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# **INFORMATION CIRCULAR**

(As at January 30, 2017, except as indicated)

The Company is providing this Information Circular and a form of proxy in connection with management's solicitation of proxies for use at the annual general meeting (the "**Meeting**") of the Company to be held on Monday, March 6, 2017 and at any adjournments. Unless the context otherwise requires, when we refer in this Information Circular to the Company, its subsidiaries are also included. The Company will conduct its solicitation by mail and officers and employees of the Company may, without receiving special compensation, also telephone or make other personal contact. The Company will pay the cost of solicitation.

## **APPOINTMENT OF PROXYHOLDER**

The purpose of a proxy is to designate persons who will vote the proxy on a shareholder's behalf in accordance with the instructions given by the shareholder in the proxy. The persons whose names are printed in the enclosed form of proxy are officers or directors of the Company (the "**Management Proxyholders**").

A shareholder has the right to appoint a person other than a Management Proxyholder, to represent the shareholder at the Meeting by striking out the names of the Management Proxyholders and by inserting the desired person's name in the blank space provided or by executing a proxy in a form similar to the enclosed form. A proxyholder need not be a shareholder.

# **VOTING BY PROXY**

**Only registered shareholders or duly appointed proxyholders are permitted to vote at the Meeting.** Shares represented by a properly executed proxy will be voted or be withheld from voting on each matter referred to in the Notice of Meeting in accordance with the instructions of the shareholder on any ballot that may be called for and if the shareholder specifies a choice with respect to any matter to be acted upon, the shares will be voted accordingly.

If a shareholder does not specify a choice and the shareholder has appointed one of the Management Proxyholders as proxyholder, the Management Proxyholder will vote in favour of the matters specified in the Notice of Meeting and in favour of all other matters proposed by management at the Meeting.

The enclosed form of proxy also gives discretionary authority to the person named therein as proxyholder with respect to amendments or variations to matters identified in the Notice of the Meeting and with respect to other matters which may properly come before the Meeting. At the date of this Information Circular, management of the Company knows of no such amendments, variations or other matters to come before the Meeting.

#### **COMPLETION AND RETURN OF PROXY**

Completed forms of proxy must be deposited at the office of the Company's registrar and transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company, Proxy Department, 100 University Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2Y1, by mail or facsimile, in accordance with the instructions set out in the form of proxy accompanying this Information Circular, not later than forty-eight (48) hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, prior to the time of the Meeting, unless the chairman of the Meeting elects to exercise his discretion to accept proxies received subsequently.

#### **NOTICE-AND-ACCESS**

The Company is not sending this Information Circular to registered or beneficial shareholders using "notice-and-access" as defined under National Instrument 54-101 ("**NI 54-101**").

# **NON-REGISTERED HOLDERS**

**Only shareholders whose names appear on the records of the Company as the registered holders of shares or duly appointed proxyholders are permitted to vote at the Meeting.** Most shareholders of the Company are "non-registered" shareholders because the shares they own are not registered in their names but instead registered in the name of a nominee such as a brokerage firm through which they purchased the shares; bank, trust company, trustee or administrator of self-administered RRSP's, RRIF's, RESP's and similar plans; or clearing agency such as The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited (a "Nominee"). If you purchased your shares through a broker, you are likely you are likely a non-registered holder.

In accordance with securities regulatory policy, the Company has distributed copies of the Meeting materials, being the Notice of Meeting, this Information Circular and the Proxy, to the Nominees for distribution to non-registered holders.

Nominees are required to forward the Meeting materials to non-registered holders to seek their voting instructions in advance of the Meeting. Shares held by Nominees can only be voted in accordance with the instructions of the non-registered holder. The Nominees often have their own form of proxy, mailing procedures and provide their own return instructions. If you wish to vote by proxy, you should carefully follow the instructions from the Nominee in order that your Shares are voted at the Meeting.

If you, as a non-registered holder, wish to vote at the Meeting in person, you should appoint yourself as proxyholder by writing your name in the space provided on the request for voting instructions or proxy provided by the Nominee and return the form to the Nominee in the envelope provided. Do not complete the voting section of the form as your vote will be taken at the Meeting.

In addition, Canadian securities legislation now permits the Company to forward meeting materials directly to "non objecting beneficial owners". If the Company or its agent has sent these materials directly to you (instead of through a Nominee), your name and address and information about your holdings of securities have been obtained in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements from the Nominee holding on your behalf. By choosing to send these materials to you directly, the Company (and not the Nominee holding on your behalf) has assumed responsibility for (i) delivering these materials to you and (ii) executing your proper voting instructions.

## NOBOs

The Company is sending the proxy-related materials for the Meeting directly to "non objecting beneficial owners" ("**NOBOs**"), as defined under NI 54-101. The name and address and information about NOBO holdings of securities have been obtained in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements from the Nominees holding on behalf of NOBOs. By choosing to send these materials to NOBOs directly, the Company (and not the Nominees holding on behalf of NOBOs) has assumed responsibility for (i) delivering these materials to NOBOs and (ii) executing the proper voting instructions of NOBOs.

# **OBOs**

The Company does not intend to pay for Nominees to deliver the proxy-related materials and Form 54-101F7 to "objecting beneficial owners" ("**OBOs**"), as defined under NI 54-101. As a result, OBOs will not receive the Meeting materials unless their Nominee assumes the costs of delivery.

## **REVOCABILITY OF PROXY**

Any registered shareholder who has returned a proxy may revoke it at any time before it has been exercised. In addition to revocation in any other manner permitted by law, a registered shareholder, his attorney authorized in writing or, if the registered shareholder is a corporation, a corporation under its corporate seal or by an officer or attorney thereof duly authorized, may revoke a proxy by instrument in writing, including a proxy bearing a later date. The instrument revoking the proxy must be deposited at the registered office of the Company, at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the date of the Meeting, or any adjournment thereof, or with the chairman of the Meeting on the day of the Meeting. **Only registered shareholders have the right to revoke a proxy. Non-registered holders who wish to change their vote must, at least seven days before the Meeting, arrange for their Nominees to revoke the proxy on their behalf.** 

# VOTING SHARES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of common shares without par value (the "**shares**"), of which 39,308,371 shares are issued and outstanding. Persons who are registered shareholders at the close of business on the record date, being January 30, 2017, will be entitled to receive notice of and vote at the Meeting and will be entitled to one vote for each share held. The Company has only one class of shares.

To the knowledge of the directors and executive officers of the Company, no person beneficially owns, controls or directs, directly or indirectly, shares carrying 10% or more of the voting rights attached to all shares of the Company, except as follows:

Name	No. of Shares Beneficially Owned, Controlled or Directed, Directly or Indirectly	Percentage of Outstanding Shares
Hecla Canada Ltd.	4,309,287 (1)	11.1%
Concept Capital Management Ltd.	\$3.4M Principal Amount Convertible Debenture <sup>(2)</sup>	52.1% <sup>(2)</sup>

(1) Pursuant to an Ancillary Rights Agreement, for so long as Hecla Canada Ltd. (being a wholly owned Canadian subsidiary of Hecla Mining Company) ("Hecla") holds more than 10% of the Company's

outstanding shares (on an undiluted basis), Hecla also has the right to participate in future equity offerings of the Company, including in respect of common shares of the Company issued on exercise of outstanding common share purchase warrants, in order to maintain Hecla's pro-rate equity interest in the Company.

