

# CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

For the three months ended January 31, 2023 and 2022

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#### NOTICE TO READER

Pursuant to National Instrument 51-102, Part 4, subsection 4.3(3)(a) issued by the Canadian Securities Administrators, if an auditor has not performed a review of condensed interim consolidated financial statements, they must be accompanied by a notice indicating that the condensed interim consolidated financial statements have not been reviewed by an auditor.

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company for the three months ended January 31, 2023 have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the Company's management.

The Company's independent auditors have not performed a review of these condensed interim consolidated financial statements in accordance with the standards established by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada for a review of condensed interim consolidated financial statements by an entity's auditor.



# CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(Expressed in Canadian dollars)

		January 31, 2023		October 31, 2022
ASSETS				
Current				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	474,536	\$	1,136,196
Receivables		38,956		62,348
Prepaid expenses		136,942		49,838
		650,434		1,248,382
<b>Property and equipment</b> (note 3)		112,677		89,202
<b>Exploration and evaluation assets</b> (note 4)		5,191,545		4,905,314
Total Assets	\$	5,954,656	\$	6,242,898
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 7)	\$	107,464	\$	224,155
Lease liabilities, current (note 5)		25,671		22,174
		133,135		246,329
Lease liabilities, long term (note 5)		46,095		55,324
, ,		179,230		301,653
Shareholders' Equity				
Share capital (note 6)		15,001,190		14,905,151
Reserves (note 6)		2,768,760		2,271,038
Deficit		(11,994,524)		(11,234,944)
Total Shareholders' Equity		5,775,426		5,941,245
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$	5,954,656	\$	6,242,898
Nature of operations and going concern (note 1) Subsequent events (note 4(b),4(e))				
Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors on March 28, 2023				
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



# CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF LOSS AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

(Expressed in Canadian dollars)

Three months ended January 31,

	 2023	 2022
Operating expenses (recoveries)		
Consulting fees (note 7)	\$ 117,116	\$ 60,917
Depreciation	7,334	39
Impairment loss on VAT receivable and other	2,474	1,525
Investor relations and promotion	39,670	16,640
Office and general	30,131	31,515
Professional fees	48,485	33,098
Property investigation costs	14,879	2,190
Regulatory and transfer agent	9,799	8,089
Salaries, benefits, and directors' fees (note 7)	47,104	48,155
Share-based compensation (notes 6 and 7)	448,259	-
Travel	 16,985	-
Loss from operations	(782,236)	(202,168)
Other items		
Finance costs (notes 5)	(3,268)	-
Foreign exchange gain	25,924	23,049
	 22,656	23,049
Loss and comprehensive loss for the period	\$ (759,580)	\$ (179,119)
Basic and diluted loss per share	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.00)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding  – basic and diluted	70,325,847	57,486,723



# CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Share	Share Capital		Reserves Deficit		Total Shareholders <sup>2</sup> Equity	
	Shares	Amount					
Balance, October 31, 2021	57,295,641	\$ 13,661,888	\$ 2,271,038	\$(10,157,605)	\$	5,775,321	
Shares issued for non-cash: Property acquisition – finders' fees	390,656	52,738	-	-		52,738	
Net loss for the period	-	_	-	(179,119)		(179,119)	
Balance January 31, 2022	57,686,297	\$ 13,714,626	\$ 2,271,038	\$(10,336,724)	\$	5,648,940	
Balance, October 31, 2022	69,962,414	\$ 14,905,151	\$ 2,271,038	\$ (11,234,944)	\$	5,941,245	
Shares issued for non-cash: Property acquisition – finders' fees	711,400	96,039	-	-		96,039	
Share-based compensation	-	-	497,722	-		497,722	
Net loss for the period	-	-	-	(759,580)		(759,580)	
Balance, January 31, 2023	70,673,814	\$ 15,001,190	\$ 2,768,760	\$ (11,994,524)	\$	5,775,426	



# CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Expressed in Canadian dollars)

Three months ended January 31,

	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Loss for the period	\$ (759,580) \$	(179,119)
Items not affecting cash:		
Depreciation	7,334	39
Share-based compensation	448,259	-
Changes in non-cash working capital items:		
Receivables	23,392	(17,613)
Prepaid expenses	(87,104)	(13,534)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	 (102,913)	13,737
Net cash used in operating activities	 (470,612)	(196,490)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of equipment	(30,809)	_
Option proceeds from exploration and evaluation assets	273,740	317,850
Expenditures on exploration and evaluation assets	 (428,247)	(148,767)
Net cash (used in) from investing activities	 (185,316)	169,083
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Payment of lease liability, principal	 (5,732)	
Net cash used in financing activities	 (5,732)	
Change in cash and cash equivalents for the period	(661,660)	(27,407)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	 1,136,196	858,197
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	\$ 474,536 \$	830,790

Supplemental disclosure with respect to cash flows (note 8)



#### NOTES TO THE CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND GOING CONCERN

Latin Metals Inc. (the "Company" or "Latin Metals") was incorporated under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, Canada on January 9, 2006. The Company's principal business activity is the acquisition, exploration and evaluation of mineral properties located in South America. The Company operates with a Prospect Generator model focusing on the acquisition of prospective exploration properties at a low cost, completing initial evaluation through cost-effective exploration to establish drill targets, and ultimately securing joint venture partners to fund drilling and advanced exploration. Shareholders are exposed to the upside of a significant discovery without the dilution associated with funding the highest-risk drill-based exploration. The Company's common shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSX-V") under the symbol "LMS" as well as on the OTCQB Venture Market under the symbol "LMSQF".

The head office and principal address of the Company is Suite 890 – 999 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC, V6C 2W2, Canada. The registered and records offices of the Company are located at Suite 1170 – 1040 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC, V6E 4H1, Canada.

