# CLASS 1 NICKEL AND TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020 (EXPRESSED IN CANADIAN DOLLARS)

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**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

## Independent Auditors' Report

#### To the Shareholders of Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited:

## **Opinion**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited (formerly Lakefield Marketing Corp) (the "Company"), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the consolidated statements of loss and comprehensive loss, cash flows and changes in equity for the years then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2021 and 2020, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

## **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern

We draw attention to Note 1 in the consolidated financial statements, which indicates that for the year ended December 31, 2021 the Company incurred losses of \$15,345,964 resulting in an accumulated deficit in the amount of \$18,646,344 at year end. As stated in Note 1, these events or conditions, along with other matters as set forth in Note 1, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

## **Other information**

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises:

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained Management's Discussion and Analysis prior to the date of this auditor's report. If, based on the work we have performed on this other information, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact in this auditor's report. We have nothing to report in this regard.

## <u>Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial</u> <u>Statements</u>

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

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

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

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

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

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditors' report is Kevin Ramsay.

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Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

Markham, Ontario February 28, 2022

	D	As at December 31, 2021		As at ecember 31, 2020
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,154,417	\$	3,864,804
Prepaid expenses		52,243		19,286
Accounts receivable (note 4)		489,951		129,886
Due from related party (note 9)		7,345		7,345
Total assets	\$	2,703,956	\$	4,021,321
Current liabilities Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 9) Deferred flow-through premium (note 11) Other payable Total liabilities	\$	1,292,119 258,000 - 1,550,119	\$	196,836 300,000 22,008 518,844
<b>Shareholder's equity</b> Share capital (note 6) Contributed surplus Warrant reserve (note 8) Deficit		15,221,808 2,419,308 2,159,065 (18,646,344)		5,885,428 - 917,429 (3,300,380)
Total shareholder's equity		1,153,837		3,502,477
Total shareholder's equity and liabilities	\$	2,703,956	\$	4,021,321

The accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

Nature of operations and going concern (note 1) Commitments (note 11)

# Approved by the Board of Directors on February 28, 2022

"David Fitch" Director

"Matthew Gibertson" Director

# Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited Consolidated Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) Audited

	Year Ended December 31, 2021	Year Ended December 31, 2020		
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Operating expenses	¢ 42.000.000	\$ 702.751		
Exploration and evaluation (note 5) General and administrative	\$ 12,000,090 142,654	\$ 702,751 107,092		
Investor relations	142,654 31,242	171,169		
Professional fees (note 9)	820,178	557,400		
Regulatory	70,037	97,869		
Stock-based compensation (note 7)	2,311,429	-		
Travel	16,267	107,414		
Loss before the following items	15,391,897	1,743,695		
Gain on settlement of debt	-	(426)		
Equipment rental income	(3,500)	-		
Interest income	(433)	(65)		
Amortization of flow-through premium (note 11)	(42,000)	-		
Royalty payments		(8,952)		
Net loss and comprehensive loss for the year	\$ (15,345,964)	\$ (1,734,252)		
Net loss and comprehensive loss per share				
basic and diluted	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.02)		
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding basic and diluted	112,046,033	97,266,558		

The accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

# Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) Audited

	Year Ended December 31, 2021	Year Ended December 31, 2020
Operating activities		
Operating activities Net loss for the year	\$ (15,345,964)	\$ (1,734,252)
Adjustments for:	\$ (15,545,964)	φ (1,734,232)
Shares issued in debt settlement		(426)
	-	(426)
Shares issued for exploration expenditure and option payments	5,643,500	160,000
Amortization of flow-through premium	(42,000)	-
Stock-share based compensation	2,311,429	-
Changes in non-cash working capital items:		(407.400)
Accounts receivable	(360,065)	(127,126)
Other payable	(22,008)	-
Prepaid expenses	(32,957)	(11,386)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,095,283	155,074
Due from related parties	-	7,303
Net cash used in operating activities	(6,752,782)	(1,550,813)
Financing activities		
Proceeds from issuance of shares, net of issuance cost	5,042,395	5,541,412
Deferred flow-through premium	3,042,333	(300,000)
Net cash provided by financing activities	5,042,395	5,241,412
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Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(1,710,387)	3,690,599
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	3,864,804	174,205
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 2,154,417	\$ 3,864,804
Supplemental information		
Shares issued for exploration option payment	\$ -	\$ 160,000
Shares issued for debt settlement	-	6,204

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# Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) Audited

