



**ARCHER EXPLORATION CORP.**

**Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements**

**For the three and nine months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022**

(Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars)

**Archer Exploration Corp.**  
**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Financial Position**  
(Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Note	June 30, 2023	September 30, 2022
		\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current</b>			
Cash		4,855,928	213,231
Receivables	6	1,194,268	95,943
Prepaid expenses	7	458,010	6,650
		<b>6,508,206</b>	<b>315,824</b>
Other assets	8	57,500	-
Exploration and evaluation assets	9	33,776,614	-
Property and equipment	10	92,161	-
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>40,434,481</b>	<b>315,824</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current</b>			
Trade and other payables	11	1,336,004	238,315
Flow-through premium liability	12	646,024	-
Decommissioning and restoration provision	13	492,326	-
		<b>2,474,354</b>	<b>238,315</b>
Decommissioning and restoration provision	13	1,736,644	-
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>4,210,998</b>	<b>238,315</b>
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>			
Share capital	14	37,091,185	3,186,256
Warrants reserve		3,249,849	699,457
Contributed surplus		1,644,607	414,785
Deficit		(5,762,158)	(4,222,989)
<b>Total shareholders' equity</b>		<b>36,223,483</b>	<b>77,509</b>
<b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b>		<b>40,434,481</b>	<b>315,824</b>

Nature of operations and going concern (Note 1)

Subsequent events (Note 18)

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**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss) and Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

(Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Note	Three months ended June 30,		Nine months ended June 30,	
		2023	2022	2023	2022
		\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Operating expenses</b>					
Consulting fees		29,503	133,733	495,355	370,111
Depreciation	10	863	-	863	-
Exploration and evaluation costs		-	14,750	-	168,494
Filing fees		48,940	12,522	83,917	24,467
General and administrative		53,146	38,050	163,943	117,687
Management fees		121,876	19,875	493,591	144,672
Marketing		110,879	12,543	281,430	23,517
Professional fees		130,562	53,129	276,517	458,590
Rent		2,727	12,000	36,000	36,000
Share-based payments	14	175,831	69,045	1,230,822	325,360
		<b>674,327</b>	<b>365,647</b>	<b>3,062,438</b>	<b>1,668,898</b>
<b>Other income (expenses)</b>					
Amortization of flow through liability	12	936,369	-	1,585,950	-
Change in decommissioning and restoration provision	13	-	-	(116,588)	-
(Loss) gain on foreign exchange		(1,137)	3,416	(2,421)	(7,377)
Impairment of option agreement rights	9	-	(147,490)	-	(147,490)
Impairment of prepaid expenses	7	-	(761,334)	-	(761,334)
Interest expense and penalties		(84,216)	-	(105,044)	-
Interest income		64,835	-	185,400	-
<b>Income (Loss) before Income Taxes</b>		<b>241,524</b>	<b>(1,271,055)</b>	<b>(1,515,141)</b>	<b>(2,585,099)</b>
<b>Income taxes</b>					
Deferred income tax expense	12	65,000	-	65,000	-
<b>Net income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss)</b>		<b>176,524</b>	<b>(1,271,055)</b>	<b>(1,580,141)</b>	<b>(2,585,099)</b>
<b>Basic and diluted loss per common share</b>		<b>0.00</b>	<b>(0.12)</b>	<b>(0.02)</b>	<b>(0.27)</b>
<b>Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - Basic and diluted</b>		<b>91,546,620</b>	<b>10,989,843</b>	<b>79,307,212</b>	<b>9,482,963</b>

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**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
(Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Nine months ended	
	June 30,	
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
<b>Operating activities:</b>		
Net loss for the period	(1,580,141)	(2,585,099)
Items not affecting cash:		
Depreciation	863	-
Share-based payments	1,230,822	325,360
Amortization of flow through liability	(1,585,950)	-
Change in decommissioning and restoration costs	116,588	-
Unrealized foreign exchange loss	2,650	-
Impairment of option agreement rights	-	147,490
Impairment of prepaid expenses	-	761,334
Deferred income tax expense	65,000	-
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Receivables	(480,954)	(67,962)
Prepaid expenses	(451,360)	(317,706)
Trade and other payables	64,230	(109,486)
Other assets	(57,500)	-
Decommissioning and restoration provision	(248,769)	-
<b>Cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>(2,924,521)</b>	<b>(1,846,069)</b>
<b>Investing activities:</b>		
Exploration and evaluation costs	(4,206,948)	(109,990)
Wallbridge assets acquisition costs	(250,696)	-
Cash acquired in the Wallbridge assets acquisition	2,652,997	-
Purchase of equipment	(11,743)	-
<b>Cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(1,816,390)</b>	<b>(109,990)</b>
<b>Financing activities:</b>		
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	2,000	500
Proceeds from exercise of warrants	-	780,000
Proceeds from issuance of non-flow-through units	3,000,000	1,072,499
Proceeds from issuance of flow-through units	3,182,501	-
Proceeds from issuance of charity flow-through units	3,999,999	-
Share issuance costs	(800,892)	-
<b>Cash provided by financing activities</b>	<b>9,383,608</b>	<b>1,852,999</b>
Change in cash	4,642,697	(103,060)
Cash, beginning of period	213,231	731,346
<b>Cash, end of period</b>	<b>4,855,928</b>	<b>628,286</b>
<b>Supplemental cash flow information:</b>		
Cash paid for income taxes	-	-
Cash interest received	(185,400)	-
Accounts receivable acquired in the Wallbridge assets acquisition	612,230	-
Agents warrants issued as share issuance costs	(169,834)	-
Issuance of common shares in the Wallbridge assets acquisition	28,564,545	-
Shares issued as finders' fees in the Wallbridge assets acquisition	714,114	-
Exploration and evaluation costs included in trade and other payables	1,030,810	-
Exploration and evaluation costs from capitalized depreciation	5,857	-

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**Archer Exploration Corp.**  
**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity**  
(Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars; except number of shares)

