments in mineral property interests on a property-by-property basis. Such costs include mineral property acquisition or staking costs and exploration and development expenditures, net of any recoveries. Costs are deferred until such time as the extent of mineralization has been determined and mineral property interests are either developed or the Company's mineral rights are allowed to lapse.

All deferred mineral property expenditures are reviewed, on a property-by-property basis, to consider whether there are any conditions that may indicate impairment. When the carrying value of a property exceeds its net recoverable amount that may be estimated by quantifiable evidence of an economic geological resource or reserve, joint venture expenditure commitments or the Company's assessment of its ability to sell the property for an amount exceeding the deferred costs, provision is made for the impairment in value.

The amounts shown for acquisition costs and deferred exploration expenditures represent costs incurred to date and do not necessarily reflect present or future values. These costs will be depleted over the useful lives of the properties upon commencement of commercial production or written off if the property interests are abandoned or the claims are allowed to lapse.

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## 3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (d) Mineral property interests: (continued)

From time to time, the Company may acquire or dispose of a mineral property interest pursuant to the terms of a property option agreement. As the property options are exercisable entirely at the discretion of the optionee, the amounts payable or receivable in the future are not recorded. Property option payments are recorded as property costs or recoveries when the payments are made or received, respectively. When the amount of recoveries exceeds the total amount of capitalized costs of the property, the amount in excess of costs is credited to profit or loss.

### (e) Equipment:

Equipment is amortized on a double declining basis, using annual rates of 20% and 30%.

### (f) Proceeds on unit offerings:

Proceeds received on the issuance of units, consisting of common shares and warrants, are first allocated to share capital based on the fair value of the common shares with any residual value then allocated to warrants. Upon expiry, the recorded fair value of the warrants is transferred from the reserve for share-based payments to deficit.

### (g) Non-monetary transactions:

Common shares issued for consideration other than cash are valued at their fair value at the date of issuance.

### (h) Share-based payments:

The Company has a stock option plan that is described in Note 8(c). Share-based payments to employees are measured on the grant date using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and amortized over the vesting periods. Share-based payments to non-employees are measured at the fair value of the goods or services received or the fair value of the equity instruments issued, if it is determined the fair value of the goods or services cannot be reliably measured, and are recorded at the date the goods or services are received. The offset to the recorded cost is to the reserve for share-based payments. Consideration received on the exercise of stock options is recorded as share capital and the related reserve for share-based payments is transferred to share capital. Upon expiry, the recorded fair value is transferred from the reserve for share-based payments to deficit.

### (i) Environmental rehabilitation:

The Company recognizes liabilities for statutory, contractual, constructive or legal obligations associated with the retirement of mineral property interests and equipment, when those obligations result from the acquisition, construction, development or normal operation of the assets. The net present value of future rehabilitation cost estimates arising from the decommissioning of plant and other site preparation work is capitalized to mining assets along with a corresponding increase in the rehabilitation provision in the period incurred. Discount rates using a pre-tax rate that reflect the time value of money are used to calculate the net present value. The rehabilitation asset is depreciated on the same basis as mining assets.

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## 3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (i) Environmental rehabilitation: (continued)

The Company's estimates of reclamation costs could change as a result of changes in regulatory requirements, discount rates and assumptions regarding the amount and timing of the future expenditures. These changes are recorded directly to mining assets with a corresponding entry to the rehabilitation provision. The Company's estimates are reviewed annually for changes in regulatory requirements, discount rates, effects of inflation and changes in estimates.

Changes in the net present value, excluding changes in the Company's estimates of reclamation costs, are charged to profit or loss for the period.

The net present value of restoration costs arising from subsequent site damage that is incurred on an ongoing basis during production are charged to profit or loss in the period incurred.

The costs of rehabilitation projects that were included in the rehabilitation provision are recorded against the provision as incurred. The cost of ongoing current programs to prevent and control pollution is charged against profit and loss as incurred. The Company does not have any significant environmental rehabilitation liabilities.

### (j) Loss per share:

Basic loss per share is computed by dividing the loss for the period by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. The treasury stock method is used to calculate diluted loss per common share amounts. Under the treasury stock method, the weighted average number of common shares outstanding used for the calculation of the diluted per common share amount assumes that the proceeds to be received on the exercise of dilutive share options and warrants are used to repurchase common shares at the average market price during the period. In the Company's case, diluted loss per common share presented is the same as basic loss per common share as the effect of outstanding share options and warrants would be anti-dilutive.

Shares held in escrow, other than where their release is subject to the passage of time, are not included in the calculation of weighted average number of shares outstanding. Cancelled escrow shares are deducted from the total number of outstanding common shares. No value is assigned to escrow shares upon cancellation.

### (k) Provisions:

Provisions are recorded when a present legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of past events where it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

The amount recognized as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the consolidated statement of financial position date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows. When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, the receivable is recognized as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

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## 3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (1) Income taxes:

The Company follows the asset and liability method for accounting for income taxes. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases, and losses carried forward. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using substantively enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in profit or loss in the period that includes the substantive enactment date. Deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that recovery is considered probable.

## 4. Management of Capital

The Company is an exploration stage company and its activities involve a high degree of risk. The Company has not yet determined whether its mineral property interests contain reserves and currently has not earned any revenues from its mineral property interests and does not generate cash flows from operations. The Company's primary sources of funds are from debt capital and the issuance of share capital.

The Company defines its capital as debt and share capital. Capital requirements are driven by the Company's exploration activities on its mineral property interests. To effectively manage the Company's capital requirements, the Company has a planning and budgeting process in place to ensure that adequate funds are available to meet its strategic goals. The Company monitors actual expenses on all exploration projects and overhead to manage its costs, commitments and exploration activities.

The Company invests its excess capital in liquid investments to obtain adequate returns. The investment decision is based on cash management to ensure working capital is available to meet the Company's short-term obligations while maximizing liquidity and returns of unused capital.

Management reviews the capital availability and needs on a regular basis to ensure the above-noted objectives are met. There have been no changes to the Company's approach to capital management during the year ended December 31, 2017.

Although the Company has raised funds in the past from the issuance of share capital, it is uncertain whether it would be able to continue this financing in the future. The Company will continue to rely on debt and equity financings to meet its commitments as they become due, to continue exploration work on its mineral property interests, and to meet its administrative overhead costs for the coming periods.

As at December 31, 2017, the Company was not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

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## 5. Financial Instruments and Management of Financial Risk

The Company has classified its cash as FVTPL; receivables as loans and receivables; and accounts payable and accrued liabilities as other financial liabilities.

The fair values of the Company's receivables and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their carrying values due to the short terms to maturity. Cash is measured at fair value using Level 1 inputs.

The Company is exposed in varying degrees to a variety of financial instrument related risks, including credit risk, liquidity risk, and market risk which includes foreign currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. The types of risk exposure and the way in which such exposure is managed are as follows.

(a) Credit risk:

Credit risk is the risk of potential loss to the Company if the counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations.

The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to its cash. The Company limits exposure to credit risk on liquid financial assets through maintaining its cash with high-credit quality Canadian financial institutions. Non-contractual taxes receivables from government agencies are not considered financial instruments.

Management has reviewed the items comprising the accounts receivable balance, and determined that the accounts are collectible.

(b) Liquidity risk:

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they become due.

The Company ensures that there is sufficient capital in order to meet short-term business requirements, after taking into account the Company's holdings of cash and its ability to raise debt and equity financings. As at December 31, 2017, the Company had a working capital of \$2.6 million (2016 - \$494,250). The Company will require significant additional funding to meet its short-term liabilities and administrative overhead costs, and to maintain its mineral property interests in 2018.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are due in less than 90 days.

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## 5. Financial Instruments and Management of Financial Risk (continued)

### (c) Market risk:

The significant market risk exposures to which the Company is exposed are foreign currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk.

#### (i) Foreign currency risk:

The Company has certain cash and accounts payable stated in United States dollars and Mexican pesos, mineral property interests which are in the USA and Mexico, and a portion of its operations are in Mexico, resulting in expenditures subject to foreign currency fluctuations. Fluctuations in the United States dollar and Mexican peso would impact the losses of the Company and the values of its assets and liabilities as the Company's functional and presentation currencies are the Canadian dollar. The Canadian dollar fluctuates with the United States dollar and Mexican peso.

At December 31, 2017, the Company was exposed to currency risk for its Canadian dollar equivalent of financial assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than Canadian dollars as follows:

	Stated in Canadian Dollars		
	Held in		Total
	United States Dollars	Mexican Pesos	
Cash	\$ 76,018	\$ 10,799	\$ 86,817
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(32,385)	(14,560)	(46,945)
Net financial assets (liabilities), December 31, 2017	\$ 43,633	\$ (3,761)	\$ 39,872
Cash	\$ 4,912	\$ -	\$ 4,912
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(18,508)	-	(18,508)
Net financial assets (liabilities), December 31, 2016	\$ (13,596)	\$ -	\$ (13,596)

Based upon the above net exposure as at December 31, 2017 and assuming all other variables remain constant, a 15% (2016 – 15%) depreciation or appreciation of the Canadian dollar relative to the United States dollar could result in a decrease/increase of approximately \$6,000 (2016 - \$2,000) in the Company's net losses.

The Company has not entered into any agreements or purchased any instruments to hedge possible currency risks at this time.

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## 5. Financial Instruments and Management of Financial Risk (continued)

(c) Market risk: (continued)

(ii) Interest rate risk:

In respect of financial assets, the Company's policy is to invest excess cash at floating rates of interest in cash equivalents, in order to maintain liquidity, while achieving a satisfactory return. Fluctuations in interest rates impact on the value of cash equivalents. Interest rate risk is not significant to the Company as it has no cash equivalents at period-end.

(iii) Other price risk:

Other price risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices. The Company currently does not have any financial instruments which fluctuate with market prices.

## 6. Mineral Property Interests

	December 31, 2017		
	Mexico	USA	Total
	Cervantes	Tombstone	
<b>Acquisition Costs:</b>			
Balance, December 31, 2016	\$ 282,994	\$ -	\$ 282,994
Acquisition	72,772	10,000	82,772
Balance, December 31, 2017	355,766	10,000	365,766
<b>Deferred Exploration Expenditures:</b>			
Balance, December 31, 2016	169,921	-	169,921
Aerial and mapping	137	-	137
Assays	20,538	-	20,538
Equipment and systems	25,578	-	25,578
Drilling	123,156	-	123,156
Environmental	793	-	793
Field, camp, supplies	30,528	-	30,528
General, administrative, legal, sundry	95,614	773	96,387
Geology	54,583	-	54,583
Geophysics	6,785	-	6,785
Salaries and local labour	129,533	-	129,533
Surface taxes	42,405	-	42,405
Surveying	16,108	-	16,108
Transportation and travel	25,934	-	25,934
Balance, December 31, 2017	741,613	773	742,386
<b>Mineral Property Interests:</b>			
December 31, 2016	\$ 452,915	\$ -	\$ 452,915
December 31, 2017	\$ 1,097,379	\$ 10,773	\$ 1,108,152

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## 6. Mineral Property Interests (continued)

	December 31, 2016	
	Mexico	
	Cervantes	Total
<b>Acquisition Costs:</b>		
Balance, December 31, 2015	\$ -	\$ -
Acquisition	282,994	282,994
Balance, December 31, 2016	282,994	282,994
<b>Deferred Exploration Expenditures:</b>		
Balance, December 31, 2015	-	-
Geology	23,204	23,204
Geophysics	101,266	101,266
Sundry	32,176	32,176
Salaries	12,488	12,488
Transportation and travel	787	787
Balance, December 31, 2016	169,921	169,921
<b>Mineral Property Interests:</b>		
December 31, 2015	\$ -	\$ -
December 31, 2016	\$ 452,915	\$ 452,915

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## 6. Mineral Property Interests (continued)

### (a) Cervantes property (Mexico):

On September 30, 2016, the Company entered into the Option Amendment and Assignment Agreement for the Cervantes Property (“Option Assignment Agreement”) for the Cervantes Property with AzMet and Kootenay Silver Inc. (“Kootenay”), whereby AzMet assigned to the Company all of its rights and interests in the Property Option Agreement dated July 25, 2015 between AzMet and Kootenay (the “Option Agreement”). All obligations of AzMet under the property option agreement were transferred to the Company. Pursuant to the Option Assignment Agreement, the Company issued 200,000 of its common shares to Kootenay at a value of \$0.02495 per share.