	Common Shares (#)		Share capital (\$)	С	ontributed surplus		Warrants	Deficit		Total
Balance, December 31, 2019	90,029,209	\$	1,695,586	\$	-	\$	-	\$ (1,566,128)	\$	129,458
Shares issued in private placement	14,948,688		4,702,065		-		839,347	-		5,541,412
Shares issued for settlement of debt	8,863		6,204		-		-	-		6,204
Deferred flow-through premium	-		(300,000)		-		-	-		(300,000)
Shares issue cost	-		(378,427)		-		-	-		(378,427)
Shares issued for exploration expenditure option payments	234,935		160,000		-		-	-		`160,000´
Broker warrants issued	-		-		-		78,082	-		78,082
Net loss for the year	-		-		-		-	(1,734,252)		(1,734,252)
Balance, December 31, 2020	105,221,695	\$	5,885,428	\$	-	\$	917,429	\$ (3,300,380)	\$	3,502,477
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Shares issued in private placement	13,433,334	·	4,239,864	·	-	•	1,241,636	-		5,481,500
Shares issue cost	-		(546,984)		107,879		-	-		(439,105)
Shares issued for exploration expenditure option payments	10,050,000		5,643,500		-		-	-		5,643,500
Stock-based compensation	-		. ,		2,311,429		-	-		2,311,429
Net loss for the year	-		-		-		-	(15,345,964)	(	15,345,964)
Balance, December 31, 2021	128,705,029	\$	15,221,808	\$	2,419,308	\$	2,159,065	\$ (18,646,344)	\$ `	1,153,837

The accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

## 1. Nature of operations and going concern

## Nature of business

Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited ("Class 1" or the "Company") was incorporated on December 12, 1989 as "871900 Ontario Limited" under the laws of the Province of Ontario. The principal business of the Company is mining exploration and development of minerals and base metals in Canada. The corporate head office of the Company is located at 82 Richmond Street East, Toronto, Ontario M5C 1P1. On August 20, 2020, the Company commenced trading on the Canadian Securities Exchange under the stock symbol "NICO".

## Going concern uncertainty

At each reporting year, management assesses the basis of preparation of the financial statements. These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). 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 consolidated 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, 2021, the Company incurred a net loss of \$15,345,964 (year ended December 31, 2020 - \$1,734,252) and had negative operating cash flows of \$6,752,782 (December 31, 2020 - \$1,550,813). The Company has an accumulated deficit of \$18,646,344 since inception (December 31, 2020 - \$3,300,380) and does not have sufficient cash as at December 31, 2021 to meet its expected ongoing obligations over the next twelve months after deducting the \$7,366,500 committed to be spent on capital exploration expenditures ("CEE") under terms of the flow through financings. As at December 31, 2021, the Company has spent on CEE \$5,292,582 (see note 11). These factors raise significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

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.

The outbreak of the novel strain of coronavirus, specifically identified as "COVID-19", has resulted in governments worldwide enacting emergency measures to combat the spread of the virus. These measures, which include the implementation of travel bans, self-imposed quarantine periods and social distancing, have caused material disruption to businesses globally resulting in an economic slowdown. Global equity markets have experienced significant volatility. Governments and central banks have reacted with significant monetary and fiscal interventions designed to stabilize economic conditions. The duration and impact of the COVID-19 outbreak is unknown at this time, as is the efficacy of the government and central bank interventions. It is not possible to reliably estimate the length and severity of these developments and the impact on the financial results and condition of the Company in future periods. The Company is monitoring the business environment as a result to ensure minimal disruption to business operations. The Company continues to be in operations as of the current date.

## 2. Significant accounting policies

## Statement of compliance

The Company applies International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee("IFRIC").

The policies applied in these consolidated financial statements are based on IFRS issued and outstanding as of February 28, 2022. The same accounting policies and methods of computation are followed in these consolidated financial statements as compared with the most recent annual financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2020. Any subsequent changes to IFRS that are given effect in the Company's annual financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2022 could result in restatement of these consolidated financial statements.

These consolidated financial statements were authorized for issuance by the Board of Directors of the Company on February 28, 2022.

#### Basis of presentation

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, with the exception of financial instruments classified at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") as explained in the notes below. In addition, these consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting except for cash flow information.

## Basis of consolidation

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Legendary Ore Mining Corporation and 2814250 Ontario Inc. All significant inter-company transactions have been eliminated upon consolidation.

## Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is also the functional currency of the Company. All financial information is expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise stated and has been rounded to the nearest dollar.

## Critical accounting judgments, estimates and assumption

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting year. Estimates and assumptions are continuously evaluated and are based on management's experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. However, actual outcomes can differ from these estimates.

Information about critical judgments in applying accounting policies that have the most significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities recognized in the financial statement are discussed below:

#### Title to mineral property interests

Although the Company has taken steps to verify title to mineral properties in which it has an interest, these procedures do not guarantee the Company title. Such properties may be subject to prior agreement or transfers and titles may be affected by undetected defects.

