

(the "Company")

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

(Unaudited – Prepared by Management)

# NOTICE OF NO AUDITOR REVIEW OF INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Under National Instrument 51-102, Part 4, subsection 4.3(3) (a), if an auditor has not performed a review of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements, they must be accompanied by a notice indicating that the financial statements have not been reviewed by an auditor.

The accompanying unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the Company's management.

The Company's independent auditor has not performed a review of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with standards established by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada for a review of interim financial statements by an entity's auditor.

# **Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position**

 $(Unaudited-Prepared\ by\ Management)$ 

(Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	December 31, 2023	June 30, 2023
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 21,618,934	\$ 6,095,443
Receivables (Note 7)	25,116	21,557
Prepaid expenses Marketable securities	129,798	97,121
Marketable securities	28,379 21,802,227	54,961 6,269,082
Exploration and evaluation assets (Note 4)	139,570,834	94,789,908
Right of use asset	214,240	4,926
Total Assets	\$ 161,587,301	\$ 101,063,916
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 311,497	\$ 57,695
Due to related parties (Note 6)	23,248	5,348
	334,745	63,043
Non-Current Liabilities	422 192	125 5 ( 1
Decommissioning liability Deferred tax liability	423,183 322,000	435,564 322,000
Described tax hability	1,079,928	820,607
Shareholders' Equity		
Share capital (Note 5)	123,918,701	103,936,328
Reserves (Note 5)	4,282,403	3,773,333
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	1,407,801	(134,975)
Deficit	(12,085,214)	(7,331,377)
Equity attributable to shareholders	117,523,691	100,243,309
Non-controlling interest (Note 4)	42,983,682	-
	160,507,373	100,243,309
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$ 161,587,301	\$ 101,063,916

Nature and continuance of operations (Note 1)

Approved by the Board of Directors:	
"John Black"	"Mark Wayne"
Director	Director

# Aldebaran Resources Inc. Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Unaudited – Prepared by Management) (Expressed in Canadian dollars)

		e months ended mber 31, 2023		entee months ended ecember 31, 2022	De	Six months ended ecember 31, 2023	De	Six months ended ecember 31, 2022
EXPENSES								
Accounting and audit	\$	86,464	\$	65,780	\$	110,526	\$	95,877
Accretion and amortization		7,970		1,254		9,146		2,532
Consulting		14,273		15,254		33,280		30,359
Insurance		15,727		17,257		30,266		31,963
Interest and bank charges		7,938		8,203		15,074		15,453
Investor relations		89,142		42,568		244,734		100,772
Legal		5,344		537		16,991		1,435
Management fees (Note 6)		95,029		95,062		189,377		188,134
Office and administration (Note 6)		106,314		63,137		229,275		124,243
Share-based compensation (Notes 5, 6)		209,767		384,130		509,070		408,806
Transfer agent and filing fees		17,036		14,041		28,364		24,836
Travel		6,081		6,192		7,509		6,737
Wages and benefits		14,940		20,765		28,181		30,223
	(	676,025)		(734,180)		(1,451,793)		(1,061,370)
OTHER ITEMS								
(Loss) gain on foreign exchange	(	239,798)		384,274		(148,067)		208,304
(Loss) gain on disposal of marketable securities		(14,811)		103,426		(16,227)		96,293
Interest income		294,328		91,921		372,819		138,704
Write-down of VAT receivable (Note 7)	(	701,356)		(2,265)		(6,013,709)		(5,997)
Loss for the period	\$ (1,	337,662)	\$	(156,824)	\$	(7,256,977)	\$	(624,066)
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit and loss:								
Translation adjustment		133,242		1,945,968		1,542,776		3,181,769
Comprehensive income (loss) for the period	\$ (1,	204,420)	\$	1,789,144	\$	(5,714,201)	\$	2,557,703
Net loss and comprehensive loss attributed to: Shareholders of the Company		010,128)	\$	(156,824)		(4,753,837)	\$	(624,066)
Non-controlling interest		327,534) 337,662)	\$	(156,824)		(2,503,140) (7,256,977)	\$	(624,066)
Basic and diluted loss per common share	\$	(0.01)	-	(0.00)	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.00)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding – basic and diluted	169	0,819,120	1	38,589,660	1	59,610,447	1	34,185,181

# Aldebaran Resources Inc. Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity (Unaudited – Prepared by Management) (Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Number of Shares	Share Capital	Reserves	(	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss (Translation Adjustment)	Non- controlling interest	Deficit	Total
Balance, June 30, 2022	119,850,790	\$ 82,610,667	\$ 2,451,020	\$	(1,575,132)	\$ -	\$ (4,959,291)	\$ 78,527,264
Shares issued for cash	18,500,000	14,430,000	-		_	-	-	14,430,000
Share issuance costs	-	(66,522)	-		-	-	-	(66,522)
Exercise of options	125,000	109,477	(41,977)		-	-	-	67,500
Exercise of warrants	225,000	157,500	-		-	-	-	157,500
Exercise of broker's warrants	3,000	2,100	-		-	-	-	2,100
Fair value of broker's warrants	-	521	(521)		-	-	-	-
Share-based compensation	-	-	408,806		-	-	-	408,806
Foreign exchange adjustment	-	-	-		3,181,769	-	-	3,181,769
Loss for the period	-	-	-		-	-	(624,066)	(624,066)
Balance, December 31, 2022	138,703,790	\$ 97,243,743	\$ 2,817,328	\$	1,606,637	\$ -	\$ (5,583,357)	\$ 96,084,351
Balance, June 30, 2023	148,228,364	\$ 103,936,328	\$ 3,773,333	\$	(134,975)	\$ -	\$ (7,331,377)	\$ 100,243,309
Shares issued for cash	21,590,756	20,108,604	_		_	_	-	20,108,604
Share issuance costs	-	(126,231)	-		-	-	-	(126,231)
Share-based compensation	-	-	509,070		-	-	-	509,070
Foreign exchange adjustment	-	-	-		1,542,776	-	-	1,542,776
Non-controlling interest	-	-	-		-	45,486,822	-	45,486,822
Loss for the period		-	-		-	(2,503,140)	(4,753,837)	(7,256,977)
Balance, December 31, 2023	169,819,120	\$ 123,918,701	\$ 4,282,403	\$	1,407,801	\$ 42,983,682	\$ (12,085,214)	\$ 160,507,373

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

# Aldebaran Resources Inc. Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited – Prepared by Management) (Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	ember 31, 2023	Six months ended December 31, 2022		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities				
Loss for the period	\$ (7,256,977)	\$	(624,066)	
Items not affecting cash:				
Accretion and amortization	9,146		2,532	
Share-based compensation	509,070		408,806	
Foreign exchange on marketable securities	(204,436)		(111,505)	
Gain (loss) on disposal of marketable securities	16,227		(96,293)	
Write-down of VAT receivable	6,013,709		5,997	
Changes in non-cash working capital items:				
Receivables	(53,835)		(12,154)	
Prepaid expenses	12,467		(46,861)	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(105,173)		(147,039)	
Due to related parties	 17,900		(32,816)	
Net cash used in operating activities	 (1,041,902)		(653,399)	
Cash Flows from Financing Activities				
Proceeds from issuance of shares	20,108,604		14,430,000	
Proceeds from exercise of options	, ,		67,500	
Proceeds from exercise of warrants	-		159,600	
Share issuance costs	 (126,231)		(66,522)	
Net cash provided by financing activities	 19,982,373		14,590,578	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities				
Exploration and evaluation asset expenditures, net of recoveries	(4,086,590)		(7,574,659)	
Purchase of equipment	(218,241)		-	
Option payment received	480,935		-	
Net cash received from purchase and sale of marketable securities	214,791		220,262	
Cash acquired on acquisition of Peregrine Metals Ltd.	 193,366		-	
Net cash used in investing activities	 (3,415,739)		(7,354,397)	
Effect of foreign exchange on cash and cash equivalents	 (1,241)		120,733	
Change in cash and cash equivalents for the period	15,523,491		6,703,515	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	 6,095,443		634,944	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	\$ 21,618,934	\$	7,338,459	

Supplemental disclosures with respect to cash flows (Note 9)

# **Notes to the Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements**

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# 1. NATURE AND CONTINUANCE OF OPERATIONS

Aldebaran Resources Inc. ("Aldebaran" or the "Company") was incorporated on June 7, 2018 under the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta) as part of a plan of arrangement to reorganize Regulus Resources Inc. ("Regulus"). The Company's business activity is the acquisition and exploration of exploration and evaluation properties. The Company's head office is located at Suite 2710 – 200 Granville Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 1S4. The Company's registered office is located at 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bankers Court, 850 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW, Calgary, Alberta T2P 0R8.

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company earned a 60% interest in the Altar Project and is proceeding with an option to earn an additional 20% interest in the Altar Project. The Company also holds a 100% interest in the Rio Grande project and several other earlier stage projects, all located in Argentina.

The Company has no source of operating cash flows and as such the Company's ability to continue as a going concern is contingent on its ability to monetize assets or obtain additional financing. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain adequate financing or that the terms of such financing will be favourable. As a result, there is increased uncertainty and economic risks of failure associated with the Company's exploration activities.

As at December 31, 2023, the Company had working capital of \$21,378,513. During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement for total gross proceeds of \$19,228,604. The Company issued 8,528,756 common shares at \$1.01 per common share and 1,962,000 common shares at \$0.88 per common share to a wholly owned subsidiary of South32 Ltd. The Company issued a total of 10,100,000 common shares at \$0.88 per common share to Route One Investment Company LLC and to management of the Company. The Company also closed a concurrent non-brokered private placement financing of 1,000,000 common shares at a price of \$0.88 per common share for total gross proceeds of \$880,000. Accordingly, management believes the Company has adequate capital to sustain operations for the coming 12 months.

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements were authorized by the board of directors of the Company on February 29, 2024.

# 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

# Statement of compliance to International Financial Reporting Standards

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34, Interim Financial Reporting. Accordingly, these interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required by IFRS for complete financial statements for year-end reporting process. These interim condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2023.

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs, modified where applicable, except for financial instruments at fair value through profit and loss. The interim condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted. The preparation of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements requires management to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

# Judgments

In the process of applying the Company's accounting policies, management has made the following judgments which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the interim condensed consolidated financial statements:

#### Functional currencies

The functional currency of an entity is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. The functional currency of the Company and its subsidiaries was determined by conducting an analysis of the consideration factors identified in IAS 21, the Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates. The functional currency of each entity is disclosed below under "Foreign Exchange".

