# **BUENA VISTA GOLD INC.**

# **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS**

# FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

# Introduction

The following management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") of the financial condition and results of operations of Buena Vista Gold Inc. ("BVG" or the "Company") constitutes management's review of the factors that affected the Company's financial and operating performance for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. This MD&A has been prepared in compliance with the requirements of National Instrument 51-102 - Continuous Disclosure Obligations. This discussion should be read in conjunction with the audited annual financial statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2017, as well as the unaudited condensed interim financial statements for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, together with the notes thereto. Results are reported in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise noted. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (which consist only of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. The results for the interim period presented are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any future period.

For the purposes of preparing this MD&A, management, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, considers the materiality of information. Information is considered material if: (i) such information results in, or would reasonably be expected to result in, a significant change in the market price or value of BVG's common shares; or (ii) there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable investor would consider it important in making an investment decision; or (iii) it would significantly alter the total mix of information available to investors. Management, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, evaluates materiality with reference to all relevant circumstances, including potential market sensitivity

The effective date of this report is November 29, 2018.

# **Forward Looking Information**

Certain information regarding the Company within Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") may include "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this MD&A that address activities, events or developments that the Company expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including such things as future business strategy, goals, expansion and growth of the Company's business, plans and other such matters are forward-looking statements. When used in this MD&A the words "estimate", "plan", "anticipate", "expect", "intend", "believe" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements by their nature involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by such statements. The Company considers the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are based to be reasonable at the time they were prepared, but cautions the reader that these assumptions regarding future events, many of which are beyond the control of management, may ultimately prove to be incorrect. The reader should not rely solely on these forward-looking statements.

# Nature of the Business and Overall Performance

The Company was incorporated on November 4, 2009 under the Business Corporations Act (Ontario).

# Financing

The Company completed equity financing during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 raising \$779,141 in equity capital.

## **Selected Quarterly Financial Information**

The following table sets out the selected financial information for the three months ended:

		Sept 30, 2018		Jun 30, 2018		Mar 31, 2018		Dec 31, 2017
Total assets	\$	757,274	\$	985,481	\$	1,181,683	\$	893,934
Working capital	\$	367,268	\$	525,996	\$	665,140	\$	364,697
Net loss for the period	\$	124,084	\$	139,184	\$	417,853	\$	596,359
Loss per share	\$	0.01	\$	0.01	\$	0.02	\$	0.02
		Sept 30, 2017		Jun 30, 2017		Mar 31, 2017		Dec 31, 2016
Total assets	\$	317,774	\$	458,111	\$	182,392	\$	245,703
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Working capital	ֆ \$	(18,948)	\$	125,495	\$	(156,813)	\$	(67,965)
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BVG reported no discontinued operations and declared no dividends for any period presented.

# **Results of Operations**

General and Administrative

#### Three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

The Company incurred a net loss of \$124,084 for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to a net loss of \$315,547 for the three months ended September 30, 2017. Details of the more significant changes over last year are as follows:

- A decrease in exploration and evaluation expenditures to \$54,348 (2017 \$286,595) reflecting a decrease in exploration activities during Q3 2018;
- An increase in administrative and general fees to \$40,664 (2017 \$nil) as a fee was paid to extend the arrangement agreement;
- A decrease in professional fees to \$39,235 (2017 \$130,462) as legal fees were billed in 2017 for prior years;

• An increase in foreign exchange gain \$(47,398) (2017 – \$171,053) reflecting decreased expenditures in USD; and

As at September 30, 2018, the Company has cash and cash equivalents of \$660,682 (2017 - \$182,605), miscellaneous receivable of \$39,416 (2017 - \$nil), and accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$191,291 (2017 - \$321,400) for total working capital of \$367,268 (2017 – working capital deficiency \$18,948).

# Liquidity and Capital Resources

This section should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim statements of financial position for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, and the corresponding notes thereto.

The Company has total assets of \$757,274 (2017 - \$317,774). The primary assets of the Company are cash and cash equivalents of \$660,682 (2017 - \$182,605), miscellaneous receivable of \$39,416 (2017 - \$nil), and reclamation deposit of \$49,309 (2017 - \$14,630). The Company has no long-term liabilities and has working capital of \$367,268 (2017 – working capital deficiency \$18,948).