#### Non-current asset impairment

The application of the Company's accounting policy for impairment on exploration and evaluation ("E&E") assets requires judgemental in determining if the facts and circumstances suggest that the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount.

#### Exploration and evaluation expenditures

The point when an exploration property moves from exploration to development is subject to management's judgemental.

#### Going concern

The assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern involves judgemental regarding future funding available for its exploration projects and working capital requirements.

#### Use of estimates

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgments about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Management believes the estimates are reasonable; however, actual results could differ from those estimates and could impact future results of operations and cash flows.

## Exploration and evaluation properties

The Company expenses exploration costs as incurred, other than those acquired through a business combination. Exploration and evaluation expenditures include acquisition costs of mineral exploration properties, property option payments and evaluation activity.

Exploration and evaluation properties acquired through a business combination are capitalized on the statements of financial position.

Once a project has been established as commercially viable and technically feasible, related development expenditures are capitalized. This includes costs incurred in preparing the site for mining operations. Capitalization ceases when the mine is capable of commercial production, with the exception of development costs that give rise to a future benefit.

Property option payments received are recognized in the statement of loss and comprehensive loss in the year they are received by the Company except for property option payments on properties obtained through a business combination which are recorded against the capitalized value on the statements of financial position.

## Provisions and contingencies

The Company recognizes liabilities for statutory, contractual, constructive or legal obligations associated with the retirement of long term assets, when those obligations result from the acquisition, construction, development or normal operation of the assets. The net present value of future restoration cost estimates arising from the decommissioning of plant and other site preparation work is capitalized to exploration and evaluation assets along with a corresponding increase in the restoration provision in the year incurred. Discount rates using a pretax risk free rate that reflect the time value of money are used to calculate the net present value. The restoration asset will be depreciated on the same basis as other exploration and evaluation assets.

## Restoration, rehabilitation and environmental obligations

A legal or constructive obligation to incur restoration, rehabilitation and environmental costs may arise when environmental disturbance is caused by the exploration, development or ongoing production of a mineral property interest. Such costs arising from the decommissioning of plant and other site preparation work, discounted to their net present value, are provided for and capitalized at the start of each project to the carrying amount of the asset or expensed if they relate to exploration and evaluation activities, as soon as the obligation to incur such costs arises. Discount rates using a pretax rate that reflects the time value of money are used to calculate the net present value. These costs are charged against profit or loss over the economic life of the related asset, through amortization using either a unit-of-production or the straight-line method as appropriate. The related liability is adjusted for each year for the unwinding of the discount rate and for changes to the current market-based discount rate, amount or timing of the underlying cash flows needed to settle the obligation. Costs for restoration of subsequent site damage that is created on an ongoing basis during production are provided for at their net present values and charged against profits as extraction progresses. The Company has no material restoration, rehabilitation and environmental costs as the disturbance to date is minimal.

## Income Taxes

Income tax on the profit or loss for the years presented comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity, in which case it is recognized in equity.

Current tax expense is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at year end, adjusted for amendments to tax payable with regards to previous years.

Deferred tax is recorded using the statement of financial position liability method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not provided for: the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable loss; any differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date.

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

#### Income Taxes (continued)

A deferred tax asset is recognized to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

#### Financial instruments

Effective January 1, 2018, the Company adopted IFRS 9 - Financial Instruments ("IFRS 9"). In July 2014, the IASB issued the final publication of the IFRS 9 standard, which supersedes IAS 39 - Financial Instruments: recognition and measurement ("IAS 39"). IFRS 9 includes revised guidance on the classification and measurement of financial instruments, new guidance for measuring impairment on financial assets, and new hedge accounting guidance. The Company has adopted IFRS 9 on a retrospective basis without restating comparatives, however, this adoption had no impact to the Company's financial statements.

Under IFRS 9, financial assets are classified and measured based on the business model in which they are held and the characteristics of their contractual cash flows. IFRS 9 contains the primary measurement categories for financial assets: measured at amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI") and fair value through profit and loss ("FVTPL").

#### Financial assets

Financial assets are classified as either financial assets at FVTPL, amortized cost, or FVTOCI. The Company determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

i. Financial assets recorded at FVTPL

Financial assets are classified as FVTPL if they do not meet the criteria of amortized cost or FVTOCI. Gains or losses on these items are recognized in profit or loss.

#### ii. Amortized cost

Financial assets are classified as measured at amortized cost if both of the following criteria are met and the financial assets are not designated as at FVTPL: 1) the object of the Company's business model for these financial assets is to collect their contractual cash flows; and 2) the asset's contractual cash flows represent "solely payments of principal and interest". The Company's cash, amounts receivable, and advances are classified as financial assets measured at amortized cost.

#### Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities at amortized cost. The Company determines the classification of its financial liabilities at initial recognition.

#### i. Amortized cost

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at amortized cost unless they fall into one of the following categories: financial liabilities at FVTPL, financial liabilities that arise when a transfer of a financial asset does not qualify for derecognition, financial guarantee contracts, commitments to provide a loan at a below-market interest rate, or contingent consideration recognized by an acquirer in a business combination.

The Company's accounts payable and accrued liabilities do not fall into any of the exemptions and are therefore classified as measured at amortized cost.

#### ii. Financial liabilities recorded FVTPL

Financial liabilities are classified as FVTPL if they fall into one of the five exemptions detailed above.

#### Transaction costs

Transaction costs associated with financial instruments, carried at FVTPL, are expensed as incurred, while transaction costs associated with all other financial instruments are included in the initial carrying amount of the asset or the liability.

#### Subsequent measurement

Instruments classified as FVTPL are measured at fair value with unrealized gains and losses recognized in profit or loss. Instruments classified as amortized cost are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Instruments classified as FVTOCI are measured at fair value with unrealized gains and losses recognized in other comprehensive income.

#### Derecognition

The Company derecognizes financial liabilities only when its obligations under the financial liabilities are discharged, cancelled, or expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognized and the consideration paid and payable, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognized in profit or loss.

## Expected credit loss impairment model

IFRS 9 introduced a single expected credit loss impairment model, which is based on changes in credit quality since initial application. The adoption of the expected credit loss impairment model had no impact on the Company's financial statements.

The Company assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due. The Company considers a financial asset to be in default when the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Company in full or when the financial asset is more than 90 days past due.

The carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Company determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off.

Financial instruments recorded at fair value on the statements of financial position are classified using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Level 1 quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- Level 3 inputs for the assets or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

## Related party transactions

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to directly or indirectly control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Parties are also considered to be related if they are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties may be individuals or corporate entities. A transaction is considered to be a related party transaction when there is a transfer of resources or obligations between related parties. Related party transactions that are in the normal course of business and have commercial substance are measured at the exchange amount.

## New standards not yet adopted

## Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current (Amendments to IAS 1)

The IASB has published Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current (Amendments to IAS 1) which clarifies the guidance on whether a liability should be classified as either current or non-current. The amendments:

- clarify that the classification of liabilities as current or non-current should only be based on rights that are in place "at the end of the reporting period"
- clarify that classification is unaffected by expectations about whether an entity will exercise its right to defer settlement of a liability
- make clear that settlement includes transfers to the counterparty of cash, equity instruments, other assets or services that result in extinguishments of the liability.

This amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022. There is currently a proposal in place to extend effective date for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023. Earlier application is permitted. The extent of the impact of adoption of this amendment has not yet been determined.

## 3. Financial instruments

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, 2021, 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, 2021, the Company has sufficient cash and receivables to settle accounts payable of \$1,292,119 (December 31, 2020 - \$518,844).

## 3 Financial instruments (continued)

## 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.

## Commodity 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.

## 4. Accounts receivable

	D	As at ecember 31, 2021	D	As at ecember 31, 2020
Harmonized sales tax recoverable - (Canada)	\$	466,082	\$	129,886
Amounts receivable		23,869		-
Total	\$	489,951	\$	129,886

## 5. Mining interests

## Alexo-Dundonald Project

The "Alexo-Dundonald Project" is an exploration stage, past-producing nickel-copper-cobalt sulphide project, located approximately 45 kilometers northeast of the city of Timmins, Ontario, Canada. Ontario. The Alexo-Dundonald Project combines the Alexo-Kelex and Dundonald properties and consists of 29 patented claims (19 with both mining and surface rights, nine with mining rights only and one with surface rights only), 40 leased claims (31 with both mining and surface rights and nine with mining rights only), 21 single cell mining claims and five boundary cell mining claims. The Company owns all the outstanding equity of Legendary Ore Mining Corporation, which holds a 100% interest in the mining claims, leases and properties comprising the Alexo-Dundonald Project, subject to certain tenure agreements and any rights or claims asserted in connection with historic royalty agreements granted in respect of the Alexo-Kelex and Dundonald properties.

The Alexo deposit was discovered in 1907, and between the years 1913 to 1919, 51,851 tonnes grading 4.5% nickel and 0.7% copper was extracted and sent to Sudbury, Ontario, for processing. Canadian Arrow Mines Ltd shipped 6,000 tonnes grading 2.46% nickel, 0.31% copper, and 0.07% cobalt as part of a 10,000 tonne bulk sample permit held at the time, and started the reclamation of the project as part of a Closure Plan approved in 2004 and amended in 2011.