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# 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (cont'd...)

#### Asset Acquisitions

The determination of whether a set of assets acquired and liabilities assumed constitute a business may require the Company to make certain judgments, taking into account all facts and circumstances. A business is presumed to be an integrated set of activities and assets capable of being conducted and managed for the purpose of providing a return in the form of dividends, lower costs or economic benefits. The joint venture and option agreement to acquire up to an 80% interest in Peregrine Metals Ltd. is determined to constitute an acquisition of assets (Note 4).

Impairment of exploration and evaluation assets

Determining if there are any facts and circumstances indicating impairment loss or reversal of impairment losses is a subjective process involving judgment and a number of estimates and interpretations. Determining whether to test for impairment of exploration and evaluation assets requires management's judgment, and consideration of whether the period for which the Company has the right to explore in the specific area has expired or will expire in the near future, and is not expected to be renewed; substantive expenditure on further exploration and evaluation of mineral resources in a specific area is neither budgeted nor planned; exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources in a specific area have not led to the discovery of commercially viable quantities of mineral resources and the Company has decided to discontinue such activities in the specific area; or sufficient data exists to indicate that, although a development in a specific area is likely to proceed, the carrying amount of the exploration and evaluation asset is unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or by sale.

# **Estimates**

Significant estimates, made by management, about the future and other sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the event that actual results differ from assumptions made relate to, but are not limited to, the following:

Carrying value and recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets

The carrying amount of Company's exploration and evaluation assets does not necessarily represent present or future values and the Company's exploration and evaluation assets have been accounted for under the assumption that the carrying amount will be recoverable. Recoverability is dependent on various factors, including the discovery of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain the necessary financing to complete the development and upon future profitable production or disposition of the mineral properties. Additionally, there are numerous geological, economic, environmental and regulatory factors and uncertainties that could affect management's assessment of the overall viability of its properties or to the likelihood of generating future cash flows necessary to recover the carrying value of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets.

To the extent that any of management's assumptions change there could be a significant effect on the Company's future financial position, operating results and cash flows.

Fair value of stock options and warrants

Determining the fair value of warrants and stock options requires judgments related to the choice of a pricing model, the estimation of stock price volatility, the expected forfeiture rate and the expected term of the underlying instruments. Any changes in the estimates or inputs utilized to determine fair value could result in a significant effect on the Company's future operating results or on other components of shareholders' equity.

# Income taxes

The estimation of income taxes includes evaluating the recoverability of deferred tax assets based on an assessment of the Company's ability to utilize the underlying future tax deductions against future taxable income prior to expiry of those deductions. Management assesses whether it is probable that some or all of the deferred income tax assets will be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income, which in turn is dependent upon the successful discovery, extraction, development or commercialization of mineral reserves. To the extent that management's assessment of the Company's ability to utilize future tax deductions changes, the Company would be required to recognize more or fewer deferred tax assets and deferred income tax provisions or recoveries could be affected.

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# 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (cont'd...)

#### Decommissioning costs

Upon retirement of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets, decommissioning costs will be incurred by the Company. Estimates of these costs are subject to uncertainty associated with the method, timing and extent of future decommissioning activities. The liability, the related asset and the corresponding expense are affected by estimates with respect to the costs and timing of decommissioning.

#### Measurement of non-cash transactions

The Company applies significant estimates and judgments in determining the measurement of non-cash transactions, most significantly in relation to transactions settled in equity. Management uses judgment to determine whether goods or services acquired can be reliably valued, and if not, measures the transaction with reference to the fair value of the equity issued. Determining the fair value of equity can involve significant estimation to determine the appropriate share price.

# Basis of consolidation

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and the entities controlled by the Company (Note 6). Control exists when the Company has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in interim condensed consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

# Foreign exchange

The functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates and is determined for each entity within the Company. The functional currency for the entities within the Company are: the Canadian dollar (the Company) and the United States Dollar ("USD") (Peregrine Metals Ltd., Minera Peregrine Argentina S.A., Minera Peregrine Chile S.P.A., Aldebaran Argentina S.A. and Minera El Toro S.A).

The functional currency determinations were conducted through an analysis of the consideration factors identified in IAS 21, *The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates*.

Transactions in currencies other than the entities' functional currency are recorded at exchange rates prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At the end of each reporting period, monetary assets and liabilities of an entity that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange at the consolidated statement of financial position date while non-monetary assets and liabilities are translated at historical rates. Revenues and expenses are translated at the exchange rates approximating those in effect on the date of the transactions. Exchange gains and losses arising on translation are included in the consolidated statements of profit or loss.

# 3. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The preparation of financial data is based on accounting principles and practices consistent with those used in the preparation of the audited annual consolidated financial statements as at June 30, 2023. These unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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# 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

Title to exploration and evaluation assets involves certain inherent risks due to the difficulties of determining the validity of certain claims as well as the potential for problems arising from the frequently ambiguous conveyancing history characteristic of many mining properties. The Company has investigated title to its exploration and evaluation assets and, to the best of its knowledge, title to its property is in good standing.

The exploration and evaluation assets in which the Company has an interest are located in Argentina and the Company is therefore relying on title opinions by legal counsel who are basing such opinions on the laws of Argentina.

In situations where the legal rights to explore a property are obtained through an option agreement (as in the case of Altar, discussed further below), as opposed to title held under the Company's name, to the best of the Company's knowledge those agreements are in good standing and the Company is complying with its commitments, unless otherwise disclosed.

	Altar,	Rio Grande,	Other Properties,	
	Argentina	Argentina	Argentina	Total
D	<b>.</b>	<b>.</b>		<b></b>
Balance, June 30, 2022	\$ 59,021,719	\$ 9,885,058	\$ 9,912,879	\$ 78,819,656
Additions:	10.151			40.164
Acquisition	40,164	-	(22 < 2 < 2)	40,164
Option payment received	-	-	(336,268)	(336,268)
Deferred exploration costs:	50.002	2 120		62.412
Administrative services	59,983	3,429	- 20.021	63,412
Change in ARO estimate	-	69,966	30,821	100,787
Consulting	465,410	-	102,860	568,270
Environmental engineering	106,046	-	-	106,046
Field operations	13,405,560	307	-	13,405,867
Geology	-	-	3,504	3,504
Labour	456,841	16,551	4,975	478,367
Mapping	21,463	-	-	21,463
Taxes and licenses	-	2,204	42,843	45,047
Travel and accommodation	15,737	2,318	15,825	33,880
	14,571,204	94,775	(135,440)	14,530,539
Foreign exchange movement	1,393,423	24,494	21,796	1,439,713
Balance, June 30, 2023	\$ 74,986,346	\$ 10,004,327	\$ 9,799,235	\$ 94,789,908
Additions:			, ,	
Acquisition of 60% of Altar	107,843,037	_	_	107,843,037
Less: consideration paid for Altar	(68,230,233)	_	_	(68,230,233)
Option payment received	-	_	(480,935)	(480,935)
Deferred exploration costs:			(,,	(,,
Administrative services	31,442	538	_	31,980
Consulting	212,495	_	18,408	230,903
Field operations	3,617,252	1,150	1,312	3,619,714
Labour	200,478	1,799	1,284	203,561
Taxes and licenses	=	-	8,278	8,278
Travel and accommodation	17,010	-	5,975	22,985
	43,691,481	3,487	(445,678)	43,249,290
Foreign exchange movement	1,484,461	24,508	22,667	1,531,636
Balance, December 31, 2023	\$ 120,162,288	\$ 10,032,322	\$ 9,376,224	\$ 139,570,834

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# 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (cont'd...)

#### Altar, Argentina

During the year ended June 30, 2019, the Company entered into a joint venture and option agreement (the "Altar JV Agreement") with Sibanye Stillwater Limited ("Sibanye-Stillwater"), to acquire up to an 80% interest in Peregrine Metals Ltd. ("Peregrine"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sibanye-Stillwater, that owns the Altar copper-gold project in San Juan Province, Argentina ("Altar" or the "Altar Project"). The Altar Project consists of nine mining concessions and nine servidumbres (mining rights of way, occupation and camp encumbrances) (the "Altar Concessions"). It also includes an option on five adjacent Rio Cenicero concessions (the "Rio Cenicero Concessions").

The consideration to acquire an initial 60% interest comprises:

- (a) an upfront cash payment of US\$15,000,000 (\$19,588,500) to Sibanye-Stillwater upon closing of the Arrangement (paid);
- (b) the issuance of 19.9% of the Aldebaran Shares (15,449,555 common shares with a fair value of \$9,269,733) to Sibanye-Stillwater upon closing of the Arrangement (issued); and
- (c) Aldebaran's commitment to fund the next US\$30 million of expenditures on the Altar Project over five (5) years, inclusive of Peregrine's 2018 drilling that was conducted between February and May of 2018, with a minimum of US\$3 million each year (completed).

A 1% net smelter return royalty on the Altar mining concessions known as Leona, Loba, Santa Rita, RCA VII, RCA II and Pampa is payable to Osisko Gold Royalties with no buy-out provision. There is also a 1% net smelter return royalty held by the original underlying concession owners on the Altar Concessions known as Loba, Santa Rita, RCA II and RCA VII (the "Other Royalty"). Annual payments of US\$80,000 are due to the holders of the Other Royalty when commercial production commences. The annual payments are in addition to, and not an advance on, the Other Royalty.

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company completed the US\$30,000,000 in expenditures required to earn a 60% interest in the Altar Project. Additionally, the Company has notified Sibanye-Stillwater that it intends to proceed with the second option to spend US\$25,000,000 over a three-year period to acquire an additional 20% interest in the Altar project. Upon completion of the second option, Aldebaran will own an 80% interest in the Altar project while Sibanye-Stillwater will own a 20% interest.

The acquisition of the 60% interest in the Altar Project was treated as an asset acquisition. The fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as at date of acquisition were as follows:

Consideration	
Cash payment of US\$15,000,000	\$ 19,588,500
Value of 15,449,555 common shares issued	9,269,733
Expenditures of US\$30,000,000	39,372,000
Total consideration value:	\$ 68,230,233
Net assets acquired	
Cash	\$ 193,366
Prepaids	45,144
VAT receivable	5,963,433
Exploration and evaluation assets	107,843,037
Accounts payable	(327,925)
Net assets acquired:	113,717,055
Non-controlling interest	(45,486,822)
	\$ 68,230,233

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# 4. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (cont'd...)

