

The following Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of the financial condition and results of operations of Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited ("Class 1" or the "Company") was prepared by management as at April 22, 2025 and was reviewed and approved by the Audit Committee. The following discussion of performance, financial condition and future prospects should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of Class 1 and notes thereto for the years ended December 31, 2024. The information provided herein supplements but does not form part of the financial statements. All amounts are stated in Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated. Additional information related to the Company is available for view on SEDAR+ at <a href="https://www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a>.

## CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

Certain statements contained in this document constitute forward-looking statements. When used in this document, the words "may", "would", "could", "will", "intend", "plan", "propose", "anticipate", and "believe", used by any of the Company's management, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements reflect the Company's forecasts, estimates and expectations, as they relate to the Company's views with respect to future events and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties, and assumptions. Many factors could cause the Company's performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements that may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. The Company does not intend and does not assume any obligation, to update any such factors or to publicly announce the result of any revisions to any of the forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect future results, events, or developments.

Forward-looking statements	Assumptions	Risk factors
Potential of the Company's properties to contain economic deposits of precious and base metals.	Financing will be available for future exploration and evaluation of the	Precious and base metals price volatility; uncertainties involved in
While the Company has no source of revenue, it believes it will be able to meet its administrative overhead and maintain its mineral investments for twelve months starting from December 31, 2024, depending on future events. The Company expects to incur further losses in the development of its business	The operating and exploration activities of the Company for the next year and beyond, starting from December 31, 2024, and the costs associated therewith, will be consistent with the Company's current expectations; debt and equity markets, exchange and interest rates and other	Changes in debt and equity markets; timing and availability of external financing on acceptable terms; changes in the operations currently planned for the next twelve months; increases in costs; environmental compliance and changes in environmental and other local legislation and regulation; interest rate and exchange rate fluctuations; changes in economic conditions.
Management's outlook regarding future trends, including the future price of precious and base metals and availability of future financing.	Company's exploration and operating	Precious and base metals price volatility; changes in debt and equity markets; interest rate and exchange rate fluctuations; changes in economic and political conditions; availability of financing.

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Forward-looking statements	Assumptions	Risk factors
The Company's ability to meet its	Financing will be available for the	Nickel and other metals price volatility,
working capital needs at the current	Company's exploration and evaluation	changes in debt and equity markets;
level for the twelve-month period	activities and the results thereof will be	timing and availability of external
ending December 31, 2025.	favourable; actual operating and	financing on acceptable terms; the
	exploration costs will be consistent with	uncertainties involved in interpreting
		geological data and confirming title to
		acquired properties; the possibility that
		future exploration results will not be
	regulatory and governmental approvals	·
		expectations; increases in costs;
	operations will be received on a timely	
		changes in environmental and other
		local legislation and regulation; interest
		rate and exchange rate fluctuations;
		changes in economic and political
		conditions; the Company's ability to
	applicable economic and political	
	conditions are favourable to the	
	Company; the price of gold and/or	·
	other applicable metals will be	- Composition
	favourable to the Company; no title	
	disputes exist with respect to the	
	Company's properties.	
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Inherent in forward-looking statements are risks, uncertainties and other factors beyond the Company's ability to predict or control. Please also make reference to those risk factors referenced in the "Risks and Uncertainties" section below. Readers are cautioned that the above chart does not contain an exhaustive list of the factors or assumptions that may affect the forward-looking statements, and that the assumptions underlying such statements may prove to be incorrect. Actual results and developments are likely to differ, and may differ materially, from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this MD&A.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the Company's actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any of its future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements herein are qualified by this cautionary statement. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to update publicly or otherwise revise any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information or future events or otherwise, except as may be required by law. If the Company does update one or more forward-looking statements, no inference should be drawn that it will make additional updates with respect to those or other forward-looking statements, unless required by law.

## **NATURE OF BUSINESS**

### The Company

Class 1 was incorporated on December 12, 1989 as "871900 Ontario Limited" under the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario). The Company's head office and registered office is located at 82 Richmond Street East, Toronto, Ontario M5C 1P1. Class 1 was formerly named "Lakefield Marketing Corporation" until it completed a business combination transaction (the "Transaction") with Legendary Ore Mining Corporation on September 24, 2019, whereby it changed its name to "Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited".

On August 20, 2020, the Company commenced trading on the Canadian Securities Exchange under the symbol "NICO".

# **Principal Business**

The Company is engaged in the business of mineral exploration and the acquisition of mineral property assets in Canada. Its objective is to locate and develop economic base metal properties of merit and to conduct its exploration program on the Alexo-Dundonald Project. The Company, as of the date of this report, currently beneficially owns 100% of the Alexo-Dundonald Project and holds 100% interest in the Somanike Project located in the Abitibi Region of Quebec.

The Company is in exploration-stage and does not generate revenues, therefore its ability to ensure continuing operations is dependent on acquiring full control of its mineral property interests, the discovery of potentially economically recoverable Mineral Resources reserves, confirmation of its interest in the underlying mineral claims, and its ability to obtain necessary financing to complete the exploration activities, development, if they are proven successful, and future profitable production.

Class 1's goal is to deliver superior returns to shareholders by concentrating on the exploration of its existing properties and the acquisition of properties that have the potential to contain nickel sulphide. The Company currently plans to focus on its material properties.

#### CORPORATE HIGHLIGHTS

On January 12, 2024, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of convertible debentures (the "Convertible Debentures") for aggregate proceeds of \$400,000. The Convertible Debentures have a three-year term and bear interest rate at 2% per annum and are convertible at the option of the holder into 8,000,000 common shares of the Company at a deemed price of \$0.05.

During April 2024 and May 2024, the Company closed non-brokered private placements of 10,400,000 common shares of the Company at a price of \$0.05 per share to raise aggregate gross proceeds of \$520,000 and paid \$7,837 in legal fees recorded in shared issue cost. A director of the Company subscribed 1,000,000 of the common shares in the placements.

In May 2024, the Company converted \$450,000 convertible debentures into 4,500,000 common shares at \$0.10 per share. The carrying value of the liability at amount of \$370,282 and equity component of \$133,211 were transferred to share capital. In May 2024, the Company converted another \$400,000 convertible debentures into 8,000,000 common shares at \$0.05 per share. The carrying value of the liability at amount of \$291,451 and equity component of \$117,319 were transferred to share capital. A director of the Company fully subscribed the 12,500,000 of the Common Shares.