Under the purchase agreements for the Alexo-Kelex and Dundonald properties, the Company must incur an aggregate of \$1,500,000 on the Alexo-Dundonald Project by November 9, 2021, of which the Company must incur at least \$750,000 on the Alexo-Kelex property by October 18, 2021, otherwise the properties may be re-acquired by the vendors thereof. On July 12, 2021, the Company has completed the requisite minimum exploration expenditures on the Alexo-Dundonald Project, and now holds 100% interest in each properties, subject to a 2% net smelter return royalty on the Alexo Property and 2.5% net smelter return royalty on the Dundonald Property.

On August 10, 2021, the Company issued 50,000 common shares at \$0.87 price per common share for \$43,500 and granted 50,000 stock options (note 6 (ii)) to Matachewan First Nation ("MFN") as part of the exploration program on the Alexo-Dundonald Project.

## 5. Mining interests (continued)

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".

## <u>Alexo-Kelex Property</u>

The Company has spent the following on the Alexo-Kelex Property:

	Year Ended December 31, 2021	Year Ended December 31, 2020
Administrative costs	\$ 30,576 \$	3,185
Acquisition costs	3,096,750	-
Exploration and evaluation	2,402,772	205,145
Field equipment	39,278	308
	\$ 5,569,376 \$	208,638

## Dundonald Property

The Company has spent the following on the Dundonald Property:

	Year Ended December 31, 2021	Year Ended December 31, 2020
Administrative costs	\$ 30,576 \$	3,185
Acquisition costs	3,096,750	-
Exploration and evaluation	2,402,772	205,145
Field equipment	39,278	308
	\$ 5,569,376 \$	208,638

## Somanike Project

The Company has an option (the "Somanike Option") to acquire a 100% interest in the rights held by Vanicom Resources Limited, in an option to acquire the Somanike property, an exploration stage nickel-copper mine project, including the past-producing Marbridge Nickel Sulphide Mine located near Val d'Or, Quebec. The Company is concentrated on advancing the Alexo-Dundonald Project for the current time being and will continue to evaluate this option on an on-going basis. Prior to exercising the Somanike Option, the Company must complete 750m of drilling on certain mining claims held by Globex Mining Enterprises Inc. which comprise a portion of the Somanike property.

In August 2020, the Company issued an aggregate of 234,935 common shares (valued at \$160,000) to satisfy all outstanding share issuances required by the Company. In order to earn its 100% undivided interest in the Somanike Property the Company must make cash payments of \$25,000 due on or before June 15, 2022 and \$50,000 in cash due on or before June 15, 2023. In February 2021, the Company paid \$75,000 and \$327,800 to earn 100% of interest and for reimbursement expenditures made on Somanike Property as part of the acquisition cost.

## 5. Mining interests (continued)

## Somanike Project (continued)

The Company has spent the following on the Somanike Property:

	Year Ended December 31, 2021	Year Ended December 31, 2020
Acquisition costs	\$ 402,800 \$	160,000
Administrative costs	338	453
Exploration and evaluation	426,199	125,022
Field equipment	32,001	-
	\$ 861,338 \$	285,475

## River Valley 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 consideration shares are subject to a statutory hold period expiring on December 31, 2021.

Total expenditures all properties:

	Year Ended December 31,	Year Ended December 31,
	2021	2020
Acquisition costs	\$ 6,596,300 \$	160,000
Administrative costs	61,490	6,823
Exploration and evaluation	5,231,743	535,312
Field equipment	110,557	616
Total exploration expenditures	\$ 12,000,090 \$	702,751

#### 6. Share capital

#### a) Authorized share capital

The authorized share capital consists of an unlimited number of common shares without par value ("Common Shares"). All issued shares are fully paid.

#### b) Common Shares issued

	Number of common shares	Amount
Balance, December 31, 2019	90,029,209 \$	1,695,586
Shares issued in private placement (i)	9,500,000	950,000
Shares issued for exploration expenditure option payments (ii)	234,935	160,000
Shares issued for settlement of debt (iii)	8,863	6,204
Shares issued in private placement - flow-through (iv)	5,448,688	3,752,065
Deferred Flow-through premium (v)	-	(300,000)
Share issue cost (iv and vi)	-	(378,427)
Balance, December 31, 2020	105,221,695 \$	5,885,428
Shares issued in private placement (x)	7,000,000	1,470,000
Shares issued in private placement - flow-through (vii)	6,433,334	2,769,864
Share issue costs (vii and x)	-	(546,984)
Shares issued for exploration option payments (viii) and (ix)	10,050,000	5,643,500
Balance, December 31, 2021	128,705,029 \$	15,221,808

(i) On April 22, 2020, the Company closed a nonbrokered private placement of 9,500,000 common shares at \$0.10 per share for gross proceeds of \$950,000. A director of the Company subscribed for 6,000,000 Common Shares in the placement.