The Company's financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, under which the Company is assumed to be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of operations. The Company currently has no revenue to finance its operations. It is therefore required to fund its activities through the issuance of equity securities and other financing alternatives. The Company's ability to continue as a going concern is therefore dependent upon its ability to raise funds.

The Company has not yet realized profitable operations and has incurred significant losses to date resulting in a cumulative deficit of \$6,642,785. As at September 30, 2018, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$660,682 to settle current liabilities of \$340,291.

To continue operations and to fund future obligations, the Company will be required to raise funds through equity or other financing alternatives. Recent global economic conditions and market uncertainty may have an impact on the Company's ability to raise funds through the equity markets. Management believes that there are sources of financing available. There can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in its future fund-raising activities.

The Company relies on the issuance of equity securities and alternative sources of financing, if required, to maintain adequate liquidity to support its ongoing working capital commitments. The following table is a summary of quantitative data about what the Company manages as capital:

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2018	Change
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 660,682	\$ 847,744	\$ (187,062)
Share capital	\$ 6,780,259	\$ 6,062,122	\$ -
Share based payment reserve	\$ 279,509	\$ 279,509	\$ -
Deficit	\$ (6,642,785)	\$ (5,961,666)	\$ (681,119)

The Company monitors these items to assess its ability to fulfill its ongoing financial obligations, including its flow-through obligations, and its exploration program.

# Mineral Property Interests

BVG holds a 100% interest in the Buena Vista Gold Properties which consists of five claim groups located in Pershing County Nevada, USA.

Portions of the four claim groups are subject to mining lease agreements as follows:

- The Gold Knob and French Boy claim groups are subject to two mining lease agreements between RS Gold, LLC and David Rowe and Carelon Rowe, collectively the "Owners", with Gold Knob and French Boy dated May 24, 2010, both amended on May 1, 2015, with French Boy being further amended on October 13, 2017 retroactively to March 31, 2016.
- A portion of the Star Point claim group is subject to a mining lease agreement between RS Gold, LLC, the "Owner" dated June 26, 2010 and amended on May 1, 2015
- A portion of the BV South claim group is subject to a mining lease agreement between RS Gold, LLC, the "Owner" dated January 1, 2014 and amended on May 1, 2015.

The Star Point, Gold Knob and BV South properties include both mining leases and claims staked by the Company.

# Gold Knob

The key provisions of the mining lease agreement for the Gold Knob claims are as follows:

Term: Original term of 10 years ending May 24, 2020, may be extended for an additional 10 years, or so long thereafter as there are mining/processing activities, or reclamation/closure activities.

Advance Minimum Royalties ("AMR"): Advance pre-production royalties deductible from future production royalties are payable as follows:

1st Anniversary of signing US\$10,000 (paid)
2nd Anniversary US\$20,000 (paid)
3rd Anniversary US\$30,000 (paid)
4th Anniversary US\$40,000 (paid)
5th and subsequent Anniversaries US\$50,000 (amended to US\$10,000)
The AMR payments were temporarily amended and reduced to US\$10,000 for the years 2015 and 2016. (paid)
In 2017, the AMR payments returned to US\$50,000 per year (paid)
2018 AMR (paid)

Production Royalties: A sliding-scale gold Net Smelter Return ("NSR") royalty and a 3% gross royalty on other metals is payable to the owners on production proceeds.

Price of Gold	NSR
<us\$800 oz.<="" td="" troy=""><td>3%</td></us\$800>	3%
US\$800.01 to US\$1,500 oz.	4%
>US\$1,500.01 oz.	5%

Royalty Buy-out Provision: The Company may purchase up to 2% of the NSR for US\$1,250,000 per each 1%, with provision for purchase of an additional 1% NSR if the gold price is above US\$1,500/oz. The owners' NSR cannot be less than 1% after buy out.

Work Commitment: Expenditure of US\$60,000 on drilling during the first year (completed).

#### **French Boy**

The key provisions of the mining lease agreement for the French Boy claims are as follows:

Term: Original term of 10 years ending May 24, 2020 may be extended for an additional 10 years, or so long thereafter as there are mining/processing activities, or reclamation/closure activities.

Advance Minimum Royalties: Advance pre-production royalties deductible from future production royalties are payable as follows:

1st Anniversary of signing US\$10,000 (paid)
2nd Anniversary US\$20,000 (paid)
3rd Anniversary US\$30,000 (paid)
4th Anniversary US\$40,000 (paid)
5th Anniversary US\$50,000 (amended to US \$10,000)
The AMR payments were temporarily amended and reduced to US\$10,000 for the years 2015 and 2016. (paid)
In 2017, the AMR payments were further amended in 2017 retroactively to 2016 onwards and reduced to \$nil.