The Company can earn a 65% interest in the Cervantes Property by:

- the issuance of 800,000 common shares,
- cash payments totalling US\$120,000, and
- exploration expenditures of US\$1.2 million over the next 3 years.

Upon earning a 65% interest, the Company can earn an additional 35% interest for a total of 100% interest in the Cervantes Property by:

- completing a preliminary economic assessment by July 25, 2020,
- paying an amount equal to the estimated recoverable equivalent gold ounces of contained metal in resources multiplied by US\$5 per equivalent gold ounce which amount shall be payable in combination of cash and/or shares, and
- granting a 2.5% net smelter return (“NSR”) to Kootenay which can be reduced to 2% NSR for a cash payment of US\$500,000.

If the Company elects not to earn the additional 35% interest in the Cervantes Property, or fails to fulfill the requirements to earn such 35% interest, then a joint venture will be formed between the Company and Kootenay with the Company acting as the operator.

On September 30, 2016, the Company entered into the Transfer Agreement with AzMet whereby the Company issued 11,016,941 of its common shares to AzMet to acquire AzMet’s interest in the Cervantes Property. Note 8(b)(ii) provides further details.

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## 6. Mineral Property Interests (continued)

### (b) Tombstone property (USA):

On November 30, 2017, as amended on February 28, 2018, the Company entered into a Purchase Option Agreement for the Tombstone property (the "Option Agreement") with Baroyeca Gold & Silver Inc. and its two wholly owned U.S. subsidiaries (collectively, "Baroyeca"). The Company can earn a 75% interest by making cash payments of \$100,000, incurring exploration expenditures of \$1 million and issuing 1 million common shares over a three year period starting from March 2018. The Option Agreement was subject to certain conditions precedent including the approval of the TSX-V which approval was received on March 23, 2018. The Company made the initial cash payment of \$10,000 in December 2017.

### (c) Expenditure options:

As at December 31, 2017, to maintain the Company's interest and/or to fully exercise the options under various property agreements covering its properties, the Company must incur exploration expenditures on the properties and/or make payments in the form of cash and/or shares to the optionor as follows:

	Cash Payments (US\$)	Exploration Expenditures (US\$)	Number of Shares	Net Smelter Return
Cervantes Project:				
Stage One (to earn a 65% interest):				
July 25, 2018	\$ 40,000	\$ 19,392	200,000	-
July 25, 2019	50,000	750,000	250,000	-
September 23, 2019	-	-	250,000	-
Stage Two (to earn additional 35% interest, for total interest of 100% interest):				
July 25, 2020 <sup>(1)</sup>	-	-	-	2.50%
	\$ 90,000	\$ 769,392	700,000	2.50%

(1) The Company can earn an additional 35% interest for a total of 100% interest in the Cervantes Property by completing a preliminary economic assessment by July 25, 2020, paying an amount equal to the estimated recoverable equivalent gold ounces of contained metal in resources multiplied by US\$5 per equivalent gold ounce which amount shall be payable in combination of cash and/or shares, and granting a 2.5% NSR to Kootenay which can be reduced to 2% NSR for a cash payment of US\$500,000. Note 6(a) provides further details.

These amounts may be reduced in the future as the Company determines which mineral property interests to continue to explore and which to abandon.

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## 6. Mineral Property Interests (continued)

### (d) Title to mineral property interests:

The Company has investigated rights of ownership of all of its mineral properties/concessions and, to the best of its knowledge, all agreements relating to such ownership rights are in good standing. However, all properties/concessions may be subject to prior claims, agreements or transfers, and rights of ownership may be affected by undetected defects.

### (e) Realization of assets:

The Company's investment in and expenditures on its mineral property interests comprise a significant portion of the Company's assets. Realization of the Company's investment in these assets is dependent on establishing legal ownership of the properties, on the attainment of successful commercial production or from the proceeds of their disposal. The recoverability of the amounts shown for mineral property interests is dependent upon the existence of reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain necessary financing to complete the development of the properties, and upon future profitable production or proceeds from the disposition thereof.

### (f) Environmental matters:

The Company is subject to the laws and regulations relating to environmental matters in all jurisdictions in which it operates, including provisions relating to property reclamation, discharge of hazardous materials and other matters. The Company may also be held liable should environmental problems be discovered that were caused by former owners and operators of its properties and properties in which it has previously had an interest. The Company conducts its mineral exploration activities in compliance with applicable environmental protection legislation. The Company is not aware of any existing environmental problems related to any of its current or former mineral property interests that may result in material liability to the Company.

Environmental legislation is becoming increasingly stringent and costs and expenses of regulatory compliance are increasing. The impact of new and future environmental legislation of the Company's operation may cause additional expenses and restrictions.

If the restrictions adversely affect the scope of exploration and development on the mineral properties, the potential for production on the property may be diminished or negated.

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## 7. Equipment

	Office Furnishings	Office Equipment	Total
<b>Cost:</b>			
Balance, December 31, 2015 and 2016	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Add: Acquisitions	2,153	7,686	9,839
Balance, December 31, 2017	2,153	7,686	9,839
<b>Accumulated amortization:</b>			
Balance, December 31, 2015 and 2016	-	-	-
Add: Amortization	94	942	1,036
Balance, December 31, 2017	94	942	1,036
<b>Net book value:</b>			
Balance, December 31, 2016	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Balance, December 31, 2017	\$ 2,059	\$ 6,744	\$ 8,803

## 8. Share Capital

### (a) Authorized:

The authorized share capital of the Company is comprised of an unlimited number of common shares without par value.

### (b) Issued:

- (i) On May 2, 2017, the Company closed its IPO for 11.5 million units at \$0.35 per unit for gross proceeds of \$4.03 million. Each unit was comprised of one common share and one-half of a whole share purchase warrant. Each warrant is exercisable to purchase one common share at an exercise price of \$0.50 per share and has an expiry date of May 2, 2019.

The Company paid to the agent a cash commission of \$194,250, corporate finance fee of \$75,000, and expenses of \$47,500 for legal and out-of-pocket expenses related to the IPO. The Company also issued 555,000 compensation warrants with a fair value of \$146,455 related to the IPO of which 549,360 compensation warrants were issued to the agent; each compensation warrant is exercisable to acquire one common share at an exercise of \$0.50 and has an expiry date of May 2, 2019.

In June 2017, 225 compensation warrants with a fair value of \$60 and exercise price of \$0.50 and 23,750 warrants with exercise price of \$0.25 were exercised for proceeds of \$6,049.

On July 20, 2017, the Company issued 100,000 common shares at a fair value of \$0.35 per share to Kootenay (Note 6(a)).

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## 8. Share Capital (continued)

(b) Issued: (continued)

(i) (continued)

Pursuant to the escrow agreement dated April 19, 2017, 4,571,123 shares of the Company were held in escrow (the “Escrowed Shares”). The Escrowed Shares will be released under the following schedule:

On the Listing Date	1/10 of the Escrow Shares
6 months after the Listing Date	1/6 of the remaining Escrow Shares
12 months after the Listing Date	1/5 of the remaining Escrow Shares
18 months after the Listing Date	1/4 of the remaining Escrow Shares
24 months after the Listing Date	1/3 of the remaining Escrow Shares
30 months after the Listing Date	1/2 of the remaining Escrow Shares
36 months after the Listing Date	the remaining Escrow Shares

On December 31, 2017, 3.4 million common shares were held in escrow.

(ii) On September 30, 2016, the Company issued 200,000 common shares to Kootenay at a fair value of \$0.02495 per share pursuant to the Option Assignment Agreement for the Cervantes Property. Note 6(a) provides further details.

On September 30, 2016, the Company entered into the Transfer Agreement with AzMet whereby the Company issued 11,016,941 common shares at a fair value of \$0.02495 per share to AzMet to acquire AzMet’s property option interest in the Cervantes Property. Note 6(a) provides further details.

On October 21, 2016, the Company closed a private placement for 5,150,000 units at \$0.20 per unit for total proceeds of \$1.03 million. Each unit was comprised of one common share and one-half of a whole common share purchase warrant. Each whole warrant is exercisable to acquire one common share at an exercise price of \$0.25 and has an expiry date of October 21, 2018. Finders fee of \$42,700 were paid in cash.

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## 8. Share Capital (continued)

### (c) Stock option plan:

In January 20, 2017, the Company adopted a stock option plan that allows it to grant stock options to its directors, officers, employees and consultants, provided that the aggregate number of stock options granted shall not at any time exceed 10% of the total number of issued and outstanding common shares of the Company. The exercise price of each stock option shall be based on the market price of the Company's shares as traded on the TSX-V at the time of grant. Stock options have a maximum term of ten years and terminate 30 days following the termination of the optionee's employment, except in the case of death, in which case they terminate one year after the event. Vesting of stock options is made at the discretion of the Board at the time the stock options are granted.

The continuity of stock options for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

	2017		2016	
	Number of Shares	Weighted average exercise price	Number of Shares	Weighted average exercise price
Outstanding balance, beginning of year	-	n/a	n/a	n/a
Granted	2,600,000	\$0.35	n/a	n/a
Outstanding balance, end of year	2,600,000	\$0.35	n/a	n/a

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2017:

Exercise Prices	Options Outstanding			Options Exercisable		
	Number Outstanding at Dec 31, 2017	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Number of Years)	Weighted Average Exercise Prices	Number Exercisable at Dec 31, 2017	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Number of Years)	Weighted Average Exercise Prices
\$0.35	2,000,000	4.34	\$0.35	800,000	4.34	\$0.35
\$0.35	600,000	4.70	\$0.35	120,000	4.70	\$0.35
	2,600,000	4.42	\$0.35	920,000	4.39	\$0.35

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## 8. Share Capital (continued)

### (c) Stock option plan: (continued)

On January 20, 2017, the Company granted stock options for 2,000,000 common shares with an exercise price of \$0.35 and expiry date of May 4, 2022. The stock options are subject to vesting provisions in which 20% vested on the date of the Company's listing of its common shares on the TSX- V on May 4, 2017 and 20% vest every 6 months thereafter.

On September 11, 2017, the Company granted stock options for 600,000 common shares with an exercise price of \$0.35 and expiry date of September 11, 2022. The stock options are subject to vesting provisions in which 20% vested on grant date and 20% vest every 6 months thereafter.

During the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company recognized share-based payments of \$522,481 (2016 - \$Nil), net of forfeitures, based on the fair value of options that were earned by the provision of services during the period. Share-based payments are segregated between directors and officers, employees and consultants, as applicable, as follows:

	December 31,	
	2017	2016
Directors and officers	\$ 485,379	\$ -
Consultants	25,831	-
Employees	11,271	-
	<u>\$ 522,481</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The weighted average fair value of stock options granted and the weighted average assumptions used to calculate share-based payments for stock option grants are estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model as follows:

	December 31,	
	2017	2016
Number of stock options granted	2,600,000	Nil
Fair value of stock options granted	\$0.33	n/a
Market price of shares on grant date	\$0.33	n/a
Pre-vest forfeiture rate	0.00%	n/a
Risk-free interest rate	1.27%	n/a
Expected dividend yield	0%	n/a
Expected stock price volatility	169.52%	n/a
Expected option life in years	5.00	n/a

Expected stock price volatility is based on the historical price volatility of companies which are comparable to the profile of the Company.

