BEAR CREEK MINING CORPORATION

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2022

EXPRESSED IN US DOLLARS



Independent auditor's report

To the Shareholders of Bear Creek Mining Corporation

Our opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Bear Creek Mining Corporation and its subsidiaries (together, the Company) as at December 31, 2022 and 2021, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS).

What we have audited

The Company's consolidated financial statements comprise:

- the consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2022 and 2021;
- the consolidated statements of loss and comprehensive loss for the years then ended;
- the consolidated statements of cash flows for the years then ended;
- the consolidated statements of changes in equity for the years then ended; and
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, which include significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report.

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

Independence

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Material uncertainty related to going concern

We draw attention to note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, which describes events or conditions that indicate the existence of a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. In addition to the matter described in the *Material uncertainty related to going concern* section, we have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

Key audit matter

Valuation of the mineral property and property and equipment acquired as part of the acquisition of Equinox Gold Corp. (Equinox) indirect subsidiaries

Refer to note 2 – Basis of preparation and note 3 – Mercedes acquisition to the consolidated financial statements.

On April 21, 2022, the Company completed the acquisition of Equinox's indirect subsidiaries, which, in turn, own 100% in the Mercedes Mine, for a total consideration of \$123.1 million. The total fair value of net assets acquired was \$123.1 million, which included \$73.7 million related to mineral property and \$73.7 million related to property and equipment.

Management accounted for the acquisition of the Mercedes Mine as a business combination using the acquisition method, whereby identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including contingent liabilities, are recognized at their fair values at the acquisition date. To estimate the fair value of the mineral property, management utilized a discounted cash flow model incorporating estimates and significant assumptions that included: projected mined ore reserves and resources, projected levels of contained gold and silver, metallurgical recovery estimates, expected future production costs and capital expenditures, future metal prices and a discount rate. Projected

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Our approach to addressing the matter included the following procedures, among others:

- Tested how management estimated the fair value of the mineral property and property and equipment acquired as part of the acquisition of Equinox's indirect subsidiaries, which included the following:
 - Evaluated the appropriateness of the methods used to determine the fair value of the mineral property and property and equipment and tested the mathematical accuracy of those valuations.
 - Tested the underlying data used by management in the valuations.
 - Evaluated the reasonableness of significant assumptions such as future metal prices and expected future production costs and capital expenditures by (i) comparing future metal prices used with external market and industry data; (ii) comparing expected future production costs and capital expenditures to recent actual production costs and capital expenditures incurred; and (iii) assessing whether these assumptions were consistent with evidence obtained in other areas of the audit.
 - The work of management's experts was used in performing the procedures to



Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

mined ore reserves and resources, projected levels of contained gold and silver and metallurgical recovery estimates are based on information compiled by appropriately qualified persons (management's experts).

The fair value of property and equipment was valued using a depreciated replacement costs approach. The significant assumptions used within this valuation were useful life, depreciation profile and residual percentages of the property and equipment.

We considered this a key audit matter due to the judgment applied by management in estimating the fair value of the mineral property and property and equipment, including the development of the significant assumptions. This, in turn, led to a high degree of auditor judgment, subjectivity and effort in performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence relating to the significant assumptions used by management. In addition, the audit effort involved the use of professionals with specialized skill and knowledge in the field of valuation.

evaluate the reasonableness of the projected mined ore reserves and resources, projected levels of contained gold and silver and metallurgical recovery estimates. As a basis for using this work, the competence, capabilities and objectivity of management's experts was evaluated, the work performed was understood and the appropriateness of the work as audit evidence was evaluated. The procedures performed also included evaluation of the methods and assumptions used by management's experts, tests of the data used by management's experts and an evaluation of their findings.

 Professionals with specialized skill and knowledge in the field of valuation assisted in evaluating the reasonableness of the discount rate and future metal prices, useful life, depreciation profile, residual percentages and the appropriateness of the discounted cash flow model.

Assessment of impairment indicators of resource property

Refer to note 2 – Basis of preparation to the consolidated financial statements.

The carrying value of the resource property amounted to \$88.7 million as at December 31, 2022. At each reporting period-end, management applies judgment in assessing whether there are any indicators of impairment relating to its resource properties. If there are indicators of impairment, the recoverable amount of the related resource property is estimated in order to determine the extent of any impairment.

Our approach to addressing the matter included the following procedures, among others:

- Evaluated the reasonableness of management's assessment of indicators of impairment related to resource property, which included the following:
 - Obtained, for all the existing mining claims, by reference to mining licences, permits and licence renewal applications, evidence to support (i) the right to explore the area and (ii) mining claims expiration dates.



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Indicators of impairment may include: (i) the period during which the Company has the right to explore in the specific area has expired during the year or will expire in the near future and is not expected to be renewed, (ii) substantive expenditure on further exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources in the specific area is neither budgeted nor planned, (iii) exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources in the specific area have not led to the discovery of commercially viable quantities of mineral resources and the Company has decided to discontinue such activities in the specific area; and (iv) sufficient data exists to indicate that the carrying amount of the resource property is unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or by sale. No impairment indicators were identified by management as at December 31, 2022.

We considered this a key audit matter due to (i) the significance of the resource property balance and (ii) the management judgment in assessing the indicators of impairment related to its resource property, which have resulted in a high degree of subjectivity in performing procedures related to the judgment applied by management.

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

- Read the board of directors' minutes and obtained budget approvals to evidence continued and planned substantive exploration and evaluation expenditures of mineral resources in specific areas, which included evaluating results of current year programs and management's longer-term plans, and to consider which mining claims are not expected to be renewed.
- Assessed whether exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources in specific areas have not led to the discovery of commercially viable quantities of mineral resources and whether the Company has decided to discontinue such activities in a specific area, or if sufficient data exists to indicate that the carrying amount of the resource property is unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or by sale, based on evidence obtained in other areas of the audit.

Assessment of impairment indicators of property and equipment

Refer to note 2 – Basis of preparation to the consolidated financial statements.

The carrying value of property and equipment amounted to \$149.3 million as at December 31, 2022. Management assesses at each reporting period-end whether there is an indication that the carrying value of property and equipment may not be recoverable. Management uses judgment when

Our approach to addressing the matter included the following procedures, among others:

- Evaluated the reasonableness of management's assessment of impairment indicators related to property and equipment, which included the following:
 - Assessed the completeness of factors that could be considered as indicators of impairment of the Company's property and equipment, including consideration of



Key audit matter

assessing whether there are indicators of impairment. The review of impairment indicators includes consideration of significant changes in both external and internal sources of information, including factors such as (i) a significant decline in the market value of the Company's share price; (ii) changes in quantity of the recoverable resources and reserves; (iii) changes in market and economic conditions impacting the precious metals industry; (iv) changes in metal price forecasts, capital expenditure requirements, expected future operating costs and production volumes; (v) changes in discount rates; and (vi) changes in site restoration costs to the end of the mine's life. No impairment indicators were identified by management as at December 31, 2022.

We considered this a key audit matter due to (i) the significance of the property and equipment balance and (ii) the management judgment in assessing the indicators of impairment related to its property and equipment which have resulted in a high degree of subjectivity in performing procedures related to the judgment applied by management.

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

- evidence obtained in other areas of the audit.
- Assessed significant declines in the market value of the Company's share price, which may indicate a decline in value of the Company's property and equipment.
- Assessed the changes in: quantity of the recoverable resources and reserves, metal price forecasts, capital expenditure requirements, expected future operating costs, production volumes, market and economic conditions impacting the precious metals industry, discount rates and site restoration costs to the end of the mine's life by considering external economic and market data, current and past performance of the Company and evidence obtained in other areas of the audit, as applicable.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Management's Discussion and Analysis.

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

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

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the consolidated financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS, 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.

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

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

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

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements,
 whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and
 obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of
 not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error,
 as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of
 internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or



conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Company to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

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

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

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

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Vancouver, British Columbia April 20, 2023

Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

US Dollars (000's)

	Note		December 31, 2022		December 31, 2021
ASSETS	11010				2021
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	4	\$	3,484	\$	24,176
Short-term investments		•	[^] 21	•	22
Inventory	7		24,595		-
Receivables	6		5,736		241
Prepaid expenses and deposits			2,105		379
Tax receivable			1,544		-
			37,485		24,818
Non-current assets					
Restricted cash	5		1,304		965
Property and equipment	8		147,239		6,940
Resource property	9		88,704		88,688
Right-of-use assets	15		421		509
TOTAL ASSETS		\$	275,153	\$	121,920
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	10	\$	31,407	\$	902
Current portion of community projects and other obligation	16		1102		1,055
Current portion of deferred revenue	12		13,059		-
Current portion of prepay and stream arrangements	13		9,880		-
Current portion of lease liabilities	15		362		409
Taxes payable			2,414		-
Note payable	18		4,693		-
Mercedes acquisition payment	1 & 3		25,729		-
			88,646		2,366
Non-current liabilities	40		4 005		
Accounts payable	10		1,035		7.040
Community projects obligation	16		8,017		7,848
Convertible debenture	11		20,249		-
Deferred revenue	12		16,627		-
Prepay and Stream arrangements	13		10,678		-
Deferred taxes	17		1,639		-
Other liabilities Lease liabilities	17 15		804		886
Provision for site restoration	14		13,293		38 200
Provision for site restoration	14		160,988		11,338
EQUITY			100,300		11,000
Share capital	19		352,019		326,730
Shares to be issued	19		107		020,700
Contributed surplus	10		39,443		38,653
Deficit			(277,404)		(254,801)
Donoit			114,165		110,582
			117,100		110,002

Going Concern (Note 1)

Subsequent Events (Note 25)

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD: Signed "Catherine McLeod-Seltzer," Director

Signed "Erfan Kazemi," Director

Consolidated Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss

For the Year Ended December 31

US Dollars (000's, except share data)

		Year En	ded D	ecember 31
	Note	 2022		2021
Revenue	20	61,038		-
Cost of Sales		(43,310)		-
Depletion, amortization, and depreciation		(17,605)		-
Gross Profit		123		-
Operating expenses				
Corani engineering and evaluation costs	9a	\$ (6,669)	\$	(13,907)
Other exploration and evaluation costs	9b	(1,705)		(2,306)
Share-based compensation		(994)		(2,401)
Wages and management salaries	21	(1,362)		(1,027)
Professional and advisory fees		(381)		(1,736)
Impairment of resource property		-		(951)
General and administrative expenses		(5,595)		(600)
Loss before other items		(16,583)		(22,928)
Other income and expense				
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	16	(2,898)		1,112
Transaction costs	3	(1,904)		, <u>-</u>
Accretion expense	11,16	(4,097)		(149)
Gain (loss) on valuation of conversion option	11, 18	3,563		-
Change in fair value of prepay and stream	,	,		
arrangements	13	1,125		_
Other expense		(313)		_
Finance income		208		115
Comprehensive Loss for the year before Taxes		\$ (20,899)	\$	(21,850)
Net current income tax and special mining duty		(1,912)		•
Net deferred income tax and special mining recovery		208		-
Comprehensive Loss for the year after Taxes		(22,603)		(21,850)
Loss per Share – Basic and Diluted		\$ (0.16)	\$	(0.18)
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding		143,931,329		123,681,636