As at January 31, 2023, the Company has working capital of \$517,299 (October 31, 2022 - \$1,002,053) and an accumulated deficit of \$11,994,524 (October 31, 2022 - \$11,234,944). The Company recorded a net loss of \$759,580 for the three months ended January 31, 2023 (January 31, 2022 - \$179,119).

The Company is in the process of exploring and developing its mineral properties and has not yet determined whether these properties contain ore reserves that are economically recoverable. The recoverability of the amounts shown for exploration and evaluation assets is dependent upon the discovery of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain necessary financing to complete the development of those reserves and upon future profitable production or proceeds from the disposition thereof.

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the assumption that the Company will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business rather than through a process of forced liquidation. The Company has incurred losses from inception and does not currently have financial resources to sustain operations in the long term. The ability to continue as a going concern remains dependent upon the Company's ability to obtain the financing necessary to continue to fund its operations. There is no assurance, however, that future financings will be available on favourable terms. An inability to raise additional financing may impact the future assessment of the Company as a going concern. These material uncertainties may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

These audited consolidated financial statements do not reflect the adjustments relating to the recoverability of assets and classification of assets and liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. Such adjustments could be material.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### **Basis of presentation**

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements, including comparatives, have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* ("IAS 34") using accounting policies consistent with the International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). The Board of Directors approved the condensed interim consolidated financial statements on March 28, 2023.

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#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Cont'd...)

#### **Basis of presentation** (Cont'd...)

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for financial assets and liabilities recorded at fair value, and include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries outlined under principles of consolidation. These consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, except for cash flow information.

Certain comparative period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

#### **Principles of consolidation**

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries as follows:

Subsidiary	Proportion of Ownership Interest	Country of Incorporation	Principle Activity
Cardero Argentina S.A.	100%	Argentina	Exploration
Zafiro Mining S.A.C.	100%	Peru	Exploration
1377269 B.C. Ltd.	100%	Canada	Holding
1377258 B.C. Ltd.	100%	Canada	Holding
1054749 B.C. Ltd.	100%	Canada	Holding

The Company consolidates its subsidiaries on the basis that it controls the subsidiary through its ability to govern its financial and operating activities. All intercompany transactions and balances are eliminated on consolidation.

Management consolidates all subsidiaries and entities which it is determined that the Company controls. Control is evaluated on the ability of the Company to direct the activities of the subsidiary or entity to derive variable returns and management uses judgment in determining whether control exists. Judgment is exercised in the evaluation of the variable returns and in determining the extent to which the Company has the ability to exercise its power to generate variable returns.

#### **Reporting and functional currency**

The consolidated financial statements of the Company are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the functional currency of the Company and its' subsidiaries.

# Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies followed in these condensed interim consolidated financial statements are the same as those applied in the Company's most recent audited consolidated annual financial statements for the years ended October 31, 2022 and 2021.

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# 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Cont'd...)

#### Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions

Estimates and judgments are based on management's experience and other factors, including expectations about future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenditures. The estimates and associated assumptions are continuously evaluated and are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

In preparing these condensed interim consolidated financial statements, the significant judgments made by management in applying the Company's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those applied to the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended October 31, 2022.

# 3. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment is recorded at cost and at January 31, 2023 and October 31, 2022 was comprised as follows:

		Office		Field	Office	Total
	Eq	uipment	E	quipment	Lease	
Cost		-				
Balance, October 31, 2021	\$	28,734	\$	_	\$ _	\$ 28,734
Additions		-		-	82,980	82,980
Balance, October 31, 2022	\$	28,734	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 117,714
Additions		-		30,809	-	30,809
Balance, January 31, 2023	\$	28,734	\$	30,809	\$ 82,980	\$ 142,523
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance, October 31, 2021	\$	13,864	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 13,864
Depreciation		1,733		-	6,915	8,648
Balance, October 31, 2022	\$	15,597	\$	-	\$ 6,915	\$ 22,512
Depreciation		419		-	6,915	7,334
Balance, January 31, 2023	\$	16,016	\$	-	\$ 13,830	\$ 29,846
Carrying amounts						
At October 31, 2022	\$	13,137	\$	-	\$ 76,065	\$ 89,202
<b>At January 31, 2023</b>	\$	12,718	\$	30,809	\$ 69,150	\$ 112,677

The Company recognized a right-of-use asset for a 3-year lease of office space that commenced on August 1, 2022 (Note 5 and 7).

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#### 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

#### **Title to Mineral Property Interests**

Title to mineral property interests involves certain inherent risks due to the difficulties of determining the validity of certain claims as well as the potential for problems arising from the frequently ambiguous conveyancing history characteristic of many mineral claims. Although the Company has taken steps to verify title to mineral properties in which it has an interest, in accordance with industry standards for the current stage of exploration of such properties, these procedures do not guarantee the Company's title. Property title may be subject to unregistered prior agreements or transfer and may be affected by undetected defects.

#### (a) Salta Properties - Argentina

Salta Properties include three distinctive projects, namely, Organullo property, Ana Maria property, and Trigal property, in which the Company owns 100% interest. The Company acquired 100% interest in the Organullo property from a private vendor in consideration of the issuance of 70,000 common shares. Ana Maria and Trigal properties were acquired through direct staking.

#### Option agreement with AngloGold Ashanti

May 27, 2022, the Company entered into a binding option agreement with AngloGold Argentina Exploraciones S.A. ("AngloGold"), a wholly owned subsidiary of AngloGold Ashanti Ltd. Subsequently, AngloGold provided notice that all conditions precedent have been satisfied, and as a result the Option Agreement's commencement date has been established as June 2, 2022. Under the terms of the Option Agreement, the Company granted to AngloGold the option to earn up to an 80% interest in the Company's Organullo, Ana Maria, and Trigal gold projects located in Salta Province, northwestern Argentina.

Under the terms of the option agreement, AngloGold has been granted the option to earn an initial 75% interest in the Salta Properties by making cash payments to the Company in the aggregate amount of US\$ 2,575,000 and spending an aggregate amount of US\$ 10,000,000 on exploration expenditures related to the Salta Properties within five years of the commencement date.