Production Royalties: A sliding-scale gold NSR royalty and a 3% gross royalty on other metals is payable to the owners on production proceeds.

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Royalty Buy-out Provision: The Company may purchase up to a 2% NSR for US\$1,250,000 per each 1%, with provision for purchase of an additional 1% NSR if the gold price is above US\$1,500/oz.

The Owners NSR cannot be less than 1% after the buy-out.

Work Commitment: Expenditure of US\$25,000 on drilling during the first year (completed).

#### **Star Point**

The leased portion of the Star Point claim group is subject to a mining lease agreement, the key provisions of which are as follows:

Term: Original term 10 of years ending June 26, 2020 may be extended for an additional 10 years, or so long

thereafter as there are mining/processing activities, or reclamation/closure activities.

Advance Minimum Royalties: Advance pre-production royalties deductible from future production royalties are payable as follows:

1st Anniversary of signing US\$40,000 (paid) all subsequent Anniversaries US\$50,000 (paid to date) The AMR payments were temporarily amended and reduced to US\$5,000 in 2015 and US \$10,000 in 2016 (paid) In 2017 the AMR payments returned to US\$50,000 per year (paid) 2018 AMR (paid)

Production Royalties: A sliding-scale gold NSR royalty and 3% gross royalty on other metals is payable to the owners on production proceeds.

Price of Gold	NSR
<us\$800 oz.<="" td="" troy=""><td>3%</td></us\$800>	3%
US\$800.01 to US\$1,500 oz.	4%
>US\$1,500.01 oz.	5%

Royalty Buy-out Provision: The Company may purchase up to a 2% NSR for US\$1,250,000 per point, with provision for purchase of an additional 1% NSR if the gold price is above US\$1,500/oz. The Owner's NSR cannot be less than 1% after the buy-out.

During 2018 the Company staked and recorded an additional 63 claims adjacent to Star Point and staked an additional 63 claims which will be recorded in the 4th quarter of 2018.

In March of 2018 the Company completed an airborne magnetic survey on the Star property as part of the process for targeting a variety of mineralization types including intrusive related copper and copper-gold mineralization and Carlin Style gold mineralization. The survey consisted of flying 518 line kilometers with flight lines on 75 meter spacing and tie lines on 375 meter spacing. Ground follow-up investigation of the magnetic patterns consisting of sampling, mapping and characterization of mineral system types was applied to designing the followup IP-Resistivity Survey. Magnetic and radiometric data has been processed and is in process of being layered with gravity data, geological mapping, geochemistry and drill data to target future drilling. Future geophysical surveys are also being evaluated for refinement of the drill targets. Additional information on IP-Resistivity survey will be released as appropriate.

#### **BV** South

The leased portion of the BV South claim group is subject to a mining lease agreement for which the key provisions of are as follows:

Term: Original term 20 of years ending January 1, 2034 may be extended for an additional 10 years, or so long thereafter as there are mining/processing activities, or reclamation/closure activities.

Advance Minimum Royalties: Advance pre-production royalties deductible from future production royalties are payable as follows:

On signing of the agreement US\$25,000 (paid)

On or before September 30, 2014, US\$25,000 (paid) On the first anniversaries and annually thereafter US\$50,000 (paid to date) The AMR payments were temporarily amended and reduced to US\$10,000 in 2016 and 2017 (paid) In 2018, the AMR payments returned to US\$50,000 per year (paid)

Production Royalties: A gold NSR royalty and 3% gross royalty on other metals is payable to the owners on production proceeds.

Work Commitment: Expenditure of US\$60,000 on drilling during the first year (completed).

# **Hot Springs Peak**

The Hot Springs Peak property consists of unpatented lode mining claims in the northern Hot Springs range in northern Nevada.

In August 2017, the Company purchased 88 claims in Nevada, USA from Dutch Flats Gold Inc., a company related through common director and ownership, in exchange for 626,091 common shares and settlement of \$90,071 for amounts due by Dutch Flats Gold Inc. to BVG. An additional 16 claims were staked in fiscal 2017. In addition, there were 4 claims leased from a private owner.