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31

US Dollars (000's)

	Note	2022	2021
Operating Activities			
Loss for the year		\$ (22,603)	\$ (21,850)
Items not affecting cash:			
Share-based compensation		994	2,401
Shares for services	19	744	-
Depletion, depreciation, and amortization		17,605	710
Accretion expense	11, 14, 15	4,097	149
Accretion of Community projects obligation	16	839	843
Impairment of resource property	9	-	951
Finance income		(186)	(115)
Amortization of gold prepay interest		(308)	
Unrealized foreign exchange (gain) loss	4.0	1,031	(1,247)
Change in fair value of prepay and stream arrangements	13	(1,125)	-
Gain on valuation of conversion option	11, 18	(3,563)	(004)
Adjustment to Corani obligation	17	(13)	 (224)
Changes in current assets and liabilities		(2,488)	(18,382)
Changes in current assets and liabilities: Deferred revenue, prepay and stream arrangements	12, 13	(16,173)	
Receivables and prepaid expenses	12, 13	(6,920)	409
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		22,694	(162)
Inventory		(9,572)	(102)
Taxes and deferred taxes		1,740	_
Cash used in operating activities		(10,719)	(18,135)
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Investing Activities			
Purchase of equipment	8	(12,847)	(1,653)
Resource acquisition costs	9	(16)	(26)
Payment of community projects and Corani obligation	16, 17	(1,109)	(1,109)
Net cash paid as part of Mercedes acquisition	3	(1,328)	-
Net cash paid for Mercedes commitments and receivables		(1,154)	-
Interest received	_	186	115
Restricted cash	5	(339)	 (337)
Cash used in investing activities		(16,607)	 (3,010)
Financing Activities			
Share capital issued, net of share issuance costs	19	2,734	25,238
Proceeds from note payable	18	4,662	-
Principal payments on leases	15	(683)	(713)
Cash provided by financing activities		6,713	 24,525
Effect of exchange rate change on cash and cash equivale	ents	(79)	236
Net Increase (decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		(20,692)	3,616
Cash and cash equivalents – Beginning of year		• • • •	20,560
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Cash and Cash Equivalents – End of year		\$ 3,484	\$ 24,176

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31

US Dollars (000's)

Supplemental Cash Flow Information	Note	2022	2021
Additions to lease liabilities		401	379
Issuance of Restricted Share Units ("RSUs")		-	508
Mercedes acquisition cost financed by Convertible Debenture	11	\$ 22,500	\$ -
Mercedes acquisition cost financed by Gold Purchase agreement	12	37,500	-

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity For the Year Ended December 31 US Dollars (000's, except share data)

352,019	107	39,443	(277,404)	114,165
				•
-	-	-	(22,603)	(22,603)
205	-	(205)	-	_
_	-	995	-	995
637	107	-	-	744
(37)	-	-	-	(37)
2,772	-	-	-	2,772
21,712	-	-	-	21,712
			•	
326,730	-	38,653	(254,801)	110,582
326,730	-	38,653	(254,801)	110,852
			(21,030)	(21,030)
	_	2,401	(21,850)	(21,850)
-	_	2,401	_	2,401
506	_	(583)	_	(77)
(1,869)	_	_	_	(1,869)
27,107	_	50,055	(202,901)	27,107
300,986	-	36,835	(232,951)	104,870
Capital	issued	Surplus	Deficit	Total
Share	Shares to be	Contributed		

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1. Nature of Business and Going Concern

Bear Creek Mining Corporation ("Bear Creek" or the "Company") is a public company incorporated in British Columbia, Canada. Its common shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSX-V") in Canada and the Bolsa de Valores de Lima in Peru under the symbol "BCM" and are posted for trading on the OTCQX Market in the U.S. under the symbol "BCEKF" and on the Börse Frankfurt in Germany under the symbol "OU6". The Company's head office, and principal address is 400 Burrard Street, Suite 1400, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 3A6.

Bear Creek is engaged in the production and sale of gold and silver, as well as other related activities, including exploration and development of precious and base metal properties in Peru and Mexico.

The mining and exploration business involves a high degree of risk, and there can be no assurance that current mine production, exploration, and development projects will be profitable. The Company relies on cash flow from its Mercedes gold-silver Mine ("Mercedes") to carry out its exploration plans and commitments, development activities, administrative overhead, and maintain its mineral interests. The recoverability of amounts shown for resource properties is dependent on several factors. These factors include profitable production at the Mercedes mine and the ability to complete the development and profitably operate or dispose of the Corani Project.

Ownership interests in mineral properties involve risks due to the difficulties of determining and obtaining clear title to claims and the potential for problems to arise due to these difficulties. The Company has investigated the ownership of its mineral properties, and, to the best of its knowledge, ownership of its interests is in good standing.

On April 21, 2022, the Company completed the acquisition ("The Acquisition") of 100% shares in a company that holds a 100% interest in the Mercedes mine located in Sonora, Mexico, from Equinox Gold Corp. ("Equinox"). The shares were acquired for total cash consideration of \$75 million, 24.7 million common shares, and a 2% net smelter return payable on the metal produced from the Mercedes concessions. The Company has an outstanding purchase price installment of \$25 million, related to the acquisition of Mercedes (Note 3).

Covid-19 infections in Mexico and Peru declined significantly during the year with only 25 cases reported in the fourth quarter. Generally, employees or contractors experience mild symptoms and return to work within seven days. Staff in Mexico and Peru have returned to pre-pandemic rotations and office staff is now working onsite. Management cannot predict the effect of the COVID-19 virus on the Company's future business plans, financial position, cash flows, and results of operations.

Going Concern

These Consolidated Financial Statements were prepared following accounting principles applicable to a going concern, which assumes the Company will be able to continue in operation for at least twelve months from December 31, 2022 and will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the ordinary course of operations.

As at December 31, 2022, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$3.5 million (2021: \$24.2 million) and a working capital ("WC") deficiency of \$51.2 million (2021: WC of \$22.5 million). For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company incurred a loss of \$22.6 million (2021: \$21.9 million) and had cash outflows from operating activities of \$10.7 million (\$18.1 million). Included in current liabilities as at December 31, 2022 is a payment of \$25.7 million relating to the Mercedes acquisition.

The \$5 million promissory note from Auramet International LLC ("Auramet") (Note 18) is subject to a covenant, whereby the Company is required to maintain \$2.5 million in the form of cash and cash equivalents, undrawn line of credits or unallocated pool of gold and silver at all times until the maturity date of the promissory note. As at December 31, 2022, the Company has complied with all the conditions of this covenant.

On October 26, 2022, the Company announced that it had reached a Heads of Agreement ("HOA") with Equinox to amortize over two years the payment of the final \$25 million purchase price installment for Mercedes. The HOA plans to convert the payment into a promissory note (the "Note") with a maturity date (the "Maturity Date") of October 21, 2024 and monthly principal and interest payments commencing in February 2023. Monthly payments will be the greater of US\$500,000 or half of consolidated free cash flow. Interest will be applied at 12.5% plus the greater of 2.5% or the 90-

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day average SOFR. In addition, the Company will grant Equinox Gold warrants to acquire up to 5 million common shares of the Company. The Warrants may be converted at any time over three years, starting six months after being granted at a 15% premium to the 5-day volume weighted average price of the shares on the grant date. The HOA was subsequently revised on March 10, 2023 for payment structure and issuance of shares. The Note will now amortize at a fixed rate of US\$700,000 per month during the first year until March 3, 2024 and thereafter at an amount per month equal to the greater of US\$700,000 or 50% of the free cash flow generated from Mercedes. In addition to the Note, the Company will issue to Equinox 2,750,000 common shares of the Company instead of issuing warrants to acquire up to 5 million common shares. Issuing the Note and shares is subject to TSX-V approval. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company accrued a total of \$0.7 million in interest payable to Equinox as part of this proposed HOA.

While the renegotiation of the terms of the \$25 million Equinox payment would improve the Company's liquidity, material uncertainty remains in relation to the ability of the Company to achieve the operating results and necessary cash flow generation from the Mercedes mine in order to avoid seeking additional financing, which may give rise to significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

These Consolidated Financial Statements do not include adjustments to the carrying values of the assets and liabilities, the reported revenues and expenses, and the balance sheet classifications used, should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. These adjustments could be material.

2. Basis of Preparation

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS"). The Company adopted new accounting policies during the financial year as a result of the Mercedes Acquisition (Notes 1 & 3).

The Board of Directors approved these consolidated financial statements on April 17, 2023.

Basis of Measurement

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs, except for certain financial instruments that are measured at fair value and are modified where applicable. These consolidated financial statements are presented in US dollars unless otherwise noted.

Significant Accounting Policies

Consolidation

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date the Company obtains control and continue to be consolidated until the date that control ceases. Control is achieved when the Company has the ability or right to cause variable returns from or is exposed to variable returns from its involvement with an entity and can affect those returns through its ability to direct the entity's activities.

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The subsidiaries of the Company, their activities, and their geographic locations at December 31, 2022 were as follows:

Subsidiary	Principal activity	Location	Ownership interest
BCMC Corani Holdings Ltd.	Holding company	Canada	100%
Bear Creek Resources Company Ltd.	Holding company	Canada	100%
Bear Creek (BVI) Limited	Holding company	British Virgin Islands	100%
Corani Mining Limited	Holding company	British Virgin Islands	100%
Bear Creek Mining S.A.C.	Mineral exploration	Peru	100%
Bear Creek Exploration Company Ltd.	Holding company	Canada	100%
Bear Creek Mining Company Sucursal del Peru	Mineral exploration	Peru	100%
INEDE S.A.C.	Mineral exploration	Peru	100%
Electro Antapata S.A.C.	Electrical Power Distribution	Peru	100%
1336991 BC LTD.	Holding	Canada	100%
Minera Mercedes Minerales S. de R.L. de C.V.	Production	Mexico	100%
Mercedes Gold Holdings S. A. de C.V.	Holding	Mexico	100%
Premier Mining Mexico S. de R.L. de C.V.	Services	Mexico	100%
Premier Gold Mines (Netherlands) Cooperatie U.A.	Holding	Netherlands	100%
Premier Gold Mines (Netherlands) B.V.	Holding	Netherlands	100%
Premier Gold Mines (Cayman) Ltd.	Holding	Cayman Islands	100%
2536062 Ontario Inc	Holding	Canada	100%

Foreign Currencies

The functional currency of the Company and its subsidiaries is the United States ("US") Dollar. Functional currency determinations were made by analyzing the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. These consolidated financial statements are presented in US dollars.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the entity's functional currency at the exchange rate in effect at the date of the transaction. At balance sheet dates, monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the period end date exchange rates. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and subsequently amortized through profit or loss using this same exchange rate.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, term deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments with the original term to maturity of three months or less, which are readily available to be converted into cash and are subject to insignificant changes in value.