The terms of the Option are as follows:

Date	Payments in	cash to Latin Metals (US\$)	Expenditur	es commitments (US\$)
On or before June 17, 2022	\$	275,000 (received)	\$	-
On or before June 2, 2023		100,000		-
On or before June 2, 2024		150,000		2,000,000
On or before June 2, 2025		200,000		-
On or before June 2, 2026		850,000		4,000,000
On or before June 2, 2027		1,000,000		4,000,000
Total	\$	2,575,000	\$	10,000,000



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#### 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

#### (a) Salta Properties – Argentina (Cont'd...)

Upon the fulfilment of the payment obligations and exploration expenditures set forth above, and the delivery by AngloGold to the Company of a notice of exercise of the option and subject to the exercise of Top-Up Right (as defined below), AngloGold and the Company will be deemed to have formed a joint venture (the "Joint Venture") for the continued exploration, development and, if warranted, commercialization of the Salta Properties, in respect of which the initial participating interests of the parties will be, AngloGold as to 75% and the Company as to 25%.

Upon the exercise of the option, AngloGold may give notice to the Company of its intention to increase its interest in the Salta Properties to 80% (the "Top-Up Right"). The Top-Up Right may be exercised within 150 days of the option exercise date by AngloGold:

- (i) preparing and delivering to the Company an independent Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource estimate prepared in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101") on one or more deposits contained within the Projects; and
- (ii) paying to the Company an amount of USD \$4.65 per gold equivalent ounce contained within the Measured and Indicated Mineral Resource estimate.

Upon the exercise of the Top-Up Right, the parties' interests in the Joint Venture will be adjusted such that the participating interests of the parties will be AngloGold as to 80% and the Company as to 20%.

If and when the parties form the Joint Venture, the provisions of the agreement governing the Joint Venture will be negotiated and settled by the parties and will provide, among other things, that if the participating interest of either party falls below 10%, the interest of such party shall be converted to a 2% net smelter returns royalty ("NSR Royalty"), half of which (being 1%) can be purchased by the other party for USD \$5,000,000 at any time until the date that is three (3) months after a production decision concerning one or more of the Salta Properties has been made.

#### (b) Tres Cerros - Argentina

On February 7, 2019, the Company entered into three definitive option agreements, as amended, pursuant to which the Company was granted options to acquire a 100 % interest, subject to certain royalty conditions, in eight properties as follows:

- 1) Property group 1: the Cerro Bayo, Cerro Bayo Sur and Flora Este properties;
- 2) Property group 2: the Aylen, Aylen Oeste and Pedro properties; and
- 3) Property group 3: the Fiorentina & Fiorentina Norte properties.

On March 23, 2022, the Company terminated its options regarding Property group 2 and Property group 3. The Company considers each property group a separate CGU, and accordingly, in connection with the termination of the option agreements for these two property groups, an impairment loss of \$320,971 was recognized. The Company used Level 3 fair value hierarchy inputs in estimating the impairment of the exploration and evaluation assets.

The exploration and evaluation assets balance within Tres Cerros disclosure as at January 31, 2023 and October 31, 2022 reflects the Company's retained interest in Property group 1: the Cerro Bayo, Cerro Bayo Sur and Flora Este properties.

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#### 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

#### (b) Tres Cerros – Argentina (Cont'd...)

The Company can earn an initial 80% interest in Property group 1 (the "First Option"), followed by the remaining 20% interest (the "Second Option"), by making staged cash and common shares payments.

Details on the consideration the Company is required to pay and issue shares in respect to the Cerro Bayo, Cerro Bayo Sur and Flora Este properties (Property group 1) is as follows:

Date	Payments in cash	Shares	Payments in shares or cash	Cumulative earned interest
	(US\$)		(US\$)	
April 8, 2019	\$ 12,500 (paid)	-	\$ -	-
May 1, 2020	7,500 (paid)	175,000 (issued)	-	-
November 1, 2020	8,750 (paid)	175,000 (issued)	-	
May 5, 2021	58,750 (paid)	450,000 (issued)	-	-
May 10, 2022 <sup>(1)</sup>	75,000 (paid)	-	77,334 (paid)	35%
May 10, 2023	100,000	-	133,577	51%
May 10, 2024	200,000	-	182,789	71%
May 10, 2025	500,000	-	253,032	80%
Total	\$ 962,500	800,000	\$ 646,792	80%

Total of US\$ 152,334 were paid directly to the underlying owner of the properties by Barrick Gold Corporation pursuant to an earn-in agreement with the Company (see disclosure under section "Earn-in agreement with Barrick Gold Corporation").

As part of the earn-in commitment, The Company is required to deliver a technical report in accordance with NI 43-101, with the subject property being the more advanced of the properties.

For a period of 120 days after the exercise of the First Option, the Company will have the Second Option to acquire the remaining 20% (aggregate 100%) interest in Property group 1, by making a payment of US \$400,000 cash and a payment of US \$400,000 payable in common shares of the Company, or in cash (at the Company's option) to the underlying owners. Acquisition of 100% is subject to a 0.75% NSR Royalty, of which two-thirds of the royalty (0.5%) can be purchased at any time for US \$1,000,000.

#### Earn-in agreement with Barrick

Effective February 25, 2022, the Company and Barrick Gold Corporation ("Barrick") entered into an earn-in agreement whereby Barrick has the right to acquire up to an 85% interest in the Company's Property group 1: Cerro Bayo, Cerro Bayo Sur and Flora Este. Barrick's earn-in right consists of an initial option (the "Barrick First Option") to acquire a 70% interest in the properties and a second option (the "Barrick Second Option") to acquire an additional 15% (aggregate 85%) interest.

The properties are currently subject to an underlying option agreement dated February 7, 2019, as amended, pursuant to which the Company has the right to acquire an ultimate 100% interest in the properties.