#### Rio Grande, Argentina

The Company holds a 100% interest in the Rio Grande property in Salta Province, Argentina.

# Other Properties, Argentina

In addition to the Altar and Rio Grande properties, the Company holds a 100% interest in the Aguas Calientes, El Camino, Catua, Oscuro and La Frontera properties in Argentina.

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Company optioned the El Camino II claim, part of the El Camino property, for total consideration of US\$1,200,000 to be paid over a two-year period, a 1% NSR on the property and a conditional US\$1,000,000 payment. The optionor has the right to earn a 100% interest in the El Camino II claim by completing the following cash payments to the Company: USD \$75,000 upon signing (received), USD \$100,000 on the six-month anniversary of signing (received), USD \$150,000 on the 12-month anniversary of signing (received) and USD \$525,000 on the 24-month anniversary of signing. Upon completing the cash payments, the optionor will grant the Company a 1% NSR over all precious and base metals on the El Camino II claim, and if the optionor includes the El Camino II claim in a feasibility study (either by itself or incorporating nearby claims) resulting in a construction decision, the optionor will make a USD \$1,000,000 payment to the Company.

The Company received \$480,935 during the period ended December 31, 2023 (year ended June 30, 2023 - \$336,268).

# 5. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES

Authorized: unlimited common shares without par value. All issued shares are fully paid.

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement for total gross proceeds of \$19,228,604 by issuing 8,528,756 common shares at \$1.01 per common share and 1,962,000 common shares at \$0.88 per common share to a wholly owned subsidiary of South32 Ltd, and a total of 10,100,000 common shares at \$0.88 per common share to Route One Investment Company LLC and to management of the Company. The Company also closed a concurrent non-brokered private placement financing of 1,000,000 common shares at a price of \$0.88 per common share for proceeds of \$880,000. The Company paid cash share issuance costs of \$126,231 in relation to the financing.

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Company closed a financing of 18,500,000 common shares at \$0.78 per share for total gross proceeds of \$14,430,000. The Company paid cash share issuance costs of \$66,522 in relation to the financing.

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Company closed a financing of 970,000 common shares at \$0.73 per share for total gross proceeds of \$708,100. The Company paid cash share issuance costs of \$3,717 in relation to the financing.

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Company issued 50,000 shares pursuant to the exercise of options at an exercise price of \$0.75 and 75,000 shares pursuant to the exercise of options at an exercise price of \$0.40 for total gross proceeds of \$67,500. The Company reallocated the fair value of \$41,977 from reserves to share capital with respect to the exercise of these options.

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Company issued 8,782,574 shares pursuant to the exercise of warrants at an exercise price of \$0.70 for gross proceeds of \$6,147,802. The Company reallocated the fair value of \$521 from reserves to share capital for the portion relating to the exercise of broker's warrants.

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# 5. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES (cont'd...)

# **Stock Options**

The Company has a stock option plan ("the Plan") for directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries. The number of common shares subject to the stock options granted under the Plan is limited to 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company. The Plan provides for a maximum term of five years for stock options and the Options shall not vest on more favourable terms than one-third of the total number of Options granted on the date of grant and on each of the first and second anniversaries of the date of grant. The Company may, in its sole discretion, accelerate the vesting of Options following their initial grant.

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Company granted incentive stock options to directors, officers, employees and consultants to purchase up to 100,000 common shares at a price of \$0.78 and 4,655,000 common shares at a price of \$0.79 per share for five years, pursuant to its stock option plan. These stock options vest over a two-year period.

The following table summarizes movements in stock options outstanding:

	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Balance – June 30, 2022	7,520,000	\$ 0.88
Granted	4,755,000	0.79
Exercised	(125,000)	0.54
Balance – June 30, 2023	12,150,000	\$ 0.85
Expired	(300,000)	0.40
Balance – December 31, 2023	11,850,000	\$ 0.86
Exercisable –December 31, 2023	9,472,500	\$ 0.88

Additional information regarding stock options outstanding as at December 31, 2023 is as follows:

Number of Options	Exercise Price (\$)	Expiry Date
3,400,000 1,570,000 200,000 1,925,000 100,000 4,655,000 11,850,000	1.25 0.75 1.25 0.40 0.78 0.79	June 3, 2024 June 3, 2024 July 15, 2024 August 28, 2025 July 22, 2027 November 1, 2027

The following weighted average assumptions were used for the Black-Scholes valuation of stock options granted:

	Period ended December 31, 2023	Year ended June 30, 2023
Risk-free interest rate	-	3.42%
Expected life of grant	-	5 years
Volatility	-	67.81%
Dividend	-	0%
Weighted average fair value per option	-	\$0.47

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# 5. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES (cont'd...)

# **Share-based compensation**

The Company recognizes compensation expense for all stock options and warrants granted and vested using the fair value based method of accounting.

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company recognized \$509,070 (2022 - \$408,806) in share-based compensation expense for options granted and vested.

#### Warrants

The following table summarizes movements in warrants outstanding:

	Number of Warrants	Weighted Average Exercise Price		
Balance, June 30, 2022	13,367,328	\$	0.70	
Warrants exercised	(8,782,574)		0.70	
Warrants expired	(4,584,754)		0.70	
Balance, June 30, 2023 and December 31, 2023	-	\$	-	

# 6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries listed in the following table:

Name of Subsidiary	Country of Incorporation	Proportion of Ownership Interest	Principal Activity
Aldebaran Argentina S.A.	Argentina	100%	Mineral exploration
Minera El Toro S.A.	Argentina	100%	Mineral exploration
Peregrine Metals Ltd.	Canada	60%	Mineral exploration
Minera Peregrine Argentina S.A.	Argentina	60%	Mineral exploration
Minera Peregrine Chile S.P.A.	Chile	60%	Mineral exploration

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company entered into the following transactions with key management personnel and related parties:

- a) Double Black Diamond Resources LLC. ("DBD Resources") is a private company controlled by Mr. John Black, CEO and a director of the Company. For the period ended December 31, 2023, DBD Resources was paid \$67,501 (2022 \$66,498). Management services paid to DBD Resources are classified as management fees in the consolidated statements of profit or loss.
- b) Unicus Funds Ltd. ("Unicus") is a private company controlled by Mr. Mark Wayne, CFO and a director of the Company. For the period ended December 31, 2023, Unicus was paid \$37,500 (2022 \$37,500). Management services paid to Unicus are classified as management fees in the consolidated statements of profit or loss.
- c) K.B. Heather & Socios Limitada (The Rock Doctor Limitada) ("K.B. Heather") is a private company controlled by Dr. Kevin B. Heather, CGO and a director of the Company. For the period ended December 31, 2023, K.B. Heather was paid \$84,376 (2022 \$83,686). Management services paid to K.B. Heather are classified as management fees in the consolidated statements of profit or loss.
- d) At December 31, 2023, the Company owed \$23,248 (June 30, 2023 \$5,348) of expenses to Regulus, a company with common directors and management.

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# **6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS** (cont'd...)

e) During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company recognized a total of \$266,507 (2022 - \$197,519) of share-based compensation expense to related parties, which included vested options that had been issued in previous years.

# Key Management Personnel:

Key management personnel include those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company as a whole. The Company has determined that key management personnel consist of executive and non-executive members of the Company's Board of Directors and corporate officers.

The remuneration of directors and other members of key management personnel are as follows:

	Fees	Share-based Benefits	Total
Period ended December 31, 2023			
Chief Executive Officer	\$ 67,501	\$ 75,376	\$ 142,877
Chief Geological Officer	84,376	75,376	159,752
Chief Financial Officer	37,500	75,376	112,876
Non-executive directors	 -	40,379	40,379
	\$ 189,377	\$ 266,507	\$ 455,884
Period ended December 31, 2022			
Chief Executive Officer	\$ 66,948	\$ 55,864	\$ 122,812
Chief Geological Officer	83,686	55,864	139,550
Chief Financial Officer	37,500	55,864	93,364
Non-executive directors	 -	29,927	29,927
	\$ 188,134	\$ 197,519	\$ 385,653

# 7. FINANCIAL AND CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Financial instruments measured at fair value are classified into one of three levels in the fair value hierarchy according to the relative reliability of the inputs used to estimate the fair values. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 Inputs that are not based on observable market data.

The fair value of the Company's cash and cash equivalents, receivables, due to related parties, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and due to related parties approximate their carrying value, which is the amount recorded on the consolidated statements of financial position. The Company's marketable securities, under the fair value hierarchy, are based on level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

The Company is exposed to varying degrees to a variety of financial instrument related risks:

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of an unexpected loss if a customer or third party to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations.

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# 7. FINANCIAL AND CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT (cont'd...)

The Company's cash is held at large Canadian financial institutions in interest-bearing accounts. The Company has no investment in asset backed commercial paper.

The Company's receivables consist of tax credits due from the government of Canada which the Company does not believe it is subject to significant credit risk. The tax credits related to Value Added Taxes ("VAT") in Argentina, for which recoverability is uncertain, are written down. If VAT is collected in the future it will be recorded as recoveries on the statement of operations.

#### Liquidity risk

The Company's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet liabilities when due. As at December 31, 2023, the Company had a cash balance of \$21,618,934 to settle current liabilities of \$334,745, resulting in working capital at December 31, 2023, of \$21,467,482. Management believes that the Company has sufficient capital to fund its planned activities for the next 12 months.

#### Market risk

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

# a) Interest rate risk

The Company has cash balances. The interest earned on the cash balances approximates fair value rates, and the Company is not at a significant risk to fluctuating interest rates.

# b) Foreign currency risk

The Company is exposed to foreign currency risk on fluctuations related to cash and cash equivalents, receivables and accounts payable and accrued liabilities that are denominated in US\$, A-Peso and C-Peso. A 10% fluctuation in the US\$ against A-Peso/C-Peso and US\$ against the Canadian dollar simultaneously, would affect profit and loss for the period by approximately \$673,000.

#### c) Price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity and equity prices. Equity price risk is defined as the potential adverse impact on the Company's earnings due to movements in individual equity prices or general movements in the level of the stock market. Commodity price risk is defined as the potential adverse impact on earnings and economic value due to commodity price movements and volatilities. The Company's investment in marketable securities is classified as FVTPL and trades on the stock market. The Company closely monitors its marketable securities, stock market movements, commodity prices and individual equity movements to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company.