Short-term Investments

Short-term investments are transitional or current investments with an original term to maturity greater than three months but less than one year.

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Financial Instruments

Measurement - Initial Recognition

Financial assets and liabilities are recognized when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. On initial recognition, all financial assets and liabilities are recorded at fair value, net of attributable transaction costs, except for financial assets and liabilities classified as fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"). Transaction costs of financial assets and liabilities classified as at FVTPL are expensed in the period they are incurred. The Company does not have any financial assets or liabilities classified as at FVTPL.

Subsequent measurement of financial assets and liabilities depends on each asset or liability's classification.

Financial Assets

Financial assets that meet the following conditions are measured at amortized cost:

- The financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets to collect contractual cash flows, and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

The Company's financial assets at amortized cost include its cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities and equity

Debt and equity instruments are classified as either financial liabilities or equity in accordance with the substance of the related contractual arrangements.

A financial liability is any liability that is a contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset to another entity, or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another entity.

The amortized cost of a financial asset or liability is the initial recognition minus principal repayments minus the cumulative amortization, using the effective interest method applied to the difference between the initial amount, payments made and the maturity amount, adjusted for any allowance due to expected credit losses. Interest income is recognized using the effective interest method.

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in an entity's assets after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Company are recognized as proceeds received net of direct issue costs.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognized when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire. Financial liabilities are derecognized only when the Company's obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire. On derecognition, the difference between the carrying amount (measured at the date of derecognition) and the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability obtained) is recognized in profit or loss.

Resource Property and Exploration Costs

The Company capitalizes the direct costs of acquiring mineral property interests. Option payments are considered acquisition costs if the Company intends to exercise the underlying option.

Property costs in relation to exploration activities are expensed as incurred until such time that the property demonstrates technical feasibility and commercial viability. Upon demonstrating technical, commercial, and legal viability, and subject to an impairment analysis, additional costs for the property are capitalized prospectively as development costs within Resource Property. Technical and commercial viability coincides with the establishment of proven and probable mineral reserves and the approval by the Board of Directors to proceed to development.

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If no viable ore body is discovered on a property, previously capitalized acquisition costs are expensed in the period that the property is determined to be uneconomic or abandoned.

Impairment of Non-Financial Assets

The carrying amounts of non-financial assets are reviewed for impairment at each reporting date. If there are indicators of impairment, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated to determine the extent of any impairment. The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future pre-tax 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.

Non-financial assets impaired in prior periods are tested for possible reversal of impairment at each reporting date. If the impairment has reversed, the asset's carrying amount is increased to its recoverable amount but not beyond the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized in the statement of income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss).

Provisions

(i) Decommissioning and restoration provision: The cost of future obligations to retire an asset including dismantling, remediation, and ongoing treatment and monitoring of the site related to normal operations is initially recognized and recorded as a liability based on estimated future cash flows discounted at a risk adjusted pre-tax discount rate. The decommissioning and restoration provision is adjusted at each reporting period for changes to the expected amount of cash flows required to discharge the liability, the timing of such cash flows and the pre-tax discount rate.

The liability is also accreted to full value over time through periodic charges to earnings as a finance expense in the statement of income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss).

The cost of decommissioning and restoration represents part of the cost of acquiring the asset's future benefits; therefore, the decommissioning and restoration provision initially recognized is capitalized as part of the related asset's carrying value and amortized to earnings on the same basis as the underlying asset.

(ii) Other provisions: Provisions are recognized when a current legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of past events and settling the obligation will require a reliably estimable outflow of resources. Provisions are discounted using a pre-tax risk-adjusted interest rate.

Share-Based Compensation

The fair value method of accounting is used for share-based compensation. Under this method, the cost of stock options and other equity-settled share-based payment arrangements—such as Restricted Share Units ("RSUs") and Deferred share units ("DSUs") are recorded on the date of grant at estimated fair value using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. This cost is charged as compensation expense to earnings over the vesting period. Compensation expense is recognized over the vesting period based on the number of awards expected to vest. At the end of each reporting period, the Company revises its estimates of the number of options expected to vest. The Company recognizes the impact of the revision to original estimates, if any, in the statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

Option pricing models require subjective assumptions, including the expected price volatility of the underlying instrument, assumed interest rates, and the expected option life. Changes, over time, in these assumptions can materially affect the estimated fair value of stock options or other equity-settled instruments granted.

Business combinations

A business combination is when the Company acquires another business by obtaining control of that business. A business is an integrated set of activities and assets that is capable of being conducted and managed for the purpose of providing goods or services to customers, generating investment income (such as dividends or interest) or generating other income from ordinary activities. When acquiring a set of activities or assets in the exploration and development stage, which may not have outputs at the acquisition date, the Company considers other factors to determine whether

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the set of activities or assets is a business. In this case, an acquired process is considered substantive when: (i) the acquired process is critical to the ability to develop the acquired input into outputs; and (ii) the inputs acquired include both an organized workforce with the necessary skills, knowledge, or experience to perform the process and other inputs that the organized workforce could develop into outputs

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method whereby identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including contingent liabilities, are recognized at their fair values at the acquisition date. The acquisition date is when the Company obtains control over the acquiree, which is generally the date that consideration is transferred, and the Company acquires control of the assets and assumes the liabilities of the acquiree. The Company considers all relevant facts and circumstances in determining the acquisition date.

To estimate the fair value of the Mercedes Mine mineral property, management utilized a discounted cash flow model incorporating estimates and significant assumptions that included: projected mined ore reserves and resources, metallurgical recovery estimates, expected future production costs, expected capital expenditures, future metal prices, discount rate and the projected contained gold and silver.

Projected levels of contained gold and silver, projected mined ore and metallurgical recovery estimates are based on information compiled by appropriately qualified persons (management's experts).

The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the fair values, determined as at the acquisition date, of the assets transferred by the Company, the liabilities, including contingent liabilities, incurred and payable by the Company to former owners and the equity interests issued by the Company. Other than costs to issue debt or equity securities of the Company, acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred. The initial accounting for the business is provisionally determined at the end of the reporting period in which the business combination occur. The Company has up to twelve months from the date of the business combination to make changes to the provisional accounting and adjust the fair values of the assets and liabilities acquired.

Streaming arrangements

The accounting for streaming arrangements is dependent on the facts and terms of each of the arrangements.

Gold Prepayment stream - There is variability of the pricing and delivery amount of gold (Note 13), leading to the Agreement being accounted for as a derivative financial liability measured at fair value through profit or loss. The fair value of the Gold Prepay Agreement is determined based on the net present value of the expected future cash flows and gold deliveries using a discount rate that reflects the time value of money and risks associated with the liability. The interest rate is determined based on the rate implicit in the streaming agreement at the date of acquisition, which is then reassessed to be adjusted according to the risks associated with the liability at each reporting period. The Gold Prepay has been recorded as a net present value of future payments based on the implicit rate. Any changes to fair value are reflected in the consolidated Statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

Silver Stream - As silver production from Mercedes may not be sufficient to satisfy the obligation, the Company may be required to purchase silver on the open market or settle the obligation in cash, therefore this arrangement was accounted for as a derivative financial liability measured at fair value through profit or loss. The fair value of the silver stream is determined based on the net present value of the expected future cash flows and silver deliveries using a discount rate that reflects the time value of money and risks associated with the liability. Any changes to fair value are reflected in the consolidated Statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

Sandstorm Forward Gold Purchase Agreement._The agreement with Sandstorm requires delivery of a proportion of gold from the Mercedes Mine (Note 12). Since the Company will satisfy all delivery requirements through the production at the Mercedes Mine, the agreement met the own use exemption under IFRS 9 and therefore is not considered a financial liability. The prepayment from Sandstorm under the agreement is accounted for as deferred revenue.

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Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue is recognized for expected payments for future commitments to deliver metals and before such commitments meet the criteria for revenue recognition. The Company recognizes revenue as the metals are delivered to the customer.

The Company determines the amortization of deferred revenue on a per unit basis using the estimated total quantity of metal expected to be delivered over the contract term. The Company estimates the current portion of deferred revenue based on amounts anticipated to be delivered over the next twelve months.

Deferred revenue of the Company represents advance sales under Gold Purchase Agreement and is recognized as a contract liability under IFRS 15. Deferred revenue arises from up-front payments received by the Company as specified in the Gold Purchase Agreement.

Revenue

The Company follows a five-step process in determining whether to recognize revenue from the sale of precious metals:

- identifying the contract with a customer,
- identifying the performance obligations,
- determine the transaction price,
- allocating the transaction price to the performance obligations, and
- recognizing revenue when performance obligations are satisfied.

Revenue from contracts with customers is generally recognized on the settlement date when the customer obtains control of the delivered asset and the Company satisfies its performance obligations. The Company considers the terms of the contract in determining the transaction price. The transaction price is either fixed on the settlement date or based on the contract's pricing terms.

Any Net Smelter Returns ("NSRs") or royalties that the Company undertakes are considered as costs to the Company and are recorded in the statement of profit or loss in the period such NSRs are incurred,

Inventory

Material extracted from the mines is classified as either ore or waste. Ore represents material that, at the time of extraction, is expected to be processed into a saleable form and sold at a profit. Ore is accumulated in stockpiles and subsequently processed into gold and silver in a saleable form. Work-in-process represents gold and silver in the processing circuit that has not completed the production process and is not yet in a saleable form. Finished goods inventory represents gold and silver in saleable form, respectively.

Mine operating supplies represent consumables and other raw materials used in the production process, as well as spare parts and other maintenance supplies that are not classified as capital items.

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined on a weighted average basis and includes all costs incurred to bring each product to its present location and condition. Cost of inventories includes direct labor, materials, and contractor expenses, depreciation of property, and equipment, including capitalized development costs.

Provisions to reduce inventory to net realizable value are recorded to reflect changes in economic factors that impact inventory value and to reflect present intentions for using slow-moving and obsolete supplies inventory. Net realizable value is determined with reference to relevant market prices less applicable selling expenses. Provisions recorded also reflect an estimate of the remaining costs of completion to bring the inventory into its saleable form. Provisions are also recorded to reduce mine operating supplies to net realizable value, generally calculated by reference to salvage or scrap values when it is determined that the supplies are obsolete. Provisions are reversed to reflect subsequent recoveries in net realizable value where the inventory is still on hand.

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Mineral Property, Equipment and Leasehold Improvements

Equipment and leasehold improvements are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognized as a separate asset, as appropriate, when it is probable that future economic benefits from such assets will flow to the Company and the cost of such assets can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of an asset is derecognized when it is sold, replaced or taken out of service. Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to the statement of loss and comprehensive loss during the period they are incurred.