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### (d) Warrants:

At December 31, 2017, the Company had outstanding warrants as follows:

Exercise Prices	Expiry Dates	Outstanding at December 31, 2016	Issued	Exercised	Expired	Outstanding at December 31, 2017
\$0.25	October 21, 2018	2,575,000	-	(23,750)	-	2,551,250
\$0.50	May 2, 2019	-	5,750,000	-	-	5,750,000
\$0.50	May 2, 2019 <sup>(1)</sup>	-	555,000	(225)	-	554,775
		2,575,000	6,305,000	(23,975)	-	8,856,025

<sup>(1)</sup> As these warrants are compensation options, a fair value of \$146,455 was originally recorded as share issuance expense as applied to share capital with a corresponding credit to reserve for share-based payments calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: volatility 178%, risk-free rate 0.67%, expected life 2 years, and expected dividend yield 0%.

Warrants for 6.3 million common shares were issued upon the closing of the Company's IPO on May 2, 2017. Note 8(b)(ii) provides further details.

At December 31, 2016, the Company had outstanding warrants as follows:

Exercise Prices	Expiry Dates	Outstanding at December 31, 2015	Issued	Exercised	Expired	Outstanding at December 31, 2016
\$0.25	October 21, 2018	-	2,575,000	-	-	2,575,000
		-	2,575,000	-	-	2,575,000



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## 9. Office and Sundry and Property Investigation

	Years ended December 31,	
	2017	2016
Office and Sundry:		
Insurance	\$ 12,913	\$ -
Office and sundry	10,412	4,020
Rent	9,904	1,949
Software and systems	12,010	9,634
Telecommunications	21,114	555
	<u>\$ 66,353</u>	<u>\$ 16,158</u>
Property Investigation:		
Assays and sampling	\$ 2,122	\$ 661
Camp and field supplies	130	90
Legal	49,790	-
Local labour	519	372
Sundry	726	138
Salaries	64,961	38,069
Transportation and travel	14,900	11,026
	<u>\$ 133,148</u>	<u>\$ 50,356</u>

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## 10. Related Party Transactions

Key management includes directors (executive and non-executive) and senior management. The compensation paid or payable to key management for employee services is disclosed in the table below.

Except as disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements, the Company had the following transactions with related parties:

	Years ended December 31,		Net balance receivable (payable) as at December 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Key management compensation:				
Executive salaries and remuneration <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 421,151	\$ 119,411	\$ -	\$ -
Directors fees	6,125	-	-	-
Share-based payments	485,379	-	-	-
Executive salaries and remuneration <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ 912,655</u>	<u>\$ 119,411</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Net office, sundry, rent and salary allocations recovered from (incurred to) company(ies) sharing certain common director(s) <sup>(2)</sup>	<u>\$ (19,068)</u>	<u>\$ (2,220)</u>	<u>\$ (2,154)</u>	<u>\$ (941)</u>
Write-off of investment in former parent <sup>(3)</sup>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes key management compensation which is included in mineral property interests, employee remuneration and property investigation.

<sup>(2)</sup> The companies are Canarc Resource Corp. and Endeavour Silver Corp. which shares one common director with the Company.

<sup>(3)</sup> The company is AzMet and was formerly the parent of the Company. In 2016, the Company advanced \$100,000 to AzMet for the subscription in shares of AzMet at a value of \$0.15 per share for 666,667 AzMet shares. On December 31, 2016, the Company wrote off its investment in AzMet due to uncertainty related to its net recoverable value.

Notes (1), 6(a) and 8(b)(ii) provide further details of the acquisition of the Cervantes property from AzMet.

The above related party transactions are incurred in the normal course of business.

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## 11. Segment Disclosures

The Company has one operating segment, being mineral exploration, with assets located in Canada, Mexico and U.S.A, as follows:

	December 31, 2017				December 31, 2016		
	Canada	Mexico	USA	Total	Canada	Mexico	Total
Mineral property interests	\$ -	\$ 1,097,379	\$ 10,773	\$ 1,108,152	\$ -	\$ 452,915	\$ 452,915
Equipment	8,803	-	-	8,803	-	-	-

## 12. Deferred Income Taxes

(a) A reconciliation of income tax provision computed at Canadian statutory rates to the reported income tax provision is provided as follows:

	2017	2016
Loss for the year	\$ (1,467,940)	\$ (317,139)
Canadian statutory tax rate	26.0%	26.0%
Income tax benefit computed at statutory rates	(381,664)	(82,456)
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	-	13,000
Share issuance costs	(128,826)	(2,472)
Unused tax losses and tax offsets not recognized in tax asset	510,490	71,928
	\$ -	\$ -

Effective January 1, 2013, the Canadian federal corporate tax rate is 15% and the British Columbia provincial tax rate is 11% for a total Canadian statutory tax rate of 26%.

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- (b) The tax effected items that give rise to significant portions of the deferred income tax assets and deferred income liabilities at December 31, 2017 and 2016 are presented below:

	December 31,	
	2017	2016
Deferred tax assets		
Non-capital losses carried forward	\$ -	\$ -
Deferred tax liabilities		
Book value over tax value of equipment	-	-
Book value over tax value of mineral property interests	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	-	-
Net deferred tax assets	\$ -	\$ -

- (c) The Company recognizes tax benefits on losses or other deductible amounts generated in countries where it is probable the Company will generate taxable income for the recognition of deferred tax assets. The Company's unrecognized deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses for which no deferred tax asset is recognized consist of the following amounts:

	December 31,	
	2017	2016
Non-capital losses	\$ 1,266,738	\$ 219,040
Equipment	1,035	-
Share issue costs	321,415	7,604
Available for sale financial assets	50,000	50,000
Unrecognized deferred tax assets	\$ 1,639,188	\$ 276,644

The Company's unrecognized unused non-capital losses have the following expiry dates:

Year	Canada	Mexico	USA	Total
2036	\$ 219,040	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 219,040
2037	1,031,591	15,334	773	1,047,698
	\$ 1,250,631	\$ 15,334	\$ 773	\$ 1,266,738

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**CAUTION – FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Certain statements contained herein regarding the Company and its operations constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements that are not historical facts, including without limitation statements regarding future estimates, plans, objectives, assumptions or expectations of future performance, are “forward-looking statements”. We caution you that such “forward looking statements” involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and future events to differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Such risks and uncertainties include fluctuations in precious metal prices, unpredictable results of exploration activities, uncertainties inherent in the estimation of mineral reserves and resources, if any, fluctuations in the costs of goods and services, problems associated with exploration and mining operations, changes in legal, social or political conditions in the jurisdictions where the Company operates, lack of appropriate funding and other risk factors, as discussed in the Company’s filings with Canadian and American Securities regulatory agencies. The Company expressly disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, other than as may be specifically required by applicable securities laws and regulations.

**1.0 Preliminary Information**

The following Management’s Discussion and Analysis (“MD&A”) of Aztec Minerals Corp. (the “Company”) should be read in conjunction with the accompanying audited consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2017 and 2016 and the consolidated statements of comprehensive loss, changes in shareholders’ equity and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, all of which are available at the SEDAR website at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

Financial information in this MD&A is prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”), and all dollar amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated.

All information contained in the MD&A is as of April 27, 2018 unless otherwise indicated.

Joseph Wilkins, BSc (Geology), PG, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, is the Qualified Person who reviewed and approved any technical information in this MD&A.

**1.1 Background**

The Company was incorporated on July 6, 2007 under the laws of British Columbia, Canada, pursuant to the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) and has been dormant until 2016. The Company is engaged primarily in the business of evaluating, acquiring and exploring natural resource properties.

Distribution by Aztec Metals Corp.:

The Company was previously a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aztec Metals Corp. which share common directors and officers, (“AzMet”). On October 13, 2016, AzMet issued all its 11,017,041 shares in the Company to AzMet shareholders on a pro rata basis by way of a reduction of AzMet’s paid up share capital on the basis of one (1) share of the Company for every two (2) shares held of AzMet, pursuant to Section 74 of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), after which the Company was no longer a subsidiary of AzMet.

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### Prospectus for Listing on the TSX Venture Exchange:

In February 2017, the Company had filed a preliminary prospectus with the securities commissions in British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario (the "Securities Commissions") to qualify the sale to the public of up to 11.5 million units of the Company at \$0.35 per unit (the "Offering") for gross proceeds of up to \$4.03 million. The Company had also applied for a listing (the "Listing") on the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSXV") of its common shares. The Offering and the Listing were subject to final receipt and acceptance of the prospectus by the Securities Commissions, and were subject to the completion of the Offering and satisfying the initial listing requirements of the TSXV. The Offering closed on May 2, 2017 for the 11.5 million units for gross proceeds of \$4.03 million, and the Company's common shares in the Offering were listed for trading on the TSXV on May 4, 2017 (the "Listing Date").

The Company had engaged Haywood Securities Inc. as the Agent for the Offering. Each unit was comprised of one common share and one-half of a whole share purchase warrant. Each whole warrant is exercisable to purchase one common share at an exercise price of \$0.50 per share and with an expiry date of May 2, 2019.

The Company paid to the Agent a cash commission of \$194,250, corporate finance fee of \$75,000, and expenses of \$47,500 for legal and out-of-pocket expenses related to the IPO. The Company also issued 555,000 compensation warrants related to the IPO of which 549,360 compensation warrants were issued to the Agent; each compensation warrant is exercisable to acquire one common share at an exercise of \$0.50 and has an expiry date of May 2, 2019.

Pursuant to the escrow agreement dated April 19, 2017, 4,571,123 shares of the Company were held in escrow (the "Escrowed Shares"). The Escrowed Shares will be released under the following schedule:

On the Listing Date	1/10 of the Escrow Shares
6 months after the Listing Date	1/6 of the remaining Escrow Shares
12 months after the Listing Date	1/5 of the remaining Escrow Shares
18 months after the Listing Date	1/4 of the remaining Escrow Shares
24 months after the Listing Date	1/3 of the remaining Escrow Shares
30 months after the Listing Date	1/2 of the remaining Escrow Shares
36 months after the Listing Date	the remaining Escrow Shares

### Other:

The Company acquires properties by staking initial claims, negotiating for permits from government authorities, negotiating with holders of claims or permits, entering into property option agreements to acquire interests in claims, or purchasing companies with claims or permits. On these properties, the Company explores for minerals on its own or in joint ventures with others. Exploration for metals usually includes surface sampling, airborne and/or ground geophysical surveys and drilling. The Company is not limited to any particular metal or region, but the corporate focus is on precious and base metals in North America.

As the Company is focused on its mineral exploration activities, there is no mineral production, sales or inventory in the conventional sense. The recoverability of amounts capitalized for mineral property interests is dependent upon the existence of reserves in its mineral property interests; the ability of the Company to arrange appropriate financing and receive necessary permitting for the exploration and development of its property interests; confirmation of the Company's interest in certain properties; and upon future profitable production or proceeds from the disposition thereof. Such exploration and development activities normally take years to complete and the amount of resulting income, if any, is difficult to determine with any certainty at this time. Many of the key factors are outside of the Company's control. As the carrying value and



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amortization of mineral property interests and capital assets are, in part, related to the Company's mineral reserves and resources, if any, the estimation of such reserves and resources is significant to the Company's financial position and results of operations.

### **1.2 Overall Performance**

The Company had no active business from the time of its incorporation in July 2007 until it acquired a property option to earn up to a 100% interest in the Cervantes property (Sonora, Mexico) in September 2016.

#### ***Option Amendment and Assignment Agreement with Aztec Metals Corp.***

On September 30, 2016, the Company entered into the Option Amendment and Assignment Agreement for the Cervantes Property ("Option Assignment Agreement") for the Cervantes property with AzMet and Kootenay Silver Inc. ("Kootenay"), whereby AzMet assigned to the Company all of its rights and interests in the Property Option Agreement dated July 25, 2015 between AzMet and Kootenay (the "Cervantes Option Agreement"). All obligations of AzMet under the Cervantes Option Agreement were transferred to the Company. Pursuant to the Option Assignment Agreement, the Company issued 200,000 of its common shares to Kootenay at a value of \$0.02495 per share. The Company can earn up to a 100% interest in two stages.