### Capital management

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to pursue the exploration and development of its exploration and evaluation assets, acquire additional mineral property interests and to maintain a flexible capital structure which optimizes the costs of capital at an acceptable risk. In the management of capital, the Company includes components of shareholders' equity.

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

The Company currently is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements. There were no changes in the Company's approach to capital management.

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# 8. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Company operates in one reportable operating segment, being the acquisition and exploration of exploration and evaluation assets in Argentina. All capital assets and exploration and evaluation assets are located in Argentina.

Tax attributes are subject to review, and potential adjustment, by tax authorities.

# 9. SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES WITH RESPECT TO CASH FLOWS

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company:

• Accrued \$57,910 of exploration and evaluation assets through accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

During the period ended December 31, 2022, the Company:

• Accrued \$8,360 of exploration and evaluation assets through accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

For the period ended December 31,	 2023	2022
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ - \$	-
Cash paid for interest	\$ - \$	



(the "Company")

Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the six months ended December 31, 2023

#### General

The following Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of Aldebaran Resources Inc. (the "Company" or "Aldebaran") has been prepared by management, in accordance with the requirements of National Instrument 51-102 ("NI 51-102") as of February 29, 2024 and should be read in conjunction with the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended December 31, 2023, the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2023 and the related notes contained therein which have been prepared under International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). The information contained herein is not a substitute for detailed investigation or analysis on any particular issue. The information provided in this document is not intended to be a comprehensive review of all matters and developments concerning the Company. The Company is presently a "Venture Issuer" as defined in NI 51-102. Additional information relevant to the Company's activities can be found on SEDAR+ at <a href="https://www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a> and the Company's website at <a h

All financial information in this MD&A has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34, Interim Financial Reporting, and all dollar amounts are quoted in Canadian dollars, the reporting currency of the Company, unless specifically noted.

Management of Aldebaran is responsible for the preparation and integrity of the financial statements, including the maintenance of appropriate information systems, procedures and internal controls and to ensure that information used internally or disclosed externally, including the financial statements and MD&A, is complete and reliable. The Company's Board of Directors follows recommended corporate governance guidelines for public companies to ensure transparency and accountability to shareholders. The board's audit committee meets with management quarterly to review the financial statements including the MD&A and to discuss other financial, operating and internal control matters.

# Description of Business and Overview

The Company's business activity is the acquisition, exploration and evaluation of mineral properties. Aldebaran was incorporated in 2018 by Regulus Resources Inc. ("Regulus") under the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta) to participate in an arrangement with Regulus whereby Regulus agreed to spin out its Argentina mining properties to Aldebaran (the "Plan of Arrangement"). The Company holds a 60% interest in the Altar copper-gold porphyry project in San Juan Province, Argentina (the "Altar project") and is proceeding with an option to earn an additional 20% interest in the Altar project. The Company also holds a 100% interest in the Rio Grande project (the Rio Grande project") and several other earlier stage projects, all located in Argentina. The Altar project is a very large, moderate-grade resource that currently has over 11.4 billion lbs of contained copper and 3.4 million ounces of gold on a measured and indicated basis, plus an additional 1.8 billion lbs copper and 0.4 million ounces gold on an inferred basis as per the 2021 Altar Resource Estimate (please refer to Table 1 on page 3 for full details of the 2021 Altar Resource Estimate). The Company is led by John E. Black, Dr. Kevin B. Heather and Mark Wayne, who also serve as management of Regulus. The team has a proven track record with Antares Minerals, which they sold to First Quantum Minerals (TSX.FM, UK FQM) in 2010 for approximately C\$650 million after drilling out the Haquira Cu-Mo-Au deposit in Peru.

# Significant Events from July 1, 2023 to the Date of this Report

- In August 2023, the Company reported that it had completed the US\$30,000,000 in expenditures required to earn a 60% interest in the Altar copper-gold project pursuant to its joint venture agreement with Stillwater Canada LLC ("Sibanye-Stillwater"). Additionally, the company has notified Sibanye-Stillwater that it intends to proceed with the second option to spend US\$25,000,000 over a three-year period to acquire an additional 20% interest in the Altar project. Upon completion of the second option, Aldebaran will own an 80% interest in the Altar project while Sibanye-Stillwater will own a 20% interest (see Company news release dated August 14, 2023).
- In September 2023, the Company announced that it had closed a non-brokered private placement for gross proceeds of \$19,228,604. The Company issued 8,528,756 shares at \$1.01 and 1,962,000 shares at \$0.88 to South32, and issued a total of 10,100,000 common shares at \$0.88 per common share to Route One and to management of the Company. The Company also closed a concurrent non-brokered private placement financing of 1,000,000 common shares at a price of \$0.88 per common share pursuant to the listed issuer financing exemption for total gross proceeds of \$880,000 (see Company news release dated September 27, 2023).
- In October 2023, the Company reported results from all unreported drill holes from the 2022-2023 field campaign at Altar (see Company news release dated October 3, 2023 and below under Exploration Work Completed at Altar from July 1, 2023 to Febreuary 29, 2024.
- In November 2023, the Company announced that drilling had commenced at the Altar project for the 2023-2024 field season with four active drill rigs on the property. The program is estimated to consist of 15,000 to 20,000 m of drilling to be completed during the current field season.
- In January 2024, the Company announced that it had entered into a collaboration agreement with Nuton LLC, a Rio Tinto Venture ("Nuton") to evaluate the use of Nuton's proprietary primary sulphide leaching technologies at Altar (see Company news release dated January 15, 2024 and below under Exploration Work Completed at Altar from July 1, 2023 to February 29, 2024).

In February 2024, the Company reported results from the first four drill holes of the 2023/2024 field campaign at Altar (see Company news release dated February 6, 2024 and below under Exploration Work Completed at Altar from July 1, 2023 to February 29, 2024).

# **Exploration and Evaluation Assets Review**

This review has been prepared by John Black, CEO and director of the Company. The scientific and technical data contained in the section have been reviewed and approved by Dr. Kevin B. Heather, BSc (Hons), MSc, PhD, FAusIMM, Chief Geological Officer of the Company, who serves as a qualified person (OP) under the definitions of National Instrument 43-101.

# **Altar Project**

As part of the Plan of Arrangement, Aldebaran entered into the Altar JV Agreement with Stillwater Canada LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Sibanye-Stillwater, which provides Aldebaran the right to earn up an initial 60%, and a subsequent additional 20%, interest in the Altar project. The Altar project consists of nine mining concessions and nine servidumbres (mining rights of way, occupation and camp encumbrances). The consideration to acquire an initial 60% interest comprised:

- an upfront cash payment of US\$15 million to Stillwater Canada LLC, which was paid upon closing of the Plan of Arrangement;
- the issuance of 19.9% of Aldebaran's common shares to Stillwater Canada LLC, which were issued upon closing of the Plan of Arrangement; and
- Aldebaran's commitment to fund the next US\$30 million of expenditures on the Altar project over five (5) years, inclusive of 2018 drilling that was conducted between February and May of 2018, with a minimum expenditure of US\$3 million each year.

In August 2023, the Company announced it had spent the US\$30 million required to earn the initial 60% interest in the Altar project. Aldebaran has elected to earn an additional 20% interest in the Altar project by spending an additional US\$25 million over a three-year period following Aldebaran's acquisition of the initial 60% interest.

The Altar project is located in San Juan Province, Argentina approximately 10 km from the Chile-Argentina border and approximately 180 km west of the city of San Juan. Altar hosts a cluster of several large porphyry copper-gold deposits, with mineralization currently defined in four distinct zones – Altar East, Altar Central, Altar North and the recently discovered QDM-Radio Porphyry zone, about 3 km to the west of Altar Central. Mineralization at all of these porphyry deposits is associated with Miocene intrusive centers emplaced into Miocene volcanic host rocks. Altar is noteworthy for having relatively higher gold grades associated with the copper mineralization compared to nearby porphyry systems, which are dominantly copper or copper-molybdenum.

The Altar project was first explored and drilled by CRA/Rio Tinto (7 holes – 2,841 m) in 1995-2004. Peregrine Metals, a Canadian exploration company, subsequently optioned the property from Rio Tinto in 2005. Peregrine expanded the property and completed 56,761 m of drilling in 146 drill holes from 2005-2011 to define an initial mineral resource estimate at Altar Central and Altar East. In October 2011, Stillwater Mining Company ("Stillwater") acquired Peregrine Metals for approximately US\$490 million and in the subsequent period of 2012-2013 completed an additional 38,380 m of drilling in 80 holes to further define estimated mineral resources at Altar Central and Altar East. In 2016, Stillwater spent an additional US\$4 million on 4,893m of drilling in 8 holes which led to the discovery of the QDM epithermal Au-Radio Cu-Au porphyry systems. During 2017, an additional US\$1.7 million was spent on 5,630 m of drilling (7 holes) focusing on the QDM-Radio porphyry area. Also in 2017, Sibanye Gold Limited acquired Stillwater to form Sibanye-Stillwater. In 2018, Sibanye-Stillwater completed an additional 4,923 m of deeper drilling (3 drill holes + 1 extension) in a cost sharing agreement with Regulus on behalf of Aldebaran.

The Altar project is the subject of an updated National Instrument 43-101 Mineral Resource Estimate, titled "Technical Report, Estimated Mineral Resources, Altar Project, San Juan Province, Argentina", dated effective March 22, 2021 (the "Altar Resource Estimate"), which was prepared by Independent Mining Consultants Inc. (IMC). The Altar Resource Estimate, which contains detailed disclosure on the Altar project, has been filed on SEDAR+ under the Aldebaran SEDAR+ profile at <a href="www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a>. The Altar Resource Estimate is the first estimate completed by Aldebaran (prior estimates were completed by previous operators) and incorporates the Company's newly created geological and structural model. The cut-off grades are presented in terms of Net Smelter Return (NSR) which reflects the combined benefit of producing copper, gold, and silver. The qualified person for the estimation of the mineral resource was John Marek of IMC. Estimated mineral resources may be significantly affected by factors such as changes in metal prices, production costs and detailed testing and design of process and concentrate handling facilities, and such changes could be materially adverse. The Measured, Indicated, and Inferred Mineral resources reported are contained within a floating cone pit shell to demonstrate "reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction" to meet the definition of Mineral Resources in NI 43-101.