(ii) On August 2020, the Company issued an aggregate of 234,935 common shares (valued at \$160,000) to satisfy all outstanding share issuances required by the Company to earn a 100% undivided interest from Quebec Precious Metals Corporation in the Somanike Property.

(iii) In October 2020, the Company issued 8,863 common shares of the Company to settle debt of \$6,204. As a result of this transaction a gain of \$426 was recorded in the consolidated statement of loss. There were no warrants attached to the issuance of these shares.

(iv) On November 4, 2020 Company announced the closing of the first tranche of the Offering, whereby the Company issued 1,718,445 HD Units for gross aggregate proceeds of \$1,202,912. On November 13, 2020, the Company closed the second and final tranche of the Offering, whereby the Company issued 2,318,750 FT Units for gross aggregate proceeds of \$1,855,000 and 47,857 HD Units for gross aggregate proceeds of \$33,500. In connection with the Offering, the Company paid certain eligible persons (the "Finders") a cash commission in total of \$170,713, equal to 8.0% of the gross proceeds of the Offering delivered by Finders and issued 220,396 non-transferable broker warrants ("Finders' Warrants") equal to 8.0% of the units issued under the Offering delivered by Finders. Each Finders' Warrant is exercisable at \$1.00 per common share for 36 months from the date of issuance.

On December 16, 2020, the company closed a nonbrokered private placement of 1,363,636 flow-through shares at \$1.10 per share for a gross proceeds \$1,500,000. The Company paid \$120,000 in compensation to certain finders.

## 6. Share capital (continued)

## b) Common shares issued (continued)

(v) As a result of the flow-through common shares related to the December 15, 2020 being issued at a premium to the market price in recognition of the tax benefits accruing to subscribers; a deferred flow-through premium has been recorded for \$300,000. As the Company incurs eligible expenditures against this liability, the Company reduces the liability at the same premium rate and records this as a flow-through premium recovery on the statement of loss.

(vi) Eligible finders were issued 251,423 Flow-Through Broker Warrants ("FT Warrants") for the flow-through financing and 2,925,677 Financing Warrants ("HD Warrants") for the non flow-through financing. Each FT Warrant entitles the holder to acquire one common share at a price of \$1 until November 4 and 13, 2023 and December 16, 2023 and each HD Warrant entitles the holder to acquire one common share at a price of \$0.70 until November 4 and 13, 2023 and December 16, 2023. The FT Warrants and HD Warrants were given a value of \$78,082 and \$839,347, respectively; estimated by using a fair value market technique incorporating the Black-Scholes option pricing model, using the following assumptions: a risk-free interest rate of 0.30%; and expected volatility factor of 84%; an expected dividend yield of 0%; and an expected life of 3 years.

(vii) On June 7, 2021, the Company closed of private placement of flow-through units (the "Offering"), whereby the Company issued 6,433,334 units for gross aggregate proceeds of \$4,011,500. Each unit consist of one common share and one common share purchase warrant which is exercisable for a period of three years. Pursuant to the Offering the Company issued 3,030,000 units to residents of Quebec ("Quebec Offering") at a price of \$0.65 per unit and 3,403,334 units to the residents in Canada ("Canada Offering") at a price of \$0.60 per unit. Each warrant issued pursuant to the Quebec Offering has an exercise price of \$0.85 per common share, and each warrant issued pursuant to the Canada Offering has an exercise price of \$0.80. The warrants were assigned a fair value of \$1,241,636 estimated by using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, using the following assumptions: share price \$0.60, exercise price of \$0.85 and \$0.80; a risk-free interest rate - 0.50%; expected volatility - 69.9%; dividend yield - 0%; and an expected life - 3 years.

In connection with the Offering, the Company incurred cash commission and legal financing fees of \$436,165, and issued 450,333 finders compensation options ("Finders' Options"). Each Finders' Option is exercisable at \$0.60 per option and entitles the holder to subscribe to a broker unit. Each broker unit consist of one common share and one warrant which has an exercise price of \$0.80 for a period of three years following the closing. The 450,333 Finders' Options were assigned a fair value of \$107,879, which was determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model using the following assumptions: share price - \$0.60, dividend yield - 0%; expected volatility - 69.9%; risk- free interest rate - 0.50%; and an expected life - 3 years.

(viii) 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, for a total consideration paid of \$6,150,000.