(2) Pursuant to a private placement that closed on October 25, 2016, the Company issued a Convertible Debenture in the Principal Amount of \$3,400,000 (the "Debenture") to Concept Capital Management Ltd. ("CCM"), which matures October 25, 2019. The Debenture is convertible into 21,250,000 common shares of the Company at a conversion price of \$0.16 per share. CCM was also issued a warrant (the "Debenture Warrant") entitling it to acquire up to 21,250,000 additional common shares, exercisable at \$0.20 per share on or before October 25 2019. Assuming conversion of the Debenture and full exercise of the Debenture Warrant, CCM would hold 42,500,000 common shares of the Company, representing 52.1% of the \$1,808,371 then issued and outstanding shares of the Company. To date, CCM has not converted this Debenture. CCM has agreed in an Undertaking to the TSX Venture Exchange not to convert the Debenture if it would place it in a Control Position in the Company unless the Company has received shareholder approval to such change of control.

# **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The directors of the Company are elected at each annual general meeting and hold office until the next annual general meeting or until their successors are appointed. In the absence of instructions to the contrary, the enclosed proxy will be voted for the nominees herein listed.

Shareholder approval will be sought to fix the number of directors of the Company at six (6).

The Company is required to have an audit committee. Members of this committee are as set out below.

Management of the Company proposes to nominate each of the following persons for election as a Director. Information concerning such persons, as furnished by the individual nominees, and each other person whose term of office as a director will continue after the Meeting, is as follows:

	Principal Occupation or employment and, if not a previously elected Director,		Number of Common Shares Beneficially Owned, Controlled or
Name, Jurisdiction of	occupation during the past 5	Previous Service	Directed, Directly or
<b>Residence and Position</b>	years	as a Director	Indirectly <sup>(1)</sup>
Greg Hahn,	President and Chief Operating	Director since	1,951,226 <sup>(2)</sup>
P.Geo., Geo. Engineer,	Officer of the Company since	September 8,	
Tuscon, Arizona	September 2012; Interim CEO	2011	
U.S.A.	since May 9, 2014; President,		
President, COO, and	CEO and director of Arizona		
Director	Silver Exploration Inc. since		
	November 2016 to present;		
	Director of eCobalt Solutions		
	(formerly Formation Metals) since		
	May 2013.		
Mark Billings <sup>(3)</sup> ,	Chairman of the Board and CEO	Director since	641,012 <sup>(4)</sup>
MBA, CFA,	of the Company since November	February 25,	
Montreal, Quebec	2014.	2009	
CANADA			
CEO, Chair and Director			

Name, Jurisdiction of Residence and Position	Principal Occupation or employment and, if not a previously elected Director, occupation during the past 5 years	Previous Service as a Director	Number of Common Shares Beneficially Owned, Controlled or Directed, Directly or Indirectly <sup>(1)</sup>
<b>Dr. Dean McDonald,</b> Ph.D., P.Geo. North Vancouver, B.C. CANADA <b>Director</b>	Senior Vice President-Exploration for Hecla Mining Company since September 2006.	Director since July 30, 2013.	NIL
Mike Stark <sup>(3)</sup> Surrey, B.C. CANADA Director	25 year member of the Fire Service International Association of Fire Fighters, currently Captain; Director of Arizona Silver Exploration Inc. since November 2016; Director of TransAmerican Energy Inc. since October 2008.	Director since February 25, 2009	751,059 <sup>(5)</sup>
<b>Frank Högel</b> <sup>(3)</sup> Stuttgart, Germany <b>Director</b>	Asset Manager, involved in financial evaluation of companies and convertible debenture structuring; Member of Advisory Board for Concept Capital Management Ltd.; Director of four other public companies.	Director since October 20, 2015	225,000
Jeb Handwerger North Miami Beach, Florida, U.S.A. Director	Self-employed President and owner of <u>Goldstocktrades.com</u> , a website and newsletter focused on the junior mining sector for the past six years.	Director since December 29, 2015.	127,500

- (1) Shares beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or over which control or direction is exercised, as at January 30, 2017, based upon information furnished to the Company by individual directors. Unless otherwise indicated, such shares are held directly.
- (2) Of these shares, 1,369,307 are held indirectly through Gregory A. Hahn Revocable Trust.
- (3) Member of the audit committee.
- (4) Of these shares, 437,500 are held indirectly through Gestion Marengo Management Inc., a private company wholly owned by Mark Billings, and 11,250 are held by Nancy Loane and controlled by Mr. Billings.
- (5) Of these shares, 675,434 are held indirectly through Starkkollections, a private company controlled by Mike Stark.

No proposed director is to be elected under any arrangement or understanding between the proposed director and any other person or company, except the directors and executive officers of the company acting solely in such capacity.

Except as set out below, to the knowledge of the Company, no proposed director:

(a) is, as at the date of this Information Circular, or has been, within 10 years before the date of this Information Circular, a director, chief executive officer ("**CEO**") or chief financial officer ("**CFO**") of any company (including the Company) that:

- (i) was the subject, while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as director, CEO or CFO of such company, of a cease trade or similar order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days other than:
  - A) Mike Stark, who was a director of TransAmerican Energy Inc. ("**TAE**") while that company was subject to:
    - a cease trade order issued on August 20, 2008 by the British Columbia Securities Commission (the "TAE BC CTO") against TAE for failure to file annual oil and gas disclosure prescribed by National Instrument 51-101, *Standards of Disclosure for Oil and Gas Activities*, for the years ended April 30, 2006 and 2007. TAE subsequently brought all of its annual continuous disclosure filings up-to-date, and the TAE BC CTO was revoked on November 19, 2008;
    - 2) a cease trade order issued on August 21, 2008 by the Alberta Securities Commission against TAE (the "TAE Alberta CTO") for failure to file annual oil and gas disclosure for the year ended April 30, 2007. TAE subsequently brought all of its annual continuous disclosure filings up-to-date, and the TAE Alberta CTO was revoked on November 25, 2008;
    - 3) a management cease trade order issued on August 31, 2009 by the British Columbia Securities Commission (the "**TAE MCTO**") against TAE for failure to file annual financial statements for the year ended April 30, 2009. The financial statements were subsequently filed and the TAE MCTO was revoked on October 2, 2009; and
  - B) Frank Högel, who was a director of Oremex Silver Inc. ("Oremex") while that company was subject a cease trade order issued by the British Columbia Securities Commission on April 1, 2014 and June 3, 2014, and the Alberta Securities Commission on September 2, 2014 as a result of the failure of Oremex to file financial statements for the year ended November 30, 2013, interim financial statement's Discussion and Analysis for the periods ended November 30, 2013 and February 28, 2014. The cease trade orders remain in effect. Mr. Högel is still a director of Oremex; and
  - C) Frank Högel, who was appointed to the Board of Directors of Huldra Silver Inc. ("Huldra") (now Nicola Mining Inc.) on November 21, 2014, *after* Huldra, on July 26, 2013, sought creditor protection under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (Canada) (the "CCAA"). Huldra obtained a stay order (the "Initial Order") from the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court"). The Initial Order provided for a stay of proceedings against the applicants and their property for an initial period ending August 26, 2013, which the Court extended to November 24, 2014. Huldra implemented the restructuring of its debts and obligations under a Plan of Compromise and Arrangement dated August 8, 2014 (the "Plan"). The Plan was prepared by Huldra in connection with CCAA Proceedings under the CCAA and was approved by the creditors of Huldra on September 23, 2014 and sanctioned by the Court on October 10, 2014. The certificate of Plan implementation was filed with the Court on November 21, 2014. The stay of proceedings granted to Huldra

pursuant to the CCAA Proceedings has been terminated. As of the date of this Information Circular, Huldra continues the implementation of its restructuring plan in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan.