Currently, the Altar Resource Estimate is defined by three distinct deposits: Altar Central, Altar East and QDM Gold. For the purposes of resource modeling, Altar Central and Altar East are constrained using a single open pit and therefore are reported together. Altar Central and Altar East are separated into supergene copper (secondary sulphide) and hypogene copper-gold (primary sulphide) mineralization. The QDM Gold deposit is categorized as a separate resource as it is located approximately 3 km west from Altar Central and is primarily a gold-silver deposit.

# **Altar Resource Estimate Highlights**

# Altar Central & Altar East:

- Measured & Indicated resource of 1,198.2 million tonnes grading 0.43% copper, 0.09 g/t gold and 1.00 g/t silver.
- Inferred resource of 189.2 million tonnes grading 0.42% copper, 0.06 g/t gold and 0.80 g/t silver.
- Resource was estimated utilizing a higher cut-off grade (0.30% CuEq) than in the previously reported 2018 estimate with a resulting 41% decrease in tonnage and a 29% increase in copper grade for Measured & Indicated resources and a 66% decrease in tonnage and a 48% increase in copper grade for Inferred resources.
- Sizeable supergene resource in Altar Central and Altar East, providing a potential pathway for a smaller, lower capital option for the
  project.
- Decrease in arsenic grades when compared to the 2018 mineral resource estimate:
  - 39% arsenic reduction in Measured & Indicated resources
  - o 67% arsenic reduction in Inferred resources
  - Separation of supergene copper (secondary sulphide) and hypogene copper-gold (primary sulphide) mineralization within Altar Central and Altar East shows that a high percentage of arsenic is located within the supergene portion of the deposit, which can potentially be processed utilizing SX/EW technology where arsenic is not recovered.
- Significant potential to expand the higher-grade, copper-gold hypogene zones within both the Altar East and Altar Central deposits, which could provide further grade improvements in the future.
- Amenable to open pit mining.

# QDM Gold

- Measured & Indicated resource of 20 million tonnes grading 0.78 g/t gold, 3.62 g/t silver and 0.06% copper.
- Inferred resource of 1.2 million tonnes grading 0.58 g/t gold, 5.34 g/t silver and 0.03% copper.
- Stand-alone deposit not associated with other reported resources.
- Approximately 90% sulphide mineralization and 10% oxide mineralization.
- Potential to expand QDM Gold resource through additional drilling.
- Amenable to open pit mining.

The open pit constrained Mineral Resources are summarized below in Table 1 and Table 2.

				Averag	e Grade		<b>Contained Metal</b>		
Material Type	Category	Tonnes (Mt)	Cu (%)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	As (ppm)	Cu (M lbs)	Au (M Oz)	Ag (M Oz)
	Measured	217.2	0.48	0.08	1.21	314	2,289	0.5	8.5
Cupargana	Indicated	68.0	0.45	0.08	0.96	156	673	0.2	2.1
Supergene	Total M&I	285.2	0.47	0.08	1.15	276	2,962	0.7	10.5
	Inferred	14.6	0.45	0.08	0.74	113	143	0.0	0.3
	Measured	404.9	0.42	0.11	0.95	114	3,785	1.5	12.4
Циподопо	Indicated	508.1	0.41	0.08	0.96	113	4,615	1.3	15.7
Hypogene	Total M&I	913.0	0.42	0.09	0.96	113	8,400	2.7	28.0
	Inferred	174.7	0.42	0.06	0.80	70	1,606	0.4	4.5
	Measured	622.1	0.44	0.10	1.04	184	6,074	2.0	20.8
Total	Indicated	576.1	0.42	0.08	0.96	118	5,288	1.4	17.8
	Total M&I	1,198.2	0.43	0.09	1.00	152	11,362	3.4	38.6
	Inferred	189.2	0.42	0.06	0.80	73	1,749	0.4	4.8

			Average Grade				ontained Meta	al
Category	Tonnes (Mt)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	Cu (%)	As (ppm)	Au (M Oz)	Ag (M Oz)	Cu (M lbs)
Measured	15.8	0.81	3.59	0.06	168	0.41	1.83	21.0
Indicated	4.2	0.68	3.74	0.06	164	0.09	0.50	5.0
Total M&I	20.0	0.78	3.62	0.06	167	0.50	2.33	26.0
Inferred	1.2	0.58	5.34	0.03	153	0.02	0.21	1.0

# Data Verification and QA/QC

The data described above is supported by using industry standard QA/QC procedures consisting of the insertion of certified standards and blanks into the sample stream and utilizing certified independent analytical laboratories for all assays. Historical QA/QC data and methodology on the project were reviewed and are summarized in the Altar Resource Estimate.

	Table 3. Altar East & Central Open Pit Mineral Resource by Cut-off					
\$ NSR Cut-off	CuEq Cut-off	Category	Tonnes (M)	Cu (%)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)
		Measured	1,026.7	0.34	0.08	0.88
4.67	0.107	Indicated	1,151.9	0.30	0.06	0.75
		Inferred	528.7	0.26	0.05	0.58
	9.17 0.2	Measured	846.0	0.39	0.09	0.95
9.17		Indicated	849.9	0.36	0.07	0.85
		Inferred	330.0	0.34	0.05	0.67
		Measured	622.1	0.44	0.10	1.04
13.99	0.3	Indicated	576.1	0.42	0.08	0.96
		Inferred	189.2	0.42	0.06	0.80
		Measured	385.2	0.52	0.12	1.17
18.81	0.4	Indicated	322.7	0.49	0.09	1.10
		Inferred	97.5	0.51	0.08	0.96
		Measured	222.8	0.61	0.15	1.29
23.64	0.5	Indicated	188.3	0.55	0.10	1.21
		Inferred	60.8	0.57	0.09	1.05
See Notes at end of	this section for details.	<u> </u>				

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\$ NSR Cut-off	Oxide AuEq Cut-off	Sulphide AuEq Cut-off	Category	Tonnes (M)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	Cu (%)
			Measured	15.8	0.81	3.59	0.06
13.17	0.70	0.33	Indicated	4.2	0.68	3.74	0.06
		Inferred	1.2	0.58	5.34	0.03	
			Measured	14.8	0.84	3.61	0.06
15.00	0.80	0.38	Indicated	3.5	0.73	3.79	0.06
			Inferred	1.0	0.64	5.77	0.03
			Measured	12.1	0.92	3.77	0.07
20.00	1.07	0.50	Indicated	2.4	0.82	3.52	0.07
			Inferred	0.5	0.65	5.38	0.04

Notes to Tables 1 through 4:

- 1. All figures are rounded to reflect the relative accuracy of the estimate and therefore numbers may not appear to add precisely.
- 2. Mineral Resources for Altar East, Altar Central and QDM Gold are based on prices of US\$3/lb copper, US\$1,500/oz gold and US\$20/oz silver.
- 3. There are no reserves currently at the Altar project.
- 4. Altar East and Altar Central use a 0.3% CuEq (US\$13.99 NSR/t) cut-off grade.
- 5. QDM Gold utilizes a 0.33 AuEq (US\$13.17 NSR/t) cut-off grade for sulphide mineralization and a 0.7 AuEq (US\$13.17 NSR/t) cut-off grade for oxide mineralization.
- 6. NSR value for Altar East and Altar Central material is as follows: NSR (US\$/t) = 28.241 x Cu% + 20.294 x Au ppm + 0.311 x Ag ppm -0.482.
- 7. NSR value for QDM Gold material is as follows: NSR (US\$/t) = 18.733 x Au ppm + 0.311 x Ag in oxide and 39.808 x Au ppm + 0.311 x Ag ppm in sulphide.
- 8. AuEq and CuEq values are based on prices of US\$3/lb copper, US\$1,500/oz gold, US\$20/oz silver, and account for all metal recoveries and smelting/refining charges. CuEq = Cu% + 0.4207 x Au ppm + 0.0064 x Ag ppm, AuEq = Au ppm + 0.0166 x Ag ppm in oxide and Au ppm + 0.0078 x Ag ppm in sulphide.
- 9. Mineral Resources are reported in relation to a conceptual constraining pit shell in order to demonstrate reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction, as required by the definition of Mineral Resource in NI 43-101; mineralization lying outside of the pit shell is excluded from the Mineral Resource.
- 10. Details of NSR and Equivalent calculations are in the Altar Resource Estimate.

# Exploration Work Completed at Altar from July 1, 2023 to February 29, 2024

On October 3, 2023, the Company reported results for all unreported drill holes from the 2022-2023 field campaign at Altar. All holes hit mineralization and expanded the mineralized footprint of the Altar project by several hundreds of meters in multiple directions.

Highlights from the reported drill holes are summarized below.

#### ALD-23-189EXT

- 972.00 m of 0.35% CuEq from 274.00 m depth
- Hole ended in mineralization
- Extension of a historic hole, previously terminated at 592.00 m depth

# ALD-23-228EXT

- 638.20 m of 0.65% CuEq from 767.00 m depth
  - o Including 478.30 m of 0.72% CuEq from 912.00 m depth
- Hole ended in mineralization
- Top 1,241.60 m of hole previously reported

# ALD-23-229

- 649.40 m of 0.54% CuEq from 764.20 m depth
  - o Including 354.00 m of 0.72% CuEq from 928.00 m depth
    - Including 139.30 of 0.82% CuEq from 952.00 m depth
- Hole ended in mineralization

### ALD-23-231

- 558.80 m of 0.44% CuEq from 653.00 m depth
  - o Including 437.80 m of 0.53% CuEq from 774.00 m depth
    - Including 109.80 m of 0.64% CuEq from 1,078.00 m depth
- Hole ended in mineralization

On February 6, 2024, the Company reported results from the first four drill holes of the 2023/2024 field campaign. Highlights from the reported drill holes are summarized below.

#### ALD-23-194EXT

- 878.80 m of 0.32% CuEq from 296.00 m depth
  - o Including 180.00 m of 0.42% CuEq from 454.00 m depth
    - Including 36.00 m of 0.77% CuEq from 324.00 m depth

#### ALD-23-162EXT

- 923.10 m of 0.26% CuEq from 356.00 m depth
  - o Including 431.50 m of 0.31% CuEq from 747.00 m depth

#### ALD-23-166EXT

• 773.80 m of 0.24% CuEq from 364.00 m depth

# ALD-23-234

- 177.10 m of 0.21% CuEq from 83.40 m depth
- 728.00 m od 0.20% CuEq from 305.00 m depth

# **Project Update**

On January 15, 2024, the Company announced that it had entered into a collaboration agreement with Nuton LLC, a Rio Tinto Venture, to evaluate the use of Nuton's proprietary primary sulphide leaching technologies on the Altar copper-gold project. Under the terms of the agreement, Aldebaran will deliver samples representing various styles of mineralization from the Altar project to Nuton. Nuton will then complete detailed mineralogical analyses of each sample before placing the material into columns. Samples will be placed in columns with a height of 1 m, each under different controlled Nuton operating conditions. It is expected that the full results will be available approximately one year after the columns are loaded. Test work is currently anticipated to commence in H1 2024. As part of the agreement, Aldebaran has granted exclusivity to Nuton in the area of novel, patented or trade secret leaching technologies, for a period of one year starting on the agreement date of January 9, 2024. The parties will share the cost of the test program with Aldebaran covering the cost of preparation and shipping of the samples to Nuton, and Nuton paying for the costs of metallurgical test work.