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#### 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

#### (b) Tres Cerros – Argentina (Cont'd...)

Earn-in agreement with Barrick Gold Corporation (Cont'd...)

The earn-in terms for the Barrick First Option (70% interest) and Barrick Second Option (15%) for an aggregate of 85% interest in Property group 1: Cerro Bayo, Cerro Bayo Sur and Flora Este are as follows:

	Payments in cash	Exploration	Technical report
Date	to Latin Metals	expenditures	requirement <sup>(2)</sup>
	(US\$)	(US\$)	
Barrick First Option			
February 25, 2022	\$ 150,000 (received)	\$ -	-
On or before February 25, 2023	50,000(received)	-	-
On or before February 25, 2024	50,000	$1,000,000^{(1)}$	-
On or before February 25, 2025	50,000	-	-
On or before February 25, 2026	75,000	-	-
On or before February 25, 2027	100,000	2,000,000	-
On or before February 25, 2028	125,000	-	-
			Preliminary Economic
On or before February 25, 2029	150,000	2,000,000	Assessment
	750,000	5,000,000	
<b>Barrick Second Option</b>			
On or before February 25, 2030	175,000	-	-
On or before February 25, 2031	250,000	-	Prefeasibility Study
	\$ 1,175,000	\$ 5,000,000	

<sup>(1)</sup> US\$1,000,000 is a binding commitment (work or cash in lieu)

The table below represents the payments due under the underlying option agreement for Property group 1, assumed by Barrick:

Date <sup>(1)</sup>	Assumed payments due under underlying option agreement (US\$)
April 20, 2022 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 152,334 (received)
April 20, 2023	233,577
April 20, 2024	382,789
April 20, 2025	753,093
Upon the exercise of Company's Second Option with the underlying owners	800,000
Total	\$ 2,321,793

<sup>(1)</sup> Amended on August 10, 2022 to adjust cash payment deadlines to May 5<sup>th</sup> if payment is made directly to Tres Cerros.

<sup>(2)</sup> Preliminary Economic Assessment and Prefeasibility Study prepared in accordance with NI 43-101

<sup>(2)</sup> Total of US\$ 152,334 were paid by Barrick directly to the underlying owner of the properties on behalf of the Company.

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# 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

#### (b) Tres Cerros – Argentina (Cont'd...)

Earn-in agreement with Barrick Gold Corporation (Cont'd...)

Barrick may at any time during the term of the earn-in agreement accelerate the timing for payment of any or all cash payments to the Company and the underlying owner of the properties, delivery of technical studies, and incurring exploration expenditures.

Upon the exercise of the Barrick First Option, the Company and Barrick will form a joint venture for the continued exploration, development and, if warranted, mining of Property group 1. The initial participating interests of the parties in the joint venture will be Barrick – 70% and the Company - 30%. If Barrick exercises the Barrick Second Option, the interests of the participants will be Barrick – 85% and the Company - 15%. The party with the majority participating interest will be the operator of Property group 1. Funding of the joint venture's operations will be based on each party's proportionate participating interest, from time to time. Dilution of a party's participating interest will apply in the case of funding shortfalls by either party. If a party's participating interest in the joint venture falls to below 5%, it will be converted into a 1.5% NSR Royalty. The transfer of the NSR Royalty shall be subject to a right of first refusal in favour of the non-diluting party.

#### (c) Esperanza – Argentina

On July 9, 2018, the Company entered into a definitive property option agreement, as amended on June 15, 2019, to acquire a 100% interest in the Esperanza copper-gold porphyry deposit located in the San Juan Province, Argentina.

Under the definitive property option agreement, the Company has the right to earn a 100% interest in the project through the payment of US\$ 2,306,000 and the issuance of common shares in the Company valued at US\$ 500,000 at the time of issuance to the vendor. The definitive property option agreement was amended on May 13, 2021, whereby all cash and share payments after June 14, 2021 are conditional on the granting of a drill permit by the authorities of the Government of the Province of San Juan. On October 19, 2022, the agreement was further amended to state that the permit grant date shall be deemed to be December 31, 2022, unless the permit grant date occurs on or prior to December 1, 2022. As at October 31, 2022 the total amount of cash payments made pursuant to the option agreement was US\$ 623,000. The remaining payments pursuant to the revised payment terms are as follows:

Date	Payments in cash (US\$)	ayments in ares (US\$)
Payments made as at October 31, 2021 and 2022	\$ 623,000 (paid)	\$ -
January 10, 2023	200,000 (paid)	-
June 30, 2023	250,000	-
December 31, 2023	350,000	-
June 30, 2024	433,000	250,000
December 31, 2024	450,000	250,000
Total	\$ 2,306,000	\$ 500,000

Upon completion of the option payments and share issuances, the Company will be deemed to have exercised the option and will have earned an undivided 100% legal and beneficial interest in and to the project, subject to a 2% NSR Royalty to be granted to the vendor. The Company will have a right to buy back 0.5% of the NSR Royalty for US\$1,000,000, at which time the NSR Royalty payable to the vendor shall be 1.5%.

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#### 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

#### (c) Esperanza – Argentina (Cont'd...)

A finder's fee in the amount of US\$172,800, is payable in common shares of the Company over six years. The total number of common shares issued as at October 31, 2022 for finders fees for Esperanza project was 893,091. During the three months ended January 31, 2023, the Company issued 711,400 common shares fair valued at \$96,039 (US\$ 70,820) as a final payment in shares of the finder's fee (Note 6 Share capital).

# Earn-in agreement with Libero Copper and Gold Corporation

On January 20, 2021, the Company signed a binding letter agreement with Libero Copper and Gold Corporation ("Libero"), pursuant to which the Company granted Libero an option to acquire a 70% interest in the Esperanza copper -gold project. On May 26, 2021, and September 28, 2022, the Company and Libero amended the letter agreement to align the schedule of payments with the amended option agreement with the underlying owners and modify the timing of exploration expenditure commitments accordingly.