In January 2018 an additional 4 claims were staked and a further 63 claims were staked in March 2018 for a total of 171 claims. The 4 leased claims expired in the first quarter of 2018 and the lease has not yet been renegotiated.

The Company conducted additional geophysical surveys at HSP in January of 2018 consisting of an Induced Polarization (IP) / Resistivity Survey of 7 lines and approximately 12.6 kilometers of total line length to detect potential concealed sulfide mineralization and silicification. Dipole-Dipole spacings were set at 75m, 150m and 250m to reach depths of 150-500 meters for high quality data collection. The results of these surveys were interpreted and included in a news release dated April 3, 2018. Based on the results of field work and the geophysical surveys conducted in 2017 and 2018 the Company designed a drill program to test the geophysical responses. The Company has completed the process of permitting and bonding this drill program.

# Qualified Person and QA/QC

Timothy Master P.Geo, a qualified person as defined by NI 43-101 and author of the NI 43-101 Report on the HSP Property completed in June of 2017, has reviewed the scientific and technical information that forms the basis for the disclosure regarding the Company's properties in this MD&A and has approved the disclosure herein. Mr. Master is independent of the Company.

# **Critical Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of the unaudited condensed interim financial statements requires management to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. Actual outcomes could differ from these estimates. These unaudited condensed interim financial statements include estimates that, by their nature, are uncertain. The impacts of such estimates are pervasive throughout the unaudited condensed interim financial statements, and may require accounting adjustments based on future occurrences. Revisions to accounting

estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods. These estimates are based on historical experience, current and future economic conditions and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

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

- the recoverability of miscellaneous receivables that are included in the unaudited condensed interim statements of financial position;
- the recoverability of exploration and evaluation expenditures incurred on the Company's property interests; and
- the inputs used in accounting for share based payment transactions included in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

# Financial Instruments

Financial risk

The Company's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk (including interest rate, foreign currency risk and commodity and equity price risk).

Risk management is carried out by the Company's management team with guidance from the Audit Committee under policies approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors also provides regular guidance for overall risk management.

#### (i) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss associated with counterparty's inability to fulfill its payment obligations. The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to cash and cash equivalents and amounts receivable. The Company has no significant concentration of credit risk arising from operations. Cash and cash equivalents are held with a Canadian Schedule A bank, from which management believes the risk of loss to be minimal.

Amounts receivable consists mainly of sales tax receivable from government authorities in Canada. Amounts receivable are in good standing as of September 30, 2018. Management believes that the credit risk with respect to financial instruments included in amounts receivable is minimal.

#### (ii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not have sufficient cash resources to meet its financial obligations as they come due. The Company's liquidity and operating results may be adversely affected if its access to the capital market is hindered, whether as a result of a downturn in stock market conditions generally or matters specific to the Company. The Company generates cash flow primarily from its financing activities. As at September 30, 2018, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$660,682 (December 31, 2017 - \$847,744) to settle current liabilities of \$340,291 (December 31, 2017 - \$513,969). All of the Company's financial liabilities have contractual maturities of less than 30 days and are subject to

normal trade terms. The Company regularly evaluates its cash position to ensure preservation and security of capital as well as liquidity.

#### (iii) 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.

# (a) Interest rate risk

Cash and cash equivalents are subject to floating interest rates. Sensitivity to a plus or minus 1% change in interest rates would not have a material impact on the reported net loss and comprehensive loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

# (b) Foreign currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value of, or future cash flows from, the Company's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Company's functional currency is the Canadian dollar and major purchases are transacted in Canadian dollars. As a result, the Company's exposure to foreign currency risk is minimal. The Company does not hold balances in foreign currencies to give rise to exposure to foreign exchange risk.

# (c) Commodity and equity 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 precious and base metals and other minerals, and the stock market to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company.

Commodity price risk could adversely affect the Company. In particular, the Company's future profitability and viability of development depend upon the world market price of precious and base metals and other minerals. Precious and base metals and other mineral prices have fluctuated widely in recent years. There is no assurance that, even if commercial quantities of precious and base metals and other minerals are produced in the future, a profitable market will exist for them. As of September 30, 2018, the Company was not a precious mineral, base metals and other minerals producer. Even so, commodity price risk may affect the completion of future equity transactions such as equity offerings and the exercise of stock options and warrants. This may also affect the Company's liquidity and its ability to meet its ongoing obligations.