In December 2024, the Company closed non-brokered private placements of 5,500,000 flow through common shares of the Company at a price of \$0.30 per share to raise aggregate gross proceeds of \$1,650,000 and paid \$115,500 in legal fees recorded in shared issue cost. The Company recorded a deferred flow-through premium of \$330,000.

## TRENDS AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

There can be no assurance that additional funding will be available to the Company, which could delay some of the Company's planned or proposed business activities. In addition, external risks like a trade dispute with the U.S. could put significant strain on Canada's broader economy. Tit-for-tat import tariffs are generally inflationary and would raise costs. Management, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, will continue to monitor these developments and their effect on the Company's business.

Strong equity markets are favourable conditions for completing a public merger, financing, or acquisition transactions. Management regularly monitors economic conditions and estimates their impact on the Company's operations and incorporates these estimates in both short-term operating and longer-term strategic decisions.

Inflation increases major operating expenses like service provider costs such as accounting, costs of being a reporting issuer, legal and audit costs. The Company works to counteract rising expenses. Despite the best efforts to control costs where possible, inflationary pressures nonetheless introduce added financial burdens on the Company.

Apart from these and the risk factors noted under the heading "Risk Factors" and "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Information", management is not aware of any other trends, commitments, events, or uncertainties that would have a material effect on the Company's business, financial condition, or results of operations.

#### MINERAL PROPERTY INTERESTS

Eugene Puritch, P.Eng, FEC, CET is an independent Qualified Person under the definition of National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Puritch has approved the disclosure contained under the heading "Mineral Property Interests" and has verified the scientific and technical data contained herein.

## **Alexo-Dundonald Project**

A comprehensive NI 43-101 Technical Report is available for the Alexo-Dundonald Project from the Company's website at <a href="https://www.class1nickel.com">www.class1nickel.com</a> and from its profile at <a href="https://www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a>.

The Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project is located approximately 45 km northeast of the City of Timmins, Ontario, Canada. It covers an area of approximately 1,895 hectares and comprises 95 Boundary Cell Mining Claims, Single Cell Mining Claims, Leased Claims and Patented Claims.

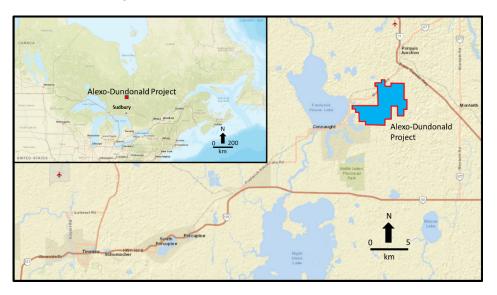


Figure 1 – Geographical location of Alexo-Dundonald Project

The geological setting of the Alexo-Dundonald Project area corresponds to the depositional equivalent environment of the Kidd-Munro assemblage. The Kidd-Munro assemblage is subdivided into lower and upper parts. The lower part of the Kidd-Munro assemblage (2719–2717 Ma) includes localised, regionally discontinuous depositional centres of predominantly intermediate to felsic calc-alkaline volcanic rocks. The upper part of the Kidd-Munro assemblage (2717–2711 Ma) extends across the Abitibi greenstone belt. It consists of tholeitic and komatiitic volcanic rocks with minor centimetre- to metre-scale graphitic metasedimentary rocks and localised felsic volcanic centres. It has been interpreted that the upper Kidd-Munro assemblage reflects the impact of widespread mantle plume-related magmatism on localised lower Kidd-Munro arc-magmatism volcanic centres.

Previous exploration activity and results in the Alexo-Dundonald Project area have been extensively reviewed and documented by the NI 43-101 Technical Reports prepared by Montgomery (2004), Harron (2009) and Puritch *et al* (2010, 2012). Significant drill intersections reported therein represent the latest rounds of drilling by the last companies to drill on the various target areas within the Project (Canadian Arrow at Alexo-Kelex in 2004–2005 and 2010–2011; First Nickel at Dundonald in 2004–2005; and Falconbridge at Dundeal in 1989) and are presented as an indication of nickel grade and continuity of mineralisation typical of the Project. For more information, please refer to the NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Alexo-Dundonald Project posted to the Company's SEDAR+ profile on August 14, 2020 at www.sedarplus.ca.

Summary of Completed Activities (Year Ended December 31, 2024)	(A) Spent (approx.) (Year Ended December 31, 2024)	Plans for the Project (Fiscal 2024)	(B)  Planned Expenditures (approx.)
The Company completed a VTEM™ survey on the Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project, thereby completing phase 1 of the exploration program as recommended under the Amended NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project dated June 30, 2020. The Company continues to finalize the interpretation of anomalies identified by the VTEM™ survey.	\$608,234	Continue interpreting the anomalies identified by the VTEM™ survey conducted on the Alexo-Dundonald Project. The Company intends to further explore the anomalies identified by the VTEM™ survey. The Company intends to undergo a 10,000m diamond drilling campaign on the Alexo-Dundonald Project focusing on the VTEM™ anomalies, as recommended as the phase 2 exploration program under the amended NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project dated June 30, 2020. The Company had raised equity capital during 2023 to fund its exploration work requirements. The major variables are expected to be the size, timing and results of the Company's exploration program and its ability to continue to access capital to fund its ongoing operations.	\$2,000,000
	\$608,234		\$2,000,000

As of December 31, 2024, the accumulated spent incurred in completing phase 1 of the exploration program is \$6,781,314.

Note 1

## Alexo-Kelex Property

The Company acquired a 100% interest (subject to a vendor buy-back) in Legendary Ore Mining Corporation, which held the Alexo-Kelex Property, under the Alexo-Kelex Agreement dated October 18, 2018 between Vanicom Resources Limited ("Vanicom"), Tartisan Nickel Corp. ("Tartisan") and Canadian Arrow Mines Limited ("Canadian Arrow"). The Alexo-Kelex Property consists of 55 mining claims and leases covering 940.43 hectares located in the Clergue and Dundonald townships near Timmins, Ontario. The Alexo-Kelex Property is subject to a 0.5% NSR with, which could be bought out by the Company for \$1,000,000. The Alexo-Kelex Property is also subject to an existing 1.5% NSR granted to Outokumpu Mines Ltd.

The Alexo-Kelex Agreement allows Tartisan to re-acquire the Alexo-Kelex Property from Legendary for \$1.00 if Legendary fails to incur by October 18, 2021 (a) \$750,000 worth of Exploration Expenditures (as defined thereunder) on the Alexo-Kelex Property; and (b) \$1,500,000 worth of Exploration Expenditures (as defined thereunder) on the Alexo-Dundonald Project. On July 12, 2021, the Company completed the requisite minimum exploration expenditures on the Alexo-Kelex Project, and now holds a 100% interest in each properties, subject to a 2% net smelter return royalty on the Alexo Property.