The Company can earn a 65% interest in the Cervantes Property by:

- the issuance of 800,000 common shares,
- cash payments totalling US\$120,000, and
- exploration expenditures of US\$1.2 million over the next 3 years.

Upon earning a 65% interest, the Company can earn an additional 35% interest for a total of 100% interest in the Cervantes Property by:

- completing a preliminary economic assessment by July 25, 2020,
- paying an amount equal to the estimated recoverable equivalent gold ounces of contained metal in resources multiplied by US\$5 per equivalent gold ounce which amount shall be payable in combination of cash and/or shares, and
- granting a 2.5% net smelter return ("NSR") to Kootenay which can be reduced to 2% NSR for a cash payment of US\$500,000.

If the Company elects not to earn the additional 35% interest in the Cervantes Property, or fails to fulfill the requirements to earn such 35% interest, then a joint venture will be formed between the Company and Kootenay with the Company acting as the operator.

On September 30, 2016, the Company entered into the Transfer Agreement with AzMet whereby the Company issued 11,016,941 of its common shares to AzMet to acquire AzMet's interest in the Cervantes Property which shares were then distributed to AzMet's shareholders in October 2016.

The exploration carried out by the Company and AzMet consisted mainly of rock sampling and geologic mapping as well as a large soil sample program that covered much of the Cervantes property. This work has led to the identification of three areas of interest for gold, copper, and molybdenum, and to a lesser degree, silver and lead mineralization. These areas have been termed the California, Jasper and Brasil zones. California is a porphyry gold-copper target with near surface oxide gold potential and deeper gold-copper+/-molybdenite sulphide potential. The Jasper target contains oxide copper potential with deeper copper-gold-molybdenite sulphide potential in a sheared intrusive and skarn to jasperoid host. Brasil is located 1.0 km south of California and is a peripheral style gold-silver structural target hosted within argillite and siltstone sedimentary rocks. A pole-dipole complex resistivity and induced polarization (PD-CRIP) survey at the Cervantes property was

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completed in September 2016. A total of 91 receiver stations were collected for seven lines over 12.8 line kilometers with an A-spacing of 100 meters for 5 lines and 150 meters for 2 lines.

Rock chip sampling at the California Zone ranges as high as 19.0 gr/t Au for a grab sample taken by Kootenay, and numerous samples yielded more than 1.0 gr/t gold, with 118 samples taken by Kootenay from the California Zone averaging 0.9 gr/t gold. High gold values are strongly associated with quartz feldspar porphyry (QFP) intrusive and widespread breccias characterized as phyllic to peripherally argillic with quartz manifesting as stockworks, veins/veinlets, and breccia fillings. Identification of advanced argillic alteration mineralogy such as dickite and alunite possibly suggests the high level position of a porphyry system over the California target. Oxidation is moderate to strong over California with the presence of localized leached capping, goethite, hematite, and jarosite after sulphides. Small amounts of chalcocite have been found with minor residual pyrite in highly silicified rocks. The copper and molybdenum geochemical anomalies occur on the flanks of the intrusions reaching well into the surrounding sedimentary rocks. The QFP intrudes a thick sequence of Ordovician quartzite with lesser siltstone and limestone. The quartzites are highly brecciated along the margins of the intrusion and strongly argillic to phyllically altered. Peripheral feldspar porphyry dykes and stocks are also present within the Ordovician sediments.

The IP geophysical survey detected anomalies highlighting exploration targets at the California Zone. IP pseudo-sections derived from the northwest and northeast trending lines as well as 3D fence diagrams show the presence of a strong IP anomaly underlying the main geochemically anomaly and intrusive at the California Zone. Depth slices from a pseudo-3D inversion reveal increasing chargeability values, particularly large and towards the southeast.

The Jasper Zone is located to the west of the California Zone. Mapping and sampling in the Jasper Zone has defined a 200 meter to 300 meter long structural zone with a general north-south trend with strong copper mineralization along with strong molybdenum and locally high gold values in rock samples. The structural zone is exposed in a gully and more detailed work is needed to define its width. A number of rock samples from the Jasper Zone have more than 0.5 % copper, with as much as 2.5% copper, and 24 samples averaged 0.47% copper. The rock samples from the Jasper Zone are also anomalous in gold and molybdenum but are low in arsenic and bismuth. The geophysical survey shows a chargeability anomaly under the Jasper zone which appears to be separated from the California Zone anomaly by a low chargeability and resistive zone.

Mineralization at the Brasil zone is hosted by sedimentary rocks and consists of auriferous veins. The veins appear to form an approximate dip slope that projects towards the Brasil mine, a shallow working developed for about 5-10 meters along a 0.5-1.0m wide shear zone with quartz veining. Sampling has defined a 200 meter by 500 meter area with anomalous gold and silver values in quartz veins. Gold values are relatively high with 37 samples averaging 1.5 gr/t and ranging up to 11.5 gr/t gold. Lead and zinc values are anomalous to high, with minor lead sulphides found within the low angle quartz veins. Additional mapping and sampling is required to define the extent of the potential drill target.

P. Craig Gibson, PhD, CPG, prepared and authored the technical report titled "Geology and Exploration of the Cervantes Project" with an effective date of January 11, 2017 (the "Technical Report"). The purpose of the Technical Report was to summarize previous work, appraise the exploration potential of the Cervantes property, and to make appropriate recommendations for future work. The Technical Report was also intended to be used in a prospectus for an initial public offering of the Company on the TSXV. The Technical Report recommended a Phase 1 exploration budget of \$540,000 and a Phase 2 budget of approximately \$1.3 million, totalling \$1.8 million.

Cervantes exploration ramped up in the third quarter of 2017 commencing with hand trenching, detailed soil sampling, and detailed geologic mapping over the Jasper target. The Jasper target is directly west of the California target and presents a copper oxide and associated gold target. Trench results identified a 92.4 meter long (71.0 m linear) copper-gold anomaly highlighted by a weighted average of 0.52% copper and 0.62 gpt gold over the 92.4 m continuous trenching within a mixture of strongly fractured quartz feldspar porphyry (QFP), silicified sediments, and hornfels. Included in the new trenching is a 6.0 m interval grading 4.78 gpt gold and 0.44% copper, in which several specks of visible gold were identified. The copper values in the trenches range from 0.0295% Cu in highly leached quartz feldspar porphyry to 1.39% Cu in mineralized quartz

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feldspar porphyry, hornfels and quartzite-argillite meta-sediments, gold values range from <0.005 gpt to 7.15 gpt and molybdenum values range from 5.2 to 249 ppm. Further information regarding the Company's exploration of the Jasper target can be found in the Company's news release of October 3, 2017.

Access agreements were obtained from additional land owners. These agreements opened access to the heart of the California target for road rehabilitation and exploration drilling. An Informe Preventivo (IP) drill permit was applied for and granted by SEMARNAT without any special requests by the government. The permit allows the Company to drill 25 holes, build a temporary camp, rehabilitate existing roads, and construct roads to drill sites. The Phase 1 exploration program at Cervantes will consist of 3,000 m of core drilling designed to principally test the California target with shallow holes to 150 m roughly spaced at 100 m apart. The targets are supported by enhanced geology, geochemistry, structure, and geophysics data. The California target is a gold bearing oxide cap defined by 50x50m spaced soil samples and rock chip samples, thereon supported by geologic mapping consisting of structure and alteration analysis to define drill targets. Additional testing on the Jasper zone will be targeting the copper-gold anomalous trenching with hopes of encountering oxide copper-gold mineralization.

A synopsis of the planned Phase 1 drill program diamond core drilling is:

- 14 to 17 holes totalling approximately 3,000 metres;
- Drill-test the gold oxide cap on the California zone where 50m x 50m spaced soil sampling identified a 600m wide by 900m long gold anomaly, over which prior soil samples averaged 0.44 gpt. Gold-copper mineralization in the California zone is hosted primarily within quartz-feldspar porphyry intrusive and intrusive breccias. Core test holes will be drilled to approximately 150 m based on new and enhanced geological, geochemical, structural, and geophysical data;
- Drill-test the gold-copper oxide mineralization on the Jasper target, where the Company recently identified 92.4m of 0.62 gpt gold and 0.52% copper in trenching, as more fully described in the Company's news release dated October 3, 2017; and
- Drill one hole to approximately 500 m depth to test one of the geophysical chargeability/resistivity anomalies identified by the induced polarization survey conducted in 2016 for gold-copper sulfide mineralization.

By mid April 2018, eleven drill holes have been completed for a total of 1,769 m. Drill results intersected long intervals of porphyry gold (copper, silver) mineralization including shorter intervals of higher grade gold mineralization in the initial results of its Phase 1. Highlights for the initial drilling results include:

- 139.0 m from surface grading 0.71 grams per tonne (gpt) Au, including 2.10 gpt Au over 20.0 m and 2.0m of 5.52 gpt Au in hole 17CER005 at the California zone;
- 117.0 m from near surface grading 0.63 gpt Au, including 1.18 gpt Au over 43.0 m and 2.0m of 4.05 gpt Au, in hole 17CER003 at the California zone;
- 122.0 m from surface grading 0.60 grams per tonne (gpt) Au, including 0.88 gpt Au over 62.0 m in hole 18CER007 at the California zone, sample range 0.09 to 2.80 gpt Au, all 2.0 m samples;
- 170.0 m from surface grading 0.42 gpt Au, including 0.87 gpt Au over 32.0 m in hole 18CER006 at the California zone, sample range of <0.005 to 2.81 gpt Au, all 2.0 m samples;
- 160.0m of 0.77 gpt Au, 0.125% Cu, and 3.78 gpt Ag from surface in hole 18CER010 including 80.0m of 1.04 gpt Au, 0.113% Cu, and 4.0 gpt Au starting at 4.0m in addition to 78.0m (42.0-118.0m) with 0.78 gpt Au, 0.20% Cu, and 3.8 gpt Ag; and
- 63.5.0m of 0.36 gpt Au, 0.09% Cu, and 2.1 gpt Ag in drill hole 18CER011 including 19.0m of 0.47 gpt Au and 3.7 gpt Ag.

Further details of the drilling program for the Cervantes project are provided in the Company's news releases:

- News Release dated February 1, 2018 and titled, "*Aztec Minerals Intersects 0.71 gpt Gold over 139 m including 2.1 gpt over 20 m in Initial Drill Results from Cervantes Porphyry Gold Property, Sonora, Mexico*";

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- News Release dated February 27, 2018 and titled, "Aztec Minerals Intersects 0.60 gpt Gold over 122m including 0.88 gpt over 62m in Second Set of Drill Results from Cervantes Property, Sonora, Mexico"; and
- News Release dated April 24, 2018 and titled, "Aztec Minerals Intersects 0.77 grams per tonne Gold over 160.0 meters including 1.04 gpt Gold over 80.0 m at Cervantes Property, Sonora, Mexico".

In March 2018, the Company participated in a Mexican government land lottery and was awarded two new mineral concessions covering approximately 3,149 hectares adjacent to the Cervantes property which would expand the Cervantes' land position to 3,649 hectares. The new mineral concessions cover six historic mineral prospects and/or gossan zones that represent high priority porphyry-type targets elsewhere in the Cervantes district. The Jacobo and Purisima prospects are situated southwest of the California zone at Cervantes along part of a 7.5 kilometer (km) long, northeast-trending structural corridor; the El Tigre gossan zone lies south of California and Brasil zones along a north-south trending lineament; and the PS, RA and La Verde prospects straddle the California prospect along a northwest trending linear.

Joey Wilkins, B.Sc., P.Geo., the CEO of the Company, is the Qualified Person who supervised the field work and the drilling program.