	Common shares	Share capital	Warrants reserve	Flow-through premium liability	Contributed surplus	Shares to be issued	Deficit	Total shareholders' equity
	#	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, September 30, 2021	6,509,422	1,174,961	429,952	-	21,956	427,500	(743,203)	1,311,166
Issuance of units in private placement	2,000,000	1,230,494	269,505	-	-	(427,500)	-	1,072,499
Shares issued on exercise of stock options	1,667	687	-	-	(187)	-	-	500
Shares issued on exercise of warrants	2,350,000	780,000	-	-	-	-	-	780,000
Share-based payments	-	-	-	-	325,360	-	-	325,360
Net loss and comprehensive loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,585,099)	(2,585,099)
Balance, June 30, 2022	10,861,089	3,186,142	699,457	-	347,129	-	(3,328,302)	904,426
Shares issued upon exercise of stock options	-	114	-	-	(114)	-	-	-
Shares issued upon exercise of warrants	250,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Share-based payments	-	-	-	-	67,770	-	-	67,770
Net loss and comprehensive loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	(894,687)	(894,687)
Balance, September 30, 2022	11,111,089	3,186,256	699,457	-	414,785	-	(4,222,989)	77,509
Shares issued upon exercise of stock options	6,666	3,000	-	-	(1,000)	-	-	2,000
Issuance of common shares in the Transaction	66,211,929	28,564,545	-	-	-	-	-	28,564,545
Shares issued as finders' fees in the Transaction	1,655,298	714,114	-	-	-	-	-	714,114
Issuance of non-flow-through units in private placement	4,545,455	1,960,959	1,039,041	-	-	-	-	3,000,000
Issuance of flow-through units in private placement	4,243,334	2,212,521	969,980	-	-	-	-	3,182,501
Issuance of charity flow-through units in private placement	2,898,550	3,337,422	662,577	-	-	-	-	3,999,999
Flow-through premium liability	-	(2,468,856)	-	236,882	-	-	-	(2,231,974)
Share issuance costs net of tax	-	(418,776)	(80,234)	(236,882)	-	-	-	(735,892)
Share-based payments	-	-	-	-	1,230,822	-	-	1,230,822
Reclassification from reserves to deficit upon the expiration of warrants	-	-	(40,972)	-	-	-	40,972	-
Net loss and comprehensive loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,580,141)	(1,580,141)
<b>Balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>90,672,321</b>	<b>37,091,185</b>	<b>3,249,849</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,644,607</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(5,762,158)</b>	<b>36,223,483</b>

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

Archer Exploration Corp. (the “Company”) was incorporated under the laws of the Province of British Columbia on October 26, 2018. The Company is focusing on the exploration of mineral claims located in Québec and Ontario, Canada. The Company’s registered and records office is located at Suite 401 - 353 Water Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 1B8. On February 11, 2021, the shares of the Company began trading on the Canadian Securities Exchange (the “Exchange”) under the symbol “RCHR”.

### **a) Going concern**

These unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 (the “financial statements”) have been prepared on a going concern basis, which assumes that the Company will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. There are material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the appropriate use of the going concern assumption as the Company is in the exploration and evaluation stage and has not generated any revenues. As at June 30, 2023, the Company has a deficit of \$5,762,158 (September 30, 2022 - \$4,222,989) and for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2023, the Company incurred net income of \$176,524 and a net loss of \$1,580,141, respectively (2022 - net loss of \$1,271,055 and \$2,585,099, respectively). The Company’s continuing operations as intended are dependent upon the ability to obtain the necessary financing to explore and commercialize its mineral claims and administer overhead expenses. Should the Company fail to commercialize its mineral claims, its ability to raise sufficient financing to maintain operations may be impaired and, accordingly, the Company may be unable to realize the carrying value of its net assets. These financial statements do not include any adjustments to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. Such adjustments could be material.

### **b) Share consolidation**

On November 8, 2022, the Company completed a consolidation of its common shares on a three to one basis. All share and per share amounts have been retrospectively adjusted to reflect the consolidation. Any references to common shares are on a post-consolidation basis. Numbers of warrants and stock options and their respective exercise prices have been retrospectively adjusted to reflect the effects of the consolidation.

### **c) Wallbridge assets acquisition**

On July 12, 2022, the Company entered into an asset purchase agreement with Wallbridge Mining Company Limited (“Wallbridge”) whereby the Company would acquire from Wallbridge a 100% interest in certain mineral properties located in Québec and Ontario (collectively the “Nickel Assets”) in exchange for 66,211,929 common shares of the Company (the “Transaction” or “Wallbridge assets acquisition”). The Company granted Wallbridge a 2% net smelter return (“NSR”) royalty on production from certain of the acquired assets.

As a condition precedent to the closing of the Transaction, the Company was required to complete an equity financing for gross proceeds of at least \$10,000,000. The equity financing closed on November 18, 2022 for gross proceeds of \$10,182,500 (Note 14).

## **2. BASIS OF PREPARATION**

### **a) Statement of compliance**

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorized for issue on August 23, 2023.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements including International Accounting Standard 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*. These financial statements do not include all disclosures required for annual audited financial statements. Accordingly, they should be read in conjunction with the notes to the Company’s audited financial statements for the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021 (the “Annual Financial Statements”).

## **2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)**

### **b) Basis of presentation**

These financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost basis, except for certain financial assets and liabilities, which are measured at fair value, as specified by IFRS, as well as information presented in the condensed interim consolidated statements of cash flows.

### **c) Functional and presentation currency**

The functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which an entity operates. The functional currency of the Company and its subsidiary is the Canadian dollar. The financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, except as otherwise noted. References to "USD" are to United States dollars.

### **d) Reclassification of comparative amounts**

Certain prior year amounts in these financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

### **e) Foreign currency translation**

Foreign currency transactions are translated into Canadian dollars at exchange rates prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At the end of each reporting period, the monetary assets and liabilities of the Company that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange at the date of the statement of financial position. Realized and unrealized exchange gains and losses are recognized in the statements of comprehensive loss. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

### **f) Basis of consolidation**

Control exists where the parent entity has power over the investee and is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and can affect those returns through its power over the investee. Subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date control commences until the date control ceases. Intercompany balances and transactions are eliminated upon consolidation.

These financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary, 1273600 B.C. Ltd.