# **Related Party Transactions**

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company entered into the following transactions with related parties and paid or accrued the following amounts, excluding share-based payment charges in connection therewith:

Name	Relationship	<b>Purpose of Transaction</b>	Nine Months Ended
Minergy Group LLC.	Company controlled by the President of BVG	Consulting	\$79,397
Nadon Professional Corporation.	Company controlled by the CFO of BVG	Consulting	\$15,000

# **Off-Balance-Sheet Arrangements**

As of the date of this MD&A, the Company does not have any off-balance sheet arrangements that have, or are reasonably likely to have, a current or future effect on the results of operations or financial condition of the Company, including, and without limitation, such considerations as liquidity, capital expenditures and capital resources that would be material to investors.

# **Proposed Transactions**

The Company is not a party to any proposed transactions.

# **Financial Instruments and Other Instruments**

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash, cash equivalents, miscellaneous receivables, accounts payable and accrued liabilities. It is management's opinion that the Company is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments. The only credit risk identified by management is the risk related to the interest bearing promissory note received as partial payment of the loan receivable. The risk arises from the nature of the security of the promissory note. The fair value of these financial instruments approximates their carrying values.

# **Outstanding Share Data**

As of the date of this MD&A, the Company has 22,700,941 common shares issued and outstanding as well as: (a) stock options to purchase an aggregate of 1,646,125 common shares expiring at various dates between December 2018 and December 2022 and exercisable at various prices between \$0.26 per common share and \$0.41 pre common share and, (b) 4,601,250 common shares expiring December 21, 2019 and exercisable at \$0.51 per common share.

For additional details of share data, please refer to Notes 7 of the September 30, 2018 unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

# **Capital Management**

The Company's objectives when managing capital are as follows:

- i) To safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern;
- ii) To raise sufficient capital to finance its exploration and development activities on its mineral exploration properties;
- iii) To raise sufficient capital to meet its general and administrative expenditures.

The Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it based on the general economic conditions, its short term working capital requirements, and its planned exploration and development program expenditure requirements. The capital structure of the Company is comprised of shareholders' equity which includes share capital, warrants, contributed surplus and deficit. The Company may manage its capital by issuing flow through or common shares, or by obtaining additional financing.

The Company utilized annual capital and operating expenditure budgets to facilitate the management of its capital requirement. These budgets are approved by management and updated for changes in the budgets underlying assumptions as necessary.

There were no changes in the Company's approach to managing capital during the period.

#### **Risks and Uncertainties**

#### Liquidity and Additional Financing

The Company has limited financial resources and no current revenues. There can be no assurance that additional funding will be available to it for further exploration and development of its projects or to fulfill its obligations under applicable agreements. Although the Company has been successful in the past in obtaining financing through the sale of equity securities, there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain adequate financing in the future or that the terms of such financing will be favorable. Failure to obtain such additional financing could cause the Resulting Issuer to reduce or terminate its operations.

## **Regulatory Requirements**

Even if the Company's properties are proven to host economic reserves of gold or other precious or non-precious metals, factors such as governmental expropriation or regulation may prevent or restrict mining of any such deposits. Exploration and mining activities may be affected in varying degrees by government policies and regulations relating to the mining industry. Any changes in regulations or shifts in political conditions are beyond the control of the Company and may adversely affect its business. Operations may be affected in varying degrees by government regulations with respect to restrictions on production, price controls, export controls, income taxes, expropriation of property, environmental legislation and mine safety.

#### Nature of Mineral Exploration and Mining

At the present time, the Company does not hold any interest in a mining property in production. The Company's viability and potential success lie in its ability to discover, develop, exploit and generate revenue out of mineral deposits. Mineral exploration and development involves a high degree of risk and few properties which are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. The profitability of the Company's operations will be in part directly related to the cost and success of its exploration programs, if any, which may be affected by a number of factors beyond the Company's control. Mineral exploration involves many risks, which even a combination of experience, knowledge and careful evaluation may not be able to overcome. Operations in which the Company has a direct or indirect interest will be subject to all the hazards and risks normally incidental to exploration, development and production of diamond, precious and non-precious metals, any of which could result in work stoppages, damage to the property, and possible environmental damage. Hazards such as unusual or unexpected formations and other conditions such as formation pressures, fires, power outages, labor disruptions, flooding, explorations, cave-ins, landslides and the inability to obtain suitable adequate machinery, equipment or labor are involved in mineral exploration, development and operation. The Company may become subject to liability for

pollution, cave-ins or hazards against which it cannot insure or against which it may elect not to insure. The payment of such liabilities may have a material, adverse effect on the financial position of the Company.