### ***Purchase Option Agreement with Baroyeca Gold & Silver Inc.***

On November 30, 2017, as amended on February 28, 2018, the Company entered into a Purchase Option Agreement for the Tombstone property (the "Tombstone Option Agreement") with Baroyeca Gold & Silver Inc. and its two wholly owned U.S. subsidiaries (collectively, "Baroyeca"). The Company can earn a 75% interest by making cash payments of \$100,000, incurring exploration expenditures of \$1 million and issuing 1 million common shares over a three year period starting from March 2018. The Tombstone Option Agreement was subject to certain conditions precedent including the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange which approval was received on March 23, 2018. The Company made the initial cash payment of \$10,000 in December 2017.

The Tombstone property includes the historic Contention Mine and surrounding patented claims totalling 404 acres (163.5 hectares) with an additional 24 acres (9.7 hectares) of unpatented claims. The Tombstone Mining District, located 65 miles southeast of Tucson, Arizona, and accessed by State Highway 80, is well known for its high grade, oxidized, carbonate replacement deposits of silver-gold-lead mineralization hosted in veins, mantos, pipes and disseminated orebodies.

The Company is currently developing exploration plans for the Tombstone property for 2018, which will include geological mapping, geochemical sampling and geophysical surveys to prioritize targets for drilling.

### ***Other Matters***

In January 20, 2017, the Company adopted a stock option plan that allows it to grant stock options to its directors, officers, employees and consultants, provided that the aggregate number of stock options granted shall not at any time exceed 10% of the total number of issued and outstanding common shares of the Company. The exercise price of each stock option shall be based on the market price of the Company's shares as traded on the TSX Venture Exchange at the time of grant. Stock options have a maximum term of ten years and terminate 30 days following the termination of the optionee's employment, except in the case of death, in which case they terminate one year after the event. Vesting of stock options is made at the discretion of the Board at the time the stock options are granted.

On January 20, 2017, the Company granted stock options for 2,000,000 common shares with an exercise price of \$0.35 and expiry date of May 4, 2022. The stock options are subject to vesting provisions in which 20% vested on May 4, 2017 and 20% vest every 6 months thereafter. On September 11, 2017, the Company granted stock options for 600,000 common shares with an exercise price of \$0.35 and expiry date of September 11, 2022. The stock options are subject to vesting provisions in which 20% vested on grant date and 20% vest every 6 months thereafter.

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At the Company's annual and special general meeting in July 24, 2017, Messrs. Bradford Cooke, Patricio Varas, Mark Rebagliati, Stewart Lockwood and James Schilling were re-elected to the Board of Directors for the ensuing year. At the meeting, resolutions were passed for the ratification of its stock option plan.

In September 2017, Mr. Neil MacRae was appointed Vice-President of Investor Relations.

On November 20, 2017, the shares of the Company were listed for trading on the OTC QB under the symbol AZZTF to allow for greater liquidity in the US market.

### 1.3 Selected Annual Information

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB.

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	Years Ended December 31,		
	2017	2016	2015
Total revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Loss before discontinued operations and extraordinary items:			
(i) Total	\$ (1,467,940)	\$ (317,139)	\$ -
(ii) Basic per share	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.08)	\$ -
(iii) Diluted per share	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.08)	\$ -
Net loss:			
(i) Total	\$ (1,467,940)	\$ (317,139)	\$ -
(ii) Basic per share	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.08)	\$ -
(iii) Diluted per share	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.08)	\$ -
Total assets	\$ 3,765,798	\$ 1,037,507	\$ 1
Total long-term liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Dividends per share	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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### 1.4 Results of Operations

#### *Fourth Quarter of Fiscal 2017 – Year ended December 31, 2017 compared with December 31, 2016*

The Company had been dormant from its incorporation in 2007 until it acquired an option to earn up to a 100% interest in the Cervantes Property in September 2016, with 2017 being the Company's first full fiscal year of mineral exploration activities.

The Company incurred a net loss of \$1.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2017, which is higher than the net loss of \$317,000 for fiscal 2016 when it was relatively inactive for the first half of that year.

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The Company has no sources of operating revenues. Operating losses were incurred for activities of the Company to acquire, explore or maintain its mineral property interest in the Cervantes property and pursuing mineral projects of merit which efforts culminated in the purchase option agreement for the Tombstone property in late 2017.

In the fourth quarter of 2016, the Company incorporated a Mexican subsidiary in connection with its interest in the Cervantes Property, and engaged an external Mexican accounting firm to assist in financial reporting and tax compliance and representation in that jurisdiction and to provide accounting support in which such fees continue to be incurred in 2017. Audit fees for 2017 slightly increased given the mobilization of its mineral exploration program for Cervantes, regulatory compliance as a reporting issuer, and corporate activities including property investigation, vesting of stock options, and foreign jurisdictional issues for Mexican and US subsidiaries. Additional tax compliance fees were accrued for 2017 for the Company's US subsidiary which holds the option rights to the Tombstone project in Arizona.

Amortization is attributable to the purchase of office furniture and equipment as the Company moved to new shared office facilities in July 2017.

Employee remuneration was incurred to provide corporate finance, technical and administrative support activities to assist with the audit and initial public offering including various due diligence efforts by the Agent and regulatory and administrative support and ancillary activities as the Company advanced in its IPO which closed on May 2, 2017, and listing of its common shares on the TSXV on May 4, 2017 and then on the OTCQB on November 20, 2017. Being a publicly-listed reporting issuer, the Company would continue to incur such costs to satisfy its ongoing reporting and regulatory compliance obligations and to maintain its operating activities to support its exploration and project generative efforts and its shareholder relations activities. Employee remuneration was comparable for the first three quarters of 2017 but increased in the fourth quarter due to year end settlement for banked time and unused vacation time due to the added responsibilities by personnel in advancing the Company's projects.

Legal fees were incurred in relation to the initial public offering process which were not related to the share issuance portion and were thus segregated to expenses for the period. Legal services directly related to the share issuance of the Offering were deferred as finance charges in the first quarter of 2017 which would then be applied against share capital upon the closing of the IPO in the second quarter. Legal services for project generative would be included in that functional expense as well as those related to its mineral property interests. Legal fees were also incurred during the second quarter in 2017 for regulatory compliance obligations related to stock option plan, clarification of various continuous disclosure obligations as a reporting issuer, and ongoing resolution to shareholder issues. Negligible legal services for corporate issues were rendered in the third quarter of 2017. US counsel was engaged to assist with the listing of the Company's shares on the OTCQB in November 2017. In the third quarter of 2016, legal services were provided to assist with the spinout of the Company from its previous parent, AzMet, as a distribution of AzMet's paid up capital.

Office and sundry include ancillary office support facilities for the Company's activities in the fourth quarter of 2016 and continued into 2017, and include office rent, telecommunications and software and systems training, as the Company accomplished several milestones in those quarters. Directors and officers insurance was also implemented and effective upon the filing of its preliminary prospectus in February 2017. These expenses increased slightly from the first to the second quarter of 2017 partially due to the office move in July 2017. The use of shared office facilities has allowed rent and commitments to be nominal. Expenses increased in the fourth quarter of 2017 as the Company proceeded to upgrade and refine its accounting ERP systems in Canada and Mexico and implementation for its US subsidiary which continued into the first quarter of 2018.

Project evaluation efforts involve due diligence on identifying mineral properties of merit for acquisition purposes. The Company did acquire an interest in the Cervantes Property in 2016 which was the property used to close the IPO, and would acquire additional mineral exploration projects of merit in the future. Most of these costs are attributable to geological management, site visits to mineral properties in North America, reviewing technical information, and addressing legal issues associated with due diligence. These costs increased in the second quarter of 2017 as the Company had more cash resources to pursue projects of merit and as technical management sought to advance due diligence on these projects. These efforts

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continued in the third quarter of 2017 with legal costs being significantly higher than prior quarters in 2017 and are for addressing more complex legal, environmental, regulatory and lien issues for a possible project of merit which had advanced in negotiations with the counter party. The costs subsided in the fourth quarter as the Company was able to execute the property option agreement for the Tombstone project which was still subject to a condition precedent and regulatory approvals which was subsequently accepted in February 2018. Technical management was significantly lower for project evaluation in the latter quarters of 2017 as the Company mobilized its Phase 1 exploration program for the Cervantes property.

Regulatory expenses were incurred for filing fees for its preliminary prospectus and other fees related to the IPO process. These costs were higher in the second quarter given the Company closed its IPO and its shares were listed on the TSX Venture Exchange in early May 2017. These fees include filing, listing and transfer agent fees. The Company also proceeded with its annual and special general meeting which was held in July 2017 which contributed to the increase in regulatory expenses in the second quarter of 2017. The listing on the OTC QB and incidental fees related to such listing contributed to regulatory expenses in the latter quarters but remain lower than the prior quarters.

Shareholder relations were related to attendance at conferences to create awareness of the Company and its Cervantes project. These activities heightened in the second quarter once its shares were listed to provide greater breadth of market exposure and corporate updates. In September 2017, the Company employed a Vice President (Investor Relations) to assist with providing heightened market awareness of the Company and its project and to provide dedicated shareholder support and market breadth of coverage, given that the Company was just listed in May 2017 on the TSX Venture Exchange and then on the OTCQB in November 2017. These activities included the participation in various conferences and shareholder events in North America and Europe related to mineral exploration and mining as well as capital markets, as well as market participants to assist with expanding the public profile of the Company and its projects.

Share-based payments were recognized starting in the second quarter of 2017. The measurement date for the stock options granted in January 2017 was on the listing date of May 4, 2017 on which date the Company's shares were listed on the TSX Venture Exchange. The Company had granted 2 million stock options in January 2017 which were subject to vesting provisions whereby 20% vest on the listing date of May 4, 2017 and 20% vest every six months thereafter. In September 2017, the Company granted 600,000 stock options which were subject to vesting provisions with 20% vested on grant date and 20% vest every six months thereafter. There were no stock options granted or vested in 2016.

Interest income is realized from the Company's excess cash which is held in interest bearing investment savings account. Excess cash was yielded from its IPO for gross proceeds of \$4.03 million which closed in May 2017.

The foreign exchange gain (loss) was from the net effects of transactional foreign currency and jurisdictional translation and revaluation effects from its Mexican and US subsidiaries which operate in Mexican pesos and US dollars, respectively, and from certain U.S. dollar stated accounts during the period.

The Company wrote down a portion of its value added tax receivable in Mexico as there are uncertainties related to its collectability and / or refundability. Also such write-downs are indicative of the added costs of engaging dedicated Mexican tax specialists to assist with their collectability.

In 2016, the Company invested \$100,000 in shares of AzMet at a price of \$0.15 per share. At the end of fiscal 2016, the Company wrote off the investment in AzMet shares due to uncertainty related to its net recoverable value.

As at December 31, 2017, the Company's mineral property interests in the Cervantes Property are comprised of the following:

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	Year ended December 31, 2017		
	Mexico	USA	Total
	Cervantes	Tombstone	
<b>Acquisition Costs:</b>			
Balance, December 31, 2016	\$ 282,994	\$ -	\$ 282,994
Acquisition	72,772	10,000	82,772
Balance, December 31, 2017	355,766	10,000	365,766
<b>Deferred Exploration Expenditures:</b>			
Balance, December 31, 2016	169,921	-	169,921
Aerial and mapping	137	-	137
Assays	20,538	-	20,538
Equipment and systems	25,578	-	25,578
Drilling	123,156	-	123,156
Environmental	793	-	793
Field, camp, supplies	30,528	-	30,528
General, administrative, legal, sundry	95,614	773	96,387
Geology	54,583	-	54,583
Geophysics	6,785	-	6,785
Salaries and local labour	129,533	-	129,533
Surface taxes	42,405	-	42,405
Surveying	16,108	-	16,108
Transportation and travel	25,934	-	25,934
Balance, December 31, 2017	741,613	773	742,386
<b>Mineral Property Interests:</b>			
December 31, 2016	\$ 452,915	\$ -	\$ 452,915
December 31, 2017	\$ 1,097,379	\$ 10,773	\$ 1,108,152

**1.5 Summary of Quarterly Results (Unaudited)**

The following table provides selected financial information of the Company for each of the last eight quarters ended at the most recently completed quarter, December 31, 2017. All dollar amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated.