## **3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

In the preparation of these financial statements, the Company used the same accounting policies as in Note 3 to the Annual Financial Statements, except for the following:

### **a) Exploration and Evaluation Assets**

Once the legal right to explore a property has been acquired, costs directly related to exploration and evaluation expenditures are recognized and capitalized, in addition to the acquisition costs. These direct expenditures include such costs as mineral concession taxes, option payments, diamond drilling, sonic drilling, wages and salaries, surveying, geological consulting and laboratory costs, field supplies, travel and administration. Costs not directly attributable to exploration and evaluation activities, including general administrative overhead costs, are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. The Company may occasionally enter into option or royalty arrangements, whereby the Company will transfer part of its mineral properties, as consideration, for an agreement by the transferee to meet certain exploration and evaluation expenditures which would have otherwise been undertaken by the Company. Any sales proceeds and costs related to the agreement will be recognized in profit or loss. The Company assesses exploration and evaluation assets for impairment when facts and circumstances suggest that the carrying amount of an asset may exceed its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Once the technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting a mineral resource has been determined, the property is considered to be a mine under development and is classified as 'mines under construction'. Exploration and evaluation assets are tested for impairment before the assets are transferred to mineral properties and mine development costs.

**3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**b) Property and equipment**

Property and equipment are stated at historical cost net of accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

The cost of an item of property and equipment includes the purchase price or construction cost, any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for its intended use, an initial estimate of the costs of dismantling and removing the item and restoring the site on which it is located, and for qualifying assets, the associated borrowing costs.

Costs incurred for major overhaul of existing equipment and sustaining capital are capitalized as property and equipment and are subject to depreciation once they are available for use. Major overhauls include improvement programs that increase the productivity or extend the useful life of an asset beyond that initially envisaged. The costs of routine maintenance and repairs that do not constitute improvement programs are accounted for as repairs and maintenance.

The carrying amounts of property and equipment are depreciated to their estimated residual value over the estimated useful lives of the specific assets concerned, or the estimated life of mine or lease, whichever is shorter. Depreciation starts on the date when commissioning is complete, and the asset is ready for its intended use. A summary of the Company's annual depreciation rates and methods is as follows:

<b>Class of property and equipment</b>	<b>Depreciation rate</b>	<b>Depreciation method</b>
Bridges	25 years	Straight-line
Computers	55%	Declining balance
Equipment	5 years	Straight-line

**c) Decommissioning and restoration provision**

The Company recognizes a provision for statutory, contractual, constructive, or legal obligations associated with decommissioning of mining operations and reclamation and rehabilitation costs arising when environmental disturbance is caused by the exploration or development of exploration and evaluation assets. Provisions for decommissioning and restoration are recognized in the period in which the obligation is incurred or acquired and are measured based on expected future cash flows to settle the obligation, discounted to their present value. The discount rate is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and risks specific to the liability.

When an obligation is initially recognized, the corresponding cost is capitalized to the carrying amount of the related asset. These costs are depreciated on a basis consistent with the depreciation, depletion, and amortization of the underlying assets.

**d) Flow-through shares**

Canadian income tax legislation permits companies to issue flow-through instruments whereby the income tax deductions generated by eligible expenditures of the Company, defined in the Income Tax Act (Canada) as qualified Canadian exploration expenses, are claimed by the investors rather than by the Company. Shares issued on a flow-through basis are typically sold at a premium above the market share price which relates to the tax benefits that will flow through to the investors. The Company often issues flow-through shares as part of its equity financing transactions to fund its Canadian exploration activities. The Company estimates the portion of the proceeds attributable to the premium as being the excess of the flow-through share price over the market share price of the common shares without the flow-through feature at the time of issuance. The premium is recorded as a liability which represents the Company's obligation to spend the flow-through funds on eligible expenditures and is amortized as other income through the statement of loss and comprehensive loss as the eligible expenditures are incurred.



#### **4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS**

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses. Management continually evaluates these judgments, estimates and assumptions based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates and judgments which may cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities. The Company's interim results are not necessarily indicative of its results for a full year. The critical judgements and estimates applied in the preparation of these financial statements are consistent with those applied and disclosed in Note 4 to the Annual Financial Statements, except for the following:

##### **a) Asset acquisition versus business combination**

With each acquisition, the Company has to determine whether it should be accounted for as a business combination or an asset acquisition. As dictated by IFRS 3, the components of a business must include inputs, processes and outputs. Management has assessed its acquisition with Wallbridge (note 5) and has concluded that it did not include all the necessary components of a business. As such, it has been recorded as an asset acquisition, being the purchase of mineral properties and/or working capital.

##### **b) Decommissioning and restoration provision**

Mining and exploration activities are subject to various laws and regulations governing the protection of the environment. In general, these laws and regulations are continually changing, and the Company has made, and intends to make in the future, expenditures to comply with such laws and regulations. Accounting for reclamation and remediation obligations requires management to make estimates of the future costs the Company will incur to complete the reclamation and remediation work required to comply with existing laws and regulations at each mining operation and exploration and development property. In addition, future changes to environmental laws and regulations may increase the extent of reclamation and remediation work required to be performed by the Company. Increases in future costs could materially impact the amounts charged to operations for decommissioning and restoration. The provision represents management's best estimate of the present value of the future decommissioning and restoration obligation.

Due to uncertainties concerning environmental remediation, the ultimate cost to the Company of future site restoration could differ from the amounts provided. The estimate of the total provision for future decommissioning and restoration costs are subject to change based on amendments to laws and regulations, changes in technology, price increases and changes in interest rates, and changes in mine life, and as new information concerning the Company's closure and reclamation obligations becomes available.

##### **c) Mineral Property Impairment Indicators**

In accordance with the Company's accounting policy for mineral properties, exploration and evaluation expenditures on mineral properties are capitalized. There is no certainty that the expenditures made by the Company in the exploration of its property interests will result in discoveries of commercial quantities of minerals. The Company applies judgment to determine whether indicators of impairment exist for these capitalized costs. Management uses several criteria in making this assessment, including the period for which the Company has the right to explore, expected renewals of exploration rights, whether substantive expenditures on further exploration and evaluation of mineral properties are budgeted, and evaluation of the results of exploration and evaluation activities up to the reporting date.

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**5. WALLBRIDGE ASSETS ACQUISITION**

On November 18, 2022, the Company completed its previously announced Transaction.