On August 10, 2021, the Company issued 50,000 common shares at a price of \$0.87 price per common share for \$43,500 and granted 50,000 stock options to Matachewan First Nation ("MFN") as part of the exploration program on the Alexo-Dundonald Project.

On August 22, 2021, the Company acquired 100% of Platinum Group Elements limited ("PGEL") strategic project portfolio of adjacent and adjoining claims to the Company's Alexo-Dundonald project as well as the Somanike project, and a complementary primary PGE project in Sudbury, Ontario, for a total consideration of \$550,000 in cash and issuance of 10 million common shares, subject to a 2% net smelter returns royalty on certain claims known as Timmins, River Valley and Metals Creek claims and a 2% gross metal royalty on certain claims known as "Bilson Cubric" claims.

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company has spent the following on the Alexo-Kelex Property:

	Year End December		Year Ende December 3	
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Exploration and evaluation	\$ 304,1	17 :	\$ 284,21	12
Field equipment	8,0	82	8,08	32_
	\$ 312,1	99 3	\$ 292,29	<u></u>

## **Dundonald Property**

The Company acquired a 100% interest (subject to a vendor buy-back) in the Dundonald Property under the Dundonald Agreement dated November 9, 2018 between Legendary Ore Mining Corporation (a subsidiary of the Company) and Transition Metals Corp. ("Transition"). The Dundonald Property consists of 40 mineral claims and leases covering 954.075 hectares located in the Clergue and Dundonald townships near Timmins, Ontario. The Dundonald Property is subject to a 2.5% NSR royalty granted to Transition by Legendary upon acquisition of the property.

The Dundonald Agreement allows Transition to re-acquire the Dundonald Property from Legendary for \$1.00 if Legendary fails to incur by November 9, 2021 \$1,500,000 worth of Exploration Expenditures on the Alexo-Dundonald Project. On July 12, 2021, the Company completed the requisite minimum exploration expenditures on the Dundonald Project, and now holds a 100% interest in the property, subject to a 2.5% net smelter return royalty on the Dundonald Property.

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company has spent the following amount on the Dundonald property:

	Year Ended December 31 2024	December 31,
Exploration and evaluation	\$ 304,117	
Field equipment	8,082	8,082
	\$ 312,199	\$ 292,294

### Somanike Project

The Company has acquired a 100% interest in the Somanike Property pursuant to an option agreement dated September 24, 2019, as amended and restated April 27, 2020, between Legendary (a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) and Vanicom (the "Legendary Somanike Option Agreement"). Under the Legendary Somanike Option Agreement, the Company may exercise the option granted to Vanicom by Quebec Precious Metals Corporation ("QPMC") under an option agreement dated August 20, 2018, as amended (the "QPMC Option Agreement"), by paying Vanicom \$1.00 plus reimbursing Vanicom for all expenses made on the Somanike Property prior to the Company exercising said option. The Somanike Property consists of 110 mining titles covering 5146.06 hectares located in the Abitibi area of the Province of Quebec. The Legendary Somanike Option Agreement was entered into following a reorganization of Vanicom, whereby Vanicom divested its ownership of Legendary to Vanicom shareholders, which was completed on September 19, 2019.

Exploration in the Somanike Project (the "Project") area has been dormant since the early 1970s following the closing of the Marbridge Ni-Cu Mine in 1968. Historical exploration programs focused on Ni-Cu with the majority of assays conducted for Ni and very limited Cu. Very few assays were taken for Au, Zn, Cu, and Ag. The entire project area was not investigated by modern surveys until 2014-15 when Sphinx Resources Ltd. ("Sphinx") flew a VTEM survey over the entire Project with the objective of identifying nickel-copper, gold and VMS targets. Compilation of all historical drill data in conjunction with the new VTEM survey identified previously unrecognized sulphide iron formations occurring across the Project. Numerous targets were generated and programs designed for the commodities listed above.

To maintain the option to the Somanike Property under the QPMC Option Agreement, the Company has issued 181,089 Common Shares to QPMC and 53,846 Common Shares to Globex Mining Enterprises Inc. Prior to exercising its option under the Legendary Somanike Option Agreement, the Company must pay QPMC \$25,000 in cash prior to June 15, 2022 and \$50,000 in cash prior to June 15, 2023. Also, prior to exercising the option on the Somanike Project, the Company must drill 750m of core on certain claims held by Globex Mining Enterprises Inc. As of December 31, 2021, the Company has paid QPMC an aggregate of \$327,800 and has drilled the necessary 750m of core on certain claims held by Globex Mining Enterprises Inc.



Figure 2 – Geographical location of Somanike Project

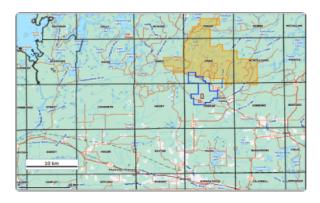
For the year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company has spent the following amount on the Somanike property:

	Year Ende December 31 2024	1,	Year Ended December 31, 2023
Exploration and evaluation	\$ 151,022	2 \$	387,296
Field equipment	279	<u>)                                    </u>	279
	\$ 151,301	\$	387,575

# River Valley PGE Project

On August 22, 2021, the Company acquired 100% of Platinum Group Elements Limited ("PGEL") strategic project portfolio of adjacent and adjoining's claims to the Company's Alexo-Dundonald project as well as Somanike project, and a complementary primary PGE project in Sudbury, Ontario, for a total consideration of \$550,000 in cash and issuance of 10 million common shares, subject to a 2% net smelter returns royalty on certain claims known as Timmins, River Valley and Metals Creek claims and a 2% gross metal royalty on certain claims known as the "Bilson Cubric claims".

The River Valley PGE Project is located in Crerar and Dana townships, approximately 60 km east-northeast of Sudbury in northeastern Ontario, Canada, immediately south of New Age Metals' River Valley Palladium Project.



Township-scale location of the River Valley PGE Project mining claims (blue outline) in the West Nipissing District, about 60 km east of Sudbury, northeastern Ontario. Also outlined are the New Age Metals mining claims and leases (orange) that comprise their River Valley PGE Project.