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	2017				2016			
	Dec 31	Sept 30	June 30	Mar 31	Dec 31	Sept 30	June 30	Mar 31
Total revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Income (loss) before discontinued operations and extraordinary items:								
(i) Total	\$ (457,505)	\$ (350,003)	\$ (435,061)	\$ (225,371)	\$ (272,792)	\$ (44,347)	\$ (748)	\$ -
(ii) Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (443.47)	\$ (7.48)	\$ -
(iii) Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (443.47)	\$ (7.48)	\$ -
Net income (loss):								
(i) Total	\$ (457,505)	\$ (350,003)	\$ (435,061)	\$ (225,371)	\$ (272,792)	\$ (44,347)	\$ (748)	\$ -
(ii) Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (443.47)	\$ (7.48)	\$ -
(iii) Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (443.47)	\$ (7.48)	\$ -
Total assets	\$ 3,765,798	\$ 4,089,209	\$ 4,182,036	\$ 836,325	\$ 1,037,507	\$ 628,148	\$ 1	\$ 1
Total long-term liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Dividends per share	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

The Company had been dormant from its incorporation in 2007 until it acquired an option to earn up to a 100% interest in the Cervantes property in September 2016.

On September 30, 2016, the Company entered into the Transfer Agreement with AzMet whereby the Company issued 11,016,941 of its common shares to AzMet to acquire AzMet's interest in the Cervantes property which shares were then distributed to AzMet's shareholders in October 2016.

In 2016, the Company invested \$100,000 in shares of AzMet at a price of \$0.15 per share. At the end of fiscal 2016, the Company wrote off the investment in AzMet shares due to uncertainty related to its net recoverable value.

In May 2017, the Company closed its IPO for gross proceeds of \$4.03 million.

**1.6 Liquidity**

The Company is in the pre-development stage and has not yet determined whether its mineral property interests contain reserves. The recoverability of amounts capitalized for mineral property interests is entirely dependent upon the existence of reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain the necessary financing to complete the development and upon future profitable production. The Company knows of no trends, demands, commitments, events or uncertainties that may result in the Company's liquidity either materially increasing or decreasing at the present time or in the foreseeable future except as disclosed in this MD&A and in its regulatory filings. Material increases or decreases in the Company's liquidity are substantially determined by the success or failure of the Company's exploration and development programs and overall market conditions for smaller mineral exploration companies. Since its incorporation in 2007, the Company has endeavored to secure mineral property interests that in due course could be brought into production to provide the Company with cash flow which would be used to undertake work programs on other projects. To that end, the Company has expended its funds on mineral property interests that it believes have the potential to achieve cash flow within a reasonable time frame. As a result, the Company has incurred losses during each of its fiscal years since incorporation. This result is typical of smaller exploration companies and will continue unless positive cash flow is achieved.

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The following table contains selected financial information of the Company's liquidity:

	December 31,	
	2017	2016
Cash	\$ 2,571,660	\$ 582,142
Working capital	2,556,160	494,250

Ongoing operating expenses continue to reduce the Company's cash resources and working capital, as the Company has no sources of operating revenues.

On May 2, 2017, the Company closed its Offering for 11.5 million units for gross proceeds of \$4.03 million, and the Company's common shares in the Offering were listed for trading on the TSXV on May 4, 2017. Item 1.1 provides further details. The Company's common shares were listed for trading on the OTC QB on November 20, 2017.

In June 2017, 225 compensation warrants with a fair value of \$60 and exercise price of \$0.50 and 23,750 warrants with exercise price of \$0.25 were exercised for proceeds of \$6,050.

The Company may enter into option agreements for mineral properties that involve payments in the form of cash and/or shares of the Company as well as minimum exploration expenditure requirements. Under Item 1.7, further details of contractual obligations are provided as at December 31, 2017. The Company will continue to rely upon equity financing as its principal source of financing its projects.

### 1.7 Capital Resources

At December 31, 2017, to maintain its interest and/or to fully exercise the options under various property agreements covering its property interests, the Company must incur exploration expenditures on the properties and/or make payments in the form of cash and/or shares to the optionors as follows:

	Cash Payments (US\$)	Exploration Expenditures (US\$)	Number of Shares	Net Smelter Return
Cervantes Project:				
Stage One (to earn a 65% interest):				
July 25, 2018	\$ 40,000	\$ 19,392	200,000	-
July 25, 2019	50,000	750,000	250,000	-
September 23, 2019	-	-	250,000	-
Stage Two (to earn additional 35% interest, for total interest of 100% interest):				
July 25, 2020 <sup>(1)</sup>	-	-	-	2.50%
	\$ 90,000	\$ 769,392	700,000	2.50%

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- (1) The Company can earn an additional 35% interest for a total of 100% interest in the Cervantes Property by completing a preliminary economic assessment by July 25, 2020, paying an amount equal to the estimated recoverable equivalent gold ounces of contained metal in resources multiplied by US\$5 per equivalent gold ounce which amount shall be payable in combination of cash and/or shares, and granting a 2.5% NSR to Kootenay which can be reduced to 2% NSR for a cash payment of US\$500,000.

These amounts may be reduced in the future as the Company determines which properties to continue to explore and which to abandon.

### **1.8 Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

Pursuant to the escrow agreement dated April 19, 2017, 4,571,123 shares of the Company are held in escrow (the "Escrowed Shares"). The Escrowed Shares will be released under the following schedule:

On the Listing Date	1/10 of the Escrow Shares
6 months after the Listing Date	1/6 of the remaining Escrow Shares
12 months after the Listing Date	1/5 of the remaining Escrow Shares
18 months after the Listing Date	1/4 of the remaining Escrow Shares
24 months after the Listing Date	1/3 of the remaining Escrow Shares
30 months after the Listing Date	1/2 of the remaining Escrow Shares
36 months after the Listing Date	the remaining Escrow Shares

The listing date was May 4, 2017.

On December 31, 2017, 3.4 million common shares were held in escrow.

There are no off balance sheet arrangements which could have a material effect on current or future results of operations, or the financial condition of the Company, except for those disclosed in this MD&A or in the Company's public filings.

### **1.9 Transactions with Related Parties**

Key management includes directors (executive and non-executive) and senior management. The compensation paid or payable to key management is disclosed in the table below.

Except as disclosed elsewhere in the MD&A, the Company had the following general and administrative costs with related parties during the year ended December 31, 2017:

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	Years ended December 31,		Net balance receivable (payable) as at December 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Key management compensation:				
Executive salaries and remuneration <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 421,151	\$ 119,411	\$ -	\$ -
Directors fees	6,125	-	-	-
Share-based payments	485,379	-	-	-
Executive salaries and remuneration <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 912,655	\$ 119,411	\$ -	\$ -
Net office, sundry, rent and salary allocations recovered from (incurred to) company(ies) sharing certain common director(s) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ (19,068)	\$ (2,220)	\$ (2,154)	\$ (941)
Write-off of investment in former parent <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -

(1) Includes key management compensation which is included in mineral property interests, employee remuneration and property investigation.

(2) The companies are Canarc Resource Corp. and Endeavour Silver Corp. which shares one common director with the Company.

(3) The company is AzMet and was formerly the parent of the Company. In 2016, the Company advanced \$100,000 to AzMet for the subscription in shares of AzMet at a value of \$0.15 per share for 666,667 AzMet shares. On December 31, 2016, the Company wrote off its investment in AzMet due to uncertainty related to its net recoverable value.

Amounts which are incurred to related parties are in the normal course of business. The Company shares common office facilities, employee and administrative support, and office sundry amongst companies with a common director, and such allocations to the Company are on a full cost recovery basis. Any balances due to related parties are payable on demand.

Item 1.2 provides further details of the acquisition of the Cervantes property from AzMet.

### 1.10 Fourth Quarter

Items 1.2, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6 and 1.7 provide further details for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2017.

### 1.11 Proposed Transactions

There are no proposed material asset or business acquisitions or dispositions, other than those in the ordinary course of business and other than those already disclosed in this MD&A, before the board of directors for consideration, and other than those already disclosed in its regulatory and public filings.

### 1.12 Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

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The preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires management to make estimates, assumptions and judgements that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements along with the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Actual results may differ from these estimates and, as such, estimates and judgements and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Significant areas requiring the use of management estimates relate to determining the recoverability of mineral property interests; the determination of accrued liabilities; accrued site remediation; the variables used in the determination of the fair value of stock options granted and compensation warrants or finder's fees warrants issued or modified; and the recoverability of deferred tax assets. While management believes the estimates are reasonable, actual results could differ from those estimates and could impact future financial performance and cash flows.

The Company applies judgment in assessing the functional currency of each entity consolidated in the financial statements.

The Company applies judgment in assessing whether material uncertainties exist that would cast substantial doubt as to whether the Company could continue as a going concern.

Acquisition costs of mineral properties and exploration and development expenditures incurred thereto are capitalized and deferred. The costs related to a property from which there is production will be amortized using the unit-of-production method. Capitalized costs are written down to their estimated recoverable amount if the property is subsequently determined to be uneconomic. The amounts shown for mineral property interests represent costs incurred to date, less recoveries and write-downs, and do not reflect present or future values.

At the end of each reporting period, the Company assesses each of its mineral properties to determine whether any indication of impairment exists. Judgment is required in determining whether indicators of impairment exist, including factors such as: the period for which the Company has the right to explore; expected renewals of exploration rights; whether substantive expenditures on further exploration and evaluation of resource properties are budgeted or planned; and results of exploration and evaluation activities on the exploration and evaluation assets. 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.

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 periods. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

### **1.13 Changes in Accounting Policies including Initial Adoption**

The Company did not early adopt any recent pronouncements as disclosed in Note 2(f) of the audited consolidated interim financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017.

### **1.14 Financial Instruments and Other Instruments**

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The Company classifies its financial instruments as follows:

- cash as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"),
- receivables as loans and receivables, and
- accounts payable and accrued liabilities as other financial liabilities.

### Management of Financial Risk

The Company is exposed in varying degrees to a variety of financial instrument related risks, including credit risk, liquidity risk, and market risk which includes foreign currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. The types of risk exposure and the way in which such exposure is managed are provided as follows.

The fair value hierarchy categorizes financial instruments measured at fair value at one of three levels according to the reliability of the inputs used to estimate fair values. The fair values of assets and liabilities included in Level 1 are determined by reference to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities. Assets and liabilities in Level 2 are valued using inputs other than quoted prices for which all significant inputs are based on observable market data. Level 3 valuations are based on inputs that are not based on observable market data.

The fair values of the Company's receivables and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their carrying values due to the short terms to maturity. Cash is measured at fair values using Level 1 inputs.

(a) Credit risk:

Credit risk is the risk of potential loss to the Company if the counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations.

The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to its liquid financial assets including cash. The Company limits exposure to credit risk on liquid financial assets through maintaining its cash with high-credit quality Canadian financial institutions.

Management has reviewed the items comprising the accounts receivable balance which may include amounts receivable from certain related parties, and determined that all accounts are collectible.

(b) Liquidity risk:

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they become due.

The Company ensures that there is sufficient capital in order to meet short-term business requirements, after taking into account the Company's holdings of cash and its ability to raise equity financings. As at December 31, 2017, the Company had a working capital of \$2.6 million (December 31, 2016 - \$494,250). The Company will require significant additional funding to meet its short-term liabilities and administrative overhead costs, and to maintain its mineral property interests in 2018.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are due in less than 90 days.

(c) Market risk:

The significant market risk exposures to which the Company is exposed are foreign currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk.

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(i) Foreign currency risk:

The Company has certain cash and accounts payable stated in United States dollars and Mexican pesos, mineral property interests which are in the USA and Mexico, and a portion of its operations are in Mexico, resulting in expenditures subject to foreign currency fluctuations. Fluctuations in the United States dollar and Mexican peso would impact the losses of the Company and the values of its assets and liabilities as the Company's functional and presentation currencies are the Canadian dollar. The Canadian dollar fluctuates and floats with the United States dollar and Mexican peso.