The amended agreement terms are outlined below:

Date	(	Cash payments to Latin Metals pursuant to underlying option agreement (US\$)		Cash payments to Latin Metals (US\$)		xploration penditures (US\$)
June 14, 2021 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	220,000 (received)	\$	-	\$	-
December 15, 2021		-	250,0	00(received)		-
December 10, 2022		200,000 (paid)		-		-
June 20, 2023		250,000		-		-
December 20, 2023		350,000		250,000		1,000,000
June 20, 2024		433,000		-		_
December 20, 2024		450,000		-		1,000,000
Total	\$	1,903,000	\$	500,000	\$	2,000,000

Under the terms of the underlying option agreement, this payment was made by the Company in Argentinean pesos, thereby the amount paid by Libero to the Company in United States dollars was adjusted accordingly.

Upon the exercise of the option, Libero and the Company will be deemed to have formed a joint venture for the continued exploration and development of the Esperanza project, in respect of which the initial participating interests of the parties shall be Libero as to 70%, and the Company as to 30%.

During the term of the letter agreement before the exercise of the option, if either Libero or the Company acquires an interest in a property located within or partially within the Esperanza project or a 10 km area of interest extending from the outermost exterior boundaries of the project, the non-acquiring party may elect that such additional property be included in the project, in which case the non-acquiring party would be required to reimburse the acquiring party for 70% (Libero) or 30% (the Company) of the acquisition costs of such additional property, as applicable.

In connection with the agreement with Libero, the Company issued 555,000 common shares at \$0.13 as finder's fees.



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#### 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

#### (c) Esperanza – Argentina (Cont'd...)

Earn-in agreement with Libero Copper and Gold Corporation (Cont'd...)

Notice of election to participate – Huachi property

On February 13, 2022, the Company provided Libero with a Notice of Election whereby, pursuant to the letter agreement between the Company and Libero, the Company elects to include any right and interest acquired by Libero in respect to the Huachi property to form part of the Esperanza project for all purposes and be subject to the terms and conditions of the letter agreement between the Company and Libero for Esperanza. The Huachi property is located in the Province of San Juan, Argentina and is contiguous with the Esperanza property.

Pursuant to an option agreement between Libero and a third party, Libero has been granted the irrevocable right and option to acquire a 75% in the Huachi project by incurring work expenditures in an aggregate amount of US\$ 1,000,000 staggered over four years.

The Company will be required to reimburse Libero for 30% of its total cost of the acquisition of Huachi property, when same has been incurred by Libero.

#### (d) Mina Angela Property – Argentina

The Company entered into an acquisition agreement in April 2004, pursuant to which and in consideration of aggregate cash payments to the vendor of US\$400,000, the Company acquired a 100% interest in mineral concessions, known as Mina Angela, in Chubut Province, Argentina, subject to a 1% NSR Royalty to the vendor.

On August 2, 2019, the Company signed an offer letter with Patagonia Gold Corp. ("Patagonia") to option out the Mina Angela property. On September 12, 2020, the Company signed a definitive option agreement with Patagonia under the terms of which Patagonia is granted an irrevocable option to acquire a 100 % interest in the Mina Angela property.

On March 12, 2021, the Company received an option exercise notice from Patagonia and on April 7, 2021, the Company received US\$250,000 from Patagonia on closing of the Mina Angela property transfer to Patagonia. As of October 31, 2022 and 2021, the Company received in aggregate USD\$590,000 from Patagonia, pursuant to the option agreement for Mina Angela.

Following the exercise of the option by Patagonia, the Company is entitled to receive a 1.25% NSR Royalty on any future production from the Mina Angela property, half of which royalty can be repurchased by Patagonia from the Company at any time for cash consideration of US\$1,000,000. In addition, the Company is entitled to receive US\$500,000 from Patagonia within thirty days of verification, to Patagonia's satisfaction, that the legal restrictions preventing development of mining activity in the Chubut Province and at the Mina Angela property have been lifted.



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#### 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

#### (e) El Quemado - Argentina

On September 18, 2018, the Company met all of the requirements to exercise the option to acquire 100% interest in El Quemado by issuing an aggregate amount of 625,000 common shares over a period of two years and has earned a 100% legal and beneficial interest in the El Quemado project, subject to a 2% NSR Royalty to be granted to the vendor. During the year ended October 31, 2022, the Company and the vendor agreed to extinguish the 2% NSR Royalty for a cash payment of 1,500,000 Argentinian pesos (\$16,207) made by the Company to the vendor. El Quemado project is free of any NSR Royalty.

On March 3, 2023, the Company announced sale of a 100% interest in the El Quemado project to South American Lithium Ltd. ("SAL") for total consideration of \$900,000. The \$900,000 consideration consists of \$400,000 in cash (received) and 1,000,000 units (received) in the capital of SAL. Each unit consists of 1,000,000 common shares issued at a deemed price of \$0.50, and 1,000,000 share purchase warrants exercisable at \$1.00 for a period of 5 years.

The Company retains a 2% NSR Royalty on the project. One half of the 2% NSR Royalty can be purchased at any time prior to production by SAL from the Company for US\$3,000,000 cash payment.

#### (f) Mirador – Argentina

The Company acquired Mirador sedimentary copper property by staking. The 100% owned property consists of 99,000 hectares and is located approximately 110 km by road from Salta, Argentina.

#### (g) Lacsha Property – Peru

The Company acquired the Lacsha copper property by staking. The 100% owned property consists of 4,000 hectares and is located in the northern Lima-Ica portion of the Coastal Copper Blet, 110 km from Lima, Peru.

#### (h) Auquis Property – Peru

The Company acquired the Auquis copper property by staking. The 100% owned property consists of 3,600 hectares and is located in the northern Lima-Ica portion of the Coastal Copper Blet, 377 km south of Lima Peru.

#### (i) Jacha Property – Peru

The Company acquired the Jacha copper property by staking. The 100% owned property consists of 2,200 hectares and is located 150 km from Cuzco.