Once a mineral property has been brought into commercial production, being the ability to consistently maintain production metrics, as determined by management for specific properties, the costs of any additional work on that property are expensed as incurred, except for exploration and development programs which constitute a betterment. Betterments are deferred and amortized over the remaining useful life of the related assets. Mineral properties include decommissioning and restoration costs related to the reclamation of mineral properties. Mineral properties are derecognized upon disposal or written off when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the asset's continued use or the cash-generating unit's carrying value exceeds its recoverable amount. Any gain or loss on disposal of the asset, determined as the difference between the proceeds received and the carrying amount of the asset, is recognized in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss. Mineral properties are amortized on the unit-of-production basis using the mineable ounces extracted from the mine in the period as a percentage of the total mineable ounces to be extracted in current and future periods based on mineral reserves and units produced during the period. Mineral properties are recorded at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and depletion, and accumulated impairment losses and are not intended to represent future values. Recovery of capitalized costs depends on the successful development of economic mining operations or the disposition of the related mineral property.

Depreciation or depletion is computed using the following rates:

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Item	Methods	Rates
Mineral properties	Units of production	Estimated proven and probable mineral reserves
Equipment, leasehold		
improvements	Straight line	Lesser of the lease term and estimated useful life
Furniture, office		
equipment, and software	Straight line	2 – 12 years, straight line
Property and equipment	Straight line	4 – 12 years, straight line
Mining equipment	Straight line	1 – 12 years, straight line
Deferred stripping costs	Units of production	Estimated proven and probable mineral reserves

The Company allocates the amount initially recognized to each asset's significant components and depreciates each separately. Residual values, amortization methods, and useful lives of the assets are reviewed at each financial period end and adjusted on a prospective basis if required.

Gains and losses on equipment disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the asset's carrying amount and are included in the statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

Income Taxes

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in the statement of loss and comprehensive loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity, in which case the related income tax is recognized directly in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on taxable income for the year using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period and any adjustments to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Generally, deferred tax is recognized on temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. Deferred income tax is determined on a non-discounted

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basis using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date that are expected to apply when the deferred tax asset or liability is settled. Deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that it is probable that such assets can be recovered.

Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates except, in the case of subsidiaries, where the Company controls the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference, and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are presented as non-current.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and when the Company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Loss per Share

Basic loss per share is computed by dividing the loss attributable to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. The computation of diluted earnings per share assumes the conversion, exercise, or contingent issuance of securities only when such conversion, exercise, or issuance would have a dilutive effect on earnings per share. The dilutive effect of outstanding options and their equivalents is reflected in diluted earnings per share by applying the treasury stock method. The treasury stock method calculates the dilutive effect of share options assuming that the proceeds to be received on the exercise of share options are applied to repurchase common shares at the average market price of the period.

Segmented Information

The Company manages its segmented information and continuously reviews the information that aids the decision-making process for the officers of the Company.

The Company considers any component of the Company to be a segment:

- (i) that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and/or incur expenses;
- (ii) whose operating results are reviewed regularly by the entity's chief operating decision maker; and
- (iii) for which discrete financial information is available.

Significant Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements. Significant areas where judgment and estimates are applied include; application accounting policies, the recoverability of resource property, and valuation of certain other obligations as described below. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Areas of Judgment

Impairment for mineral property, and property and equipment

The application of the Company's accounting policy for impairment of mineral properties, property and equipment requires judgment to determine whether indicators of impairment exist. The review of impairment indicators includes consideration of significant changes in both external and internal sources of information, including factors such as:

- a significant decline in the market value of the Company's share price;
- changes in quantity of the recoverable resources and reserves;
- market and economic conditions impacting the precious metals industry;
- metal prices and forecasts, capital expenditure requirements, expected future operating costs and production volumes:
- and site restoration costs to the end of the mine's life.

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Management uses judgment when assessing whether there are indicators of impairment, such as significant changes in future commodity prices or the Company's share price, discount rates, recoverable resources and reserves estimates, or other relevant information that indicates production will not likely occur or may be significantly reduced in the future.

When impairment indicators exist, management estimates the recoverable amount of the cash generating unit ("CGU") and compares it against the CGU's carrying amount. This review is generally performed on a property-by-property basis with each property representing a CGU.

Management has assessed impairment indicators on the Company's mineral properties and property and equipment. The Company has experienced increase in operational and processing costs, which has been offset by rising metal prices and concluded that no impairment indicators exist as of December 31, 2022.

Impairment for resource property

At each reporting period-end, management applies judgment in assessing whether there are any indicators of impairment relating to its resource properties. If there are indicators of impairment, the recoverable amount of the related asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of any impairment. Indicators of impairment may include:

- (i) the period during which the entity has the right to explore in the specific area has expired during the year or will expire in the near future and is not expected to be renewed;
- (ii) substantive expenditure on further exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources in the specific area is neither budgeted nor planned;
- (iii) exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources in the specific area have not led to the discovery of commercially viable quantities of mineral resources and the entity has decided to discontinue such activities in the specific area;
- (iv) sufficient data exists to indicate that the carrying amount of the resource property is unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or by sale.

Management has assessed impairment indicators on the Company's resource property and has concluded that no impairment indicators exist as of December 31, 2022.

Uncertain tax positions

The Company's operations involve the application of complex tax regulations in multiple international jurisdictions. Determining the tax treatment of a transaction requires the Company to apply judgment in its interpretation of the applicable tax law. These positions are not final until accepted by the relevant tax authority. The tax treatment may change based on the result of assessments or audits by the tax authorities often years after the initial filing.

The Company recognizes and records potential liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on its assessment of the amount, or range of amounts, of tax that will be due. The Company adjusts these accruals as new information becomes available. Due to the complexity and uncertainty associated with certain tax treatments, the ultimate resolution could result in a payment that is materially different from the Company's current estimate of the tax liabilities.

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Areas of Estimation Uncertainty

Mineral reserves and resources

Mineral reserves are estimates of ore that can be economically and legally extracted from the Company's mineral property. The Company estimates its mineral reserves and mineral resources based on information compiled by appropriately qualified persons. Such estimates require complex geological assessments to interpret the data. Additionally, the estimation of recoverable mineral reserves is based upon factors such as estimates of foreign exchange rates, commodity prices, future capital requirements, metallurgical recoveries, permitting and production costs along with geological assumptions made in estimating the size and grade of the ore body. Changes in the mineral reserve or mineral resource estimates may impact the carrying value of mining interests, mine restoration provisions, recognition of deferred tax assets, depreciation and amortization charges and royalty obligations.

Value added taxes

The Company incurs indirect taxes, including value-added tax, on purchases of goods and services at its operating mines and exploration projects. Indirect tax balances are recorded at their estimated recoverable amounts within current or long-term assets, net of provisions, and reflect the Company's best estimate of their recoverability under existing tax rules. Management's assessment of recoverability considers the probable outcomes of claimed deductions and/or disputes. The provisions and balance sheet classifications made to date may be subject to change and such change may be material.

Convertible debenture and note payable

The conversion option of the debenture is classified as a financial liability due to the variability in its exercise price in accordance with the principles of IAS 32: Financial Instruments - Presentation. The host liability is accounted for at amortized cost and the embedded derivative liability is accounted for as a financial liability at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with the principles of IFRS 9: Financial Instruments.

The fair value measurement of the conversion option of the Company's convertible debenture and call option of the note payable requires the use of option pricing models as a valuation approach. These option pricing models require use of estimates and inputs based on best available market information (Note 11 & 18). Changes in assumptions and estimates used could result in changes in the fair values of the conversion and call option which is recognized in net income or loss.

Streaming Arrangements

Gold Prepay Agreement - The gold prepay agreement is recorded at fair value through profit or loss at each reporting period. The fair value of the gold prepay agreement is determined based on the net present value of the expected future gold deliveries using an estimated discount rate, estimated future gold prices and future gold production estimates (Note 13).

Silver Stream - The silver stream contract is recorded at fair value through profit or loss at each reporting period. The fair value of the silver stream is determined based on the net present value of the expected future silver deliveries using an estimated discount rate, estimated future silver prices, and future silver production estimates (Note 13).

Asset retirement obligation

The Company's provision for reclamation and closure costs represents management's best estimate of the present value of the future cash outflows required to settle the liability which reflects estimates of future costs, the timing of the cash flows associated with the future costs, inflation, and movements in foreign exchange rates when liabilities are anticipated to be settled in a currency other than US\$. Cost estimates can vary in response to many factors including changes to the relevant legal requirements, whether closure plans achieve intended reclamation goals, the emergence of new restoration techniques, or experience at other mine sites, local inflation rates, and foreign exchange rates. The expected timing of expenditures can also change, for example, in response to changes in mineral reserves, production rates, or economic conditions.

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The Company's assumptions are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted to reflect management's current best estimate and changes in any of the aforementioned factors can result in a material change to the provision recognized by the Company.

3. Mercedes Acquisition

On April 21, 2022 ("Closing Date"), the Company acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of Equinox's indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, which in turn owns subsidiaries that ultimately own 100% of the Mercedes Mine. As part of this transaction, the Company paid cash consideration of \$75 million, including \$60 million provided directly to Equinox by Sandstorm Gold Ltd. ("Sandstorm"), and issued 24,730,000 Bear Creek common shares to Equinox. For the \$60 million cash consideration that Sandstorm provided directly to Equinox, the Company assumed obligations in the form of convertible debenture (Note 11) and forward gold contract (Note 12). The Company was also required to make a deferred cash payment of \$25 million on or before October 21, 2022 and pay a 2% Net Smelter Return on the metal produced from the Mercedes concessions to Equinox.

Management determined that the Mercedes acquisition was a business combination with the Company as acquirer. Transaction costs incurred in respect of the acquisition totaling \$1.9 million were expensed and presented as transaction costs in the consolidated statements of loss.

From the Closing Date until the year end date of December 31, 2022, the Company recognized total revenue of \$61.0 million resulting directly from the acquisition of Mercedes, which is also the total revenue recognized by the Company during the year ended December 31, 2022. Had the transaction occurred on January 1, 2022, the revenue and net income before taxes for the year ended December 31, 2022 would have been approximately \$89.9 million and \$4.5 million, respectively.

The acquisition date fair value of the consideration paid for the acquisition of Mercedes consisted of the following:

	April 21, 2022 (000's) \$
Cash consideration ¹	\$ 75,000
Shares issued ²	\$ 21,712
Deferred cash obligation ³	\$ 23,833
Working capital Adjustment payment	\$2,569
Total consideration	\$ 123,114

- 1. The total cash consideration consisted of \$15 million paid by the Company and \$60 million provided by Sandstorm (Note 11,12).
- 2. The Company issued 24.73 million shares to Equinox. These shares have been valued using the Company's April 21,2022 closing share price at CDN\$1.10 per share and translated to USD using an exchange rate of 1.2529.
- 3. The Company had a deferred cash obligation of \$25 million payable to Equinox before October 21, 2022. This deferred consideration is presented as a discounted amount on the balance sheet using a discount rate of 10% (Note 24). During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company has recorded \$1.16 million as accretion expense. The deferred obligation is currently being restructured into a Note (Note 1).