- D) Mark Billings, who was a director of Sunset Cove Mining Inc. ("Sunset") while that company was subject to a cease trade order issued by the British Columbia Securities Commission on August 6, 2015 as a result of Sunset's incapacity to file its annual audited financial statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis and CEO and CFO Certificates by the filing deadline of July 30, 2015, due to lack of funding to pay for the costs associated with the audit. As of the date hereof, Sunset remains subject to such cease trade order; or
- (ii) was subject to a cease trade or similar order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days, that was issued after the proposed director ceased to be a director, CEO or CFO but which resulted from an event that occurred while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as director, CEO or CFO of such company; or
- (b) is, as at the date of this Information Circular, or has been within 10 years before the date of this Information Circular, a director or executive officer of any company (including the Company) that, while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets;
- (c) has, within the 10 years before the date of this Information Circular, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of the proposed director;
- (d) has been subject to any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority; or
- (e) has been subject to any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable Shareholder in deciding whether to vote for the election of a proposed director.

The following directors of the Company hold directorships in other reporting issuers as set out below:

Name	Name and Jurisdiction of Reporting Issuer
Greg Hahn	eCobalt Solutions (TSX) Arizona Silver Exploration Inc. (TSX-V)
Mark Billings	StGeorges Platinum and Base Metals Ltd. (CNSX) Fancamp Exploration Ltd. (TSX-V) Knowlton Capital Inc. (NEX) Sunset Cove Mining Inc. (TSX-V)
Mike Stark	TransAmerican Energy Inc. (TSX-V) Arizona Silver Exploration Inc. (TSX-V)

Name	Name and Jurisdiction of Reporting Issuer
Frank Högel	Tembo Gold Corp. (TSX-V) Nicola Mining Inc. (TSX-V) Oremex Silver Inc. (TSX-V) Golden Goliath Resources (TSX-V)

# **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

## **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

The main objective of the Company's executive compensation program is to attract, retain, and engage high-quality, high-performance executives who have the experience and ability to successfully execute the Company's strategy and deliver value to our shareholders.

The objectives of the Company's executive compensation program are as follows:

- (i) compensate executives competitively for the leadership, skills, knowledge, and experience necessary to perform their duties;
- (ii) align the actions and economic interests of executives with the interests of shareholders; and
- (iii) encourage retention of executives.

The Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") has established a Compensation Committee, which as at the year ended December 31, 2015 was comprised of Mike Stark, Michael Pesner and Dean McDonald, all of whom were independent members of the Board. Subsequent to the year end, Michael Pesner resigned as a director of the Company on January 22, 2016, and the Compensation Committee is now comprised of Mike Stark and Dean McDonald.

The purpose of the Compensation Committee is to make recommendations to the Board regarding (a) executive compensation (including philosophy and programs); (b) management development and succession; (c) compensation of the members of the Board; and (d) broadly applicable compensation and benefit programs. However, it is the Board as a whole which is responsible for determining the final compensation (including long-term incentive in the form of stock options) to be granted to the Company's executive officers and directors to ensure that such arrangements reflect the responsibilities and risks associated with each position. Management directors are required to abstain from voting in respect of their own compensation, thereby providing the independent members of the Board with considerable input as to executive compensation.

#### **Process for Determining Executive Compensation**

As a junior natural resource issuer, the Company's executive compensation program focuses primarily on rewarding the efforts of its executives in increasing shareholder value and meeting the goals and objectives established by the Board for the Company as a whole and each executive on an individual basis. The Compensation Committee is responsible for reviewing executive compensation with respect to the achievement of these goals on an annual basis and making recommendations to the Board with input from the Company's Chief Executive Officer. In doing so, the Compensation Committee recognizes the importance of ensuring that overall compensation for Named Executive Officers is not only internally equitable, but also competitive within the market segment for junior natural resource

issuers. Specifically, the Compensation Committee's review and evaluation includes measurement of, among others, the following areas: (a) the achievement of corporate objectives, such as financings, exploration programs and successes, acquisitions, joint ventures and other business development, in particular having regard to the budgetary constraints and other challenges facing the Company; (b) the Company's financial condition; and (c) the Company's share price, market capitalization and shareholder returns. The Compensation Committee also takes into consideration the value of similar incentive awards to executive officers at comparable companies and the awards given to executive officers in the past.

The goal of the Compensation Committee is to meet at least once a year to assess, evaluate, monitor and make recommendations to the Board regarding appropriate executive compensation policies as well as succession planning, and will meet more frequently if required.

The Compensation Committee has recommended to the Board that the executive compensation program should be comprised of the following elements:

- Management Fee to compensate executives for the leadership, skills, knowledge and experience required to perform their duties; and
- Long-term Incentive Plan to retain talented executives, reward them for their anticipated contribution to the long-term successful performance of the Company and align them with the interests of shareholders. The plan currently consists only of incentive stock options and performance milestone payments which are fully described under "Termination and Change of Control Benefits" on page 12 herein.

## **Compensation Policies and Risk Management**

The Board has not proceeded to an evaluation of the implications of the risks associated with the Company's compensation policies and practices.

The Company has not retained a compensation consultant during or subsequent to the most recently completed financial year.

The Company does not use a specific "benchmark group" to determine executive compensation levels.

Total compensation for executive officers includes consulting fees, long-term incentive stock options and performance milestone payments.

# Hedging of Economic Risks in the Company's Securities

The Company has not adopted a policy forbidding directors and officers from purchasing financial instruments that are designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of the Company's securities granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by directors or officers. The Company is not, however, aware of any directors of officers having entered into this type of transaction.

# **Option-based awards**

The Company's stock option plan has been and will be used to provide share purchase options which are granted in consideration of the level of responsibility of the executive as well as his or her impact or contribution to the longer-term operating performance of the Company. In determining the number of

options to be granted to the executive officers, the Board takes into account the number of options, if any, previously granted to each executive officer, and the exercise price of any outstanding options to ensure that such grants are in accordance with the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange, and closely align the interests of the executive officers with the interests of shareholders. The Directors of the Company are also eligible to receive stock option grants under the Company's stock option plan, and the Company applies the same process for determining such awards to Directors as with NEOs.

#### **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table (presented in accordance with National Instrument Form 51-102F6 Statement of Executive Compensation which came into force on October 31, 2011 (the "Form 51-102F6")) sets forth all annual and long term compensation for services in all capacities to the Company for the three most recently completed financial years of the Company ending on December 31, 2015 (to the extent required by Form 51-102F6) in respect of each of the individuals comprised of each Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer who acted in such capacity for all or any portion of the most recently completed individuals acting in a similar capacity, (other than the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer), as at December 31, 2015 whose total compensation was, individually, more than \$150,000 for the financial year and any individual who would have satisfied these criteria but for the fact that individual was neither an executive officer of the Company, nor acting in a similar capacity, at the end of the most recently completed financial year (collectively the "Named Executive Officers" or "NEOS").

		Salar	Share- Based	Option- Based	Non-Equit Plan Comj (\$) Annual	y Incentive pensation Long- term	Pension	All Other Compensatio	Total
NEO Name and		у	A wards	A wards	Incentive	Incentive	Value	n	Compensation
Principal Position	Year	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	Plans	Plans	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Greg Hahn <sup>(3)(5)(6)</sup>	2015	Nil	Nil	76,733 <sup>(7)</sup>	Nil	Nil	Nil	106,269 <sup>(1)</sup>	183,002
President and	2014	Nil	Nil	109,305 <sup>(8)</sup>	Nil	Nil	Nil	180,497 <sup>(1)</sup>	289,802
COO; former	2013	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	183,229 <sup>(1)</sup>	183,229
CEO, Vice-Chair									
and President									
Robert Kramer <sup>(2)</sup>	2014	Nil	Nil	109,305 <sup>(8)</sup>	Nil	Nil	Nil	424,355 <sup>(2)</sup>	533,600
<sup>(3) (5)</sup> former CEO	2013	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	$180,000^{(2)}$	180,000
and Chair; former									
CFO and Secretary									
Richard Barnett <sup>(2)</sup>	2015	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	$24,000^{(4)}$	24,000
CFO and Secretary	2014	Nil	Nil	9,849 <sup>(8)</sup>	Nil	Nil	Nil	$24,000^{(4)}$	33,849
	2013	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	24,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	24,000
Mark Billings <sup>(6)</sup>	2015	Nil	Nil	173,246 <sup>(7)</sup>	Nil	Nil	Nil	98,978 <sup>(10)</sup>	272,224
CEO and Chair	2014	Nil	Nil	27,326 <sup>(8) (9)</sup>	Nil	Nil	Nil	41,790 <sup>(10)</sup>	69,116

(1) During the year ended 2015, \$106,269 was paid or accrued (2014 - \$180,497; 2013 - \$183,229) as consulting fees to a private company controlled by Mr. Hahn. In November 2014, Mr. Hahn agreed to a reduction in his consulting fee to US\$7,500 per month for an indefinite period.