#### (j) Yanba Property – Peru

The Company acquired the Yanba copper property by staking. The 100% owned property consists of 4,000 hectares and is located and is located 91 km north of Lima and 20 km north-west form Lacsha property.

#### (k) Lolli, Tilo, Para Property group – Peru

The Company acquired the three copper exploration projects by staking. The 100% owned projects cover 5,000 hectares and are located in the Coastal Copper Belt, Peru. The projects are located approximately 130 km southwest of the Company's Lacsha copper project.

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# 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

# (l) Exploration and evaluation assets continuity

	ARGENTINA	PERU	TOTAL
Balance, October 31, 2021	\$ 4,536,533	\$ 443,220	\$ 4,979,753
Acquisition costs			
Shares issued for finder's fees, fair value	52,738	-	52,738
Option proceeds	(922,743)	-	(922,743)
Claim maintenance and legal fees	242,995	26,073	269,068
Total acquisition costs (recoveries) for the year Exploration costs	(627,010)	26,073	(600,937
Community relations	-	40,651	40,65
Field expenses, incl. support contractors	-	158,608	158,60
Geological consulting	8,937	270,442	279,37
Geochemical	-	40,111	40,11
Geophysical	-	62,883	62,88
Total exploration costs for the year	8,937	572,695	581,63
Recovery	265,837	-	265,83
Impairment	(320,971)	-	(320,971
Balance, October 31, 2022	\$ 3,863,326	\$ 1,041,988	\$ 4,905,31
Acquisition costs			
Shares issued for finder's fees, fair value	96,039	-	96,03
Option payments	273,740	-	273,74
Option proceeds	(273,740)	-	(273,740
Claim maintenance and legal fees	13,028	5,709	18,73
Total acquisition costs for the period	109,067	5,709	114,77
Exploration costs			
Community relations	-	4,024	4,02
Field expenses, incl. support contractors	-	26,527	26,52
Geological consultants and contractors	1,254	68,629	69,88
Geochemical	´ -	21,558	21,55
Share-based compensation	-	49,463	49,46
Total exploration costs for the period	1,254	170,201	171,45
Balance, January 31, 2023	\$ 3,973,647	\$ 1,217,898	\$ 5,191,54



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# 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

# (I) Exploration and evaluation assets continuity (Cont'd...)

ARGENTINIAN EXPLORATION PROPERTIES	Salta Properties	Tres Cerros	Esperanza	El Quemado	TOTAL Argentina
Balance, October 31, 2021	\$ 36,309	\$ 602,996	\$ 3,296,305	\$ 600,923	\$ 4,536,533
Acquisition costs					
Shares issued, fair value	-	174,000	-	-	174,000
Shares issued for finder's fees, fair value	-	-	93,893	-	93,893
Option payments	-	221,703	294,697	-	516,400
Option proceeds	(345,510)	(191,205)	(317,850)	(68,178)	(922,743)
Claim maintenance and legal fees	43,364	155,431	11,460	32,740	242,995
Total acquisition costs (recoveries) for the year	(302,146)	35,774	(253,652)	(35,438)	(627,010)
Exploration costs					
Geological consulting	-	8,937	-	-	8,937
Total exploration costs for the year	-	8,937	-	-	8,937
Recovery	265,837	-	-	-	265,837
Impairment	-	(320,971)	-	-	(320,971)
Balance, October 31, 2022	\$ -	\$ 255,188	\$ 3,042,653	\$ 565,485	\$ 3,863,326
Acquisition costs					
Shares issued for finder's fees, fair value	-	-	96,039	-	96,039
Option payments	-	-	273,740		273,740
Option proceeds	-	-	(273,740)	-	(273,740)
Claim maintenance and legal fees	-	-	6,961	6,067	13,028
Total acquisition costs (recoveries) for the period	-	-	103,000	6,067	109,067
Exploration costs					
Geological consulting	-	1,254	-	-	1,254
Total exploration costs for the period	-	1,254	-	-	1,254
Balance, January 31, 2023	\$ -	\$ 256,442	\$ 3,145,653	\$ 571,552	\$ 3,973,647



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# 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (Cont'd...)

# (l) Exploration and evaluation assets continuity (Cont'd...)

PERUVIAN EXPLORATION PROPERTIES	Lacsha	Auquis	Jacha	Yanba	Lolli, Tilo, Para	Total Peru
Balance, October 31, 2021	\$ 286,120	\$ 75,184	\$ 46,027	\$ 15,996	\$ 19,893	\$ 443,220
Acquisition costs						
Claim maintenance and legal fees	7,547	13,585	-	-	4,941	26,073
Total acquisition costs for the year	7,547	13,585	-	-	4,941	26,073
Exploration costs						
Community relations	38,631	2,020	-	-	-	40,651
Field expenses	110,059	43,372	3,892	1,214	80	158,609
Geological consulting	173,086	84,895	5,647	402	6,412	270,442
Geochemical	21,038	19,073	-	-	-	40,111
Geophysical	62,883	-	-	-	-	63,883
Total exploration costs for the year	405,688	149,360	9,539	1,616	6,492	572,695
Balance, October 31, 2022	\$ 699,355	\$ 238,129	\$ 55,566	\$ 17,612	\$ 31,326	\$ 1,041,988
Acquisition costs						
Claim maintenance and legal fees	2,579	-	-	-	3,120	5,709
Total acquisition costs for the period	2,579	-	-	-	3,120	5,709
Exploration costs						
Community relations	2,626	944	-	-	454	4,024
Field expenses, incl. support contractors	9,557	8,933	-	-	8,037	26,527
Geological consulting	25,585	13,494	-	792	28,758	68,629
Geochemical	-	212	-	-	21,346	21,558
Share-based compensation	24,732	24,731	-	-	-	49,463
Total exploration costs for the period	62,500	48,314	-	792	58,595	170,201
Balance, January 31, 2023	\$ 764,434	\$ 286,443	\$ 55,566	\$ 18,404	\$ 93,051	\$ 1,217,898

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#### 5. LEASE LIABILITY

The Company recognized ROU assets in respect to long-term office lease (Note 3 and 7). The Company is utilizing an incremental borrowing rate of 18% for calculating office lease liabilities and ROU assets.