The Company will continue to rely upon consultants and others for exploration and development expertise. Substantial expenditures are required to determine if mineralization reserves exist through drilling, to develop processes to extract the precious and non-precious metals from the mineralization and, in the case of new properties, to develop the mining and processing facilities and infrastructure at any site chosen for mining. Although substantial benefits may be derived from the discovery of a major mineralized deposit, no assurance can be given that minerals will be discovered in sufficient quantities to justify commercial operations or that funds required for development can be obtained on a timely basis or at all. The economics of developing mineral properties are affected by many factors including the cost of operations, variations in the grade of mineralization mined, fluctuations in markets, costs of processing equipment and such other factors as government regulations, including regulations relating to royalties, allowable production, importing and exporting of minerals and environmental protection. The remoteness and restrictions on access to any properties in which the Company has or may have an interest may have an adverse effect on profitability in that infrastructure costs will be higher.

#### Uninsurable Risks

In the course of exploration, development and production of mineral properties, certain risks, and in particular, unexpected or unusual geological operating conditions including rock bursts, cave-ins, fires, flooding and earthquakes may occur. It is not always possible to fully insure against such risks and the Company may decide not to take out insurance against such risks as a result of high premiums or for other reasons. Should such liabilities arise, they could reduce or eliminate any future profitability and result in increasing costs and cause insolvency and/or a decline in the value of the securities of the Company.

#### No Assurance of Title to Properties

The acquisition of title to mineral projects is a very detailed and time consuming process. Although the Company has taken precautions to ensure that legal title to its property interests is properly recorded in the name of the Company where possible, there can be no assurance that such title will ultimately be secured. Furthermore, there is no assurance that the interest of the Company in any of its properties may not be challenged or impugned.

#### Permits and Licenses

The operations of the Company may require licenses and permits from various governmental authorities. The company believes that it presently holds all necessary licences and permits to carry on with activities which it is currently conducting under applicable laws and regulations and the Company believes it is currently complying in all material respects with the terms of such laws and regulations. However, such laws and regulations are subject to change. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain all necessary licenses and permits that may be required to carry out exploration, development and mining operations at its projects.

#### Competition

The mineral exploitation industry is intensely competitive in all its phases. The Company competes with many companies possessing greater financial resources and technical facilities than itself for the acquisition of mineral properties, claims, leases and other mineral interests as well as for the recruitment and retention of qualified employees. In addition, there is no assurance that even if commercial quantities of minerals are discovered, a ready

market will exist for their sale. Factors beyond the control of the Company may affect the marketability of any minerals discovered. These factors include market fluctuations, the proximity and capacity of natural resource markets and processing equipment, government regulations, including regulations relating to prices, taxes, royalties, land tenure, land use, importing and exporting of minerals and environmental protection. The exact effect of these factors cannot be accurately predicted, but the combination of these factors may result in the Company not receiving an adequate return on invested capital or losing its invested capital.

#### Environmental Regulations

The Company's operations are subject to environmental regulations promulgated by government agencies from time to time. Environmental legislation provides for restrictions and prohibitions on spills, releases or emissions of various substances produced in association with certain mining industry operations, such as seepage from tailings disposal areas, which would result in environmental pollution. A breach of such legislation may result in imposition of fines and penalties. In addition, certain types of operations require the submission and approval of environmental impact assessments. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner which will require stricter standards and enforcement, increased fines and penalties for noncompliance, more stringent environmental assessments of proposed projects and a heightened degree of responsibility for companies and their officers, directors and employees. The cost of compliance with changes in governmental regulations has a potential to reduce the profitability of operations. There is no assurance that future changes in environmental regulation, if any, will not adversely affect the Company's operations.

#### Infrastructure

Mining, processing, development and exploration activities depend, to one degree or another, on adequate infrastructure. Reliable roads, bridges, power sources and water supply are important requirements, which affect capital and operating costs. Unusual or infrequent weather, phenomena, sabotage, government or other interference in the maintenance or provision of such infrastructure could adversely affect the Company's operations.