(2) Robert Kramer was appointed Secretary and CFO of the Company on August 31, 2011, when Richard Barnett, who was Secretary and CFO from February 26, 2009, resigned. Subsequently on September 11, 2012, Richard Barnett was reappointed as CFO and Secretary, taking the place of Robert Kramer who resigned from those positions. Mr. Kramer subsequently passed away in May 2014. During the year ended 2014 - \$424,355 was paid (2013 - \$180,000) as consulting fees to a private company controlled by Robert Kramer. Of the 424,355 paid or accrued in fiscal 2014, \$360,000 was to his Estate as set out in his Consulting Agreement that was SEDAR filed on November 21, 2012.

- (3) On September 11, 2012, Robert Kramer resigned as CFO and Secretary and was appointed as CEO and Chair; Greg Hahn resigned as CEO and was appointed as COO and Vice-Chair; and Richard Barnett was re-appointed as CFO and Secretary.
- (4) During the year ended 2015, \$24,000 was paid or accrued (2014 \$24,000; 2013 \$24,000) as consulting fees to a private company controlled by Mr. Barnett.
- (5) Subsequent to the year ended December 31, 2013, on May 9, 2014 Greg Hahn was appointed interim CEO, due to the unfortunate passing away of Robert Kramer, and accordingly Mr. Kramer's positions as CEO, Chair and a director terminated on that date. Mr. Hahn further resigned as Vice-Chair on May 9, 2014.
- (6) Mark Billings was appointed CEO on November 13, 2014, taking the place of Greg Hahn who resigned from that position on that date.
- (7) Options to purchase 2,187,675 shares (to Greg Hahn) and 100,000 shares (to Mark Billings) were granted on October 22, 2015 (no vesting), exercisable at \$0.05 per share on or before October 21, 2020. The weighted average grant date fair values of the options granted during the year were estimated based on the following weighted average assumptions: share price at grant date of \$0.04; exercise price of \$0.05; expected life of 5.0 years; expected volatility of 142%; risk free interest rate of 0.82%? and expected dividend yield rate of 0%?.
- (8) Options to purchase 1,000,000 shares each were granted on March 14, 2014 to each of Greg Hahn and Robert Kramer (no vesting), 250,000 to Mark Billings (no vesting), and 100,000 to Richard Barnett (vesting 50% on the date of grant and 50% on March 14, 2015), all being exercisable at \$0.13 per share on or before March 13, 2019. The weighted average grant date fair values of the options granted during the year were estimated based on the following weighted average assumptions: share price at grant date of \$0.12; exercise price of \$0.13; expected life of 5.05 years; expected volatility of 152%; risk free interest rate of 1.59% and expected dividend yield rate of 0%.
- (9) As at the year ended December 31, 2014, in addition to 250,000 options noted in (10) above, Mark Billings held an option to purchase 100,000 shares that was granted on January 6, 2012, exercisable at \$0.105 on or before January 5, 2017 (no vesting), and an option to purchase 150,000 shares that was granted on September 25, 2012, exercisable at \$0.27 on or before September 24, 2017 (no vesting).
- (10) During the year ended December 31, 2015, \$98,978 (December 31, 2014 \$41,790) was paid or accrued as a consulting fee to a private company controlled by Mr. Billings. Subsequent to his Consulting Contract dated November 13, 2014, Mr. Billings agreed to a consulting fee rate of \$7,500 per month from November 2014 for an indefinite period.

#### **Narrative Discussion**

Please refer to the heading "Termination and Change of Control Benefits" herein for a discussion of the NEO's consulting agreements.

This Meeting covers the Company's fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, and should have been held during the year ended December 31, 2016. However, the Company obtained acceptance from the B.C. Registrar of Companies to extend this Meeting and hold it in March 2017. For clarification, notwithstanding all of the tables below regarding stock options state "at (or during) the end of (or during) the most recently completed financial year", the tables are at or during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, and not at or during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

#### **Outstanding Share-Based Awards and Option-Based Awards**

The following table sets forth information concerning all awards outstanding under incentive plans of the Company at the end of the most recently completed financial year, including awards granted before the most recently completed financial year, to each of the Named Executive Officers.

		<b>Option-B</b>	ased Awards		Share-Bas	ed Awards
Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Value of Unexercised In- The-Money Options <sup>(I)</sup> (\$)	Number of Shares Or Units Of Shares That Have Not Vested (#)	Market or Payout Value Of Share-Based Awards That Have Not Vested (\$)
Greg Hahn President and COO	250,000 350,000 500,000 1,000,000 2,187,675	0.15 0.105 0.27 0.13 0.05	Mar.9/16 Jan.5/17 Sept.24/17 Mar.13/19 Oct.21/20	Nil Nil Nil Nil Nil	N/A	N/A
Richard Barnett CFO and Secretary	100,000 100,000	0.27 0.13	Sept.24/17 Mar.13/19	Nil Nil	N/A	N/A
Mark Billings, CEO and Chair	100,000 150,000 250,000 100,000 1,000,000	0.105 0.27 0.13 0.05 0.16	Jan. 5/17 Sept. 24/17 Mar. 13/19 Oct.21/20 Jan. 26/20	Nil Nil Nil Nil Nil	N/A	N/A

This amount is calculated based on the difference between the market value of the securities underlying the options at the end of the most recently completed financial year ended December 31, 2015, which was \$0.025, and the exercise or base price of the option.

## Value Vested or Earned During the Year

The value vested or earned during the most recently completed financial year of incentive plan awards granted to Named Executive Officers are as follows:

NEO Name	Option-Based Awards - Value Vested During The Year <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Share-Based Awards - Value Vested During The Year <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation - Value Earned During The Year (\$)
Greg Hahn President and COO	Nil	N/A	N/A
Richard Barnett, CFO and Secretary	Nil	N/A	N/A
Mark Billings CEO and Chair	Nil	N/A	N/A

- (1) This amount is the dollar value that would have been realized if the options under the option-based award had been exercised on the vesting date, computed by obtaining the difference between the market price of the underlying securities at exercise and the exercise or base price of the options under the option-based award on the vesting date.
- (2) This amount is the dollar value realized upon vesting of share-based awards, computed by multiplying the number of shares or units by the market value of the underlying shares on the vesting date.

#### **Pension Plan Benefits**

The Company does not have a pension plan that provides for payments or benefits to the NEOs at, following or in connection with retirement.

## **Termination and Change of Control Benefits**

On October 30, 2012, the Company entered into consulting agreements ("Consulting Agreements") with Harrison Kramer Corporation (for the services of Robert Kramer, the CEO and Chair) and Greg Hahn Consulting LLC (for the services of Greg Hahn, the President, COO and vice-Chair) (together, the "Consultants"). The agreements each have the following material terms: effective date October 1, 2012; fees for services \$15,000 per month; performance milestone payments ("PMP") representing one-half of one percent of the proceeds of disposition ("Disposition") of the Company or its assets in excess of \$25 million; termination ("Termination") by the Company at any time upon payment of 24 months' fees plus any PMP which would have been payable had the Consultant not been terminated for a period of 12 months after the date of such termination (the "Termination Fee"); termination by the Consultant at any time by providing three months' notice; if either Kramer or Hahn die during the term of the Agreement, the Company will pay the surviving spouse or the estate of the deceased, as the case may be, an amount equal to the Termination Fee; and in the event of a change of control ("Change of Control"), the Company will pay the Termination Fee plus 12 months' fees.