As consideration for the Nickel Assets, the Company issued to Wallbridge 66,211,929 common shares at approximately \$0.43 per share for an aggregate fair value of \$28,564,545. The Company granted to Wallbridge a 2% NSR royalty on production from the Grasset Project (Note 9).

In connection with the Transaction, the Company entered into a finders' fee agreement with two parties. As compensation for the introduction of the Company and Wallbridge, the Company issued to the finders 1,655,298 common shares at approximately \$0.43 per share for an aggregate fair value of \$714,114.

The Company incurred \$250,696 in legal fees prior to the closing of the Transaction and the amount is allocated as part of the consideration (the "Transaction costs").

The acquisition has been accounted for as an equity-settled share-based payment transaction within the scope of IFRS 2 *Share-based Payment*. The acquisition did not qualify as a business combination under IFRS 3 *Business Combinations*, as the significant inputs, processes, and outputs that together constitute a business did not exist in the Company or the Nickels Assets at the time of acquisition. Accordingly, no goodwill was recorded with respect to the acquisition.

A summary of the Company's consideration paid and the net assets acquired from Wallbridge as at the November 18, 2022 acquisition date is as follows:

	\$
<b>Purchase price:</b>	
Fair value of common shares issued to Wallbridge	28,564,545
Fair value of finders' shares	714,114
Transaction costs	250,696
	<b>29,529,355</b>
<b>Net assets acquired:</b>	
Cash	2,652,997
Account receivable with Magna (Note 6)	612,230
Exploration and evaluation assets (Note 9)	28,538,141
Property and equipment (Note 10)	87,138
Decommissioning and restoration provision (Note 13)	(2,361,151)
	<b>29,529,355</b>

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**6. RECEIVABLES**

A summary of the Company's receivables is as follows:

	<b>June 30, 2023</b>	September 30, 2022
	\$	\$
Account receivable with Magna	<b>612,230</b>	-
GST/HST/QST recoverable	<b>582,038</b>	95,943
	<b>1,194,268</b>	95,943

Prior to closing the Transaction, the Nickel Assets included a 20.4% share ownership of Lonmin Canada Inc. ("Loncan"), which was sold to Magna Mining Inc. ("Magna"). As a result of the sale, the Nickel Assets recognized a \$612,230 account receivable with Magna, which was transferred to the Company upon closing of the Transaction (Note 5). The account receivable is to be settled with Magna shares or cash on or before November 18, 2023.

**7. PREPAID EXPENSES**

A summary of the Company's prepaid expenses is as follows:

	<b>June 30, 2023</b>	September 30, 2022
	\$	\$
Insurance	<b>23,413</b>	2,218
Vendor prepayments	<b>434,597</b>	4,432
	<b>458,010</b>	6,650

On September 7, 2021, the Company signed a non-binding letter of intent to acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of a third-party company for an aggregate 2,524,772 common shares of the Company. Pursuant to the letter of intent, the Company paid a non-refundable deposit in relation to maintaining property licences of \$761,334 (USD \$600,000) relating to an exploration and evaluation asset. On July 13, 2022, the Company announced they had terminated the letter of intent and funds previously advanced would be forgiven.

**8. OTHER ASSETS**

A summary of the Company's other assets is as follows:

	<b>June 30, 2023</b>	September 30, 2022
	\$	\$
Investments	<b>57,500</b>	-
	<b>57,500</b>	-

This amount represents guaranteed investment certificates held with the bank as collateral for the Company's credit cards issued to key personnel. The GIC bears interest at a rate of Prime less 2.9%

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**9. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS**

A summary of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets is as follows:

	<b>Caster Property</b>	<b>Grasset</b>	<b>Parkin</b>	<b>Sudbury W</b>	<b>Wahnapitae</b>	<b>Wisner</b>	<b>NW Ontario</b>	<b>Ontario Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Balance at September 30, 2021</b>	\$ 37,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,500
Exploration and evaluation costs	109,990	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	109,990
Impairment	(147,490)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(147,490)
	(37,500)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(37,500)
<b>Balance at September 30, 2022</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Acquisition and Maintenance Costs</b>									
Acquisition and Maintenance Costs	-	27,367,462	973,858	292,412	233,929	116,965	58,482	10,000	29,053,108
<b>Exploration costs</b>									
Assay and Analysis	-	35,142	-	-	-	-	-	6,643	41,785
Camp Costs	-	565,863	-	-	-	-	-	42,678	608,541
Communications	-	31,697	-	-	-	-	-	125	31,822
Drilling	-	2,308,700	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,308,700
Filed and Equipment	-	46,575	5,063	-	-	-	-	2,105	53,743
Fuel	-	62,403	-	-	-	-	-	-	62,403
Geological Consulting	-	236,917	10,646	-	-	-	-	69,690	317,253
Geophysics	-	318,661	62,216	-	-	-	-	18,405	399,282
Ground Logistics	-	84,017	-	-	-	-	-	-	84,017
Helicopter	-	268,280	-	-	-	-	-	-	268,280
Permitting and Environment	-	3,095	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,095
Property Maintenance	-	42,850	19,007	-	-	-	-	37,220	99,077
Salaries and Wages	-	396,783	15,499	-	-	-	-	6,969	419,251
Travel and Transportation	-	25,976	281	-	-	-	-	-	26,257
	-	4,426,959	112,712	-	-	-	-	183,835	4,723,506
<b>Balance at June 30, 2023</b>	-	<b>31,794,421</b>	<b>1,086,570</b>	<b>292,412</b>	<b>233,929</b>	<b>116,965</b>	<b>58,482</b>	<b>193,835</b>	<b>33,776,614</b>

## **9. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (continued)**

The Company's primary mineral property is the Grasset Project in Quebec. The Company also holds a portfolio of 41 mineral properties in Ontario, of which 38 are situated in the Sudbury mining district.

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

The Company is required to make a \$32,000 per year advance royalty payment in order to maintain certain property agreements in good standing, as outlined below. The Company is also required to make statutory license and property tax expenditures each year to maintain its properties in good standing.