#### Fluctuating Prices

Factors beyond the control of the Company may affect the marketability of any copper, nickel, gold, platinum or any other minerals discovered. The price of those commodities has fluctuated widely, particularly in recent years, and is affected by numerous factors beyond the Company's control including international economic and political trends, expectations of inflation, currency exchange fluctuations, interest rates, consumption patterns, speculative activities and increased production due to new mine developments and improved mining and production methods. The effect of these factors on the price of gold, base and precious metals and therefore the economic viability of any of the Company's projects cannot be accurately predicted.

#### Reliance on Key Personnel

The Company is dependent on a relatively small number of key people, the loss of any of whom could have an adverse effect on its operations. The Company does not carry any key man insurance.

#### Conflicts of Interest

The directors and officers of the Company may serve as directors or officers of other public resource companies or have significant shareholdings in other public resource companies. Situations may arise in connection with potential acquisitions and investments where the other interests of these directors and officers may conflict with the

interest of the Company. In the event that such a conflict of interest arises at a meeting of the directors of the Company, a director is required by the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario) to disclose the conflict of interest and to abstain from voting on the matter.

From time to time several companies may participate in the acquisition, exploration and development of natural resource properties thereby allowing for their participation in larger programs, permitting involvement in a greater number of programs and reducing financial exposure in respect of any one program. It may also occur that a particular company will assign all or a portion of its interest in a particular program to another of these companies due to the financial position of the company making the assignment. In determining whether or not the Company will participate in a particular program and the interest therein to be acquired by it, the directors will primarily consider the degree of risk to which the Company may be exposed and its financial position at that time.

#### Share Price Volatility

Recently, securities markets in North America have experienced a high level of price and volume volatility, and the market price of many companies, particularly those considered exploration and development stage companies, have experienced wide fluctuations in price which have not necessarily been related to the operating performance, underlying asset values or prospects of such companies. There can be no assurance that significant fluctuations in the trading price of the Company's common shares will not occur, or such fluctuations will not materially adversely impact on the Company's ability to raise equity capital without significant dilution to its existing shareholders, or at all.

#### General Economic Conditions

Recent events in the global financial markets have had a significant impact on the global economy. Many industries, including the gold and base metal mining industry, are impacted by these market conditions. A continued or more profound slowdown in the financial markets or other economic conditions, including but not limited to, consumer spending/confidence, employment rates, business conditions, inflation, fuel and energy, consumer debt levels, lack of available credit, the state of the financial markets, sovereign debt issues, interest rates, and tax rates may adversely affect the Company's growth and profitability.

More specifically, the global credit/liquidity crisis could impact the cost and availability of financing and the Company's overall liquidity, and the devaluation and volatility of global stock markets impacts the valuation of the Company's common shares, which may impact the Company's ability to raise funds through the issuance of equity securities.

#### Financial Resources

The Company does not presently have sufficient financial resources to undertake by itself the exploration and development of all of its planned exploration and development programs. Future property acquisitions and the future exploration/development of the Company's properties will therefore depend upon the Company's ability to obtain financing through the joint venturing of projects, private placement financing, public/private financing, or other means. There is no assurance that the Company will be successful in obtaining the required financing. Failure to raise the required funds could result in the Company losing, or being required to dispose of, its interest in its properties.

# **Dilution**

The Company may require additional equity financing to be raised in the future. The Company may issue securities on less than favourable terms to raise sufficient capital to fund its business plan. Any transaction involving the issuance of equity securities or securities convertible into common shares would result in dilution, possibly substantial, to present and prospective holders of common shares.

# Subsequent Events

On October 4, 2018, the expiration date of the warrants issued December 21, 2017 were extended to December 31, 2019.

The Company conducted an IP / Resistivity survey over the Star Point and surrounding areas in October 2018. Results of the survey will be released when appropriate.

On October 26, 2018, the shareholders of Getchell Gold Corp. approved the arrangement agreement (Note 13) and all other resolutions proposed by management.

On November 2, 2018, the company issued 2,253,989 common share units for cash consideration of CA\$1,014,295 at CA\$0.45 per unit. Each unit consisted of one common share and one common share purchase warrant. Each warrant entitled the holder to purchase one additional common share for a period of 24 months for CA\$0.52.

On November 6, 2018, the transactions contemplated by the arrangement closed.

The Company commenced drilling at the Hot Springs Peak property in mid-November and as of November 29th has completed 2 of the 4 planned drill holes. No results from the drilling program are available for release at this time.

# Additional Information

Additional information relating to the Company is available on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.