Figure 3 – Geographical location of River Valley Project

The Company has spent the following on the River Valley Property:

	Year Ended December 31, 2024	Year Ended December 31, 2023
Exploration and evaluation	\$ 250 \$	190,119
Total exploration expenditures	\$ 250 \$	190,119

Total expenditures all properties:

	Year Ended December 31, 2024	Year Ended December 31, 2023
Exploration and evaluation	\$ 759,506 \$	1,145,839
Field equipment	16,443	16,443
Total exploration expenditures	\$ 775,949 \$	1,162,282

## **SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS**

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		December 31	Se	eptember 30		June 30	March 31
Total Assets	\$	1,570,613	\$	357,401	\$	707,391	\$ 519,969
Working Capital (Deficiency)	\$	(630,399)	\$	(149,349)	\$	296,657	\$ 91,351
Shareholders' Deficit	\$	(1,093,877)	\$	(1,940,274)	\$	(1,434,509)	\$ (2,245,373)
Operating Expenses	\$	283,977	\$	446,006	\$	329,475	\$ 733,925
Comprehensive Loss	\$	420,366	\$	505,765	\$	300,769	\$ 817,811
Basic and Diluted Loss per Share	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$ 0.01
				202	23		
		December 31	Se	eptember 30		June 30	March 31
Total Assets	\$	546,203	\$	1,017,492	\$	1,338,053	\$ 922,912
Working Capital	\$	43,906	\$	567,545	\$	1,006,530	\$ 414,471
Shareholders' Deficit	\$	(1,930,997)	\$	(1,342,251)	\$	(838,159)	\$ (1,365,111)
Operating Expenses	\$	523,639	\$	439,730	\$	400,841	\$ 399,150
Comprehensive Loss	\$	588,746	\$	504,092	\$	465,948	\$ 464,257
Basic and Diluted Loss per Share	\$	0.00	\$	0.01	\$	0.00	\$ 0.00

Results of operation for the three month ended December 31, 2024 as compared to the three months ended December 31, 2023

The Company recorded a net loss and comprehensive loss of \$420,366 compared to \$588,746 in the prior period. The decrease in the net loss of \$168,380 was mainly attributed to the following: a decrease in exploration and evaluation of \$218,858 due to decrease in drilling cost, an increase in general and administrative expenses of \$1,888, due to increase in corporate general expenses, decrease in investor relations of \$3,415, due to less investor relations activities, an increase in regulatory expenses of \$4,557, due to increase in fillings expenses, an increase in professional fees of \$8,617 due to increase in consulting expenses, decrease in travel of \$15,217, due to less travel and expenses incurred, an increase in financing expenses of \$71,957 relate to the convertible debentures off setting by an increase in interest income of \$675 due to the interest refund received from HST recovery.

## SELECTED ANNUAL INFORMATION

Comparative information for annual periods from December 31, 2024, 2023 and 2022 has been presented in accordance with IFRS.

SUMMARY OF SELECT ANNUAL INFORMATION							
	2024 2023						
Operating Expenses	\$	1,793,383	\$	1,763,360	\$	5,859,968	
Comprehensive Loss	\$	2,044,711	\$	2,023,043	\$	5,601,890	
Basic and Diluted Loss	\$	0.01	\$	0.01	\$	0.04	
Total Assets	\$	1,570,613	\$	546,203	\$	854,479	

### Results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2024 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2023

The Company recorded a net loss and comprehensive loss of \$2,044,711 compared to \$2,023,043 in the prior year. The increase in the net loss and comprehensive loss of \$21,668 was mainly attributed to the following: a decrease in exploration and evaluation of \$386,333 due to decrease in drilling cost, an increase in general and administrative expenses of \$19,540, due to increase in corporate general expenses, a decrease in investor relations of \$7,504, due to less investor relations activities, an increase in regulatory expenses of \$6,144, due to increase in filings expenses, an increase in professional fees of \$34,344 due to higher consulting expenses, a decrease in travel of \$22,284, due to less travel and expenses incurred, an increase in stock-based compensation of \$386,116 due to increase in grant of stock options, an increase finance expenses of \$14,193, relate to the convertible debentures off setting by an increase in interest income of \$22,548 due to the interest refund received from HST recovery.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL

Class 1 is an exploration-stage company and does not generate revenues. As such, it finances all of its operations and the exploration of its mineral properties entirely through the issuance of share capital. Although the Company has to date been successful in its attempts to raise capital, there can be no assurance that its future efforts will likewise be successful. The mineral exploration business is high risk and the vast majority of exploration projects on which capital is spent will not result in producing mines. The success of future financing will depend on a variety of factors including geological success – i.e. obtaining superior results from exploration; a positive investment climate encompassing strong metal prices, solid stock market conditions, and a "risk-on" appetite among investors; and the Company's track record and management's ability and experience. If such financing is unavailable, the Company may be unable to retain its mineral interests and execute its business plans. As at December 31, 2024, the Company has not earned significant revenue and has an accumulated deficit of \$27,398,559 (December 31, 2023 - \$25,353,848). In order to reach sustainable business operations, the Company is actively seeking additional sources of liquidity.

The Company's cash and cash equivalents balance as of December 31, 2024 was \$1,478,778 compared to \$82,398 as of December 31, 2023. As of December 31, 2024, the Company had current assets of \$1,570,613 (December 31, 2023 – \$546,203), current liabilities of \$2,201,012 (December 31, 2023 – \$502,297), and a working capital deficit of \$630,399 (December 31, 2023 working capital – \$43,906).

#### **Operating Activities**

During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company's operating activities used cash of \$1,045,537 and \$2,263,484, respectively. Cash used in operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2024 is mainly attributable to net loss for the year of \$2,044,711 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$2,023,043), share based compensation of \$386,116 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$nil ), a decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$33,533 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$785,082), offset by decrease in accounts receivable of \$359,473 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$350,197), and decrease in prepaid expenses of \$18,053 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$15,488).

## **Financing Activities**

During the year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company's financing activities generated cash of \$2,441,917 and \$2,239,421, respectively. The cash generated from financing activities during the year ended December 31, 2024, are for proceeds from issuance of shares, net of issuance cost of \$2,046,663, and proceeds from convertible debentures, net of transactions cost of \$395,254.

### Going concern uncertainty

At each reporting period, management assesses the basis of preparation of the financial statements. These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. The going concern basis of presentation assumes that the Company will continue its operations for the foreseeable future and be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business. These financial statements do not include any adjustments to amounts and classifications of assets and liabilities that would be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. Such adjustments could be material.