Drilling is ongoing at Altar with four active drill rigs on the property. The primary focus of this season's drilling program is to complete the drill-out of the new Altar United zone, uniting the Altar Central and Altar East zones, with a drill spacing of approximately 200 m. The program is budgeted for approximately 15,000 to 20,000 m of drilling utilizing 4 rigs.

Due to snow constraints at the beginning of the field season, three of the recently reported holes (ALDE-23-162EXT, ALD-23-166EXT, and ALD-23-194EXT) were significant step-outs to test for the southern extension of mineralization within the large, conductive geophysical anomaly at Altar. As expected, those three holes did not intersect the porphyry intrusive rocks typically associated with the higher-grade mineralization at Altar United, however, they did intersect low- to moderate-grade mineralization in wall rocks (andesites and rhyolites) that will add resources to a previously undrilled area. Hole ALD-23-234 was designed to test an area in the current resource model that was defined as waste due to lack of drilling. Hole ALD-23-234 successfully hit mineralization and will likely convert waste to resources in the upcoming mineral resource update for the project.

Currently, holes ALD-23-235, ALD-23-236, ALD-23-237, ALD-23-238, ALD-24-239, and ALD-24-074EXT are completed and were terminated at 1,221.50 m, 1,346.70 m, 1,040.00 m, 1,201.50 m, 1,049.00 m. and depths respectively: all pending final assays. Holes ALD-24-240, ALD-24-165EXT, ALD-24-241, and ALD-24-242 are active and currently at 979.75 m, 484.50 m, 852.40 m and 388.65 m depth, respectively. ALD-24-074EXT and ALD-24-165EXT are extensions of historic drill holes, completed by a previous operator and originally terminated at 607.60 m and 484.50 m depth respectively

The completion of the 2023-2024 drilling campaign will position the Company to complete an updated Mineral Resource Estimate in H2-2024. This Mineral Resource Estimate will provide the basis for the first preliminary economic assessment on the project in H1-2025. Additional studies to support project feasibility and development will also be undertaken during this season's drill program, including baseline environmental monitoring, water and glacial studies and monitoring, geotechnical studies, metallurgical studies, and Corescan characterization of drill core. As the project becomes more advanced, there will also be a notable increase in community relations activities, including the establishment of a project information office in the community of Barreal.

# **Rio Grande Project**

The Rio Grande project is owned 100% by Aldebaran and is located in the Altiplano of northwest Argentina at elevations between 3,700 m and 4,700 m above sea level. The property is located approximately 260 km west of the city of Salta and 40 km east of the Chilean border. Exploration work has been carried out on the property since the discovery of the deposit in 1999. Regulus and its predecessor companies had worked on the property from 2004 until the property was transferred to Aldebaran pursuant to the Plan of Arrangement. To date, 129 holes totaling approximately 74,201 m have been drilled on the property. An initial mineral resource estimate was prepared in 2012. The mineral resource was updated in a report entitled "Technical Report on the Rio Grande Project, Salta State, Argentina" with an effective date of August 17, 2018, prepared by Sean D. Horan, P.Geo of Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. ("RPA") of Toronto, Ontario (the "Rio Grande Technical Report"). The Rio Grande Technical Report may be viewed at <a href="https://www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a> on the Aldebaran SEDAR+ profile.

RPA updated the Rio Grande mineral resource estimate based on the information available to August 17, 2018. Mineral resources are based on a potential open pit scenario with a combination of heap leaching and flotation envisaged for the processing of oxide, transition, and sulphide material types. The mineral resource estimate prepared by RPA for the Rio Grande project as of August 17, 2018 is summarized in the table below. Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum Definition Standards for Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves dated May 10, 2014 (CIM (2014) definitions) were followed for Mineral Resources. RPA is not aware of any environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-economic, marketing, political, or other relevant factors that could materially affect the mineral resource estimate.

Table 9. Rio Grande Project Summary of Mineral Resources – August 17, 2018							
Class/Oxidation	Tonnes (Mt)	Cu (%)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	Cu (Mlb)	Au (koz)	Ag (Moz)
Indicated							
Oxide	46.4	0.27	0.33	2.5	274.2	492	3.8
Transition	24.6	0.36	0.41	4.4	194.3	323	3.5
Indicated Total	71.0	0.30	0.36	3.2	468.6	815	7.3
Inferred							
Oxide	32.4	0.21	0.27	2.6	153.3	281	2.7
Transition	8.6	0.29	0.34	3.5	55.1	93	1.0
Inferred Total	41.0	0.23	0.28	2.8	208.4	375	3.6

#### Notes to Table 6:

- 1. CIM (2014) definitions were followed for mineral resources.
- Mineral resources are estimated at a NSR cut-off grade of US\$8/t for oxide, US\$12/t for transition and US\$7.50/t for sulphide. No sulphide material was captured in resource shell.
- 3. Mineral resources are estimated using a long-term gold price of US\$1,400 per ounce and copper price of US\$3.50 per pound.
- 4. Bulk density is 2.41 t/m<sup>3</sup> oxide, 2.50 t/m<sup>3</sup> oxide, and 2.62 t/m<sup>3</sup> sulphide.
- 5. Numbers may not add due to rounding.
- 6. Mineral resources are reported within a preliminary open pit resource shell.

No material work has been performed on the Rio Grande project since the beginning of the year commencing July 1, 2020. The Rio Grande project is under review to evaluate potential synergies with the nearby Lindero Mine where Fortuna Silver entered into commercial production in Q1-2021.

# **Aguas Calientes Project**

The Aguas Calientes project is owned 100% by Aldebaran and is located in northwestern Argentina in Jujuy Province, 130 km west of the City of Salta. The property is comprised of a single claim covering 4,835 hectares. The project consists of two main zones displaying epithermal precious metal (Au-Ag) mineralization associated with silica-(clay)-sericite alteration emplaced in Miocene volcanic and volcanoclastic rocks and in adjacent sedimentary strata of Late Cretaceous and Tertiary age.

Geophysics – Audio-Frequency Magneto-Telluric (AMT) Test Lines. Three (3) test lines, each running 1.5 km long, were completed over a small portion of the Silon Zone in the immediate vicinity of the known mineralization intercepts encountered in drill hole ACA-19-023. The Company is currently evaluating the results from these three test lines to see if this geophysical technique helps in identifying the mineralized intercepts in ACA-19-023 and possible extensions of those intercepts. If the technique seems to work, then a larger scale survey would be planned and undertaken.

*Drilling*. No additional drilling has been done on the Aguas Calientes project since the completion of the 2019 drill campaign (see Company news release dated February 6, 2020).

# **Other Properties**

In addition to the Rio Grande and Aguas Calientes projects, Aldebaran acquired four other Argentine projects and mineral rights covering approximately 25,000 hectares from Regulus in connection with the Plan of Arrangement. No material resources have been dedicated to these early stage properties since they were acquired by Regulus. These early stage properties are summarized below.

Property	Location	Ownership	Hectares
Catua	Jujuy Province, Argentina	100%	900
El Camino	Salta Province, Argentina	100% (partially optioned to third party)	4,109
La Frontera	Catamarca Province, Argentina	100%	1,200
Oscara	Salta Province, Argentina	100%	18,329

The Company is constantly evaluating and planning how to move the other projects in the Aldebaran portfolio forward. In parallel, the Company has been engaged with third parties to discuss the potential for joint venture or other partnerships to advance these projects.

On May 27, 2022, the Company announced that it had optioned its 100% owned El Camino II claim, located in Salta, Argentina to NOA Lithium Brines S.A ("NOA"), a private company based in Argentina, for total consideration of US\$1,200,000 to be paid over a two year period, a 1% NSR on the property and a conditional US\$1,000,000 payment. A total of US\$675,000 has been paid and received to date.

# **Summary of Quarterly Results**

The following is a summary of certain selected financial information for the most recent eight fiscal quarters.

	December 31,	September 30,	June 30,	March 31,
All in \$1,000's except loss per share	2023	2023	2023	2023
Working Capital	\$21,468	\$24,441	\$6,206	\$4,562
Loss	\$1,338	\$5,919	\$1,634	\$114
Loss per share	\$0.01	\$0.04	\$0.01	\$0.00
Loss per common share (diluted)	\$0.01	\$0.04	\$0.01	\$0.00
Total Assets	\$161,587	\$161,591	\$101,064	\$97,016
Total Liabilities	\$1,080	\$1,174	\$821	\$522
Deficit	\$12,085	\$11,075	\$7,331	\$5,697

	December 31,	September 30,	June 30,	March 31,
All in \$1,000's except loss per share	2022	2022	2022	2022
Working Capital (Deficiency)	\$7,249	\$11,559	\$145	\$1,824
Loss	\$157	\$467	\$125	\$182
Loss per share	\$0.00	\$0.01	\$0.00	\$0.00
Loss per common share (diluted)	\$0.00	\$0.01	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Assets	\$96,574	\$94,628	\$79,562	\$73,874
Total Liabilities	\$490	\$599	\$1,035	\$536
Deficit	\$5,583	\$5,427	\$4,959	\$4,833

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company completed the acquisition of the 60% interest in the Altar Project which was treated as an asset acquisition, resulting in the increase in total assets during the period. The fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as at date of acquisition were as follows:

Consideration		
Cash payment of US\$15,000,000	\$ 19,588,500	
Value of 15,449,555 common shares issued	9,269,733	
Expenditures of US\$30,000,000	39,372,000	
Total consideration value:	\$ 68,230,233	
Net assets acquired		
Cash	\$ 193,366	
Prepaids	45,144	
VAT receivable	5,963,433	
Exploration and evaluation assets	107,843,037	
Accounts payable	(327,925)	
Net assets acquired:	113,717,055	
Non-controlling interest	(45,486,822)	
	\$ 68,230,233	

Additionally, the Company has notified Sibanye-Stillwater that it intends to proceed with the second option to spend US\$25,000,000 over a three-year period to acquire an additional 20% interest in the Altar project. Upon completion of the second option, Aldebaran will own an 80% interest in the Altar project while Sibanye-Stillwater will own a 20% interest.