### Grasset Project, Québec

The Grasset Project is a resource-exploration stage Ni-Cu-Co-PGM project located in the James Bay territory in Nord-du-Québec administrative region of the province of Québec, Canada, approximately 77 kilometres west-northwest of the city of Matagami and 170 kilometres north of the town of Amos. The Grasset Project consists of 153 claims blocks and an aggregate area of 81.81 km<sup>2</sup> located in the Archean Abitibi Subprovince of the southern Superior Province in the Canadian Shield. The Company owns a 100% interest in the Grasset Project, subject to a 2% underlying royalty.

### Parkin Project - Sudbury, Ontario

The Parkin Project is comprised of an interest in 4 properties including 60 unpatented mining claims. In addition, the Company holds an interest in 12 mining leases and 5 patented claims. The Parkin Project has a total land area of 25.3 km<sup>2</sup>.

On November 18, 2022, the Company and Wallbridge entered into an Assignment and Assumption Agreement whereby the Company agreed to acquire the rights, title, and interest in several joint venture agreements, including a joint venture and option agreement between Wallbridge and Impala Platinum Holdings Limited ("Impala") dated December 31, 2014, as amended (the "Impala Option Agreement"). Pursuant to the terms of the Impala Option Agreement, the Company has the right to acquire Impala's remaining 49.6% interest in the Parkin Project by making a cash payment of \$1 million to Impala by June 30, 2023. The Company may exercise this option at its discretion.

During the period ended June 30, 2023 the terms of the Impala Option Agreement were extended whereby the Company may acquire Impala's remaining 49.6% interest in the Parkin Project offset joint venture by making i) an initial cash payment of \$500,000 by June 30, 2023, and ii) a deferred cash payment of \$500,000 by December 31, 2023. The Company has made the initial cash payment and intends to exercise the option by making the deferred cash payment by December 31, 2023.

The Company is required to make a \$12,000 per year advance royalty payment in order to maintain certain property agreements in good standing.

### Sudbury West – Sudbury, Ontario

The Sudbury West project is comprised of an interest in 18 properties including 532 unpatented mining claims. In addition, the Company holds an interest in 4 mining leases, 2 patented claims and 1 exploratory licence of occupation. The Sudbury West project covers a total area of 218 km<sup>2</sup>.

The Company is required to make a \$20,000 per year advance royalty payment in order to maintain certain property agreements in good standing.

### Wahnapitae – Sudbury, Ontario

The Wahnapitae project is comprised of an interest in 5 properties including 51 unpatented mining claims. In addition, the Company holds an interest in 1 mining lease, 5 patented claims and 3 mining licences of occupation. The Wahnapitae project has a total land area of land area of 22 km<sup>2</sup>.

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**9. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (continued)**

Wisner – Sudbury, Ontario

The Wisner project is comprised of an interest in 5 properties including 46 unpatented mining claims. In addition, the Company holds an interest in 2 mining lease, and 1 patented claim. The Wisner project has a total land area of land area of 11 km<sup>2</sup>.

Distributed throughout all the Wisner properties are irregular bodies of Sudbury Breccia, which is the main host rock for footwall-style copper, nickel and platinum group metal mineralization.

Northwestern Ontario

The Northwestern Ontario project is comprised of an interest in 3 properties including 747 unpatented mining claims. The Northwestern Ontario project has a total land area of land area of 158 km<sup>2</sup>.

Caster Property

On August 1, 2020, the Company entered into an option agreement with Geomap Exploration Inc. whereby the Company was granted an exclusive option to acquire a 100% interest in the “Caster Property” located in Lac Paul, Québec.

On May 31, 2022, the Company decided to discontinue further exploration of the Caster Property and as a result, fully impaired its investment.

**10. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

A summary of the Company’s property and equipment is as follows:

	<b>Bridges</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Computers</b>	<b>Total</b>
	\$	\$		\$
<b>Cost</b>				
Balance, September 30, 2022 and 2021	-	-	-	-
Acquired through the Transaction (Note 5)	49,266	37,872	-	87,138
Additions	-	-	11,743	11,743
<b>Balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>49,266</b>	<b>37,872</b>	<b>11,743</b>	<b>98,881</b>
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>				
Balance, September 30, 2022 and 2021	-	-	-	-
Additions	1,209	4,648	863	6,720
<b>Balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>1,209</b>	<b>4,648</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>6,720</b>
<b>Carrying amount</b>				
Balance, September 30, 2022 and 2021	-	-	-	-
<b>Balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>48,057</b>	<b>33,224</b>	<b>10,880</b>	<b>92,161</b>

During the nine months ended June 30, 2023, depreciation of \$5,857 was capitalized to exploration and evaluation assets (2022 - \$nil).

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**11. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES**

A summary of the Company's trade and other payables is as follows:

	June 30, 2023	September 30, 2022
	\$	\$
Trade payables	1,126,668	238,315
Accrued liabilities	209,336	-
	<b>1,336,004</b>	<b>238,315</b>

All trade payables and accrued liabilities are due within the next 12 months.

**12. FLOW-THROUGH PREMIUM LIABILITY**

Flow-through shares are issued at a premium, calculated as the difference between the price of a flow-through share and the price of a common share at that date. The tax deductions generated by the eligible expenditures are passed through to the shareholders of the flow-through shares once the eligible expenditures are incurred and renounced.

On November 18, 2022, the Company issued 4,545,455 non-flow-through units ("NFT Units") at a price of \$0.66 per NFT Unit, 4,243,334 flow-through units ("FT Units") at a price of \$0.75 per FT Unit, and 2,898,550 charity flow-through units ("Charity FT Units") at a price of \$1.38 per Charity FT Unit for gross proceeds of \$10,182,500 (Note 14(b)).

A summary of the Company's flow-through financing and related flow-through premium liability is as follows:

	Number of units	Unit price	Flow-through premium per unit	Flow-through premium liability
	#	\$	\$	\$
FT Units	4,243,334	0.75	0.09	381,900
Charity FT Units	2,898,550	1.38	0.72	2,086,956
	<b>7,141,884</b>			<b>2,468,856</b>

A summary of the Company's flow-through premium liability and remaining eligible expenditure obligation movement is as follows:

	Remaining eligible expenditure obligation	Flow-through premium liability
	\$	\$
Balance, September 30, 2022 and 2021	-	-
Flow-through units issued	7,182,500	2,468,856
Eligible expenditures incurred	(4,613,912)	(1,585,950)
Share issuance cost - FT shares	-	(236,882)
<b>Balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>2,568,588</b>	<b>646,024</b>

Funds raised through the issuance of FT Units and Charity FT Units are required to be expensed on qualifying Canadian mineral exploration expenditures, as defined pursuant to Canadian income tax legislation on or before December 31, 2023.