(ix) On August 10, 2021, the Company issued 50,000 common shares at \$0.87 price per common share for \$43,500 and granted 50,000 stock options (note 6 (ii)) to Matachewan First Nation ("MFN") further to its previously announced memorandum of understanding dated March 3, 2021.

(x) On December 31, 2021, the Company closed a nonbrokered private placement of 7,000,000 common shares at \$0.21 per share for gross proceeds of \$1,470,000 and paid \$2,940 in legal fees recorded in shared issued costs. A director of the Company subscribed 100% of Common Shares in the placement.

## 7. Stock options

On December 21, 2020, the Company's stock option plan (the "Option Plan") was approved by the Board of Directors (the "Board"). Pursuant to the terms of the Option Plan, the Board may designate directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company eligible to receive options to acquire such numbers of common shares as the Board may determine, each option so granted being for a term specified by the Board up to a maximum of ten years from the date of grant. The maximum number of common shares reserved for issuance for options granted under the Option Plan at any time is 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company.

(i) On June 11, 2021, the Company granted 11,165,502 stock options to a director and consultant, with an exercise price 0.60. The options vested immediately, and expire on June 11, 2024. A fair value of 2,297,687 was determined using the Black- Scholes option pricing model. The following assumptions were used: dividend yield - 0%; expected volatility 70.21%; risk free interest rate – 0.48%; and an expected life – 3 years.

(ii) As part of the MOU dated March 3, 2021, on August 9, 2021, the Company granted 50,000 stock options to Matachewan First Nation, with an exercise price \$0.87. The options vested as to 15% on the grant date, 20% on September 2, 2021, 25% on March 3, 2022, the remaining 40% on September 3, 2022 and expire on February 3, 2023. A fair value of \$17,669 was determined using the Black- Scholes option pricing model. The following assumptions were used: dividend yield - 0%; expected volatility 76.61%; risk free interest rate -0.25%; and an expected life -1.92 years.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company recorded stock-based compensation of \$2,311,429 (December 31, 2020 - \$nil).

	Number of stock options	а	leighted verage rcise price
Balance, December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2020	-	\$	-
Issued (i) (ii) and note 6 (b) (vii)	11,665,835		0.60
Balance, December 31, 2021	11,665,835	\$	0.60

The following table reflects the actual stock options issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2021:

	Weighted average Remaining			
Expiry date	Exercise price (\$)	contractual life (years)	Total Options	Options Exercisable
February 9, 2023	0.87	1.11	50,000	38,887
June 7, 2024	0.60	2.44	450,333	450,333
June 11, 2024	0.60	2.45	11,165,502	11,165,502
		2.44	11,665,835	11,654,722

## 8. Warrants

The following table reflects the continuity of warrants for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	Number of warrants		Weighted average exercise price	
Balance, December 31, 2019 Granted (note 6 (b) (vi))	3,177,000	\$	- 1.02	
Balance, December 31, 2020 Granted (note 6 (b) (vii))	3,177,100 <b>6,433,334</b>	\$	1.02 <b>0.82</b>	
Balance, December 31, 2021	9,610,434	\$	0.89	

The following table reflects the actual share purchase warrants issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2021:

Expiry date	Grant date fair value (\$)	Remaining contractual life (years)	Number of warrants outstanding	Exercise price (\$)	
November 4, 2023 (2)	467,196	1.84	1,718,445	1.00	
November 4, 2023 (1)	8,441	1.84	31,047	1.00	
November 13, 2023 (2)	372,151	1.05	1,207,232	1.05	
November 13, 2023 (1)	69,641	1.00	220,376	1.00	
June 7, 2024 (2)	570,834	0.85	3,030,000	0.85	
June 7, 2024 (2)	670,802	0.80	3,403,334	0.80	
	2,159,065		9,610,434		

(1) Broker finder warrants exercisable into units consisting of 1 common share and 1 warrant. Each additional warrant is exercisable at \$1 until November 4 and 13, 2023

(2) Exercisable into units consisting of 1 common share and 1 warrant. Each additional warrant is exercisable at \$1.00, \$1.05, until November 4, and 13, 2023, and \$0.85, \$0.80 until June 7, 2024.

## 9. Related party transactions

As at December 31, 2021, the Company has \$7,345 (December 31, 2020 - \$7,345) in amounts from a company with common shareholder of the Company.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company incurred \$350,000 (year ended December 31, 2020 - \$137,545) in consulting services fees. As of December 31, 2021, the Company owed \$25,789 (December 31, 2020 - \$29,600) due to a former CEO and existing director for consultant services recorded in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company incurred \$125,000 (year ended December 31, 2020 - \$nil) in directors fees. As of December 31, 2021, the Company owes two directors \$118,000 (December 31, 2020 - \$nil) and these amounts are recorded in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

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.