Lease liabilities	Janua	January 31, 2023 (		
Opening balance	\$	77,498	\$	-
Additions		_		82,980
Lease payments		(9,000)		(9,000)
Lease interest		3,268		3,518
Ending balance	\$	71,765	\$	77,498
Current portion		25,671	\$	22,174
Long-term portion		46,095		55,324
	\$	71,765	\$	77,498

Lease liabilities Contractual undiscounted cash flows:	January 31, 2023		October 31, 2022		
Less than one year	\$	36,000	\$	36,000	
One+ to five years		54,000		63,000	
Total undiscounted lease liabilities	\$	90,000	\$	99,000	

#### 6. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES

#### Authorized share capital

Unlimited number of voting common shares without nominal or par value.

#### **Share issuances**

#### Three months ended January 31, 2023

On December 15, 2022, the Company issued 711,400 common shares for the last tranche of a finders' fee on a property acquisition, fair-valued at \$0.135 per share for a total of \$96,039 (US\$ 70,820) (note 4(c) – Esperanza – Argentina). The fair value per share was based on the listed market price of the Company's common shares at the last trading date immediately preceding the date of issuance.

#### Three months ended January 31, 2022

During the three months ended January 31, 2022, the Company issued 390,656 common shares for a property acquisition finders' fee, fair-valued at \$0.135 per share for a total of \$52,738 (US\$ 41,260) (note 4(c) – Esperanza – Argentina). The fair value per share was based on the listed market price of the Company's common shares at the date of issuance.

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# 6. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES (Cont'd...)

#### **Stock options**

The Company has adopted an incentive stock option plan, as amended, which provides that the Board of Directors of the Company may, from time to time, in its discretion, and in accordance with the TSX-V requirements, grant to directors, officers, employees and technical consultants to the Company, non-transferable stock options to purchase common shares, provided that the number of common shares reserved for issuance will not exceed a rolling 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares at the time the options are granted. Such options will be exercisable for a period of up to five years from the date of grant. Vesting of stock options is at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Stock option transactions for the three months ended January 31, 2023 and for the year ended October 31, 2022 are summarized as follows:

	January 3	31, 2023	Octo	ber 31, 2022
		Weighted		
	Number of options	average exercise price	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price
Options outstanding, beginning of the year	5,470,000	\$ 0.13	5,470,000	\$ 0.13
Granted	5,030,000	\$ 0.13	-	\$ -
Expired	(4,150,000)	\$ 0.13	-	\$ -
Options outstanding, end of the year	6,350,000	\$ 0.13	5,470,000	\$ 0.13

As at January 31, 2023, the Company had stock options outstanding and exercisable enabling the holder to acquire common shares as follows:

Number of shares	Exercise price per option	Expiry Date	Remaining life in years
45,000	\$0.06	June 8, 2023	0.4
70,000	\$0.14	August 31, 2023	0.6
100,000	\$0.14	October 1, 2023	0.7
150,000	\$0.16	January 13, 2024	1.0
955,000	\$0.15	October 20, 2024	1.7
1,700,000	\$0.13	November 14, 2025	2.8
3,330,000	\$0.13	December 8, 2025	2.9
6,350,000	\$0.13		2.5

The weighted average remaining contractual life of options outstanding at January 31, 2023 was 2.5 (October 31, 2022 - 0.4) years.

During the three months ended January 31, 2023, the Company granted 5,030,000 stock options fair-valued at a weighted average fair value of \$0.10 per option. Share-based compensation expense for the three months ended January 31, 2023 was \$497,722, of which \$49,463 was allocated to exploration and evaluation assets.

No stock options have been granted during the three months ended January 31, 2022.

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# 6. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES (Cont'd...)

#### Stock options (Cont'd...)

The Company uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model to fair-value stock options granted and compensatory warrants issued. The model requires management to make estimates, which are subjective and may not be representative of actual results. Changes in assumptions can materially affect estimates of fair values. The following weighted average assumptions were used to fair-value stock options granted during the three months ended January 31, 2023:

Stock options fair value assumption	Three months ended January 31, 2023
Risk-free interest rate	3.62%
Expected life of options	3
Annualized volatility	114%
Dividend rate	0%
Forfeiture rate	0%

The risk-free rate of return is the yield on a zero-coupon Canadian Treasury Bill of a term consistent with the assumed option life. The expected life of options is the average expected period to exercise. Volatility is based on available historical volatility of the Company's share price.

#### Warrants

The following common share purchase warrants entitle the holders thereof to purchase one common share for each warrant.

Warrants transactions for the three months ended January 31, 2023 and the year ended October 31, 2022 are summarized as follows:

	January 3	<b>January 31, 2023</b>		31, 2022
		Weighted		Weighted
		Average		Average
	Number of	Exercise	Number of	Exercise
	Warrants	Price	Warrants	Price
Warrants outstanding, beginning of the period	16,609,450	\$ 0.21	4,605,679	\$ 0.24
Issued	-	\$ -	12,276,117	\$ 0.20
Expired	-	\$ -	(272,346)	\$ 0.15
Warrants outstanding, end of the period	16,609,450	\$ 0.21	16,609,450	\$ 0.21

Warrants outstanding as at January 31, 2023 are as follows:

Number of Warrants	<b>Exercise Price</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>
4,333,333	\$ 0.25	October 7, 2023
12,276,117	\$ 0.20	October 31, 2025
16,609,450	\$ 0.21	

The weighted average remaining contractual life of warrants outstanding at January 31, 2023, was 2.2 years (October 31, 2022 - 2.5 years).