To the extent that the Company has deferred tax assets that were not recognized in previous periods, a deferred tax recovery is recorded as an offsetting recovery in profit or loss.

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**13. DECOMMISSIONING AND RESTORATION PROVISION**

A summary of the Company's discounted liabilities for decommissioning and restoration provisions is as follows:

	\$
Balance, September 30, 2022 and 2021	-
Decommissioning and restoration provision acquired in the Transaction (Note 5)	2,361,151
Change in decommissioning and restoration provision	116,588
Expenditures on Broken Hammer Project	(248,769)
<b>Balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>2,228,970</b>
Current portion	492,326
Non-current portion	1,736,644

As part of the acquisition of the Nickel Assets, the Company acquired the liability associated with the Broken Hammer Project closure activities. The Broken Hammer Project has been in a state of inactivity since 2015 and closure plan activities have been ongoing.

The undiscounted amount of estimated cash flows required to settle the decommissioning and restoration costs of the Broken Hammer Project at the end of the project's life was estimated to be \$2,449,775 as at June 30, 2023. The key assumptions on which the provision estimates were based as at June 30, 2023 are as follows:

- Expected timing of the cash flows is based on the estimated useful life of the mines forming part of the Broken Hammer Project. The majority of the expenditures are expected to occur between 2023 and 2034, which is based on the currently anticipated closure dates of the project; and
- The discount rate used is 3.28%.

**14. SHARE CAPITAL**

**a) Authorized share capital**

The authorized share capital of the Company consists of an unlimited number of common shares without par value.

**b) Issued share capital**

During the nine months ended June 30, 2023, the Company had the following share transactions:

- On October 7, 2022, the Company issued 6,666 common shares pursuant to the exercise of 6,666 stock options with an exercise price of \$0.30. The Company received gross proceeds of \$2,000 and reclassified \$1,000 from the Company's contributed surplus to share capital.
- On November 18, 2022, in connection with the Transaction, the Company closed a private placement of 4,545,455 non-flow-through units ("NFT Units") at a price of \$0.66 per NFT Unit, 4,243,334 flow-through units ("FT Units") at a price of \$0.75 per FT Unit and 2,898,550 charity flow-through units ("Charity FT Units") at a price of \$1.38 per Charity FT Unit, for gross proceeds of \$10,182,500. Each NFT Unit consists of one common share and one common share purchase warrant. Each FT Unit and Charity FT Unit consists of one flow-through share and one common share purchase warrant. Each common share purchase warrant entitles the holder thereof to acquire one additional common share of the Company at a price of \$1.02 until November 18, 2024, the date which is twenty-four months following the closing date of the Transaction. The Company halted trading of its shares on July 13, 2022 and did not resume trading until November 29, 2022. As a result, the shares of the Company were not being traded in an active market at the time of the acquisition. In connection with the Transaction, the Company completed a private placement where NFT Units were issued at a price of \$0.66. Each unit contains a common share and one common share purchase warrant. As the unit price of \$0.66 presents both a single common share and a single warrant, a valuation technique was applied to estimate the fair value to be \$0.43 and \$0.23 respectively. As a result, \$7,510,901 was allocated to share capital and \$2,671,599 was allocated to warrants reserve. A summary of the Company's assumptions used in the valuation technique were as follows:



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**14. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)**

Share price	\$0.43
Expected life	2 years
Expected volatility	136.40%
Risk-free rate	3.97%
Dividend yield	0.00%

In connection with the private placement, the Company paid cash finders' fees of \$799,479 and issued 385,031 finders' warrants with a fair value of \$176,100. Each finders' warrant will be exercisable into one common share of the Company at an exercise price of \$0.66 per warrant until May 18, 2024, the date which is eighteen months after the closing date of the Transaction. Total fair value of the finders warrants issued was \$176,100 and was recorded as share issuance costs to warrants reserve. A summary of the Company's assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option pricing model for finders' warrants issued on November 18, 2022 is as follows:

Share price	\$0.43
Expected life	1.5 years
Expected volatility	136.40%
Risk-free rate	3.97%
Dividend yield	0.00%

On November 18, 2022, pursuant to the closing of the Transaction, the Company issued 66,211,929 common shares of the Company to Wallbridge at a fair value of \$0.43 per share, for an aggregate value of \$28,564,545 (Note 5). In connection with the Transaction, the Company issued 1,655,298 common shares to finders at \$0.43 per share for an aggregate value of \$714,114 (Note 5).

During the year ended September 30, 2022, the Company had the following share transactions:

- On October 1, 2021, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement for gross proceeds of \$1,499,999 from the issuance of 2,000,000 units (the "Units") at a price of \$0.75 per Unit (the "Private Placement"). Each Unit consists of one common share and one-half warrant. A whole warrant may be exercised for one common share at price of \$1.50 for a period of twenty-four months from the closing date of the Private Placement. Gross proceeds were allocated between share capital and warrants reserve using the relative fair value method. As a result, \$1,230,494 was allocated to share capital and \$269,505 was allocated to warrants reserve.
- On January 26, 2022, the Company issued 1,667 common shares for gross proceeds of \$500 on the exercise of stock options. As a result, \$301 was reallocated from contributed surplus to share capital.
- During the year ended September 30, 2022, the Company issued a total of 2,600,000 common shares for gross proceeds of \$780,000 on the exercise of warrants.