Effective November 13, 2014, the Company entered into a consulting agreement incorporating similar terms with Gestion Marengo Management Inc. (for the services of Mark Billings, the new CEO).

Under the Consulting Agreements, a Disposition means (i) a sale of the majority of the issued and outstanding voting securities of the Company; or (ii) a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company; or (iii) a merger or other business combination which results in a Change of Control.

Change of Control means the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (i) if any individual, partnership, company, corporation, society or other legal entity, alone or together with any other person with whom it is acting jointly or in concert, becomes the beneficial owner of, or acquires the power to exercise control or direction over, directly or indirectly, the majority of the issued and outstanding voting securities of the Company, and such persons did not at the date hereof own or otherwise exercise control over fifty percent (50%) or more of the votes exercisable by holders of voting stock, nor have the rights of conversion which, if exercised, would permit such persons to own or control such a percentage of votes;
- (ii) the Company sells or otherwise transfers all or substantially all of its assets; or
- (iii) during any period of two consecutive years, individuals who at the beginning of any such period constitute the directors of the Company cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority thereof; and
- (iv) references to the Company shall include successors to the Company as a result of any amalgamation, merger, consolidation or reorganization of the Company into or with another body corporate or other legal person.

The Consulting Agreements may be terminated as follows, which is the definition of Termination herein:

(i) by the Company immediately by providing to the Consultant written notice of immediate termination if the Consultant fails to remedy any deficiency or default in providing the services under the Consulting Agreements after having been given notice of the deficiency or default and a reasonable opportunity to remedy the deficiency or default; or

- (ii) by the Company at any time, without further obligation, by providing the Consultant with payments equal to (a) the value of 24 months' fees, and (b) any PMP which would have been payable had the Consultant not been terminated for a period of 12 months after the date of such termination; or
- (iii) by the Consultant, at any time, by providing the Company with three months' written notice.

During the last completed financial year, the sum of \$98,978 was paid to a private company controlled by Greg Hahn for performing management functions on behalf of the Company.

At current consulting fee levels, if a change of control occurred followed by a trigger event, and all Named Executive Officers exercised their rights under the Consulting Agreements, they would be entitled to Change of Control payments aggregating up to \$485,000 per Named Executive Officer.

Other than pursuant to the Consulting Agreements, there is no compensatory plan, contract or arrangement where a Named Executive Officer is entitled to receive any payment from the Company or its subsidiaries in the event of (a) the resignation, retirement or any other termination of the officer's consulting services to the Company or its subsidiaries; (b) a change of control of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; or (c) a change in the officer's responsibilities following a Change of Control.

The following table sets out estimates of the incremental amounts payable to each Named Executive Officer upon identified termination events, assuming each such event took place on the last business day of fiscal year 2015. The table below assumes the exercise of all unexercised options (both vested and unvested) on December 31, 2015.

	Mark Billings (\$)	Greg Hahn (\$)
Termination Without Cause /		
Constructive Dismissal		
Base Fee / Termination Payment	360,000	360,000
Benefits and Perks	Nil	Nil
Long-Term Incentives <sup>(1)</sup>	Nil	Nil
Pension Benefits	Nil	Nil
Performance Milestone Payments <sup>(2)</sup>	125,000	125,000
Triggering Event Following a		
Change of Control		
Base Fee / Termination Payment	360,000	360,000
Benefits and Perks	Nil	Nil
Long-Term Incentives <sup>(1)</sup>	Nil	Nil
Pension Benefits	Nil	Nil
Performance Milestone Payments <sup>(2)</sup>	125,000	125,000

- (1) Assumes the exercise of all vested "in-the-money" options on December 31, 2015. The closing price of the Company's shares on the Exchange on December 31, 2015 was \$0.025 per share.
- (2) Assumes proceeds on disposition of 50,000,000 on December 31, 2015 ( $50,000,000 $25,000,000 = $25,000,000 \times 0.005 = $125,000$ ).

#### **Director Compensation**

The following table sets forth all amounts of compensation provided to the directors, who are each not also a Named Executive Officer, for the Company's most recently completed financial year:

Director Name <sup>(1)</sup>	Fees Earned (\$)	Share-Based Awards (\$)	Option- Based Awards (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensa- tion (\$)	Pension Value (\$)	All Other Compensa- tion (\$)	Total (\$)
Mike Stark	60,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	N/A	Nil	N/A	N/A	Nil	60,000
Michael Pesner <sup>(3)</sup>	Nil	42,435	Nil	N/A	N/A	Nil	42,435
Frank Hogel <sup>(4)</sup>	6,000	43,844	Nil	N/A	N/A	Nil	49,844
Jeb Handwerger	Nil	N/A	Nil	N/A	N/A	Nil	Nil

(1) Relevant disclosure has been provided in the *Summary Compensation Table* above, for directors who receive compensation for their services as a director who is also Named Executive Officers (if any).

- (2) Paid during year ended December 31, 2015 for consulting fees relating to fund raising and investor communications.
- (3) Michael Pesner resigned as a director of the Company on January 22, 2016, and his options were terminated April 22, 2016.
- (4) Paid during year ended December 31, 2015 for consulting fees relating to financing.

The Company has a stock option plan for the granting of incentive stock options to the officers, employees and Directors. The purpose of granting such options is to assist the Company in compensating, attracting, retaining and motivating the Directors of the Company and to closely align the personal interests of such persons to that of the shareholders.

Other than as aforesaid and the reimbursement of expenses incurred as Directors, there were no other arrangements, standard or otherwise, pursuant to which directors of the Company were compensated by the Company for their services in their capacity as directors or for committee participation, involvement in special assignments or for services as consultants or experts during the financial year ended December 31, 2015.

#### Incentive Plan Awards - Outstanding Share-Based Awards and Option-Based Awards

The following table sets forth information concerning all awards outstanding under incentive plans of the Company at the end of the most recently completed financial year, including awards granted before the most recently completed financial year, to each of the Directors who are not Named Executive Officers:

		<b>Option-Bas</b>	Share-Bas	Share-Based Awards		
Director Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Value of Unexercised In-The-Money Options <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Number of Shares Or Units Of Shares That Have Not Vested (#)	Market or Payout Value Of Share-Based Awards That Have Not Vested (\$)
Mike Stark	250,000 375,000	0.27 0.13	Sept.24/17 Mar.13/19	Nil Nil	N/A	N/A
Michael Pesner <sup>(2)</sup>	250,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0.16	Jan.26/20	Nil	N/A	N/A
Jeb Handwerger	100,000	\$0.13	Mar.13/19	Nil	N/A	N/A
Frank Hogel	1,250,000	\$0.05	Oct.21/20	Nil	N/A	N/A

- (1) This amount is calculated based on the difference between the market value of the securities underlying the options at the end of the most recently completed financial year, which was \$0.025, and the exercise or base price of the option.
- (2) Michael Pesner resigned as a director of the Company on January 22, 2016, and his options subsequently terminated April 22, 2016.

## Incentive Plan Awards - Value Vested or Earned During the Year

The value vested or earned during the most recently completed financial year of incentive plan awards granted to Directors who are not Named Executive Officers are as follows:

Director Name	Option-Based Awards - Value Vested During The Year <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Share-Based Awards - Value Vested During The Year <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation - Value Earned During The Year (\$)
Mike Stark	Nil	N/A	N/A
Michael Pesner <sup>(3)</sup>	Nil	N/A	N/A
Jeb Handwerger	Nil	N/A	N/A
Frank Hogel	Nil	N/A	N/A

- (1) This amount is the dollar value that would have been realized if the options under the option-based award had been exercised on the vesting date, computed by obtaining the difference between the market price of the underlying securities at exercise and the exercise or base price of the options under the option-based award on the vesting date.
- (2) This amount is the dollar value realized upon vesting of share-based awards, computed by multiplying the number of shares or units by the market value of the underlying shares on the vesting date.
- (3) Michael Pesner resigned as a director of the Company on January 22, 2016, and all of his options subsequently were terminated April 22, 2016.

#### Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans

The following table sets forth the Company's compensation plans under which equity securities are authorized for issuance as at the end of the most recently completed financial year.

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (b)	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c)	
Equity compensation plans approved by securityholders	11,812,675 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0.17	1,507,297 (1) (2)	
Equity compensation plans not approved by securityholders	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total	11,812,675 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0.17	1,507,297 <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	

- (1) Calculation based on 10% (being 13,319,962)of issued and outstanding share capital as at year ended December 31, 2015 (being 133,199,721 pre-consolidated common shares) less 11,812,675 options outstanding as at the fiscal year end.
- (2) Subsequent to the year ended December 31, 2015 the Company consolidated its share capital on a 4:1 basis.

# Material Terms of 10% Rolling Stock Option Plan

The Company has in place a 10% Rolling Stock Option Plan (the "Plan"), which was ratified and approved by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting held December 29, 2015 and approved by the TSX Venture Exchange on January 27, 2016. The Plan currently reserves 3,930,837 post-consolidated common shares for issuance based on the current issued and outstanding share capital, as subsequent to the year ended December 31, 2015, on October 20, 2016 the Company implemented a 4:1 consolidation.

Under the Plan, options are exercisable over periods of up to 10 years as determined by the Board of Directors and are required to have an exercise price no less than the closing market price of the Company's shares on the trading day immediately preceding the day on which the Company announces the grant of options (or, if the grant is not announced, the closing market price prevailing on the day that the option is granted), less the applicable discount, if any, permitted by the policies of the Exchange and approved by the Board of Directors. Pursuant to the Plan, the Board of Directors may from time to time authorize the issue of options to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries or employees of companies providing management or consulting services to the Company or its subsidiaries. The maximum number of common shares which may be issued pursuant to options shares at the time of the grant. In addition, the number of shares which may be reserved for issuance to any one individual may not exceed (without disinterested shareholder approval) 5% of the issued shares on a yearly basis or 2% if the optionee is engaged in investor relations activities or is a consultant. The Plan contains no vesting requirements, but permits the Board of Directors to specify a vesting schedule in its discretion.

The Plan also contains the following provisions:

1. If a change of control (as defined in the Plan) occurs, or if the Company is subject to a take-over bid, all shares subject to stock options shall immediately become vested and may thereupon be

exercised in whole or in part by the option holder. The Board may also accelerate the expiry date of outstanding stock options in connection with a take-over bid.

- 2. The Plan contains adjustment provisions with respect to outstanding options in cases of share reorganizations, special distributions and other corporation reorganizations including an arrangement or other transaction under which the business or assets of the Company become, collectively, the business and assets of two or more companies with the same shareholder group upon the distribution to the Company's shareholders, or the exchange with the Company's shareholders, of securities of the Company or securities of another company.
- 3. On the death or disability of an option holder, all vested options will expire at the earlier of 365 days after the date of death or disability and the expiry date of such options. Where an optionee is terminated for cause, any outstanding options (whether vested or unvested) are cancelled as of the date of termination. If an optionee retires or voluntarily resigns or is otherwise terminated by the Company other than for cause, then all vested options held by such optionee will expire at the earlier of (i) the expiry date of such options and (ii) the date which is 90 days (30 days if the optionee was engaged in investor relations activities) after the optionee ceases its office, employment or engagement with the Company.
- 4. If pursuant to the operation of an adjustment provision of the Plan, an optionee receives options (the "New Options") to purchase securities of another company (the "New Company") in respect of the optionee's options under the Plan (the "Subject Options"), the New Options shall expire on the earlier of: (i) the expiry date of the Subject Options; (ii) if the optionee does not become an eligible person in respect of the New Company, the date that the Subject Options expire pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Plan relating to expiration of options in cases of death, disability or termination of employment discussed in the preceding paragraph above (the "Termination Provisions"); (iii) if the optionee becomes an eligible person in respect of the New Options expire pursuant to the terms of the New Company's stock option plan that correspond to the Termination Provisions; and (iv) the date that is two (2) years after the optionee ceases to be an eligible person in respect of the New Company or such shorter period as determined by the Board of Directors.
- 5. In accordance with good corporate governance practices and as recommended by National Policy 51-201 *Disclosure Standards*, the Company imposes black-out periods restricting the trading of its securities by directors, officers, employees and consultants during periods surrounding the release of annual and interim financial statements and at other times when deemed necessary by management and the board of directors. In order to ensure that holders of outstanding stock options are not prejudiced by the imposition of such black-out periods, any outstanding stock options with an expiry date occurring during a management imposed black-out period or within five days thereafter will be automatically extended to a date that is 10 trading days following the end of the black-out period.

Refer to "Particulars of Other Matters to be Acted Upon – Approval and Ratification of 10% Rolling Stock Option Plan" herein.

# INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR OFFICERS

As at December 30, 2016, there was no indebtedness outstanding of any current or former Director, executive officer or employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is owing to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or to another entity which is the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter

of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, entered into in connection with a purchase of securities or otherwise.

No individual who is, or at any time during the most recently completed financial year was, a Director or executive officer of the Company, no proposed nominee for election as a Director of the Company and no associate of such persons:

- (i) is or at any time since the beginning of the most recently completed financial year has been, indebted to the Company or any of its subsidiaries; or
- (ii) whose indebtedness to another entity is, or at any time since the beginning of the most recently completed financial year has been, the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Company or any of its subsidiaries,

in relation to a securities purchase program or other program.

## INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

No person who has been a director or executive officer of the Company at any time since the beginning of the Company's last financial year, no proposed nominee of management of the Company for election as a director of the Company and no associate or affiliate of the foregoing persons, has any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in matters to be acted upon at the Meeting other than the election of directors and the approval of the stock option plan.

## INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

No informed person or proposed director of the Company and no associate or affiliate of the foregoing persons has or has had any material interest, direct or indirect, in any transaction since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year or in any proposed transaction which in either such case has materially affected or would materially affect the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

# **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS**

Manning Elliot LLP, Chartered Accountants, of 11th Floor, 1050 West Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6E 3S7 is the auditors of the Company. Unless otherwise instructed, the proxies given pursuant to this solicitation will be voted for the re-appointment of Manning Elliot LLP as the auditors of the Company to hold office for the ensuing year at remuneration to be fixed by the directors.

Manning Elliot LLP, Chartered Accountants, were first appointed as auditors on April 9, 2010.

#### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

No management functions of the Company or subsidiaries are performed to any substantial degree by a person other than the directors or executive officers of the Company.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURE

Corporate governance relates to the activities of the Board of Directors, the members of which are elected by and are accountable to the Shareholders, and takes into account the role of the individual

members of management who are appointed by the Board of Directors and who are charged with the dayto-day management of the Company. The Board of Directors is committed to sound corporate governance practices, which are both in the interest of shareholders and contribute to effective and efficient decision making.

National Policy 58-201 establishes corporate governance guidelines which apply to all public companies. The Company has reviewed its own corporate governance practices in light of these guidelines. In certain cases, the Company's practices comply with the guidelines, however, the Board considers that some of the guidelines are not suitable for the Company at its current stage of development and therefore these guidelines have not been adopted. National Instrument 58-101 mandates disclosure of corporate governance practices which disclosure is set out below.