# **Results of Operations**

Results of Operations for the Six Months Ended December 31, 2023 Compared to the Six Months Ended December 31, 2022

During the six months ended December 31, 2023, loss from operating activities was \$7,256,977 (2022 – \$624,066). Significant variances from the same period in the prior year are as follows:

- Share-based compensation was \$509,070 for the six months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 \$408,806). The variance was mainly due to the timing of vested stock options issued in November 2022.
- Investor relations was \$244,734 for the six months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 \$100,772). The difference was due to increased convention activities and contracting in the current period.
- Office and administration was \$229,275 for the six months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 \$124,243). The difference was due to increased fees and taxes, payroll, human resource and corporate service consulting, and computer and internet services in the current period.
- Loss on foreign exchange was \$148,067 for the six months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 gain \$208,304). The difference was mainly the result of fluctuations of the US\$, the Argentine Peso and the CAD\$.
- Loss on disposal of marketable securities was \$16,227 for the six months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 gain \$96,293). The difference was mainly the result of fluctuations in the stock market in the prior period.
- Interest income was \$372,819 for the six months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 \$138,704). The difference was due to additional interest from increased GIC investments in the current period.
- As part of the acquisition of a 60% interest in the Altar Project as described in Note 4 in the financial statements, the Company also acquired a receivable for \$5,963,433 representing Value Added Taxes ("VAT") that had previously been paid in connection with expenditures on the Altar Project. The Company elected to write-down the full amount for the six months ended December 31, 2023 of \$6,013,709 (2022 \$5,997) as the recoverability of such taxes is uncertain.

Results of Operations for the Three Months Ended December 31, 2023 Compared to the Three Months Ended December 31, 2022

During the three months ended December 31, 2023, loss from operating activities was \$1,337,662 (2022 – \$156,824). Significant variances from the same period in the prior year are as follows:

• Share-based compensation was \$209,767 for the three months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 – \$384,130). The variance was mainly due to the timing of vested stock options issued in November 2022.

- Investor relations was \$89,142 for the three months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 \$42,568). The difference was due to increased convention activities and contracting in the current period.
- Office and administration was \$106,314 for the three months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 \$63,137). The difference was due to increased fees and taxes, payroll, human resource and corporate service consulting, and computer and internet services in the current period.
- Loss on foreign exchange was \$239,798 for the three months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 gain \$384,274). The difference was mainly the result of fluctuations of the US\$, the Argentine Peso and the CAD\$.
- Loss on disposal of marketable securities was \$14,811 for the three months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 gain \$103,426). The difference was mainly the result of fluctuations in the stock market in the prior period.
- Interest income was \$294,328 for the three months ended December 31, 2023 (2022 \$91,921). The difference was due to additional interest from increased GIC investments in the current period.
- The Company elected to write-down VAT receivable for the three months ended December 31, 2023 of \$701,356 (2022 \$2,265) as the recoverability of such taxes is uncertain.

# **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Cash at December 31, 2023 totaled \$21,618,934. Working capital at December 31, 2023 was \$21,467,482 compared to working capital of \$6,206,039 as at June 30, 2023. Exploration and evaluation assets at December 31, 2023 totaled \$139,570,834 compared to \$94,789,908 as at June 30, 2023.

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement for gross proceeds of \$19,228,604. The Company issued 8,528,756 common shares at \$1.01 and 1,962,000 common shares at \$0.88 to South32, and issued a total of 10,100,000 common shares at \$0.88 per common share to Route One and to management of the Company

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement financing of 1,000,000 common shares at a price of \$0.88 per common share pursuant to the listed issuer financing exemption (the LIFE financing) for total gross proceeds of \$880,000.

As at the date hereof, the Company has sufficient working capital to continue operations for at least the next 12 months. The ability of the Company to recover the costs it has incurred to date on its exploration and evaluation assets is dependent upon the Company being able to finance its exploration and development expenditures and to resolve any environmental, regulatory or other constraints which may hinder the successful exploitation or disposal of its exploration and evaluation assets. To date, the Company has not earned revenues and is considered to be in the exploration stage.

# **Share Capital**

The Company's authorized capital consists of an unlimited number of common shares without par value.

As at the date of this report, the Company had the following securities outstanding:

- 169,819,120 common shares
- Stock options

Number of Options	Exercise Price (\$)	Expiry Date
2 400 000	1.05	1 2 2024
3,400,000	1.25	June 3, 2024
1,570,000	0.75	June 3, 2024
200,000	1.25	July 15, 2024
1,925,000	0.40	August 28, 2025
100,000	0.78	July 22, 2027
4,655,000	0.79	November 1, 2027
11,850,000		

No warrants outstanding

#### **Related Party Transactions**

During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company entered into the following transactions with key management personnel and related parties:

- a) Double Black Diamond Resources LLC. ("DBD Resources") is a private company controlled by Mr. John Black, CEO and a director of the Company. For the period ended December 31, 2023, DBD Resources was paid \$67,501 (2022 - \$66,498). Management services paid to DBD Resources are classified as management fees in the consolidated statements of profit or loss.
- b) Unicus Funds Ltd. ("Unicus") is a private company controlled by Mr. Mark Wayne, CFO and a director of the Company. For the period ended December 31, 2023, Unicus was paid \$37,500 (2022 \$37,500). Management services paid to Unicus are classified as management fees in the consolidated statements of profit or loss.
- c) K.B. Heather & Socios Limitada (The Rock Doctor Limitada) ("K.B. Heather") is a private company controlled by Dr. Kevin B. Heather, CGO and a director of the Company. For the period ended December 31, 2023, K.B. Heather was paid \$84,376 (2022 \$83,686). Management services paid to K.B. Heather are classified as management fees in the consolidated statements of profit or loss.
- d) At December 31, 2023, the Company owed \$23,248 (June 30, 2023 \$5,348) of expenses to Regulus, a company with common directors and management.
- e) During the period ended December 31, 2023, the Company recognized a total of \$266,507 (2022 \$197,519) of share-based compensation expense to related parties, which included vested options that had been issued in previous years.

# Key Management Personnel:

Key management personnel include those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company as a whole. The Company has determined that key management personnel consist of executive and non-executive members of the Company's Board of Directors and corporate officers.

The remuneration of directors and other members of key management personnel are as follows:

	Fees	Share-based Benefits	Total
Period ended December 31, 2023			
Chief Executive Officer	\$ 67,501	\$ 75,376	\$ 142,877
Chief Geological Officer	84,376	75,376	159,752
Chief Financial Officer	37,500	75,376	112,876
Non-executive directors	 -	40,379	40,379
	\$ 189,377	\$ 266,507	\$ 455,884
Period ended December 31, 2022			
Chief Executive Officer	\$ 66,948	\$ 55,864	\$ 122,812
Chief Geological Officer	83,686	55,864	139,550
Chief Financial Officer	37,500	55,864	93,364
Non-executive directors	 -	29,927	29,927
	\$ 188,134	\$ 197,519	\$ 385,653

Amounts due to related parties have no specific terms of repayment, are unsecured, and have no interest rate.

#### **Risks and Uncertainties**

Annual losses are expected to continue until the Company has an interest in an exploration and evaluation asset that produces revenues. The Company's ability to continue its operations and to realize assets at their carrying values is dependent upon the continued support of its shareholders, obtaining additional financing and generating revenues sufficient to cover its operating costs. The Company's accompanying interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not give effect to any adjustments which would be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern and therefore be required to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in other than the normal course of business and at amounts different from those reflected in the accompanying interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

Any forward-looking information in this MD&A is based on the conclusions of management. The Company cautions that due to risks and uncertainties, actual events may differ materially from current expectations. With respect to the Company's operations, actual events may differ from current expectations due to economic conditions, new opportunities, changing budget priorities of the Company and other factors.

The operations of the Company are speculative due to the high-risk nature of its business which includes the acquisition, financing, exploration, development and operation of mining properties. There are a number of factors that could negatively affect the Company's business and the value of its common shares, including the factors listed below. The following information pertains to the outlook and conditions currently known to the Company that could have a material impact on the financial condition of the Company. Other factors may arise that are not currently foreseen by management of the Company that may present additional risks in the future. Current and prospective security holders of the Company should carefully consider these risk factors, as they could materially affect the Company's future operations and could cause actual events to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements relating to the Company.

The more significant risks include:

#### Exploration and Development Risk

The Company's properties are in the exploration stage and are without a known body of commercial ore. Exploration for mineral resources involves a high degree of risk and few properties that are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. The risks and uncertainties inherent in exploration activities include but are not limited to: legal and political risk arising from operating in certain developing countries, civil unrest, general economic, market and business conditions, the regulatory process and actions, failure to obtain necessary permits and approvals, technical issues, new legislation, competitive and general economic factors and conditions, the uncertainties resulting from potential delays or changes in plans, the occurrence of unexpected events and management's capacity to execute and implement its future plans. Discovery of mineral deposits is dependent upon a number of factors, not the least of which are the technical skills of the exploration personnel involved and the capital required for the programs. The cost of conducting programs may be substantial and the likelihood of success is difficult to assess. There is no assurance that the Company's mineral exploration activities will result in any discoveries of new bodies of commercial ore. There is also no assurance that even if commercial quantities of ore are discovered that a new ore body would be developed and brought into commercial production. The commercial viability of a mineral deposit once discovered is also dependent upon a number of factors, some of which are the particular attributes of the deposit (such as size, grade, metallurgy and proximity to infrastructure and labour), the interpretation of geological data obtained from drilling and sampling, feasibility studies, the cost of water and power; anticipated climatic conditions; cyclical metal prices; fluctuations in inflation and currency exchange rates; higher input commodity and labour costs, commodity prices, government regulations, including regulations relating to prices, taxes, royalties, land tenure and use, allowable production, importing and exporting of minerals, and environmental protection. Most of the above factors are beyond the control of the Company. Development projects will also be subject to the successful completion of final feasibility studies, issuance of necessary permits and other governmental approvals and receipt of adequate financing. The exact effect of these factors cannot be accurately predicted, but the combination of any of these factors may adversely affect the Company's business.