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The table below presents the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition.

Net Assets (Liabilities) acquired	April 21, 2022 (000's) \$
Cash and cash equivalents	16,241
Inventory	10,033
Prepaid expenses	615
Income tax receivable	1,557
Value added tax and other receivables	5,294
Property and equipment	73,664
Mineral property	73,687
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(13,492)
Income tax payable	(575)
Deferred income tax	(1,851)
Gold purchase agreement	(10,040)
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	(11,709)
Silver stream agreement	(20,310)
Total Fair Value of Net Asset (Liabilities) acquired	123,114

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company made an obligatory \$2.56 million payment as part of the agreed working capital adjustment with Equinox. There were also adjustments to the purchase price allocation from the preliminary allocation as follows: an additional fair value adjustment of \$2.61 million for the withholding tax liability in the Cayman jurisdiction, that is deemed not to be an obligation for the Company and the reduction of long term severance accruals of \$2.4 million which are not allowed under IFRS. These adjustments were not recorded in the initial fair value calculation of the Mercedes's assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The Company revised the fair value of the mineral property acquired as part of the Mercedes Acquisition to account for these adjustments.

The fair value estimates for the silver stream arrangement and gold prepay agreement were determined by a cash flow model using a 5% discount rate, future gold price ranging from \$1,725 -\$1,944 per ounce of gold, future silver prices ranging from \$21- \$24 per ounce of silver, estimated future production schedule and costs of operations.

The fair value estimates for the environmental rehabilitation obligation was determined by a cash flow model using a 8.86% discount rate and an inflation rate of 4%, both adjusted for the economic environment in Mexico, where the expenditure related to this obligation is expected to be incurred.

The fair value of inventory was estimated using the lower of cost or net realizable value of the inventory items. The fair value of cash and cash equivalents, prepaid expenses, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and income tax payable were assessed and deemed to equal the net book value as at the Closing Date. The fair value of the property plant and equipment acquired is valued using depreciated replacement cost approach.

The fair value of property and equipment was valued using depreciated replacement costs approach, for which the Company used an expert to carry out such valuations. The significant assumptions used within this valuation were useful life, depreciation profile and residual percentages of the property and equipment.

The fair value estimates for mineral properties are valued using a discounted cash flow approach.

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Significant assumptions used in the analysis for mineral property value	ation were as follows:
Gold Prices	\$1,636 -\$1,961
Gold Contained Ounces	0.25 million
Gold Recovery Rate	95.5%
Gold Grade	3.79 grams per tonne
Silver Prices	\$20-\$27
Silver Contained Ounces	1.92 million
Silver Recovery Rate	40%
Silver Grade	29.28 grams per tonne
Discount Rate	5%
Projected Mined Ore Reserves and Resources	2,037 kilo tonnes
Capital Expenditure	\$34.9 million
Per Unit Operating Costs	
Mine Administration and Underground	\$45.31
Plant	\$22.68
Site Overhead	\$12.38
General & Administration	\$3.95

4. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	December 31, 2022 (000's)	December 31, 2021 (000's)
Cash Term deposits and other Investment accounts	3,484 -	23,476 700
	3,484	24,176

5. Restricted Cash

Under the Corani Mine Closure Plan the Company must provide a closure guarantee. Consequently, the Company provides an insurance deposit for expected closure costs. On January 17, 2022 the Company posted an insurance policy for \$5.21 million with the Peruvian Ministry of Energy and Mines to cover the four-year cumulative mine closure guarantee. The Company provided a certificate of deposit in the insurer's name for \$1.30 million.

As of the date of these consolidated financial statements, no significant environmental disturbance has been caused due to the activities conducted on the Corani Project. The Company assumed a restoration obligation estimated at \$0.20 million upon acquiring the Corani Project.

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6. Receivables

The Company has one customer outside of its current selling arrangements (Note 12 & 13) and majority of the trade receivable balances relate to that one customer.

	December 31, 2022 (000's) \$	December 31, 2021 (000's) \$
Trade receivables	2,440	-
Value added taxes and other receivables	3,296	241
	5,736	241

7. Inventory

Inventory balance at December 31, 2022 relates to the materials, finished goods, and work in process inventory at Mercedes mine. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company recognized within cost of sales \$43.8 million (2021 – \$nil) in write-downs from inventory.

	December 31, 2022 (000's)	December 31, 2021
	\$	(000's) \$
Materials and Supplies (i)	8,724	-
Mineral inventory (ii)	15,554	-
Work in process (iii)	260	-
Current Ore Stockpiles (iv)	57	-
	24,595	-

- (i) Materials and supplies represent consumables and other raw materials used in the production process, as well as spare parts and other maintenance supplies that are not classified as capital items.
- (ii) Mineral inventory contains finished goods inventory in the form of gold or silver.
- (iii) Work-in-process represents gold and silver in the processing circuit that has not completed the production process and is not yet in a saleable form.
- (iv) Ore is accumulated in stockpiles that are subsequently processed into gold and silver in a saleable form. Milled ore undergoes agitated leaching, counter current decantation Merrill-Crowe precipitation and smelting.

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8. Property and Equipment

	Mineral Property (000's) \$	Other Equipment (000's) \$	Office Equipment (000's) \$	Land (000's) \$	Total (000') \$
Balance – December 31, 2020	-	5,516	8	45	5,569
Additions	-	1,506	-	-	1,506
Amortization		(133)	(2)		(135)
Balance – December 31, 2021 Fair value of net assets	-	6,889	6	45	6,940
acquired (Note 3)	73,687	73,664	-	-	147,351
Additions	12,982	1,518	-	-	14,500
Change in estimate	710	-	-	-	710
Amortization and depletion	(11,953)	(10,152)	(1)	-	(22,106)
Foreign exchange	(156)			-	(156)
Balance – December 31, 2022	75,270	71,919	5	45	147,239

Net Smelter Returns

The Company agreed to pay Equinox a 2.0% of Net Smelter Returns ("NSR") (Note 3), payable every quarter, from minerals produced from the Mercedes mine. Equinox transferred the 2.0% NSR to Sandbox Royalties Corp ("Sandbox") on May 26, 2022. As part of the acquisition, the Company assumed an existing 1.0% NSR with Elemental Altus Royalties Corp ("Elemental"). The Elemental 1% NSR took effect in August 2022 and is payable every quarter, from minerals produced from the Mercedes mine. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company recognized a total of \$1.57 million in NSR costs.

9. Resource Property

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	Corani Project (000's) \$	Project (000's) \$	Total (000's) \$
Balance at December 31, 2020	88,662	951	89,613
Land acquisition costs Impairment of Resource property	26 -	- (951)	26 (951)
Balance at December 31, 2021	88,688	-	88,688
Land acquisition costs	16	-	16
Balance – December 31, 2022	88,704	-	88,704

a) Corani Project

The Company has a 100% interest in the Corani Project located in the Department of Puno, Peru. Exploration and evaluation costs incurred on the Corani Project are expensed.

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Details are as follows:

Corani Exploration and Evaluation Costs:	Year Ended December 31	
	2022 (000's) \$	2021 (000's) \$
Corani	·	•
Community contributions	1,396	1,216
Detailed engineering	181	5,198
Environmental	302	230
Geophysics	72	129
Maintenance costs	53	32
Salaries and consulting	4,230	4,689
Camp, supplies, and logistics	2,168	2,348
Travel	90	65
Recovery of costs	(1,823)	-
Costs for the year	6,669	13,907

b) Other Exploration and Evaluation Costs (Recoveries)

Other exploration and evaluation costs include administrative expenses for maintaining and managing the Company's Peruvian affiliates and concession payments, which are not directly attributable to the Company's Corani project.

Total other exploration and evaluation costs incurred during the year ended December 31, 2022, were \$1.7 million (2021 - \$2.3 million).

The Company expenses the Peruvian value added tax it pays during the exploration phase. During the year ended December 31, 2022 the total value added taxes paid were \$0.6 million (2021 - \$1.7 million). The Company also received a total of \$1.8 million in form of Peruvian value added taxes refunds.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company recognized an impairment loss of \$0.95 million on its net smelter return royalty over the Maria Jose project. The project owner has not found economic mineralization and it's uncertain that future exploration will change this.

10. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

	December 31,	December 31,
	2022	2021
	(000's)	(000's)
	<u> </u>	\$
Trade payables	30,877	902
Other payables	1,565	-
	32,442	902
Less: Current portion	(31,407)	(902)
Non-Current portion	1,035	-

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11. Convertible Debenture

On April 21, 2022 as part of the Mercedes acquisition (Note 3), Sandstorm provided the Company with \$22.5 million ("the Principal") in exchange for a Convertible Debenture. The Convertible Debenture matures on April 21, 2025, bears a 6% coupon, and allows the holder, at their option, to convert the principal, in whole or in part, into common shares of the Company at any time before maturity at a conversion price of CDN\$1.51 per common share. Interest is calculated and payable quarterly in arrears on the last day of a calendar quarter. The Convertible Debenture can be prepaid in whole or in part with ten days' notice.

The convertible debenture comprises a host loan and an embedded derivative liability. The embedded derivative liability arises from the election right of the holder to convert the principal into common shares of the Company. On initial recognition of the convertible debenture, the embedded derivative liability was calculated first using the Black-Scholes options pricing model with the residual value being assigned to the host loan. The host loan is subsequently measured at amortized cost whereas the embedded derivative liability is measured at fair value with changes being recorded in profit or loss at the end of the period.

There were assumptions used in estimating the initial fair value of \$6.74 million for the conversion option on April 21, 2022 with the remaining value of \$15.76 million allocated to the debenture. The assumptions used to determine the fair value of the conversion option on initial recognition and December 31, 2022 are set in the table out below.

	April 21, 2022	December 31, 2022
Risk-free interest rate	3.00%	3.94%
Expected dividend yield	0.00%	0.00%
Stock price	CA\$ 1.10	0.76
Expected stock price volatility	72.71%	77.87%
Expected life in years	3	2.30

The summary of the convertible debenture movements during the year ended December 31, 2022 is as follows:

	Conversion		
	Debenture (000,'s) \$	Option (000's) \$	Total (000's) \$
Balance - December 31, 2021	-	-	-
Additions (Note 3)	15,760	6,740	22,500
Interest paid	(934)	-	(934)
Accretion	2,178	-	2,178
Change in fair value of conversion option	-	(3,495)	(3,495)
Balance - December 31, 2022	17,004	3,245	20,249

12. Deferred Revenue

Sandstorm Gold Purchase Agreement

On April 21, 2022, Sandstorm provided the Company with \$37.5 million. In exchange, the Company agreed to sell to Sandstorm 600 ounces of refined gold per month for 42 months (a total of 25,200 ounces) at a price equal to 7.5% of the London Bullion Market Association's PM fix for the day before the delivery date. After 42 months, the Company will sell to Sandstorm 4.4% of gold produced by Mercedes at a price equal to 25% of the London Bullion Market Association's PM fix for the day before the delivery date. As the Company is able to satisfy all of the delivery requirements through production from the Mercedes mine, the own use exemption is met and the contract is accounted for under the deferred revenue model. On April 21, 2022, \$37.5 million was recognized by the Company as deferred revenue to be recognized as revenue over the term of the agreement.