## 9. Related party transactions (continued)

The Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") of the Company is a senior employee of Marrelli Support Services Inc. ("MSSI"). During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company incurred professional fees of \$9,000 (year ended December 31, 2020 - \$16,931) 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 \$44,589 for the services (year ended December 31, 2020 - \$35,173). As at December 31, 2021, MSSI was owed \$1,801 (December 31, 2020 - \$nil) 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, 2021, directors and a significant shareholder of the Company, beneficially owns 93,146,696 common shares carrying approximately 72.37% of the voting rights attached to all common shares.

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

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2021	2020
Stock-based compensation	\$ 2,297,687	\$-
Directors and management compensation	484,000	154,476
	\$ 2,781,687	\$ 154,476

In addition to items noted above, as disclosed in note 6(b)(x), a director suscribed for and was issued 7.0 million shares for gross proceeds of \$1,470,000.

## 10. Income taxes

## (a) Provision for income taxes

Major items causing the Company's income tax rate to differ from the combined Canadian federal and provincial statutory rate of 26.5% (2020 - 26.5%) were as follows:

	Year ended December 31,		
	2021	2020	
Loss before income taxes	\$ (15,345,964)	\$ (1,734,252)	
Expected income tax benefit based on the statutory rate: Adjustments to expected income tax benefit:	\$ (4,066,680)	\$ (459,577)	
Exploration and evaluation expenditures	3,185,680	186,000	
Share issuance cost booked through equity	18,215	14,999	
Change in tax benefit not recognized	862,785	258,578	
Income tax expense	\$ -	\$-	

## 10. Income taxes (continued)

Deferred tax assets have not been recognized in respect of the following deductible temporary differences:

	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Deductible temporary differences Exploration & evaluation properties Non-capital loss carry-forwards and share issue costs	\$    9,704,000 3,838,000	\$ 1,519,000 2,195,000
Deductible temporary differences not recognized	\$ 13,542,000	\$ 3,714,000

The non-capital loss carry forward expire a noted in the table below.

· · · ·	Amount	
2026	\$ 78,000	
2027	6,000	
2038	180,000	
2039	620,000	
2040	1,070,000	
2041	1,338,000	
	\$ 3,292,000	

## 11. 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.

## 11. Commitments and contingencies (continued)

## Flow-through shares

As a December 31, 2021, pursuant to the issuance of 5,448,688 flow-through shares during November 2020 and December 2020, and 6,433,334 in June 2021, the Company is required to incur qualifying expenditures of approximately \$7,366,500 by December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023. On June 29, 2021, the Department of Finance extended the flow-through funds spend period, filing and payment, and the look-back rule by one year, including suspending the Part XII.6 tax for the same period. The Company is subject to Part XII.6 taxes on any unspent flow-through expenditures. Since the proposal by the Department of Finance received Royal assent on June 29, 2021, the dates to incur Part XII.6 taxes will be extended by one year, however, if the amounts are not expended by the end of 2022 for agreements entered in 2020 or by the end of 2023 for agreements entered into in 2021, the additional 10% tax under Part XII.6 will apply.

As of December 31, 2021, the Company has fulfilled approximately \$5,292,582 of the total commitment. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the company has recorded amortization of flow-through premium of \$42,000 (year ended December 31, 2020 - \$nil) in the consolidated statements of loss and comprehensive loss.

## 12. Financial instruments and risks management

Below is a summary showing the classification and measurement bases of the Company's financial instruments:

Classification	IFRS 9
Cash and cash equivalents	FVTPL
Accounts receivables	Amortized cost
Due from related party	Amortized cost
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Amortized cost
Deferred flow-through premium	Amortized cost
Other liabilities	Amortized cost

Financial instrument are measured on initial recognition at fair value, and, in the case of financial instruments other than those classified as "fair value through profit and loss" ("FVTPL"), directly attributable transaction costs.

The Company provides information about its financial instruments measured at fair value at one of three levels according to the relative reliability of the inputs used to estimate the fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: inputs other than quotes prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices).

Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

During the year ended December 31, 2021, there were no transfers between levels 1, 2 and 3 and there were no changes in valuation techniques.

## 12. Financial instruments and risks management (Continued)

## Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Company has exposure to credit risk through its cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and amounts due from related parties. The Company manages credit risk in respect of cash and cash equivalents by maintaining cash at highly rated financial institutions.

## 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, 2021, the Company has sufficient cash and cash equivalent, and accounts receivables to settle accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$1,292,119 (December 31, 2020 - \$196,836).

## 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 base metals industry to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company.