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company incurred a net loss of \$2,044,711 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$2,023,043), had negative operating cash flows of \$1,045,537 (December 31, 2023 - \$2,263,484) and had working capital deficit of \$630,399 (December 31, 2023 - working capital of \$43,906). The Company has an accumulated deficit of \$27,398,559 since inception (December 31, 2023 - \$25,353,848) and has sufficient cash as at December 31, 2024 to meet its remaining expected obligations over the next twelve months.

The Company's ability to continue its operations and to realize assets at their carrying values is dependent upon its ability to generate cash flows from operations and to complete negotiations to obtain and successfully close additional funding from debt financing, equity financings or through other arrangements. These conditions indicate the existence of a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt regarding the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. These consolidated financial statements do not reflect the adjustments to the carrying values of assets and liabilities and the reported expenses and balance sheet classifications that would be necessary were the going concern assumption deemed to be inappropriate. These adjustments could be material.

While the Company has been successful in obtaining financing to date, there can be no assurance that it will be able to do so in the future on terms favourable for the Company. The Company may need to raise additional capital to fund operations. This need may be adversely impacted by uncertain market conditions, approval by regulatory bodies, and adverse results from operations. The Company believes it will be able to acquire sufficient funds to cover planned operations through the next twelve months by securing additional financing through additional private placements if required. The outcome of these matters cannot be predicted at this time.

#### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As at December 31, 2024, the Company has due from related party of \$27,291 (December 31, 2023 - \$57,841) from a company with a common shareholder of the Company and advance paid to the general manager.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company incurred \$130,000 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$100,000) in consulting services fees. As of December 31, 2024, the Company owed \$nil (December 31, 2023 - \$nil) due to general manager for consultant services, which is recorded in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

During the year ended December 31, 2024 the Company incurred \$130,000 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$130,000) in directors fees. As of December 31, 2024, the Company owes three directors \$268,000 (December 31, 2023 - \$168,000) these amounts are recorded in accounts payable and accrued liability.

Key management includes directors and other key personnel, including the CEO - President and CFO, who have authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling the activities of the Company.

The Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") of the Company is a senior employee of Marrelli Support Services Inc. ("MSSI"). During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company incurred professional fees of \$9,000 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$9,000) to MSSI. These services were incurred in the normal course of operations for general accounting and financial reporting matters. MSSI also provides bookkeeping and other services to the Company and charged \$68,549 for the services (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$75,742). As at December 31, 2024, MSSI was owed \$9,964 (December 31, 2023 - \$6,435) with respect to services provided. The balance owed was recorded in the statement of financial position in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

As at December 31, 2024, directors and a significant shareholder of the Company, beneficially own 112,019,656 common shares carrying approximately 60.90% of the voting rights attached to all common shares and convertible debentures for \$2,000,000 at a deemed price of between \$0.105 and \$0.12.

Additional remuneration of officers and directors of the Company was as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,				
		2024		2023	
Stock-based compensation	\$	386,116	\$	-	
Directors and management compensation		269,000		239,000	
	\$	655,116	\$	239,000	

## OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company is not a party to any off-balance sheet arrangements or transactions.

## **CONVERTIBLE DEBENTURES**

On December 5, 2022, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of convertible debentures for aggregate proceeds of \$1,000,000. These convertible debentures have a three-year term and bear interest rate at 2% per annum and are convertible at the option of the holder into common shares of the Company at a deemed price of \$0.105.

On December 24, 2022, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement convertible debentures for aggregate proceeds of \$500,000. These convertible debentures have a three-year term and bear interest rate at 2% per annum and are convertible at the option of the holder into common shares of the Company at a deemed price of \$0.11.

On January 9, 2023, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement convertible debentures (the "Convertible Debentures") for aggregate proceeds of \$500,000. These Convertible Debentures have a three-year term and bear interest rate at 2% per annum and are convertible at the option of the holder into common shares of the Company at a deemed price of \$0.12.

On January 24, 2023, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement convertible debentures (the "Convertible Debentures") for aggregate proceeds of \$450,000. These convertible debentures have a three-year term and bear interest rate at 2% per annum and are convertible at the option of the holder into common shares of the Company at a deemed price of \$0.10. In May 2024, \$450,000 convertible debentures were converted into 4,500,000 common shares at \$0.10 per share, and the carrying value of the liability at amount of \$370,282 and equity component of \$133,211 was transferred to share capital. As at December 31, 2024, the accrued interest of \$12,375 was outstanding (2023 - \$9,000).

On January 12, 2024, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of convertible debentures (the "Convertible Debentures") for aggregate proceeds of \$400,000. The convertible debentures have a three-year term and bear interest rate at 2% per annum and are convertible at the option of the holder into 8,000,000 common shares of the Company at a deemed price of \$0.05. At initial recognition, \$277,935 was recorded as liability while \$117,319 (net of transaction cost of \$4,746) was recorded as equity. in May 2024, \$400,000 convertible debentures were converted into 8,000,000 common shares at \$0.05 per share, and the carrying value of the liability at amount of \$291,451 was transferred to share capital. As at December 31, 2024, the accrued interest of \$2,667 was outstanding (2023 - \$nil).

The Company recorded as transaction costs \$4,746 for the 2024 and \$1,204 for the 2023 convertible debentures. The issuances of convertible debentures were fully subscribed by the President of the Company.

The components of the Company's convertible debentures as of December 31, 2024 are as follows:

	Liability	Equity	
	Component	Component	Total
On date of issuance, net of transaction costs	\$ 1,714,475	\$ 723,697	\$ 2,438,172
Accretion	260,428	-	260,428
Balance as at December 31, 2023	\$ 1,974,903	\$ 723,697	\$ 2,698,600
Accretion	274,621	-	274,621
Issuance, net of transaction costs	277,935	117,319	395,254
Conversion of debentures	(661,733)	(250,530)	(912,263)
Balance, as at December 31, 2024	\$ 1,865,726	\$ 590,486	\$ 2,060,958

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company accrued \$274,621 (year ended December 31, 2023 - \$260,428) in finance expenses. As at December 31, 2024, the Company accrued interest payable for \$80,000 included in the convertible debenture liability component.

## SHARE CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS

In March, 2023, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement of 2,499,997 common shares of the Company at a price of \$0.12 per share to raise aggregate gross proceeds of \$300,000 and paid \$2,275 in legal fees recorded in shared issued costs. A director of the Company subscribed 666,666 of the Common Shares in the placement.

In June 2023, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement of 8,333,332 common shares of the Company at a price of \$0.12 per share to raise aggregate gross proceeds of \$1,000,000 and paid \$7,100 in legal fees recorded in shared issue cost. A total of 4,166,667 of the subscription were subscribed by a party related to a director of the Company.