At December 31, 2017, the Company was exposed to currency risk for its Canadian dollar equivalent of financial assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than Canadian dollars as follows:

	Stated in Canadian Dollars		
	Held in		Total
	United States Dollars	Mexican Pesos	
Cash	\$ 76,018	\$ 10,799	\$ 86,817
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(32,385)	(14,560)	(46,945)
Net financial assets (liabilities), December 31, 2017	\$ 43,633	\$ (3,761)	\$ 39,872
Cash	\$ 4,912	\$ -	\$ 4,912
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(18,508)	-	(18,508)
Net financial assets (liabilities), December 31, 2016	\$ (13,596)	\$ -	\$ (13,596)

Based upon the above net exposure as at December 31, 2016 and assuming all other variables remain constant, a 15% (2016 – 15%) depreciation or appreciation of the Canadian dollar relative to the United States dollar could result in a decrease/increase of approximately \$5,980 (2016 - \$2,040) in the Company's net losses.

The Company has not entered into any agreements or purchased any instruments to hedge possible currency risks at this time.

(ii) Interest rate risk:

In respect of financial assets, the Company's policy is to invest excess cash at floating rates of interest in cash equivalents, in order to maintain liquidity, while achieving a satisfactory return. Fluctuations in interest rates impact on the value of cash equivalents. Interest rate risk is not significant to the Company as it has no cash equivalents at period-end.

(iii) Other price risk:

Other price risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices. The Company does not have any investments in marketable securities. The Company's investment in shares of AzMet does not have a quoted market price in an active market and was measured at cost but was written off in fiscal 2016.

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### 1.15 Other MD&A Requirements

#### 1.15.1 Other MD&A Requirements

Additional information relating to the Company are as follows:

- (a) may be found on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com);
- (b) is also provided in the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

#### 1.15.2 Outstanding Share Data

The Company's authorized share capital consists of unlimited number of common shares without par value.

Changes in the Company's share capital for the year ended December 31, 2017 are as follows:

	Number of Shares	Amount
Balance at December 31, 2016	16,367,041	\$ 1,264,304
Issued:		
Initial public offering, net of share issue costs	11,500,000	3,483,905
Property acquisition	100,000	35,000
Exercise of compensation warrants	225	172
Exercise of warrants	23,750	5,937
Balance at December 31, 2017	27,991,016	\$ 4,789,318

On May 2, 2017, the Company closed its Offering for the 11.5 million units for gross proceeds of \$4.03 million, and the Company's common shares in the Offering were listed for trading on the TSXV was on May 4, 2017. Item 1.1 provides further details.

In June 2017, 225 compensation warrants with a fair value of \$60 and exercise price of \$0.50 and 23,750 warrants with exercise price of \$0.25 were exercised for proceeds of \$6,050.

On July 20, 2017, the Company issued 100,000 common shares at a fair value of \$0.35 per share to Kootenay for the Cervantes property.

Pursuant to the escrow agreement dated April 19, 2017, 4,571,123 shares of the Company are held in escrow (the "Escrowed Shares"). The Escrowed Shares will be released under the following schedule, with May 4, 2017 as the listing date:

On the Listing Date	1/10 of the Escrow Shares
6 months after the Listing Date	1/6 of the remaining Escrow Shares
12 months after the Listing Date	1/5 of the remaining Escrow Shares
18 months after the Listing Date	1/4 of the remaining Escrow Shares
24 months after the Listing Date	1/3 of the remaining Escrow Shares



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30 months after the Listing Date	1/2 of the remaining Escrow Shares
36 months after the Listing Date	the remaining Escrow Shares

On December 31, 2017, 3.4 million common shares were held in escrow.

At April 27, 2018, there were 27,991,016 common shares issued and outstanding of which 3.4 million common shares were held in escrow.

In January 20, 2017, the Company adopted a stock option plan that allows it to grant stock options to its directors, officers, employees and consultants, provided that the aggregate number of stock options granted shall not at any time exceed 10% of the total number of issued and outstanding common shares of the Company. The exercise price of each stock option shall be based on the market price of the Company's shares as traded on the TSX Venture Exchange at the time of grant. Stock options have a maximum term of ten years and terminate 30 days following the termination of the optionee's employment, except in the case of death, in which case they terminate one year after the event. Vesting of stock options is made at the discretion of the Board at the time the stock options are granted.

On January 20, 2017, the Company granted stock options for 2,000,000 common shares with an exercise price of \$0.35 and expiry date of May 4, 2022; the stock options are subject to vesting provisions in which 20% vested on May 4, 2017 and 20% vest every 6 months thereafter. On September 11, 2017, the Company granted stock options for 600,000 common shares with an exercise price of \$0.35 and expiry date of September 11, 2022; the stock options are subject to vesting provisions in which 20% vested on grant date and 20% vest every 6 months thereafter.

The continuity of stock options for the year ended December 31, 2017 is as follows:

	December 31, 2017	
	Number of Shares	Weighted average exercise price
Outstanding balance, beginning of period	-	n/a
Granted	2,600,000	\$0.35
Outstanding balance, end of period	2,600,000	\$0.35

At April 27, 2018, stock options for 2,600,000 common shares remain outstanding of which 1,040,000 stock options are exercisable.

At December 31, 2017, the Company had outstanding warrants as follows:

Exercise Prices	Expiry Dates	Outstanding at December 31, 2016	Issued	Exercised	Expired	Outstanding at December 31, 2017
\$0.25	October 21, 2018	2,575,000	-	(23,750)	-	2,551,250
\$0.50	May 2, 2019	-	5,750,000	-	-	5,750,000
\$0.50	May 2, 2019 <sup>(1)</sup>	-	555,000	(225)	-	554,775
		2,575,000	6,305,000	(23,975)	-	8,856,025

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- (1) As these warrants are compensation options, a fair value of \$146,455 was originally recorded as share issuance expense as applied to share capital with a corresponding credit to reserve for share-based payments calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: volatility 178%, risk-free rate 0.67%, expected life 2 years, and expected dividend yield 0%.

Warrants for 6.3 million common shares were issued upon the closing of the Company's IPO on May 2, 2017. Item 1.1 provides further details.

At April 27, 2018, warrants for 8,856,025 common shares remain outstanding.

### **1.16 Outlook**

The Company will continue to depend upon equity financings to continue exploration work on and to advance its mineral property interests, and to meet its administrative overhead costs for the 2018 fiscal year. There are no assurances that capital requirements will be met by this means of financing as inherent risks are attached therein including commodity prices, financial market conditions, and general economic factors. The Company does not expect to realize any operating revenues from its mineral property interests in the foreseeable future.

### **1.17 Risk Factors**

The following is a brief discussion of those distinctive or special characteristics of the Company's operations and industry that may have a material impact on, or constitute risk factors in respect of, the Company's future financial performance.

#### ***Exploration and Development Risks***

There is no assurance given by the Company that its exploration and development programs and properties will result in the discovery, development or production of a commercially viable deposit or ore body.

The business of exploration for minerals and mining involves a high degree of risk. Few properties that are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. There is no assurance that the Company's mineral exploration activities will result in any discoveries of bodies of commercial ore. The economics of developing mineral properties are affected by many factors including capital and operating costs, variations of the grades and tonnages of ore mined, fluctuating metal prices, costs of mining and processing equipment and such other factors as government regulations, including regulations relating to royalties, allowable production, importing and exporting of minerals and environmental protection. Substantial expenditures are required to establish resources or reserves through drilling and other work, to develop metallurgical processes to extract metal from ore, and to develop the mining and processing facilities and infrastructure at any site chosen for mining. No assurance can be given that funds required for exploration and / or development can be obtained on a timely basis. The marketability of any metals or minerals acquired or discovered may be affected by numerous factors which are beyond the Company's control and which cannot be accurately foreseen or predicted, such as market fluctuations, the global marketing conditions for precious and base metals, the proximity and capacity of required processing facilities, mineral markets and required processing equipment, and such other factors as government regulations, including regulations relating to royalties, allowable production, importing and exporting minerals and environmental protection. In order to commence exploitation of certain properties presently held under exploration concessions, it is necessary for the Company to apply for exploitation concessions. There can be no guarantee that such concessions will be granted.

#### ***Financing Risks***

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There is no assurance given by the Company that it will be able to secure the financing necessary to explore, develop and produce its mineral properties.

The Company does not presently have sufficient financial resources or operating cash-flow to undertake by itself all of its planned exploration and development programs. The development of the Company's properties may therefore depend on the Company's ability to obtain additional required financing. There is no assurance the Company will be successful in obtaining the required financing on terms acceptable to the Company, or at all, the lack of which could result in the loss or substantial dilution of its interests (as existing or as proposed to be acquired) in its properties as disclosed herein. The Company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent on the ability of the Company to raise equity capital financings, exploration success, the attainment of profitable operations and the completion of further share issuances to satisfy working capital and operating needs. The Company may need to raise further funds to complete further exploration programs at the Cervantes and Tombstone properties, if such programs are warranted.

### ***Estimates of Mineral Deposits***

There is no assurance given by the Company that any estimates of mineral deposits or resources will materialize.

No assurance can be given that any identified mineralization will be developed into a coherent mineralization deposit, or that such deposit will even qualify as a commercially viable and mineable ore body that can be legally and economically exploited. Estimates regarding mineralized deposits can also be affected by many factors such as permitting regulations and requirements, weather, environmental factors, unforeseen technical difficulties, unusual or unexpected geological formations and work interruptions. In addition, the grades and tonnages of ore ultimately mined may differ from that indicated by drilling results and other exploration and development work. There can be no assurance that test work and results conducted and recovered in small-scale laboratory tests will be duplicated in large-scale tests under on-site conditions. Material changes in mineralized tonnages, grades, dilution and stripping ratios or recovery rates may affect the economic viability of projects. The existence of mineralization or mineralized deposits should not be interpreted as assurances of the future delineation of ore reserves or the profitability of any future operations.

### ***Commodity Prices***

There is no assurance given by the Company that commodity prices will not change.

The mining industry is competitive and commodity prices fluctuate so that there is no assurance, even if commercial quantities of a mineral resource are discovered, that a profitable market will exist for the sale of same. Factors beyond the control of the Company may affect the marketability of any substances discovered. The prices of precious and base metals fluctuate on a daily basis, have experienced volatile and significant price movements over short periods of time, and are affected by numerous factors beyond the control of the Company, including international economic and political trends, expectations of inflation, currency exchange fluctuations (specifically, the U.S. dollar relative to other currencies), interest rates, central bank transactions, world supply for precious and base metals, international investments, monetary systems, and global or regional consumption patterns (such as the development of gold coin programs), speculative activities and increased production due to improved mining and production methods. The supply of and demand for precious and base metals are affected by various factors, including political events, economic conditions and production costs in major producing regions, and governmental policies with respect to precious metal holdings by a nation or its citizens. The exact effect of these factors cannot be accurately predicted, and the combination of these factors may result in the Company not receiving adequate returns on invested capital or the investments retaining their respective values. There is no assurance that the prices of gold and other precious and base metals will be such that the Company's properties can be mined at a profit.

### ***Competition and Agreements with Other Parties***

The Company competes with larger, better capitalized competitors in the mining industry and there is no assurance given by

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the Company that it can compete for mineral properties, future financings or technical expertise.

The mining industry is intensely competitive in all of its phases, and the Company competes with many companies possessing greater financial resources and technical facilities than it. Competition in the mining business could adversely affect the Company's ability to acquire suitable producing properties or prospects for mineral exploration in the future.

The Company may, in the future, be unable to meet its share of costs incurred under joint venture or similar agreements to which it is a party and the Company may have its interest in the properties subject to such agreements reduced as a result. Furthermore, if other parties to such agreements do not meet their share of such costs, the Company may be unable to finance the cost required to complete recommended programs.