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#### 7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

All transactions with related parties have occurred in the normal course of operations. All amounts are unsecured, non-interest bearing, and have no specific terms of settlement, unless otherwise noted.

#### **Key management personnel compensation**

The Company's key management personnel include those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling the activities of the Company. The Company's key management personnel comprise officers and directors of the Company. Key management personnel compensation is as follows:

	Three months ended January 31,			
	2023		2022	
Directors' fees, salaries and benefits	\$ 41,250	\$	41,500	
Consulting fees <sup>1</sup>	16,800		16,800	
Share-based compensation	336,476		-	
•	\$ 394,526	\$	58,300	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fees paid to a corporation for personnel that is acting as key management of the Company.

As at January 31, 2023 the Company had amounts payable to key management personnel of \$5,880 included in accounts payable (October 31, 2022 - \$28,947).

No post-employment benefits, termination benefits, or other long-term benefits were paid to or recorded for key management personnel during the three months ended January 31, 2023 and 2022.

#### Office lease agreement

Effective August 1, 2022, the Company entered into an office sub-lease agreement with a term of three years, with Velocity Minerals Ltd. ("Velocity"). The Company and Velocity share a common officer and director. Prior to this agreement, the Company reimbursed Velocity for office rent on a month-to-month basis with no fixed term commitment.

	Three mont	Three months ended January 31,				
	2023		2022			
Rent	\$ 10,171	\$	6,000			
	\$ 10,171	\$	6,000			

As at January 31, 2023 the Company had amounts payable to Velocity of \$4,170 included in accounts payable (October 31, 2022 - \$nil).



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

	,	Three mo	ed January 31,	
		2023		2022
Interest paid	\$	-	\$	-
Income taxes paid		_		-
Net change in accounts payable and accrued liabilities included in exploration and evaluation assets		(13,778)		(130,083)
Share based compensation included in exploration and evaluation assets		49,463		-
Shares issued for finder's fees - mineral exploration properties, fair				
value		96,039		52,738

#### 9. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF CAPITAL

#### Fair value

The fair values of the Company's receivables, net of input tax credits, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their carrying amounts due to their short-term nature.

#### Fair value hierarchy

Financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value are grouped in Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable:

- Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities which include cash and cash equivalents;
- Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices);
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The Company's cash and cash equivalents have been fair valued using Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

#### Financial risk management

The Company is exposed in varying degrees to a variety of financial instrument related risks. The Board of Directors approves and monitors the risk management processes, inclusive of documented investment policies, counterparty limits, and controlling and reporting structures. The type of risk exposure and the way in which such exposure is managed is provided as follows:

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to credit risk consist of cash and cash equivalents, and receivables. Cash and cash equivalents are maintained with financial institutions of reputable credit and are redeemable on demand.

The carrying amount of receivables, represents the maximum credit exposure.



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#### 9. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF CAPITAL (Cont'd...)

#### Financial risk management (Cont'd...)

#### 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 is engaged in ongoing evaluation of opportunities to improve its financial position which includes, but is not limited to, additional equity financings, obtaining exploration partners and/or the sale of assets. At January 31, 2023, the Company has working capital of \$517,299 (October 31, 2022 –\$1,002,053). At January 31, 2023, the Company had accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$107,464 (October 31, 2022 - \$224,155) due within 90 days and a short-term lease liability balance of \$25,671 (October 31, 2022 - \$22,174).

#### Market risk

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

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company has no outstanding debt subject to variable interest. Accordingly, the Company does not believe it is exposed to significant interest rate risk on its cash balances which are held in accounts subject to variable rates.

#### Foreign exchange risk

The Company is exposed to foreign currency risk to the extent that monetary financial instruments are denominated in United States, Argentinean and Peruvian currencies. The Company's operating expenses are incurred primarily in Canadian dollars; its exploration programs are primarily in Argentina and are denominated in either United States dollars or Argentine pesos. The fluctuation of the Canadian dollar will, consequently, have an impact upon the reported profit or loss of the Company and may also affect the value of the Company's assets and liabilities. The Company continuously monitors this exposure to determine if any mitigation strategies become necessary.

#### Price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity prices, particularly those included in its exploration and evaluation asset portfolio. The Company closely monitors commodity prices to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company.

#### Management of capital

The Company's objectives in managing its capital (items included in shareholders' equity) are to fund acquisition, exploration and development of its exploration and evaluation assets and to meet its administrative and corporate activities to ensure that the Company continues as a going concern.

The Company is an exploration stage company and is currently unable to self-finance its operations. The Company has historically relied on equity financings to raise sufficient funds to carry out its exploration and acquisition activities and pay its administrative costs. Therefore, the Company intends to raise additional funds as required to carry out its planned activities.

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# 9. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF CAPITAL (Cont'd...)

#### Management of capital (Cont'd...)

The Company manages the capital structure and makes appropriate adjustments to it based upon changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares, issue debt and acquire or dispose of assets. In order to manage its capital requirements management has put into place a planning and budgeting process.

The Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements or restrictions, and there were no changes to the Company's approach to managing capital during the three months ended January 31, 2023.

#### 10. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Company operates in one industry segment, the mineral resources industry, and in three geographical segments, Canada, Argentina and Peru. The significant long-term asset categories identifiable with these geographical areas are as follows:

	January 31, 2023							
		Canada	Argentina			Peru	Total	
Exploration and evaluation assets Property and equipment	\$	- 72,616	\$	3,973,647 5,787	\$	1,217,898 34,274	\$	5,191,545 112,677
Total long-term assets	\$	72,616	\$	3,979,434	\$	1,252,172	\$	5,304,222

	October 31, 2022						
	Canada		Argentina		Peru	Total	
Exploration and evaluation assets	\$ -	\$	3,863,326	\$	1,041,988	\$	4,905,314
Property and equipment	79,886		5,804		3,512		89,202
Total long-term assets	\$ 79,886	\$	3,869,128	\$	1,045,502	\$	4,994,516