During April 2024 and May 2024, the Company closed non-brokered private placements of 10,400,000 common shares of the Company at a price of \$0.05 per share to raise aggregate gross proceeds of \$520,000 and paid \$7,837 in legal fees recorded in shared issue cost. A director of the Company subscribed 1,000,000 of the common shares in the placements.

In May 2024, the Company converted \$450,000 convertible debentures into 4,500,000 common shares at \$0.10 per share. The carrying value of the liability at amount of \$370,282 and equity component of \$133,211 were transferred to share capital. In May 2024, the Company converted another \$400,000 convertible debentures into 8,000,000 common shares at \$0.05 per share. The carrying value of the liability at amount of \$291,451 and equity component of \$117,319 were transferred to share capital. A director of the Company fully subscribed the 12,500,000 of the Common Shares.

In December 2024, the Company closed non-brokered private placements of 5,500,000 flow through common shares of the Company at a price of \$0.30 per share to raise aggregate gross proceeds of \$1,650,000 and paid \$115,500 in legal fees recorded in shared issue cost. The Company recorded a deferred flow-through premium of \$330,000.

## **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### New standards not yet adopted

On April 9, 2024, the IASB issued IFRS 18 "Presentation and Disclosure in the Financial Statements" ("IFRS 18") replacing IAS 1. IFRS 18 introduces categories and defined subtotals in the statement of profit or loss, disclosures on management-defined performance measures, and requirements to improve the aggregation and disaggregation of information in the financial statements. As a result of IFRS 18, amendments to IAS 7 "Statements of Cash Flows" ("IAS 7") were also issued to require that entities use the operating profit subtotal as the starting point for the indirect method of reporting cash flows from operating activities and to remove presentation alternatives for interest and dividends paid and received. Similarly, amendments to IAS 33 "Earnings per Share" were issued to permit disclosure of additional earnings per share figures using any other component of the statement of profit or loss, provided the numerator is a total or subtotal defined under IFRS 18.

IFRS 18 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2027, and is to be applied retrospectively, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the impact of the standard on its consolidated financial statements.

On May 30, 2024, the IASB issued narrow scope amendments to IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" and IFRS 7 "Financial Instruments: Disclosures". The amendments include the clarification of the date of initial recognition or derecognition of financial liabilities, including financial liabilities that are settled in cash using an electronic payment system. The amendments also introduce additional disclosure requirements to enhance transparency regarding investments in equity instruments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income and financial instruments with contingent features. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2026, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the impact of the amendments on its consolidated financial statements.

# FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT (MANAGEMENT OF FINANCIAL RISK)

The Company's risk exposure and the impact on the Company's financial instruments are described below.

### Fair value

Financial instruments recognized at fair value in the statements of financial position have been prioritised into three levels as per the fair value hierarchy. Level one includes quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level two includes inputs that are observable other than quoted prices included in level one. Level three includes inputs that are not based on observable market data. All financial instruments measured at fair value, at December 31, 2024, are as described in note 3.

### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting its financial obligations as they become due. The Company manages its liquidity risk by forecasting cash flows required by operations and anticipated investing and financing activities. The Company's liquidity and operating results may be adversely affected if the Company's access to the capital market is hindered, whether as a result of a downturn in stock market conditions generally or as a result of conditions specific to the Company. As at December 31, 2024, the Company has sufficient cash and receivables to settle accounts payable of \$2,201,012 (December 31, 2023 - \$502,297).

#### Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: interest rate risk, foreign currency risk and price risk.

#### Interest rate risk

The Company's cash consists of cash held in bank accounts that earn interest at variable interest rates. Future cash flows from interest income on cash will be affected by interest rate fluctuations. Due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments fluctuations in market rates do not have a significant impact on estimated fair values. The Company manages interest rate risk by maintaining an investment policy that focuses primarily on preservation of capital and liquidity. The interest income earned on cash is minimal; therefore, the Company is not subject to material interest rate risk.

## Foreign currency risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The Company is exposed to foreign currency risk to the extent that its monetary assets and liabilities are denominated in currencies other than the Canadian Dollar. The Company's has no monetary assets and liabilities in currencies other than the Canadian Dollar, therefore the Company is not exposed to foreign currency risk.

#### Price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity prices. Commodity price risk is defined as the potential adverse impact on earnings and economic value due to commodity price movements and volatilities. The Company closely monitors commodity prices as they relate to the nickel industry to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company.

#### COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

## Matachewan First Nation ("MFN")

The Company entered into a signed Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") whereby the Company recognizes the traditional values of the MFN and commits the Company to consult and establish a mutually beneficial cooperative and productive relationship to advance the Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project. The agreement also provides MFN opportunity to participate in the benefits of the Project through business opportunities, employment and training, financial compensation, and consultation on environmental matters.

## Environmental contingencies

The Company's exploration activities are subject to various federal, provincial, and international laws and regulations governing the protection of the environment. These laws and regulations are continually changing and are generally becoming more restrictive. The Company conducts its operations so as to protect public health and the environment and believes its operations are materially in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. The Company has made, and expects to make in the future, expenditures to comply with such laws and regulations.

#### Flow-through shares

As at December 31, 2024, pursuant to the issuance of flow-through shares in December 2024, the Company is required to incur qualifying expenditures of \$1,650,000 by December 31, 2025, as part of the flow-through funding agreement closing in December 2024 (see note). As at December 31, 2024, the Company has spent \$nil related to the flow-through agreement. The flow-through agreements require the Company to renounce certain tax deductions for Canadian exploration expenditures incurred on the Company's mineral properties to flow-through participants.

## **CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**

The Company's shareholders' equity comprises its capital under management. The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to pursue the development of its mineral properties and to maintain a flexible capital structure that optimizes the costs of capital at an acceptable risk level.

The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares, issue new debt, acquire or dispose of assets.

In order to facilitate the management of its capital requirements, the Company prepares expenditure budgets that are updated as necessary depending on various factors, including successful capital deployment and general industry conditions. The Board of Directors does not establish quantitative return on capital criteria for management, but rather relies on the expertise of the Company's management to sustain future development of the business.

The Company considers its capital structure to consist of capital stock, warrants, equity component of convertible debentures and deficit, which at December 31, 2024 totaled \$1,093,877 (December 31, 2023 – \$1,930,997). When managing capital, the Company's objective is to ensure the Company continues as a going concern, to ensure continued development of products as well as to maintain optimal returns to shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders. Management reviews and adjusts its capital structure on an ongoing basis.