## **Independence of Members of Board**

The Company's Board consists of six (6) directors, four (4) of whom are considered independent based upon the tests for independence set forth in NI 52-110. Mike Stark, Dean McDonald, Frank Högel and Jeb Handwerger (the "Independent Directors") are considered independent. Greg Hahn, President and COO, and Mark Billings, CEO of the Company, are not considered independent.

## **Management Supervision by Board**

The size of the Company is such that all the Company's operations are conducted by a small management team. The Board considers that management is effectively supervised by the Independent Directors on an informal basis as the Independent Directors are involved in reviewing and supervising the operations of the Company and have full access to management.

# **Participation of Directors in Other Reporting Issuers**

The participation of the directors in other reporting issuers is described in the table provided under "Election of Directors" in this Information Circular.

# **Orientation and Continuing Education**

The Company does not have formal orientation and training programs and does not consider these programs necessary at this stage of the Company's development. Board members have full access to the Company's records.

#### **Ethical Business Conduct**

The Board views good corporate governance as an integral component to the success of the Company and to meet responsibilities to shareholders. The Company's reputation for integrity is an important asset. The Company has always set high standards of personal and business integrity for its employees, and intends to continue to conduct its business in accordance with those high standards. The Company obeys the law wherever it operates. It is expected that the Company's business conduct and the personal actions of its employees reflect the spirit and intent of the laws under which the Company operates and its employees live. The Company's employees are encouraged to act so that others will view the Company and its employees as having the very highest standards of integrity. Ultimately there is no way to assure proper behaviour, except through the actions of each employee. No set rules of conduct will apply to every possible situation. Common sense and judgment supported by a deeply ingrained tradition of integrity provides the Company's foundation.

The Board has found that the fiduciary duties placed on individual directors by the Company's governing corporate legislation and the common law and the restrictions placed by applicable corporate legislation on an individual director's participation in decisions of the Board in which the director has an interest have been sufficient to ensure that the Board operates independently of management and in the best interests of the Company.

Under corporate legislation, a director is required to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company and exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in comparable circumstances. In addition, as some of the directors of the Company also serve as directors and officers of other companies engaged in similar business activities, directors must comply with the conflict of interest provisions of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), as well as the relevant securities regulatory instruments, in order to ensure that directors exercise independent judgment in considering transactions and agreements in respect of which a director or officer has a material interest. Any interested director would be required to declare the nature and extent of his interest and would not be entitled to vote at meetings of directors which evoke such a conflict.

## Nomination of Directors

The Board as a whole has responsibility for identifying potential Board candidates. See also "Assessments" below.

## **Compensation of Directors and the CEO**

The Compensation Committee, being Mike Stark and Dean McDonald have the responsibility for recommending to the Board director and senior management compensation. These members of the Compensation Committee have direct experience that is relevant to his responsibilities in executive compensation acquired from working as senior executives and/or directors of other publicly traded companies in the junior natural resource sector.

The purpose of the Compensation Committee is to, inter alia, make recommendations to the Board regarding executive compensation (including long-term incentive in the form of stock options) to be paid to the Company's executive officers having regard to the responsibilities and risks associated with each position.

The quantity and quality of Board compensation is reviewed on an annual basis. At present, the Board is satisfied that the current compensation arrangements adequately reflect the responsibilities and risks involved in being an effective director of the Company. The basic philosophy underlying executive compensation is that the interests of the Company's executive officers should be aligned as closely as possible with the interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole. The compensation that the Company pays to its executive officers consists of cash, stock options and performance milestone payments. The Company does not have a pension plan or a benefits plan for its executive officers. The Company places a greater emphasis on equity incentive and performance milestone compensation than it does on cash compensation. This is consistent with the Company's basic philosophy that the Company's best interests are served by having its executives benefit in the same way as shareholders. It also reflects the Company's stage of development and its priority allocation of its limited financial resources to the development of the Company's business. Further information regarding director compensation appears under the heading "Executive Compensation" herein.

## **Board Committees**

The Company has an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee at this time. The Board has determined that additional committees are not necessary at this stage of the Company's development.

#### Assessments

The Board does not consider that formal assessments would be useful at this stage of the Company's development.

The Board intends annually, and at such other times as it deems appropriate, to review the performance and effectiveness of the Board, the directors and its committees to determine whether changes in size, personnel or responsibilities are warranted. To assist in its review, the Board intends to conduct informal surveys of its directors, and receive reports from each committee respecting its own effectiveness. As part of the assessments, the Board or the individual committee may review their respective mandate or charter and conduct reviews of applicable corporate policies.

## **Expectations of Management**

The Board expects management to operate the business of the Company in a manner that enhances shareholder value and is consistent with the highest level of integrity.

# AUDIT COMMITTEE

# The Audit Committee's Charter

#### Mandate

The primary function of the audit committee (the "**Committee**") is to assist the Board of Directors in fulfilling its financial oversight responsibilities by reviewing the financial reports and other financial information provided by the Company to regulatory authorities and shareholders, the Company's systems of internal controls regarding finance and accounting and the Company's auditing, accounting and financial reporting processes. Consistent with this function, the Committee will encourage continuous improvement of, and should foster adherence to, the Company's policies, procedures and practices at all levels. The Committee's primary duties and responsibilities are to:

- Serve as an independent and objective party to monitor the Company's financial reporting and internal control system and review the Company's financial statements.
- Review and appraise the performance of the Company's external auditors.
- Provide an open avenue of communication among the Company's auditors, financial and senior management and the Board of Directors.

# Composition

The Committee shall be comprised of three directors as determined by the Board of Directors, the majority of whom shall be free from any relationship that, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, would interfere with the exercise of his or her independent judgment as a member of the Committee.

At least one member of the Committee shall have accounting or related financial management expertise. All members of the Committee that are not financially literate will work towards becoming financially literate to obtain a working familiarity with basic finance and accounting practices. For the purposes of the Company's Charter, the definition of "financially literate" is the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can presumably be expected to be raised by the Company's financial statements.

The members of the Committee shall be elected by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the annual shareholders' meeting. Unless a Chair is elected by the full Board of Directors, the members of the Committee may designate a Chair by a majority vote of the full Committee membership.

# Meetings

The Committee shall meet a least quarterly, or more frequently as circumstances dictate. As part of its job to foster open communication, the Committee will meet at least annually with the Chief Financial Officer and the external auditors in separate sessions.

# Responsibilities and Duties

To fulfill its responsibilities and duties, the Committee shall:

# Documents/Reports Review

- (a) Review and update this Charter annually.
- (b) Review the Company's financial statements, MD&A and any annual and interim earnings, press releases before the Company publicly discloses this information and any reports or other financial information (including quarterly financial statements), which are submitted to any governmental body, or to the public, including any certification, report, opinion, or review rendered by the external auditors.

# External Auditors

- (a) Review annually, the performance of the external auditors who shall be ultimately accountable to the Board of Directors and the Committee as representatives of the shareholders of the Company.
- (b) Obtain annually, a formal written statement of external auditors setting forth all relationships between the external auditors and the Company, consistent with Independence Standards Board Standard 1.
- (c) Review and discuss with the external auditors any disclosed relationships or services that may impact the objectivity and independence of the external auditors.
- (d) Take, or recommend that the full Board of Directors take, appropriate action to oversee the independence of the external auditors.
- (e) Recommend to the Board of Directors the selection and, where applicable, the replacement of the external auditors nominated annually for shareholder approval.