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Up until December 31, 2022, the Company has delivered 4,800 ounces of refined gold to Sandstorm and recognized a total sales revenue of \$8.4 million, including the 7.5% cash sales.

A schedule of the deferred revenue is as follows:

(000,'s) \$
-
37,500
(7,814)
29,686
(13,059)
16,627

13. Prepay and Stream Arrangements

Gold Prepay Agreement

On April 21, 2022 as part of the Mercedes acquisition (Note 3), the Company assumed a gold prepay agreement with Nomad Royalty Corp. Under the terms of the gold prepay agreement, the Company is required to deliver a notional amount of 1,000 ounces of gold quarterly if the gold price is between \$1,350 and \$1,650 until 5,400 ounces have been delivered. If the gold price per ounce is above \$1,650, the Company must deliver 900 ounces quarterly rather than 1,000 ounces. If the gold price per ounce is below \$1,350, the Company must deliver 1,100 ounces rather than 1,000 ounces. From April 21, 2022 to December 31, 2022, the Company has delivered 2,700 ounces of gold and recognized revenue of \$4.7 million. Interest is payable quarterly at a rate of 6.5% of the quarterly gold delivery amounts. During the year ended December 31, 2022, 176 ounces of gold were delivered as interest and revenue of \$0.31 million was recorded for the delivery of gold in interest. Due to the variability of the pricing and delivery amounts, the Gold Prepay Agreement was determined to be a financial liability recorded at fair value through profit and loss.

The following inputs were used to determine the fair value by calculating the net present value of the future cash flows of the Gold Prepay at inception and year ended date of December 31, 2022:

	April 21, 2022	December 31, 2022
Discount rate	5.00%	5.00%
Forward gold price range	\$1,725- \$1,944	\$1,755- \$1,766
Expected repayment term	1.44 years	0.75 years

(1)The discount rate used to fair value the Gold Prepay is based on the rate used for the preparation of the technical report for Mercedes.

The Company's gold prepay stream is as follows:

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10,040
(4,738)
(308)
(28)
4,966
(4,966)
-

The Company recognizes revenue and amortizes the gold prepay liability when the customer obtains control of the gold, being the date when the gold is delivered to the customer.

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Silver Stream

On April 21,2022 as part of The Mercedes acquisition (Note 3), the Company assumed a silver stream ("Silver Stream") requiring deliveries of 75,000 ounces of silver per quarter until 1.2 million ounces are delivered. After that, the Company will deliver 100% of its silver production until 3.75 million ounces are delivered. After 3.75 million ounces are delivered, the mine will deliver 30% of its silver production. The Company is paid 20% of the LBMA silver fix for the day before delivery. From April 21, 2022 to December 31, 2022, the Company delivered 219,793 ounces of silver as part of this stream and recorded revenue of \$4.53 million, 20% of which was cash based and remaining being recorded as part of the amortization of Silver Stream. The Silver Stream contract was determined to be a financial liability recorded at fair value through profit or loss. The principal repayment on the liability is variable based on 80% of the silver price applied to ounces delivered under the contract.

The following inputs were used to determine the fair value by calculating the net present value of the future cash flows of the Silver Stream at inception and year ended date of December 31, 2022:

	April 21, 2022	December 31, 2022
Discount rate ⁽¹⁾	5.00%	5.00%
Forward silver price range	\$22- \$24	\$20-\$22
Expected repayment term	3.95 years	3.25 years

(1) The discount rate used to fair value the Silver Stream is based on the rate used for the preparation of technical report for Mercedes.

Total

The Company's silver stream continuity is as follows:

	(000's) \$
Balance - December 31, 2021	-
On inception (Note 3)	20,310
Silver stream delivery	(3,621)
Change in fair value	(1,097)
Balance - December 31, 2022	15,592
Less: current portion	(4,914)
Non-Current Portion	10,678

The Company recognizes revenue and amortizes the silvers stream liability when the customer obtains control of the silver, being the date when the silver is delivered to the customer.

14. Asset Retirement Obligation

On April 21, 2022 as part of the Mercedes acquisition (Note 3), the Company assumed provision for environmental rehabilitation resulting from an ownership interest in a mill, mining equipment, and previously mined property interests. The provision consists primarily of costs associated with mine reclamation and closure activities. These activities generally include costs for decommissioning the mill complex and related infrastructure, ensuring the physical and chemical stability of the tailings area, post-closure site security, and monitoring costs. The Company considers such factors as changes in laws and regulations and requirements under existing permits in determining the estimated costs. Such analysis is performed on an ongoing basis.

The Company estimates that the undiscounted future value of the cash flows required to settle the closure provision is \$16.17 million for the Mercedes mine. The Company expects these cash flows outflows to begin in 2026. In calculating the estimate, management used the Mexican risk-free interest rate of 9.0% and inflation of 4.9%.

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A reconciliation of the discounted provision is provided below:

	(000's)
	\$
Balance - December 31, 2021	200
Addition (Note 3)	11,709
Accretion	238
Adjustment due to inflation and discount rate	710
Foreign exchange	436
Balance - December 31, 2022	13,293

15. Right of Use Assets and Lease Liabilities

The Company's right-of-use assets are:

Right-of-Use Assets	Office space and Warehouse (000's) \$	Vehicles (000's) \$	Total (000's) \$
Balance - December 31, 2020	382	323	705
Additions	128	251	379
Amortization	(290)	(285)	(575)
Balance - December 31, 2021	220	289	509
Additions	164	237	401
Amortization	(240)	(249)	(489)
Balance - December 31, 2022	144	277	421

The Company's lease liabilities are:

Lease Liabilities	Office Space and Warehouse (000's) \$	Vehicles (000's) \$	Total (000's) \$
Balance - December 31, 2020	349	310	659
Additions	128	251	379
Payments	(352)	(361)	(713)
Accretion expense	70	79	149
Foreign exchange translation effect	(2)	(25)	(27)
Balance – December 31, 2021	193	254	447
Additions	164	237	401
Payments	(315)	(368)	(683)
Accretion expense	74	107	181
Foreign exchange translation effect	7	9	16
Balance - December 31, 2022	123	239	362
Less: current portion	123	239	362
Long-term portion	-	-	-

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16. Community Projects Obligation

On April 8, 2013, the Company entered into a Framework Agreement for the Sustainable Use of Natural Resources in the Mining Project Corani (the "Framework Agreement") with the Corani District Municipality, five surrounding communities, and relevant ancillary organizations. The Framework Agreement was for an initial payment (the "Initial Payment") and 22 successive payments (the "Successive Payments") of Peruvian Sol ("S/") 4 million to be made into a trust designed to fund community projects. These Successive Payments of S/. 4 million per year depended on the Company receiving permits to build the processing facilities and the mining installations. These permits were received during 2018.

The Framework Agreement with the local communities and the Corani Environmental and Social Impact Assessment ("ESIA") requires the Company to undertake certain development work, such as access roads, mine camp and maintenance, storage facilities, and an electrical substation. The Company began development work in 2018 in accordance with the ESIA and the Framework Agreement.

At December 31, 2022, the total undiscounted obligation remaining under the Framework Agreement was \$17.1 million, while the sum of the remaining annual payment stream discounted at an estimated current rate of 10% is \$8.4 million.

A continuity of the Company's community projects obligation per the Framework Agreement is as follows:

	(000's) \$
Balance as of December 31, 2020	9,944
Payment	(1,075)
Accretion expense	843
Impact of foreign exchange	(864)
Balance as of December 31, 2021	8,848
Payment	(1,077)
Accretion expense	839
Impact of foreign exchange	454
Balance as of December 31, 2022	9,064
Less: current portion	(1,047)
Non-Current Portion	8,017

17. Other Liabilities

In 2011 the Company entered into land purchase agreements with local landowners for surface rights access to the Corani project and an agreement to provide the Corani Municipality with funding to build schools and other projects as determined by the Corani Municipality. The total amount owed under the agreements was approximately \$3.47 million, of which \$0.8 million remains outstanding at December 31, 2022.

The liability includes a pension obligation adjusted for pensioner life expectancy, the official Peruvian minimum wage level, and the exchange rate. The estimated payment stream is discounted at rates matching the payment maturities implicit in the Peruvian sovereign zero coupon bond curve.

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A continuity of the Company's obligation under these agreements is as follows:

	(000's) \$
Balance as of December 31, 2020	1,313
Payments	(34)
Revaluation of obligation	(224)
Impact of foreign exchange	(115)
Balance as of December 31, 2021	940
Payments	(32)
Revaluation of obligation	(13)
Impact of foreign exchange	(36)
Balance as of December 31, 2022	859
Less: current portion	(55)
Non-Current Portion	804

The Company's estimated future payments are as follows:

	December 31,	December 31,
	2022	2021
	(000's)	(000's)
	\$	\$
Within one year	55	54
After one year but not more than five years	804	886
	859	940

18. Note Payable

On July 28, 2022, the Company entered into a promissory note ("Note") with Auramet in connection with a \$5 million loan facility ("Facility").

The Facility is due on the first anniversary of the Note, such date being July 28, 2023, and the Company may repay the Facility, in minimum incremental amounts of US \$1.0 million, either in whole or in part, from time to time without penalty, subject to any accrued interest. The Facility is subject to an original issue discount fee of 2.5%, which was deducted from the advance of the Facility. Interest accrues on the unpaid principal amount at a rate of 6.00% per annum plus the greater of (i) the USD Secured Overnight Financing Rate or (ii) 1.00% per annum, payable quarterly in arrears. The Company incurred a total of \$0.4 million in expenses related to the Note. The Note is subject to a covenant, whereby the Company is required to maintain \$2.5 million in the form of cash and cash equivalents, undrawn line of credits or unallocated pool of gold and silver at all times until the maturity date of the Note. As at December 31, 2022, the Company has complied with all the conditions of this covenant. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company has paid a total of \$0.2 million in interest payments to Auramet.

As partial consideration for the Note, the Company entered into an offtake agreement (the "Offtake Agreement") with Auramet whereby the Company has agreed to sell Auramet 100% of the outturn from the Mercedes mine less the amount of gold and silver sold by the Company under existing royalty and stream agreements (the "Applicable Product") until the Note is paid in full and, after that, 50,000 troy ounces of the Applicable Product. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company delivered a total of 16,207 ounces of gold and recognized revenue of \$27.7 million as part of the Offtake Agreement.