**c) Warrants**

A summary of the Company's warrant activity is as follows:

	Number of warrants #	Weighted average exercise price \$
Balance, September 30, 2021	4,031,663	0.62
Issued	999,987	1.50
Exercised	(2,600,000)	0.30
Balance, September 30, 2022	2,431,650	1.33
Issued	12,072,370	1.00
Expired	(400,000)	0.10
<b>Balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>14,104,020</b>	<b>1.08</b>

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**14. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)**

A summary of the Company's warrants outstanding as at June 30, 2023 is as follows:

Expiry date	Weighted average exercise price	Number of warrants	Weighted average remaining life
	\$	#	years
July 20, 2023	1.50	1,031,663	0.05
October 1, 2023	1.50	999,987	0.25
May 18, 2024	0.66	385,031	0.88
November 18, 2024	1.02	11,687,339	1.39
	<b>1.08</b>	<b>14,104,020</b>	<b>1.20</b>

**d) Stock options**

On October 12, 2022, the Company's shareholders passed an ordinary resolution approving an omnibus equity incentive compensation plan (the "Omnibus Plan") with an effective date of October 13, 2022 (the "Effective Plan Date"). The Omnibus Plan consists of (i) a "rolling" plan pursuant to which the number of common shares that are issuable pursuant to the exercise of stock options granted under the Omnibus Plan shall not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company as at the date of any stock option grant; and (ii) a "fixed" plan under which the number of common shares that are issuable pursuant to all equity awards other than stock options granted under the Omnibus Plan, in aggregate is a maximum of 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company as on the Effective Plan Date.

The exercise price of each stock option is determined by the Board of Directors at the time of grant and cannot be less than the price permitted by the Exchange. Currently, the Exchange requires that the exercise price of stock options must be equal to or greater than the discounted market price (as defined in the policies of the Exchange). The exercise price of stock options is solely payable in cash. The Board of Directors has the discretion to determine the term and vesting provisions of any stock options granted under the Plan at the time of grant subject to the policies of the Exchange.

A summary of the Company's stock option activity is as follows:

	Number of stock options	Weighted average exercise price
	#	\$
Balance, September 30, 2021	348,438	0.36
Granted	500,000	1.53
Cancelled	(160,059)	0.36
Exercised	(1,667)	0.30
Balance, September 30, 2022	686,712	1.21
Granted	2,880,000	0.52
Cancelled	(96,705)	0.36
Exercised	(6,666)	0.30
<b>Balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>3,463,341</b>	<b>0.66</b>

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**14. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)**

A summary of the Company's stock options outstanding as at June 30, 2023, is as follows:

Expiry date	Weighted average exercise price	Number of outstanding stock options	Number of exercisable stock options	Weighted average remaining life
	\$	#	#	years
December 6, 2023	0.36	33,346	33,346	0.44
June 8, 2026	0.36	49,998	29,997	2.94
October 20, 2026	1.53	499,997	199,997	3.31
December 13, 2027	0.55	2,325,000	775,000	4.46
March 17, 2028	0.55	225,000	75,000	4.72
March 22, 2028	0.38	100,000	33,333	4.73
June 1, 2028	0.16	230,000	76,666	4.93
	<b>0.66</b>	<b>3,463,341</b>	<b>1,223,339</b>	<b>4.29</b>

On December 13, 2022, the Company granted 2,325,000 stock options to certain directors, officers, employees, and consultants. The stock options are exercisable until December 13, 2027 at an exercise price of \$0.55 per stock option, and vest in three equal annual installments commencing on the date of the grant. A summary of the Company's assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option pricing model for stock options granted on December 13, 2022 is as follows:

Share price	\$0.42
Expected life	5 years
Expected volatility	136.40%
Risk-free rate	3.00%
Dividend yield	0.00%

On March 17, 2023, the Company granted 225,000 stock options to certain directors, officers, employees, and consultants. The stock options are exercisable until March 17, 2028 at an exercise price of \$0.55 per stock option, and vest in three equal annual installments commencing on the date of the grant. A summary of the Company's assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option pricing model for stock options granted on March 17, 2023 is as follows:

Share price	\$0.33
Expected life	5 years
Expected volatility	136.40%
Risk-free rate	2.89%
Dividend yield	0.00%

On March 22, 2023, the Company granted 100,000 stock options to certain officers. The stock options are exercisable until March 22, 2028 at an exercise price of \$0.38 per stock option, and vest in three equal annual installments commencing on the date of the grant. A summary of the Company's assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option pricing model for stock options granted on March 22, 2023 is as follows:

Share price	\$0.22
Expected life	5 years
Expected volatility	136.40%
Risk-free rate	2.77%
Dividend yield	0.00%

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**14. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)**

On June 1, 2023, the Company granted 230,000 stock options to certain officers and consultants. The stock options are exercisable until June 1, 2028 at an exercise price of \$0.16 per stock option, and vest in three equal annual installments commencing on the date of the grant. A summary of the Company's assumption used in the Black-Scholes option pricing model for stock options granted on June 1, 2023 is as follows:

Share price	\$0.15
Expected life	5 years
Expected volatility	136.40%
Risk-free rate	3.41%
Dividend yield	0.00%

During the three and nine months ended June 30, 2023, the Company recorded \$149,095 and \$618,438, respectively (2022 - \$69,045 and \$325,360, respectively), of share-based payments expense related to the vesting of stock options net of cancellations.

During the nine months ended June 30, 2023, the weighted average share price on the date of exercise was \$0.71 per share (2022 - \$1.26 per share).

**e) Restricted share units**

On December 13, 2022, the Company granted 350,000 restricted share units ("RSUs") to certain officers, employees, and consultants of the Company. The fair value of RSUs is based on the closing price of the Company's common shares on the Exchange on the date immediately preceding the grant date. The RSUs will vest in equal one third annual installments commencing on December 13, 2023 and ending on December 13, 2025.

When the Company issues RSUs, it records a share-based payments expense in the year or period, which the RSUs are granted and/or vested.

A summary of the Company's RSU activity is as follows:

	Number of RSUs	Weighted average issue price
	#	\$
Non-vested balance, September 30, 2022 and 2021	-	-
Granted	350,000	0.50
<b>Non-vested balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>350,000</b>	<b>0.50</b>

A summary of the Company's non-vested RSUs at June 30, 2023, is as follows:

Vesting date	Number of RSUs	Weighted average issue price
	#	\$
December 13, 2025 <sup>(1)</sup>	350,000	0.50
	<b>350,000</b>	<b>0.50</b>

(1) The RSUs vest rateably over a period of three years with the first tranche vesting on December 13, 2023, the second tranche vesting on December 13, 2024, and the final tranche vesting on December 13, 2025. The vesting date listed above represents the end of the three-year term.