- (f) At each meeting, consult with the external auditors, without the presence of management, about the quality of the Company's accounting principles, internal controls and the completeness and accuracy of the Company's financial statements.
- (g) Review and approve the Company's hiring policies regarding partners, employees and former partners and employees of the present and former external auditors of the Company.
- (h) Review with management and the external auditors the audit plan for the year-end financial statements and intended template for such statements.
- (i) Review and pre-approve all audit and audit-related services and the fees and other compensation related thereto, and any non-audit services, provided by the Company's external auditors. The pre-approval requirement is waived with respect to the provision of non-audit services if:
  - i. the aggregate amount of all such non-audit services provided to the Company constitutes not more than five percent of the total amount of revenues paid by the Company to its external auditors during the fiscal year in which the non-audit services are provided;
  - ii. such services were not recognized by the Company at the time of the engagement to be non-audit services; and
  - iii. such services are promptly brought to the attention of the Committee by the Company and approved prior to the completion of the audit by the Committee or by one or more members of the Committee who are members of the Board of Directors to whom authority to grant such approvals has been delegated by the Committee.

Provided the pre-approval of the non-audit services is presented to the Committee's first scheduled meeting following such approval such authority may be delegated by the Committee to one or more independent members of the Committee.

# Financial Reporting Processes

- (a) In consultation with the external auditors, review with management the integrity of the Company's financial reporting process, both internal and external.
- (b) Consider the external auditors' judgments about the quality and appropriateness of the Company's accounting principles as applied in its financial reporting.
- (c) Consider and approve, if appropriate, changes to the Company's auditing and accounting principles and practices as suggested by the external auditors and management.
- (d) Review significant judgments made by management in the preparation of the financial statements and the view of the external auditors as to appropriateness of such judgments.
- (e) Following completion of the annual audit, review separately with management and the external auditors any significant difficulties encountered during the course of the audit, including any restrictions on the scope of work or access to required information.
- (f) Review any significant disagreement among management and the external auditors in connection with the preparation of the financial statements.

- (g) Review with the external auditors and management the extent to which changes and improvements in financial or accounting practices have been implemented.
- (h) Review any complaints or concerns about any questionable accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters.
- (i) Review certification process.
- (j) Establish a procedure for the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Company of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.

#### Other

Review any related-party transactions.

## **Composition of the Audit Committee**

The following are the members of the Committee:

Mike Stark	Independent ①	Financially literate ①
Frank Hogel	Independent <sup>①</sup>	Financially literate D
Mark Billings	Not Independent <sup>①</sup>	Financially literate ①

① As defined by National Instrument 52-110.

All members of the Audit Committee are financially literate, and have a working familiarity with basic finance and accounting practices. For the purposes of the Company's Audit Committee Charter, the definition of "financially literate" is the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can presumably be expected to be raised by the Company's financial statements.

#### **Relevant Education and Experience**

*Mike Stark:* Mr. Stark presently serves as a director and audit committee member for another publicly traded company.

*Frank Hogel:* Mr. Hogel is an Asset Manager actively involved in the financial evaluation of companies and convertible debenture restructuring, and sits on the advisory board of Concept Capital Management. His background includes more than 13 years of direct experience in the mining industry, expertise as an international financier/investor and successful track record stock consultant and stock broker in London, England. Mr. Hogel holds a degree in Economics and International Business and management from the University of Nürtingenin Germany and Finance Degree (DTV).

*Mark Billings:* Mr. Billings presently serves as Chairman of the Board and CEO of the Company, positions he has held since November 2014. From October 2009 to June 2014, he served as CFO and Senior Vice-President of Argex Titanium Inc, a Toronto Stock Exchange listed company that is a near-term producer of titanium dioxide. In this capacity, he was responsible for the financial statements and internal controls and procedures for financial reporting. In addition, he serves on the audit committee of other Exchange listed issuers, and was Chief Financial Officer of other private and public companies

where he was responsible for financial reporting and internal controls and procedures. Mr. Billings has an MBA, with a concentration in finance, and is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

#### Audit Committee Oversight

At no time since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year was a recommendation of the Committee to nominate or compensate an external auditor not adopted by the Board of Directors.

## **Reliance on Certain Exemptions**

At no time since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year has the Company relied on the exemption in Section 2.4 of NI 52-110 (*De Minimis Non-audit Services*), or an exemption from NI 52-110, in whole or in part, granted under Part 8 of NI 52-110.

The Company is relying on the exemption in Section 6.1 of NI 52-110 from the requirement of Parts 3 (Composition of the Audit Committee) and 5 (Reporting Obligations) of NI 52-110.

## **Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures**

The Committee has adopted specific policies and procedures for the engagement of non-audit services as described above under the heading "External Auditors" above.

## External Auditors' Service Fees (By Category)

The aggregate fees billed by the Company's external auditors in each of the last two fiscal years for audit fees are as follows:

Financial Year Ended	Audit Fees	Audit Related Fees	Tax Fees	All Other Fees
December 31, 2015	\$28,500	Nil	\$2,500	Nil
December 31, 2014	\$27,500	Nil	\$2,500	Nil

# PARTICULARS OF OTHER MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

#### A. Approval and Ratification of Stock Option Plan

The Board of Directors of the Company implemented a stock option plan (the "Plan"), which was last approved by the Exchange on January 27, 2016 and the shareholders of the Company on December 29, 2015. The Plan currently reserves 3,930,837 post-consolidated common shares for issuance based on the current issued and outstanding share capital, as subsequent to the year ended December 31, 2015, on October 20, 2016 the Company implemented a 4:1 consolidation. Of these shares, 2,215,669 have been granted, leaving a balance of 1,715,168 available to grant.

The number of common shares which may be issued pursuant to options previously granted and those granted under the Plan is a maximum of 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares at the time of the grant. In addition, the number of shares which may be reserved for issuance to any one individual may not exceed 5% of the issued shares on a yearly basis or 2% if the optionee is engaged in investor relations activities nor is a consultant. Under Exchange policy, all such rolling stock option plans which

set the number of common shares issuable under the Plan at a maximum of 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares must be approved and ratified by shareholders on an annual basis.

Therefore, at the Meeting, shareholders will be asked to pass a resolution in the following form:

"UPON MOTION IT WAS RESOLVED that the Company approve and ratify, subject to regulatory approval, the Plan pursuant to which the directors may, from time to time, authorize the issuance of options to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries to a maximum of 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares at the time of the grant, with a maximum of 5% of the Company's issued and outstanding shares being reserved to any one person on a yearly basis."

The purpose of the Plan is to allow the Company to grant options to directors, officers, employees and consultants, as additional compensation, and as an opportunity to participate in the success of the Company. The granting of such options is intended to align the interests of such persons with that of the shareholders. Options will be exercisable over periods of up to ten years as determined by the Board of Directors of the Company and are required to have an exercise price no less than the closing market price of the Company's shares prevailing on the day that the option is granted less a discount of up to 25%, the amount of the discount varying with market price in accordance with the policies of the Exchange. Pursuant to the Plan, the Board of Directors may from time to time authorize the issue of options to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company or its subsidiaries. The Plan contains no vesting requirements, but permits the Board of Directors to specify a vesting schedule in its discretion. The Plan provides that if a change of control, as defined therein, occurs, all shares subject to option shall immediately become vested and may thereupon be exercised in whole or in part by the option holder.

The full text of the Plan is available for viewing up to the date of the Meeting at the Company's offices at Suite 303, 595 Howe Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, and will also be available for review at the Meeting.

Unless such authority is withheld, the persons named in the enclosed Proxy intend to vote for the approval and ratification of the Plan.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information relating to the Company is on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. Shareholders may contact the Company at Suite 303, 595 Howe Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 2T5 (Phone: (604) 336-8612 / Fax: (604) 718-2808) to request copies of the Company's financial statements and MD&A.

Financial information is provided in the Company's comparative financial statements and MD&A for its most recently completed financial year which are filed on SEDAR.

# **OTHER MATTERS**

Management of the Company is not aware of any other matter to come before the Meeting other than as set forth in the notice of Meeting. If any other matter properly comes before the Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed form of proxy to vote the shares represented thereby in accordance with their best judgment on such matter.

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

# APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mark Billings, CEO and Director