The Company is dependent on external financing to fund its activities. In order to maintain operations and pay for administrative costs, the Company will spend its existing working capital and issue new shares to facilitate the management of its capital requirements. The Company's capital management objectives, policies and processes have remained unchanged during the year ended December 31, 2024. The Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

There have been no changes to the Company's approach to capital management during the year ended December 31, 2024. The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

## **OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA AS OF REPORT DATE**

As of the date of this MD&A, the Company has the following securities issued and outstanding: (a) 183,938,358 common shares; (b) 11,765,502 stock options; and (c) shares issuable on conversion of convertible debentures 18,235,931.

## **DISCLOSURE CONTROL AND PROCEDURES**

Management has established processes to provide it with sufficient knowledge to support representations that it has exercised reasonable diligence to ensure that (i) the consolidated financial statements do not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances under which it is made, as of the date of and for the period presented by the consolidated financial statements, and (ii) the consolidated financial statements fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flow of the Company, as of the date of and for the period presented

In contrast to the certificate required for non-venture issuers under National Instrument 52-109, Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings ("NI 52-109"), the Venture Issuer Basic Certificate filed by the Company does not include representations relating to the establishment and maintenance of disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P") and internal control over financial reporting ("ICFR"), as defined in NI 52-109. In particular, the certifying officers filing such certificate are not making any representations relating to the establishment and maintenance of:

- I. controls and other procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the issuer in its annual filings, interim filings or other reports filed or submitted under securities legislation is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in securities legislation; and
- II. a process to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with the issuer's generally accepted accounting principles (IFRS).

The Company's certifying officers are responsible for ensuring that processes are in place to provide them with sufficient knowledge to support the representations they are making in such certificate. Investors should be aware that inherent limitations on the ability of certifying officers of a venture issuer to design and implement on a cost-effective basis DC&P and ICFR as defined in NI 52-109 may result in additional risks to the quality, reliability, transparency and timeliness of interim and annual filings and other reports provided under securities legislation.

#### RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

## **Nature of Mineral Exploration and Mining**

The Company's future is dependent on the Company's exploration and evaluation programs. The exploration and evaluation of mineral deposits involves significant financial risks over a prolonged period of time, which a combination of careful evaluation, experience and knowledge may not eliminate. Few properties that are explored are ultimately developed into economically viable operating mines. Major expenditures on the Company's exploration properties may be required in constructing mining and processing facilities at a site, and it is possible that even preliminary due diligence will show adverse results, leading to the abandonment of projects. It is impossible to ensure that preliminary feasibility studies or final feasibility studies on the Company's projects or the current or proposed exploration programs on any of the properties in which the Company has exploration rights will result in any profitable commercial mining operation. The Company cannot give any assurance that its current and future exploration activities will result in a discovery of mineral deposits containing Mineral Reserves. The Company's exploration and evaluation may be hampered by mining, heritage and environmental legislation, industrial accidents, industrial disputes, cost overruns, land claims and compensation and other unforeseen contingencies.

The Company does not currently operate a mine on any of its properties. There is no certainty that the expenditures made by the Company towards the search for and evaluation of mineral deposits will result in discoveries that are commercially viable. Whether a deposit will be commercially viable depends on a number of factors, some of which are the particular attributes of the deposit, such as its size and grade, proximity to infrastructure, financing costs and governmental regulations, including regulations relating to prices, taxes, royalties, infrastructure, land use, importing and exporting of metal concentrates, exchange controls and environmental protection. The effect of these factors cannot be accurately predicted, but the combination of any or all of these factors may result in the Company not receiving an adequate return on invested capital or have a material adverse effect on the Company's business and financial condition. In addition, assuming discovery of a commercial ore-body, depending on the type of mining operation involved, several years can elapse from the initial phase of drilling until commercial operations are commenced. Most of the above factors are beyond the Company's control.

#### **Limited Operating History**

The Company's properties are in the exploration stage and are not commercially viable at this time. The Company has not recorded any revenues from mining operations and there is no certainty that the exploration expenditures towards the search and evaluation of mineral deposits will result in discoveries of commercial quantities of ore or that the Company will generate revenue, operate profitably or provide a return on investment in the future. There can be no assurance that significant additional losses will not occur in the future. The operating expenses and capital expenditures may increase in subsequent years with advancing exploration, evaluation, development of properties if proven successful and/or production of the properties. The Company does not expect to receive revenues from operations in the foreseeable future.

The Company expects to incur losses until such time as its properties enter into commercial production and generate sufficient revenue to fund its continuing operations. The development of the Company's properties will require the commitment of substantial resources and there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to finance its operations externally.

There can be no assurance that the Company's exploration programs will result in locating commercially exploitable mineral ores or that its properties will be successfully developed. There can be no assurance that the underlying assumed levels of expenses will prove to be accurate.

### Ability to Continue as a Going Concern

The Company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent upon its ability to continue to raise adequate financing to fund its continuing exploration, evaluation activities and development of properties if they are proven successful. There is no assurance that the Company will either achieve or maintain profitability in the future.

### Requirement for Further Financing

The further exploration of the various mineral properties in which the Company holds interests and the acquisition of additional properties depends upon the Company's ability to obtain financing through joint ventures of projects, debt financing, equity financing or other means. There can be no assurance that the Company will able to raise the balance of the financing required or that such financing can be obtained without substantial dilution to shareholders. Failure to obtain additional financing on a timely basis could cause the Company to reduce or terminate its operations or lose its interest in one or more of its properties.

In order to continue exploring the Company's mineral properties and acquiring additional properties, management will be required to pursue additional sources of financing. While management has been successful in obtaining such financing in the past, there is no assurance that it will be successful in the future. Failure to obtain sufficient financing may result in delaying or indefinitely postponing exploration, evaluation, development of or production on any or all of the Company's properties if they are proven successful, or even loss of property interest. It may also prevent the Company from meeting its obligations under agreements to which it is a party as a result of which, its interest in the properties may be reduced. There can be no assurance that additional capital or other types of financing, if needed, will be available or, if available, the terms of such financing will be favourable to the Company.

The amount of administrative expenditures is related to the level of financing and exploration activities that are being conducted, which in turn may depend on our recent exploration experience and prospects, as well as general market conditions relating to the availability of funding for exploration-stage resource companies. As a result, there may not be predictable or observable trends in our business activities and comparison of financial operating results with prior years may not be meaningful.