During the three and nine months ended June 30, 2023, the Company incurred share-based payments of \$26,736 and \$62,384, respectively, in connection with RSUs vested (2022 - \$nil and \$nil, respectively).

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**14. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)**

**f) Deferred share units**

On December 13, 2022, the Company granted 1,100,000 deferred share units (“DSUs”) to certain directors of the Company. The fair value of the DSUs is the closing price of the Company’s common shares on the Exchange on the date immediately preceding the grant date. The DSUs shall vest when the recipient director ceases to be a director of the Company provided that no DSUs will vest within twelve months of the grant date and are otherwise subject to the Omnibus Plan.

A summary of the Company’s DSU activity is as follows:

	Number of DSUs	Weighted average issue price
	#	\$
Non-vested balance, September 30, 2022 and 2021	-	-
Granted	1,100,000	0.50
<b>Non-vested balance, June 30, 2023</b>	<b>1,100,000</b>	<b>0.50</b>

During the three and nine months ended June 30, 2023, the Company incurred share-based payments of \$nil and \$550,000, respectively, in connection with the grant of DSUs (2022 - \$nil and \$nil, respectively).

**15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Related party personnel are those who have the authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling activities of the Company directly or indirectly. Related parties include the Board of Directors, officers, close family members and entities that are controlled by these individuals.

**a) The Company had the following transactions with related party entities:**

	PERIOD ENDED	
	JUNE 30,	
	2023	2022
Wallbridge Mining Company	\$ 692,307	\$ -
Inventa Capital Corp.	137,077	124,022
	<u>\$ 829,384</u>	<u>\$ 124,022</u>

- i) Effective November 18, 2022, the Company entered into a sub-lease agreement with Wallbridge for a portion of their premises relating to the nickel assets acquired and a secondment agreement to provide the Company with Wallbridge personnel for work on the nickel assets on an as needed basis. Wallbridge also charges Archer for the use of Wallbridge accommodations at their Detour-Fenelon Gold Trend site facilities in the Northern Abitibi region of Quebec. At June 30, 2023, the Company had a payable to Wallbridge of \$34,612 (September 30, 2022 - \$nil). Wallbridge and Archer are also parties to an Investor Rights Agreement and Exploration Agreement.
- ii) Effective July 1, 2021 the Company entered into a management services agreement with Inventa Capital Corporation (“Inventa”), a company controlled by Michael Konnert, a director of the Company, for office rent and administrative functions. The Company has provided 180 days notice under the terms of the contract with an effective termination date of October 22, 2023.

These transactions were in the normal course of operations and measured at fair value.

**15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)**

**b) Key management personnel**

The Company's key management personnel are its directors and officers.

A summary of the Company's key management personnel remuneration is as follows:

	PERIOD ENDED	
	JUNE 30,	
	2023	2022
Management and consulting fees <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 612,958	\$ 104,797
Share-based payments <sup>(2)</sup>	670,816	59,078
	<u>\$ 1,283,774</u>	<u>\$ 163,875</u>

(1) Included in management and consulting fees was \$138,333 (September 30, 2022 - \$Nil) capitalized as exploration and evaluation assets.

(2) Share-based compensation expense is the fair value of options, RSUs, DSUs, granted which have been calculated as disclosed in Note 14.

As at June 30, 2023, accounts payable and accrued liabilities included \$37,442 (September 30, 2022 - \$30,257) payable to directors, officers and companies controlled or related to directors and/or officers. Amounts payable to related parties have no specific terms of repayment, are unsecured and do not bear interest.

In connection with the Transaction, the Company issued 827,649 common shares as finders' fees to Christian Karl-Simard, a director of the Company.

**16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

**a) Fair value**

As at June 30, 2023, the financial instruments such as cash, investments, accounts receivable with Magna and trade and other payables are classified and measured at amortized cost. The carrying value of cash, investments, accounts receivable with Magna, and trade and other payables approximate the fair value due to the relatively short-term nature of these instruments.

The Company is exposed in varying degrees to a variety of financial instrument related risks. The type of risk exposure and the way in which such exposure is managed is provided as follows:

**b) Credit risk**

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the Company by failing to discharge an obligation. Credit risk for the Company is associated with its cash and accounts receivable with Magna. The Company has minimal exposure of credit risk on its cash as the Company's cash is held with major Canadian financial institutions. The maximum exposure of the Company's accounts receivable with Magna is \$612,230. However, credit risk is not considered significant as the Company has entered into a contract to receive cash or a variable number of common shares of Magna equivalent to \$612,230 at the settlement date.

**16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**

**c) Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial assets. At June 30, 2023, the Company had cash and taxes receivable balances of \$5,437,966 (September 30, 2022 - \$309,174) to settle current liabilities of \$2,474,354 (September 30, 2022 - \$238,315). The Company also has a remaining flow-through commitment to spend \$2,568,588 on Canadian Exploration Expenditures by December 31, 2023 which will be fulfilled using existing cash. Liquidity risk for the Company is associated with its trade and other payables. There is no assurance that the necessary financing will be available in a timely manner or on terms acceptable to the Company.

**d) Market risk**

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

The Company is not exposed to significant interest rate risk on the basis that it does not hold any financial liabilities subject to variable interest rates.

Foreign currency risk is the risk that the value of the Company's financial instruments denominated in foreign currencies will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The Company does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to foreign currency risk.

The Company is mainly exposed to foreign currency risk on financial instruments (consisting of cash and trade and other payables) denominated in USD. As at June 30, 2023, the Company does not carry significant cash and trade and other payables balances denominated in USD.

**17. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**

The Company's capital structure consists of all components of shareholders' equity. The Company's objective when managing capital is to maintain adequate levels of funding to continue as a going concern and support its exploration of mineral claims. The Company obtains funding primarily through issuing common stock. Future financings are dependent on market conditions and there can be no assurance the Company will be able to raise funds in the future.

There were no changes to the Company's approach to capital management during the nine months ended June 30, 2023. The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

**18. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent to June 30, 2023 the following events occurred:

- 1,031,663 warrants expired unexercised.
- The Company issued 25,000 stock options at an exercise price of \$0.14 with a term of 5 years.
- The Company received notice of the completion of the lease transfer as part of the Broken Hammer Project closure activities.