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The Company also granted Auramet European style call options to purchase additional ounces of gold as set out below:

Ounces	Strike Price	Expiration Date
625	US\$1,975/Oz	April 26, 2023
625	US\$1,975/Oz	July 27, 2023
625	US\$1,975/Oz	October 27, 2023
625	US\$1,975/Oz	December 27, 2023

The call options are accounted for as a derivative. The fair value of the call options is determined using the Black-Scholes options pricing model at each period end date. The following assumptions were used in estimating the initial fair value of \$0.3 million for the call option on July 28, 2022 with the remaining value of \$4.4 million allocated to the Note, and for determining the fair value of the call option on December 31, 2022, resulting in a gain of \$0.1 million.

	July 28, 2022	December 31, 2022
Risk-free interest rate	3.24%	4.41%
Spot price of Gold	1,754	1,814
Expected gold volatility	21.2% - 21.7%	17.9% - 20.6%
Expected life in years	0.75 - 1.42	0.32 - 0.99

Movements in recorded value of the Note Payable during the year ended December 31, 2022 are as follows:

	Note (000,'s) \$	Call Option (000's) \$	Total (000's) \$
Balance - December 31, 2021	-	-	-
Proceeds	4,404	258	4,662
Interest	(211)	-	(211)
Accretion	310	-	`310
Change in fair value of call option	-	(68)	(68)
Balance - December 31, 2022	4,503	190	4,693

19. Share Capital

Authorized and Issued Share Capital

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of common shares without par value.

2022 Activity

On April 21, 2022, the Company completed the acquisition of the Mercedes mine from Equinox and issued 24,730,000 common shares of the Company to Equinox. These shares were part of the total consideration paid for the acquisition of the Mercedes mine and were valued at the closing rate of \$0.88 (CDN\$1.10) per share.

On June 10, 2022, the Company completed the private placement financing and issued 3,542,160 common shares at \$0.78 (CDN\$1.00) for gross proceeds of \$2,772,449 (CDN\$3,542,160). The Company incurred a total of \$37,096 in share issuance costs.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company issued a total of 1,445,693 common shares to a consultant of the Company for services rendered at a fair value of \$0.64 million. The Company accrued an additional \$0.11 million for the shares to be issued to the consultant subsequent to December 31, 2022.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company issued 308,333 common shares to its directors, officers, and employees upon vesting of one-third of the RSUs awarded on April 22, 2020.

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2021 Activity

In January 2021, the Company issued 11,500,000 common shares at CDN\$3.00 per share for gross proceeds of CDN\$34.5 million (\$27.1 million). The underwriters who purchased the shares received a cash fee equal to 6% of the gross proceeds (\$1.63 million). Additional costs of this financing included professional and filing fees of \$0.24 million.

On May 10, 2021, the Company issued 333,818 common shares to its directors, officers, and employees upon vesting of one-third of the RSUs awarded on April 22, 2020.

Stock Options Plan

The Company has established a share purchase option plan (the "Stock Option Plan") and a long-term incentive plan ("LTIP"). Under the Stock Option Plan, the Board of Directors may, from time to time, grant options to directors, officers, employees, or consultants. Options granted must be exercised no later than ten years from the date of grant or such lesser period as determined by the Board of Directors. Under the Stock Option Plan, the exercise price of an option cannot be lower than the closing price on the TSX Venture Exchange on the trading date preceding the grant date, less the maximum discount permitted under TSX policies applicable to share purchase options. The Board of Directors also sets vesting terms for each grant. The Stock Option Plan provides that the aggregate number of shares reserved for issuance under the plan (including shares issuable upon the exercise of existing options and restricted or deferred share units issuable under the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan) shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued and outstanding common shares of the Company on a non-diluted basis, as constituted on the grant date of such options. Under the LTIP, the Board of Directors may, from time to time, award RSUs or DSUs to directors, officers, employees, and in the case of RSUs, consultants. Under the LTIP, the maximum number of shares the Company is entitled to issue from treasury for payments regarding awards of DSUs and RSUs is an aggregate of 5,000,000 shares. The Stock Option Plan and the LTIP may not cumulatively exceed 10% of the total number of shares issued and outstanding.

Stock Options

2022 Activity

On Dec 15, 2022 the Company granted a total of 3,750,000 stock options to directors, officers and employees. The options are exercisable at CDN\$0.69 per common share for a period of ten years from the date of grant and vest over two years from the date of grant. The following assumptions were used to calculate the grant date fair value of \$1.5 million using the Black-Scholes options pricing model for these stock options:

	December 15, 2022
Risk-free interest rate	2.78%
Grant date stock price	\$0.69
Volatility	76.30
Expected life in years	10

The Company recognized \$0.76 million (2021 - \$0.26 million) as share-based payments expense based on the graded vesting schedule of the outstanding stock options.

During the year ended December 31, 2022 a total of 150,000 stock options were cancelled upon the death of a director, and 1,020,500 stock options expired without being exercised.

2021 Activity

No new stock options were granted during the year ended December 31, 2021. During the year ended December 31, 2021 a total of 12,000 stock options were canceled and 880,000 stock options expired without being exercised.

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The changes in share options during the year ended December 31, 2022, and the year ended December 31, 2021, were as follows:

	December 31, 2022 Weighted average		December 31, 2021	
			1	Weighted average
	Number of options	exercise price (in CDN\$)	Number of options	exercise price (in CDN\$)
Outstanding, beginning of the year	5,620,500	2.07	6,512,500	2.13
Granted	3,750,000	0.69		
Cancelled	(150,000)	1.78	(12,000)	2.73
Expired	(1,020,500)	2.73	(880,000)	2.48
Outstanding, end of the year	8,200,000	1.36	5,620,500	2.07

A summary of the Company's stock options outstanding as at December 31, 2022 is as follows:

Ontions	Ontions	Duine neu	Remaining	
Options Outstanding	Options Exercisable	Price per Share	contractual life (years)	Expiry Date
1,000,000	1,000,000	CDN\$2.25	4.76	October 3, 2027
670,000	670,000	CDN\$2.05	5.16	February 26, 2028
650,000	325,000	CDN\$2.05	5.17	March 2, 2028
400,000	200,000	CDN\$2.24	5.21	March 16, 2028
150,000	150,000	CDN\$1.92	5.45	June 12, 2028
1,430,000	1,305,000	CDN\$1.50	6.09	February 1, 2029
75,000	75,000	CDN\$1.41	6.18	March 6, 2029
75,000	75,000	CDN\$2.58	6.85	November 6, 2029
3,750,000	1,250,000	CDN\$0.69	9.96	December 15, 2032
8,200,000	5,050,000		7.50	

Restricted Share Units

On June 15, 2022, the Company issued 333,818 (May 10, 2021 – 333,818) common shares to its directors, officers, and employees upon vesting of one-third of the RSUs granted on April 22, 2020. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company recognized \$0.23 million (2021 - \$0.54 million) as share-based payments expense based on the graded vesting schedule of the RSUs.

As at December 31, 2022, the Company had a total of 308,334 incentive RSU's outstanding at a weighted average grant date fair value CDN\$2.05 per RSU's

The changes in RSU's during the year ended December 31, 2022, and the year ended December 31, 2020, were as follows:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
	Number of RSU's	Number of RSU's
Outstanding, beginning of the year	616,667	1,000,000-
Vested and issued shares	(308,333)	(383,333)
Outstanding, end of the year	308,334	616,667

Deferred Share Units

On April 26, 2021, the Company granted 1,000,000 DSUs to the directors and officers of the Company. The DSU's granted to the holders are to be held in a deferred share unit account until they become payable to the DSU holder on their DSU termination date. The DSU termination date occurs upon a change of control or when the DSU holder ceases to be a DSU holder for any reason other than involuntary termination with cause or involuntary removal as a director of the Company. The fair value of each DSUs was estimated using CAD \$1.84 as the stock price of the Company's

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common shares on the date of the grant. As of the year ended December 31, 2022, 1,000,000 DSU's were outstanding. The Company recognized \$nil as share-based payments expense for the DSUs during the year ended December 31, 2022 (2021 – 1.60 million).

As at December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021, the following stock options, RSUs and DSUs were under grant and available for issuance:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Issued and outstanding shares	154,299,318	124,273,132
Options allowed	15,429,932	12,427,313
RSU & DSU limit	5,000,000	5,000,000
Options outstanding	8,200,000	5,620,500
RSUs granted	1,000,000	1,000,000
RSU's outstanding	308,334	616,667
DSU's granted	1,000,000	1,000,000
DSU's Outstanding	1,000,000	1,000,000
RSU's & DSU's available	3,000,000	3,000,000
Options available for issuance	5,229,932	4,806,813

20. Revenue

The Company's revenues are primarily from sales of gold and silver. These products are sold to Nomad Royalty Company Ltd (Note 13), Asahi Refining Ltd, Auramet (Note 18) and Sandstorm (Note 12).

The revenue for the year ended December 31, 2022 is shown below:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
	` \$	`
Nomad Stream - gold revenue (Note 13)	5,046	
Nomad Stream - silver revenue (Note 13)	4,526	-
Sandstorm Forward gold revenue (Note 12)	8,447	-
Auramet - gold revenue (Note 18)	27,670	
Asahi - gold revenue	15,349	
	61,038	

21. Related Party Transactions

Compensation of key management personnel

The remuneration of the directors, the Chief Executive Officer, the President and Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer (collectively, the key management personnel) was as follows:

Year Ended December 31

	2022 (000's)	2021 (000's)
Salaries and directors' fees Share-based compensation	\$ 1,537 823	\$ 1,934 2,203
	\$ 2,360	\$ 4,137

⁽i) Key management personnel were not paid post-employment benefits or other long-term benefits.

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At December 31, 2022, \$nil (December 31, 2021 - \$nil) was due for director fees.

22. Segmented Information

From April 21, 2022 onwards, the Company included Mercedes, Corani, other exploration projects and the Company's corporate offices as its reportable segments. The operating segments are the same as reportable segments.

For the four reportable segments, the Company receives financial information that is used by the officers of the Company to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and to assess its performance.

Due to the Acquisition completed by the Company on April 21, 2022 (Note 3), Mercedes has been added as a new operating segment of the Company.