#### **Title Matters**

The Company has taken reasonable measures, in accordance with industry standards for properties at the same stage of exploration as those of the Company to ensure proper title to its properties. However, there is no guarantee that title to any of its properties will not be challenged or impugned. Title insurance generally is not available for mining claims in Canada and the Company's ability to ensure that it has obtained secure claim to individual mineral properties or mining concessions may be limited. The Company's properties may be subject to prior unregistered liens, agreements, transfers or claims, including native land claims and title may be affected by, among other things, undetected defects. In addition, the Company may be unable to operate the properties as permitted or to enforce its rights with respect to its properties. The failure to comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including a failure to pay taxes, carry out and file assessment work, may invalidate title to portions of the properties where the mineral rights are not held by the Company.

## **Market Factors and Volatility of Mineral Prices**

There is no assurance that a profitable market will exist for the sale of mineralized material which may be acquired or discovered by the Company. There can be no assurance that ore prices received will be such that the Company's properties can be mined at a profit. Prices of minerals have fluctuated widely, particularly in recent years, and are affected by numerous factors beyond the Company's control. Commodity prices are subject to volatile price changes from a variety of factors including international economic and political trends, expectations of inflation, global and regional demand, currency exchange fluctuations, interest rates and global or regional consumption patterns, speculative activities and increased production due to improved mining and production methods.

Future mineral prices cannot be accurately predicted. A severe decline in the price of a mineral being produced or expected to be produced by the Company would have a material adverse effect on the Company, and could result in the suspension of mining operations by the Company if such mining operations have commenced. Factors impacting the price of ore include political and economic conditions in mineral producing and consuming countries and production levels and costs of production in other jurisdictions.

### **Environmental Regulations and other Regulatory Requirements**

The Company is subject to substantial environmental and other regulatory requirements and such regulations are becoming more stringent. All phases of exploration and development operations are subject to environmental regulations. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner which will require stricter standards and enforcement, increased fines and penalties for non-compliance, more stringent environmental assessments of proposed projects and a heightened degree of responsibility for companies and their officers, directors and employees. There is no assurance that future changes in environmental regulation, if any, will not adversely affect the Company's operations. Environmental hazards may exist on the properties in which the Company holds interests which are presently unknown to the Company and which have been caused by previous or existing owners or operators of the properties.

Although the Company intends to comply fully with all environmental regulations, failure to comply with applicable laws, regulations and permitting requirements may result in enforcement actions thereunder, including orders issued by regulatory or judicial authorities causing operations to cease or be curtailed, and may include corrective measures requiring capital expenditures, installation of additional equipment, or remedial actions. Parties engaged in mining operations or in the exploration or development of mineral properties may be required to compensate those suffering loss or damage by reason of the mining activities and may have civil or criminal fines or penalties imposed for violations of applicable laws or regulations.

#### **Conflicts of Interest**

Certain directors and officers of the Company may become or are also directors, officers or shareholders of other companies that are similarly engaged in the business of acquiring and exploiting natural resource properties. Such associations may give rise to conflicts of interest from time to time. The directors of the Company will be required by law to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company and to disclose any interest which they may have in any project or opportunity of the Company. If a conflict of interest arises at a meeting of the board of directors, any director in a conflict is required under the British Colombia Business Corporations Act to disclose his interest and to abstain from voting on such matter.

## **Market Price of Common Shares**

Securities of micro-cap and small-cap companies have experienced substantial volatility in the past, often based on factors unrelated to the financial performance or prospects of the companies involved. These factors include macroeconomic developments in North America and globally, and market perceptions of the attractiveness of particular industries.

The price of the Common Shares is also likely to be significantly affected by short-term changes in precious and base metal mineral prices or in its financial condition or results of operations as reflected in its quarterly earnings reports. Other factors unrelated to the Company's performance that may have an effect on the price of the Common Shares include the following: the extent of analytical coverage available to investors concerning the Company's business may be limited if investment banks with research capabilities do not follow the Company's securities; lessening in trading volume and general market interest in the Company's securities may affect an investor's ability to trade significant numbers of Common Shares; the size of the Company's public float may limit the ability of some institutions to invest in the Company's securities; and a substantial decline in the price of the Common Shares that persists for a significant period of time could cause the Company's securities, if listed on an exchange, to be delisted from such exchange, further reducing market liquidity. As a result of any of these factors, the price of the Common Shares at any given point in time may not accurately reflect the Company's long-term value.

## Climate change

The Company is exposed to risks from climate change including a possible increase in severity of extreme weather events, such as tornados, droughts, floods, and fires. Climate change may also result in longer-term shifts in precipitation and temperature and increased variability in weather. Climate change-related risks may also be associated with the transition to a lower-carbon global economy, which may be reflected in changes to fiscal and environmental policies, legal actions, technology changes, market responses, and reputation considerations. The effect of these environmental and economic, and legal shifts on the Company are difficult to quantify at the present time.

Apart from these and the risk factors noted under the heading "Risks and Uncertainties" in the annual MDA, management is not aware of any other trends, commitments, events or uncertainties that would have a material effect on the Company's business, financial condition or results of operations.

#### **Disclosure Statement**

At the present time, the Company's remaining payment obligations are substantially more than its remaining cash balances. The Company is not solvent and may not continue as a going concern, unless a financing is source or the Company pursues any transaction or that a transaction, if pursued, will be completed. Trading in shares of the Company and any investment in the Company is highly speculative. No trading in securities of the Company or investment should be made without being able to lose the entire amount of such funds.

# **United States Tariffs and Retaliatory Tariffs**

In February and March 2025, the new U.S. administration imposed new tariffs, including an additional 25% rate of duty on certain imports from Canada and Mexico and 10% on certain imports from China, subject to various exceptions. In response, Canada has applied tariffs on certain imports from the United States. The international trade disputes sparked by the tariffs imposed by the United States and other countries in response thereto, including a further escalation in tariffs, retaliatory tariffs, and/or the withdrawal from, or changes to, international trade agreements, are expected to have a negative impact on the Canadian and global economy and could adversely affect the Company's financial condition. In addition, general uncertainty regarding possible future tariffs, international trade disputes and restrictive trade policies may have a negative impact on the Canadian and global economy and adversely affect the Company's financial condition.

An investment in the securities of the Company is highly speculative and involves numerous and significant risks. Such investment should be undertaken only by investors whose financial resources are sufficient to enable them to assume these risks and who have no need for immediate liquidity in their investment. Prospective investors should carefully consider the risk factors that have affected, and which in the future are reasonably expected to affect, the Company and its financial position. Please refer to the section entitled "Risk and Uncertainties" in the Company's annual management's discussion & analysis for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, available on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.