### ***Title Matters***

There is no assurance given by the Company that it owns legal title to its mineral properties.

The acquisition of title to mineral properties is a very detailed and time-consuming process. Title to any of the Company's mining concessions may come under dispute. While the Company has diligently investigated title considerations to its mineral properties, in certain circumstances, the Company has only relied upon representations of property partners, legal opinions, and government agencies. There is no guarantee of title to any of the Company's properties. The properties may be subject to prior unregistered agreements or transfers, and title may be affected by unidentified and undetected defects. Native land claims or claims of aboriginal title may be asserted over areas in which the Company's properties are located, but unlikely given all surrounding surface rights are privately held. Further, the Company does not own the Cervantes and Tombstone properties and only has a right to earn an interest therein pursuant to the property option agreements, as amended. In the event that the Company does not fulfill its obligations contemplated by the property option agreements, as amended, it will lose its interest in the relevant mineral property.

### ***Surface Rights***

The Company has acquired rights to certain parts of the property covered by its mineral tenures, and is in continuing negotiations over other parts. In areas where the Company operates there are local populations or landowners who, in the case of the Cervantes Property, do not live on the property but raise cattle throughout the region. The Company understands that it is necessary, as a practical matter, to negotiate surface access, and the Company is continuing to do so. However, there is a risk that local communities or affected groups may take actions to delay, impede or otherwise terminate the contemplated activities of the Company. There can be no guarantee that the Company will be able to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with any such existing landowners/occupiers for such access, and therefore it may be unable to carry out significant exploration and development activities. In addition, in circumstances where such access is denied, or no agreement can be reached, the Company may need to rely on the assistance of local officials or the courts in such jurisdiction, which assistance may not be provided or, if provided, may not be effective. If the development of a mine on the Cervantes Property becomes justifiable it will be necessary to acquire surface rights for mining, plant, tailings and mine waste disposal. There can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in acquiring any such rights.

### ***Community Groups***

There is an ongoing level of public concern relating to the effects of mining on the natural landscape, on communities and on the environment. Certain non-governmental organizations, public interest groups and reporting organizations ("NGOs") who oppose resource development can be vocal critics of the mining industry. In addition, there have been many instances in which local community groups have opposed resource extraction activities, which have resulted in disruption and delays to the relevant operation. While the Company seeks to operate in a socially responsible manner and believes it has good relationships with local communities in Sonora State (Mexico), Arizona (USA), NGOs or local community organizations could direct adverse publicity and/or disrupt the operations of the Company in respect of one or more of its properties due to political factors, activities of unrelated third parties on lands in which the Company has an interest or the Company's

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operations specifically. Any such actions and the resulting media coverage could have an adverse effect on the reputation and financial condition of the Company or its relationships with the communities in which it operates, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows or prospects.

### ***Conflicts of Interest***

There is no assurance given by the Company that its directors and officers will not have conflicts of interest from time to time.

The Company's directors and officers may serve as directors or officers of other public mineral exploration and resource companies or have significant shareholdings in other public resource companies and, to the extent that such other companies may participate in ventures in which the Company may participate, the directors and management of the Company may have a conflict of interest in negotiating and concluding terms respecting the extent of such participation. The interests of these companies may differ from time to time. In the event that such a conflict of interest arises at a meeting of the Company's directors, a director who has such a conflict will abstain from voting for or against any resolution involving any such conflict. From time to time several companies may participate in the acquisition, exploration and development of natural resource properties thereby allowing for their participation in larger programs, permitting involvement in a greater number of programs and reducing financial exposure in respect of any one program. It may also occur that a particular company will assign all or a portion of its interest in a particular program to another of these companies due to the financial position of the company making the assignment. In accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia, Canada, the directors of the Company are required to act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of the Company. In determining whether or not the Company will participate in any particular exploration or mining project at any given time, the directors will primarily consider the upside potential for the project to be accretive to shareholders, the degree of risk to which the Company may be exposed and its financial position at that time.

### ***Negative Operating Cash Flow***

The Company had negative operating cash flow during its most recently completed year ended December 31, 2017. In the event that the Company's operating cash flow is not positive in future financial periods it may need to raise additional capital in order to fund operations. There is no guarantee that additional funds will be available on terms acceptable to the Company or at all. In the event that the Company's operating cash flow is negative this may have a material adverse effect on the Company and its stock price.

### ***Non-Company Submission to Jurisdiction***

Mr. Joseph (Joey) Wilkins, the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and Mr. James Schilling, a director of the Company, reside outside of Canada. Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Schilling have appointed the Company as their agent for service of process in each of the selling jurisdictions. Purchasers are advised that it may not be possible for investors to enforce judgments obtained in Canada against Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Schilling, or any other person or company that is incorporated, continued or otherwise organized under the laws of a foreign jurisdiction or resides outside of Canada, even if such person has appointed an agent for services of process.

### ***Uninsured Risks***

There is no assurance given by the Company that it is adequately insured against all risks. The Company may become subject to liability for cave-ins, pollution or other hazards against which it cannot insure or against which it has elected not to insure because of high premium costs or other reasons. The payment of such liabilities would reduce the funds available for exploration, development and mining activities.

### ***Environmental and Other Regulatory Requirements***

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There is no assurance given by the Company that it has met all environmental or regulatory requirements.

The current or future operations of the Company, including exploration and development activities and commencement of production on its properties, require permits from various foreign, federal, state and local governmental authorities and such operations are and will be governed by laws and regulations governing prospecting, development, mining, production, exports, taxes, labour standards, occupational health, waste disposal, toxic substances, land use, environmental protection, mine safety and other matters. Companies engaged in the development and operation of mines and related facilities generally experience increased costs, and delays in production and other schedules as a result of the need to comply with applicable laws, regulations and permits. There can be no assurance that approvals and permits required in order for the Company to commence exploration, development or production on its various properties will be obtained. Additional permits and studies, which may include environmental impact studies conducted before permits can be obtained, are necessary prior to operation of the other properties in which the Company has interests and there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain or maintain all necessary permits that may be required to commence exploration, construction, development or operation of mining facilities at these properties on terms which enable operations to be conducted at economically justifiable costs.

Failure to comply with applicable laws, regulations, and permitting requirements may result in enforcement actions including orders issued by regulatory or judicial authorities causing operations to cease or be curtailed, and may include corrective measures requiring capital expenditures, installation of additional equipment or remedial actions. Parties engaged in exploration, development and mining operations may be required to compensate those suffering loss or damage by reason of such activities and may have civil or criminal fines or penalties imposed for violations of applicable laws or regulations. New laws or regulations or amendments to current laws, regulations and permits governing operations and activities of exploration and mining companies, or more stringent implementation of current laws, regulations or permits, could have a material adverse impact on the Company and cause increases in capital expenditures or production costs or reduction in levels of production at producing properties or require abandonment or delays in development of new mining properties.

### ***Foreign Countries and Regulatory Requirements***

The Company's mineral property interests are located in countries outside of Canada, and mineral exploration and mining activities may be affected in varying degrees by political stability, changes in foreign policy, and government regulations relating to the mining industry. Any changes in regulations, foreign policy, or shifts in political attitudes may vary from country to country and are beyond the control of the Company and may adversely affect its business and its ability to operate in foreign jurisdictions. Such changes have, in the past, included nationalization of foreign owned businesses and properties. The Company's ability to operate its business may be affected in varying degrees by government regulations with respect to, but not limited to, restrictions on production, price controls, export controls, income and other taxes and duties, tariffs, trade, expropriation of property, environmental legislation and mine safety. These uncertainties may make it more difficult for the Company to obtain any required production financing for its mineral properties.

### ***Reclamation***

Land reclamation requirements for the Company's properties may be burdensome.

There is a risk that monies allotted for land reclamation may not be sufficient to cover all risks, due to changes in the nature of any potential waste rock and/or tailings and/or revisions to government regulations. Therefore additional funds, or reclamation bonds or other forms of financial assurance may be required over the tenure of the Company's properties to cover potential risks. These additional costs may have material adverse impact on the financial condition and results of the Company.

### ***Unknown Environmental Risks for Past Activities***

Exploration and mining operations involve a potential risk of releases to soil, surface water and groundwater of metals,

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chemicals, fuels, liquids having acidic properties and other contaminants. In recent years, regulatory requirements and improved technology have significantly reduced those risks. However, those risks have not been eliminated, and the risk of environmental contamination from present and past exploration or mining activities exists for mining companies. Companies may be liable for environmental contamination and natural resource damages relating to properties that they currently own or operate or at which environmental contamination occurred while or before they owned or operated the properties. However, no assurance can be given that potential liabilities for such contamination or damages caused by past activities at these properties do not exist.

### ***Currency Fluctuation and Foreign Exchange Controls***

The Company maintains a portion of its funds in U.S. dollar and Mexican pesos denominated accounts. Certain of the Company's property and related contracts are denominated in U.S. dollars and Mexican Pesos. The Company's operations in countries other than Canada are normally carried out in the currency of that country and make the Company subject to foreign currency fluctuations and such fluctuations may materially affect the Company's financial position and results. In addition future contracts may not be denominated in Canadian dollars and may expose the Company to foreign currency fluctuations and such fluctuations may materially affect the Company's financial position and results. In addition, the Company is or may become subject to foreign exchange restrictions which may severely limit or restrict its ability to repatriate capital or profits from its properties outside of Canada to Canada. Future impositions of such restrictions could have a materially adverse effect on the Company's future profitability or ability to pay dividends.

### ***Dependence on Key Individuals***

The Company is dependent on a relatively small number of key personnel, the loss of any one of whom could have an adverse effect on the Company.

The Company does not maintain key-person insurance on the life of any of its personnel. In addition, while certain of the Company's officers and directors have experience in the exploration of mineral producing properties, the Company will remain highly dependent upon contractors and third parties in the performance of its exploration and development activities. There can be no guarantee that such contractors and third parties will be available to carry out such activities on behalf of the Company or be available upon commercially acceptable terms.

### ***Volatility of Common Shares***

Volatility in the price of the Company's common shares could cause investor loss.

The common shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange and OTCQB. The market price of a publicly traded stock, especially a junior resource company like the Company, is affected by many variables in addition to those directly related to exploration successes or failures. Such factors include the general condition of the market for junior resource stocks, the strength of the economy generally, the availability and attractiveness of alternative investments, and the breadth of the public market for the stock. The effect of these and other factors on the market price of the common shares on the TSX Venture Exchange and OTCQB suggests that the price of the Company's common shares will continue to be volatile. Therefore, investors could suffer significant losses if the Company's common shares are depressed or illiquid when an investor seeks liquidity and needs to sell the common shares of the Company. There is no guarantee on the future price at which the common shares may trade, and no guarantee that the warrants will ever be in a position of value and may ultimately expire prior to being in-the-money.

### ***Listing of Warrants***

The Company does not intend to apply for the listing of the warrants on any securities exchange. There is no public market for the warrants. There can be no assurance that a secondary market for the warrants will develop or be sustained after the closing of the IPO. Even if a market develops for the warrants, there can be no assurance that it will be liquid and that the

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price of the warrants will be the same as the price allocated for the warrants comprising the IPO units.

***Substantial Number of Authorized but Unissued Shares***

The Company has an unlimited number of common shares which may be issued by the Board without further action or approval of the Company's shareholders. While the Board is required to fulfil its fiduciary obligations in connection with the issuance of such shares, the shares may be issued in transactions with which not all shareholders agree, and the issuance of such shares will cause dilution to the ownership interests of the Company's shareholders.

***Possible Dilution to Current Shareholders based on Outstanding Options and Warrants***

At December 31, 2017, the Company has 27,991,016 common shares, 2,600,000 stock options and 8,856,025 warrants outstanding. The resale of outstanding shares from the exercise of dilutive securities could have a depressing effect on the market for the Company's shares. At December 31, 2017, dilutive securities represented approximately 40.9% of the Company's issued shares.