The following is an analysis of the long-term assets by geographical area:

	December 31 202:	-	December 31, 2021
Long -Term Assets	(000's		(000's)
Peru	\$ 92,824	\$	97,071
Mexico	139,818	,	-
Canada	5,026	<u> </u>	31
	\$ 237,668	\$	97,102

Results for year ended December 31, 2022

Net Loss (income)	Revenue (000's)	Cost of Sales & other operational costs (000's)	Depletions, Depreciation & Amortization (000's)	Exploration expenses (000's)	Other expenses (income) (000's)	Net (Income)/loss (000's)
Mercedes	\$ (61,038)	48,315	17,605	712	3,577	9,171
Corani	_	128	-	6,669	562	7,359
Other exploration						
projects	-	-	-	993	-	993
Corporate	-	4,310	-	-	770	5,080
	\$ (61,038)	52,753	17,605	8,374	4,909	22,603

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Results for year ended December 31, 2021

Net Loss (income)	Revenue (000's)	Operational and administrative Costs (000's)	Depletions, Depreciation & Amortization (000's)	Exploration expenses (000's)	Other expenses (income) (000's	Net (Income)/loss (000's)
Mercedes	\$ -	-	-	-	-	-
Corani	-	130	-	13,907	124	14,161
Other exploration						
projects	-	-	-	2,306	-	2,306
Corporate	-	4,496	-	<u>-</u>	887	5,383
	\$ -	4,626	-	16,213	1,011	21,850

23. Income Taxes

The schedule for current and deferred income tax expense is as follows:

	December 31,		December 31,
		2022	2021
		(000's)	(000's)
Current income tax and special mining expense		1,912	
Deferred income tax and special mining recovery	\$	(208)	\$ -
		1,704	-

Income tax expense differs from the amount that would result from applying the Canadian federal and provincial income tax rates to earnings before income taxes.

These differences result from the following items:

	Year ended December 31, 2022 (000's)	Year ended December 31, 2021 (000's)
Loss before income taxes	\$ (20,899)	\$ (21,850)
Canadian federal and provincial income tax rates	27.0%	27.0%
Income tax recovery based on the above rates	(5,643)	(5,900)
Non-deductible items (net)	1,166	1,464
Effect of change in Canadian and foreign tax rates	(1,753)	(398)
Impact of deferred tax assets not recognized	7,782	4,549
Foreign exchange and other	152	285
Total income tax expense	\$ 1,704	\$ -

The components of the Company's recognized deferred income tax liabilities and unrecognized deferred tax assets are as follows:

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	De	ecember 31, 2022 (000's)	December 31, 2021 (000's)
Deferred income tax assets (liabilities)			
Non-capital losses	\$	8,200 \$	9,861
Share issue costs and other		1,216	5,274
Property plant and equipment		(8,252)	10,560
Unrealized foreign exchange		(3,018)	
Resource properties costs		215	17,882
Total deferred tax assets (liabilities)	\$	(1.639) \$	43.577

In assessing the recoverability of deferred tax assets other than deferred tax assets resulting from the initial recognition of assets and liabilities that do not affect accounting or taxable profit, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets depends on the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. The Company has not recognized deferred income tax assets for any temporary differences as their utilization is not considered probable at this time.

Deductible temporary differences, unused tax losses, and unused tax credits:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	Expiry date range
	(000's)	(000's)	Expiry date range
Non-capital losses	37,690	36,087	See below
Share issue costs and other	55,371	18,052	Not applicable
Property plant and equipment	103,007	35,817	Not applicable
Resource properties	<u> </u>	60,690	Not applicable

As at December 31, 2022, the Company has non-capital losses available for carry forward of \$65.9 million, which may be applied to reduce future year's taxable income.

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These unrecognized loss carry-forwards are in respect of Canadian and Peruvian operations and expire as follows:

	Canada (USD – 000's)	Mexico (USD – 000's)	Peru (USD - 000's)
2027	6,051	-	-
2028	1,381	-	_
2029	1,806	-	_
2030	3,061	-	_
2031	2,150	-	-
2032	5,460	19,154	-
2033	3,073	-	-
2034	785	-	-
2035	1,300	-	-
2036	4,601	-	-
2037	468	-	-
2038	1,365	-	-
2039	1,557	-	-
2040	3,139	-	-
2041	3,750	-	-
2042	1,806	-	-
Indefinite	-	-	4,990
	41,753	19,154	4,990

24. Financial Instrument and Risk Management

	December 31, 2022 (000's)	December 31, 2021 (000's)
Financial assets at amortized cost		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,484	\$ 24,176
Short-term investments	21	22
Receivables	2,440	236
	\$ 5,945	\$ 24,434
Financial liabilities at amortized cost		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 32,442	\$ 902
Community project obligation (Note 16)	9,064	8,849
Other liabilities (Note 17)	859	940
Loan portion of convertible debenture (Note 11)	17,004	-
Loan portion of note payable (Note 18)	4,503	-
Deferred obligation to Equinox (Note 3)	25,729	-
Financial Liabilities at fair value through profit and loss		
Conversion option of Convertible debentures (Note 11)	3,245	-
Prepay and Stream Arrangements (Note 13)	20,558	-
Call option of note payable (Note 18)	190	-
	\$ 113,594	\$ 10,691

Fair Value

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

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The fair value hierarchy establishes three levels in which to classify the inputs of valuation techniques used to measure fair values.

- Level 1 quoted market prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 inputs other than quoted market prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly, such as prices, or indirectly (derived from prices).
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable (supported by little or no market activity) such as non-corroborative indicative prices for a particular instrument provided by a third party

As at December 31, 2022, the fair value of convertible feature of the Sandstorm debentures and Auramet note payables, and the streaming arrangements are measured at fair value using Level 3 inputs. The fair value of convertible debenture includes the fair value of the conversion option determined using Black-Scholes options pricing model. The fair value of the streaming arrangements is determined based on the on the net present value of the expected future cashflows and a discount rate that includes the risk premium.

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, receivable, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate fair value due to their short terms to maturity.

Management of financial risk

i. Currency risk

The Company is exposed to financial risk due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The Company operates in Peru, Mexico, Netherlands, and Canada, and a portion of its expenses are incurred in Canadian dollars, Mexican pesos, and Peruvian Soles. The functional currency of the Company and its subsidiaries is determined to be US dollar. A significant change in the exchange rates between the US dollar relative to the Canadian dollar, Mexican Peso to the US dollar, and the Peruvian Sol to the US dollar could affect the Company's operations, financial position, and cash flows. The Company has not hedged its exposure to currency fluctuations.

At December 31, 2022, the Company was exposed to currency risk through the following assets and liabilities denominated in Canadian dollars, Mexican Pesos, and Peruvian Soles.

	December 31, 2022			
	Canadian Dollars (000's)	Peruvian Soles (000's)	Mexican Pesos (000's)	
Cash and cash equivalents and short-term			-	
investments	1,074	96	4,216	
Receivables	-	12,379	169,310	
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other	(226)	(989)	(230,927)	
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	•	· , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	(253,494)	
Community project obligation	-	(34,984)	-	
Net exposure	848	(23,498)	(310,895)	

Based on the above net exposures at December 31, 2022, and assuming that all other variables remain constant, a 10% depreciation of the US dollar against the Canadian dollar would result in an increase of approximately \$63,000 (C\$85,000) in the Company's loss for the year. A 10% depreciation of the US dollar against the Peruvian Sol would result in an increase of approximately \$615,000 (S/2,300,000) in the Company's loss for the year. A 10% depreciation of the US dollar against the Mexican Peso would result in an increase of approximately \$1,600,000 (MXN\$ 31,000,000) in the Company's loss for the year. Conversely, a 10% appreciation of the US dollar relative to the Canadian dollar, Soles, or Mexican Pesos would have the opposite effect.

ii. Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of an unexpected loss if a customer or third party to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The maximum credit risk the Company is exposed to is 100% of the cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, and receivables.

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The Company's cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments are held in major Canadian chartered banks and accredited Mexican and Peruvian financial institutions with strong credit ratings. Short-term investments (including those presented as cash and cash equivalents) consist of financial instruments issued by Canadian or Peruvian banks. These investments mature at various dates over the next twelve months.

iii. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company has a planning and budgeting process to help determine the funds required to support the Company's normal operating requirements on an ongoing basis. The Company tries to ensure sufficient funds to meet its short-term business requirements by considering anticipated revenues and cash expenditures for its operating activities. The Company will pursue equity or debt financing as required to meet its long-term commitments. There is no assurance that such financing will be available or that it will be available on favorable terms.

As at December 31, 2022, the Company's financial liabilities consist of accounts payable & accrued liabilities and the current portion of community projects and other liability, convertible debentures, deferred obligation to Equinox, note payable, and Nomad arrangements totaling \$46.8 million, which are expected to be paid over the next twelve months, and the long-term portion of such liabilities of \$85.2 million, which are expected to be paid over the next five years (Note 1).

iv. Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that a financial instrument's fair value or future cash flows will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company's interest rate risk management policy is to purchase highly liquid investments with a term to maturity of one year or less on the date of purchase. At December 31, 2022, the Company had minimal funds invested in interest earning savings accounts.

The Company has debt obligations with Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") as a benchmark. The variability of the SOFR can have material impact on the results of the Company. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the SOFR ranged between 1.09%-3.62%.

v. Price risk

The fair value of the Streaming Arrangements is dependent on the gold and silver prices and the discount rate. Volatility in the gold and silver prices and the discount rate affects the valuation of the Streaming Arrangements, which in turn affects revenue, earnings, and cash flows.

The price of the Company's common shares and the Company's financial results may be significantly adversely affected by a decline in the price of gold and silver (collectively, the "Metals"). The price of the Metals fluctuates widely, especially in recent years, and is affected by numerous factors beyond the Company's control, including but not limited to, the sale or purchase of the Metals by various central banks and financial institutions, interest rates, exchange rates, inflation or deflation, fluctuation in the value of the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies, global and regional supply and demand, and the political and economic conditions of major gold and silver producing countries throughout the world.

vi. Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: interest rate risk, currency risk and other price risk, such as equity price risk. Financial instruments affected by market risk include the convertible debenture. The Company measures the embedded derivative liability portion of the convertible debenture at fair value at each reporting date, recognizing changes in the fair value in the statements of comprehensive income. This requirement to "mark to fair value" the derivative features could significantly affect the results in the statement of comprehensive income. If the Company's share price had been C\$1.00 higher than it was on December 31, 2022, the fair value of the embedded derivative liability of the Company's convertible debenture (Note 11) would have increased by \$10.2 million, which would have resulted in the Company recording a loss on the fair valuation of the embedded derivative liability of \$6.7 million instead of the gain of \$3.5 million.

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Management of capital

The Company's capital management objectives are intended to safeguard the Company's ability to support the Company's development and exploration of its mineral properties and support any expansion plans. The Company's working capital deficiency for the year ended December 31, 2022 was \$51.2 million (2021: working capital of \$22.5 million). Material uncertainty remains in relation to the Company generating necessary cash flow from operations or raising financing in the form of debt or equity, which may give rise to significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern (Note 1).

The Company's capital consists of items included in its shareholders' equity. The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the Company's underlying assets.

To effectively manage its capital requirements, the Company has a planning and budgeting process to help determine the immediately available funds to meet its objectives. The Company may issue new shares, seek debt or enter into metal purchase agreements to ensure sufficient working capital to meet its short-term business requirements.

There were no changes in approach to capital management during the year ended December 31, 2022.

25. Subsequent Events

Subsequent to December 31, 2022, The Company issued an additional 341,068 shares to a consultant for a total value of \$0.2 million (Note 19).