# Negative Operating Cash Flow

The Company is an exploration stage company and has not generated cash flow from operations. The Company is devoting significant resources to the development and acquisition of its properties; however, there can be no assurance that it will generate positive cash flow from operations in the future. The Company expects to continue to incur negative consolidated operating cash flow and losses until such time as it achieves commercial production at a particular project. The Company currently has negative cash flow from operating activities.

# Mineral Resource Estimates

The Company's reported mineral resources are estimations only. No assurance can be given that the estimated mineral resources will be recovered. By their nature, mineral resource estimations are imprecise and depend, to a certain extent, upon statistical inferences, which may ultimately prove unreliable because, among other factors, they are based on limited sampling, and, consequently, are uncertain because the samples may not be representative. Mineral resource estimations may require revision (either up or down). There are numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating mineral resources, including many factors beyond the Company's control. Such estimation is a subjective process, and the accuracy of any mineral resource estimate is a function of the quantity and quality of available data and of the assumptions made and judgments used in engineering and geological interpretation. There can be no assurance that recoveries in small scale laboratory tests will be duplicated in larger scale tests under on-site conditions. In particular, factors that may affect mineral resource estimates include:

- changes in interpretations of mineralization geometry and continuity of mineralization zones;
- input parameters used in the Whittle shell that constrains the mineral resources amenable to open pit mining methods;
- metallurgical and mining recoveries;
- operating and capital cost assumptions;
- metal price and exchange rate assumptions;
- confidence in modifying factors, including assumptions that surface rights to allow infrastructure to be constructed will be forthcoming;
- delays or other issues in reaching agreements with local or regulatory authorities and stakeholders;
- changes in land tenure requirements or permitting requirements from those discussed in the report; and
- changes in the environmental regulations or laws governing the property.

Changes in key assumptions and parameters could result in a restatement of mineral resource estimates. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability and there is no assurance that they will ever be mined or processed profitably. Due to the uncertainty which may attach to mineral resources, there is no assurance that all or any part of Measured or Indicated mineral resources will ever be converted into mineral reserves. Any material reductions in estimates of mineral resources could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and financial condition.

#### Title Risk

The Company has investigated its right to explore and exploit its properties and, to the best of its knowledge, those rights are in good standing. The results of the Company's investigations should not be construed as a guarantee of title. Other parties may dispute the title to a property, or the property may be subject to prior unregistered agreements or liens and transfers or land claims by aboriginal, native, or indigenous peoples. The title may be affected by undetected encumbrances or defects or governmental actions. The Company has not conducted surveys of all of its properties, and the precise area and location of claims or the properties may be challenged and no assurances can be given that there are no title defects affecting such properties. Any defects in the title to the Company's properties could have a material and adverse effect on the Company.

No assurance can be given that applicable governments will not revoke or significantly alter the conditions of the applicable exploration and mining authorizations nor that such exploration and mining authorizations will not be challenged or impugned by third parties. Although the Company has not had any problem renewing its licenses in the past there is no guarantee that it will always be able to do so. Inability to renew a license could result in the loss of any project located within that license.

# Foreign Operations Risk

The Company conducts exploration activities in foreign countries, including Argentina. Each of these countries exposes the Company to risks that may not otherwise be experienced if all operations were located in Canada. The risks vary from country to country and can include, but are not limited to, civil unrest or war, terrorism, illegal mining, changing political conditions, fluctuations in currency exchange rates, expropriation or nationalization without adequate compensation, changes to royalty and tax regimes, high rates of inflation, labour unrest and difficulty in understanding and complying with the regulatory and legal framework respecting ownership and maintenance of mineral properties. Changes in mining or investment policies or shifts in political attitudes may also adversely affect Company's existing assets and operations. Real and perceived political risk may also affect the Company's ability to finance exploration programs and attract joint venture or option partners, and future mine development opportunities.

Numerous countries have introduced changes to mining regimes that reflect increased government control or participation in the mining sector, including, but not limited to, changes of law affecting foreign ownership, mandatory government participation, taxation and royalties, exploration licensing, export duties, and repatriation of income or return of capital. There can be no assurance that industries which are deemed of national or strategic importance in countries in which the Company has assets, including mineral exploration, will not be nationalized. There is a risk that further government limitations, restrictions or requirements, not presently foreseen, will be implemented. Changes in policy that alter laws regulating the mining industry could have a material adverse effect on the Company. There can be no assurance that the Company's assets in these countries will not be subject to nationalization, requisition or confiscation, whether legitimate or not, by an authority or body.

In addition, in the event of a dispute arising from foreign operations, the Company may be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of foreign courts or may not be successful in subjecting foreign persons to the jurisdiction of courts in Canada. The Company also may be hindered or prevented from enforcing its rights with respect to a governmental instrumentality because of the doctrine of sovereign immunity. It is not possible for the Company to accurately predict such developments or changes in laws or policy or to what extent any such developments or changes may have a material adverse effect on the Company.

### Metal Price Risk

The Company's portfolios of properties and investments have exposure to predominantly copper, gold, silver and molybdenum. Commodity prices fluctuate widely and are affected by numerous factors beyond the Company's control, such as the sale or purchase of metals by various central banks and financial institutions, interest rates, exchange rates, inflation or deflation, fluctuation in the value of the United States dollar and foreign currencies, global and regional supply and demand, and the political and economic conditions of major metals-producing and metals-consuming countries throughout the world. The prices of these metals greatly affect the value of the Company, the price of the common shares of the Company and the potential value of its properties and investments. This, in turn, greatly affects its ability to form joint ventures, option agreements and the structure of any joint ventures formed. This is due, at least in part, to the underlying value of the Company's assets at different metal prices.

# Uncertainty of Funding

The exploration and development of mineral properties requires a substantial amount of capital and depends on the Company's ability to obtain financing through joint ventures, debt financing, equity financing or other means. General market conditions, volatile metals prices, a claim against the Company, a significant disruption to the Company's business, or other factors may make it difficult to secure the necessary

financing. There is no assurance that the Company will be successful in obtaining required financing as and when needed on acceptable terms. Failure to obtain any necessary additional financing may result in delaying or indefinite postponement of exploration or development or even a loss of property interest. If the Company needs to raise additional funds, such financing may substantially dilute the interests of shareholders of the Company and reduce the value of their investment.

Recent economic events, including US-China trade disputes, the COVID-19 global pandemic, disruptions to national and international supply chains and rising inflationary trends worldwide have created further uncertainty in global financial and equity markets and may adversely impact the Company's share price and ability to raise capital.

# Future Offerings of Debt or Equity Securities

The Company may require additional funds to finance further exploration, development and production activities, or to take advantage of unanticipated opportunities. If the Company raises additional funds by issuing additional equity securities, such financing would dilute the economic and voting rights of the Company's shareholders. Since the Company's capital needs depend on market conditions and other factors beyond its control, it cannot predict or estimate the amount, timing or nature of any such future offering of securities. Thus, holders of common shares of the Company bear the risk of any future offerings reducing the market price of the common shares and diluting their shareholdings in the Company.

# Economic and Political Instability in Argentina

All of the Company's properties, including the Altar project, are located in Argentina. There are risks relating to an uncertain or unpredictable political and economic environment in Argentina, including social opposition to mining operations in certain parts of the country. During an economic crisis in 2001 to 2003 and again in 2014 and 2020, Argentina defaulted on foreign debt repayments and on the repayment of a number of official loans to multinational organizations. In addition, the Argentine government has in the past renegotiated or defaulted on certain contractual arrangements. The government which took office in December 2019 reinstated foreign currency controls restricting the ability of Argentine companies and citizens to obtain United States dollars without Central Bank approval (resulting in, at times, a limitation on the ability of multi-national companies to distribute dividends abroad in United States dollars). That government also reversed certain corporate tax rate reductions introduced by the previous government. On November 19, 2023, Argentina elected right-wing libertarian Javier Milei as its President, creating new uncertainties relating to changes that the new government might make to the country's fiscal and monetary policies along with potential changes to regulations applicable to the development of natural resources.

Past actions indicate that the Argentinean government may from time to time alter or impose additional requirements or policies that may adversely affect the Company's activities in Argentina or its ability to attract joint venture partners or obtain financing for its projects in the future.

# Currency Risk

The Company transacts business in a number of currencies including but not limited to the Canadian Dollar, the US Dollar, the Argentine Peso and the Chilean Peso. The Argentine Peso in particular has had significant decreases in value relative to the US and Canadian dollars. Ongoing economic uncertainty in Argentina as well as unpredictable changes to foreign exchange rules may result in fluctuations in the value of the Argentine Peso that are greater than those experienced in the recent past. Fluctuations in exchange rates may have a significant effect on the cash flows of the Company. Future changes in exchange rates could materially affect the Company's results in either a positive or a negative direction. The Company does not currently engage in foreign currency hedging activities.

# Internal Controls

Internal controls over financial reporting are procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are properly authorized, assets are safeguarded against unauthorized or improper use, and transactions are properly recorded and reported. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance with respect to the reliability of financial reporting and financial statement preparation.

# Information Systems and Cyber Security

The Company's operations depend on information technology ("IT") systems. These IT systems could be subject to network disruptions caused by a variety of sources, including computer viruses, security breaches and cyberattacks, as well as disruptions resulting from incidents such as cable cuts, damage to physical plants, natural disasters, terrorism, fire, power loss, vandalism and theft. The Company's operations also depend on the timely maintenance, upgrade and replacement of networks, equipment, IT systems and software, as well as pre-emptive expenses to mitigate the risks of failures. Any of these and other events could result in information system failures, delays and/or increase in capital expenses. The failure of information systems or a component of information systems could, depending on the nature of any such failure, adversely impact the Company's reputation and results of operations. Although to date the Company has not experienced any material losses relating to cyber attacks or other information security breaches, there can be no assurance that the Company will not incur such losses in the future. The Company's risk and exposure to these matters cannot be fully mitigated because of, among other things, the evolving nature of these threats. As a result, cyber security and the continued development and enhancement of controls, processes and practices designed

to protect systems, computers, software, data and networks from attack, damage or unauthorized access remain a priority. As cyber threats continue to evolve, the Company may be required to expend additional resources to continue to modify or enhance protective measures or to investigate and remediate any security vulnerabilities.

# Corruption and Bribery

The Company is required to comply with anti-corruption and anti-bribery laws, including the Canadian *Extractive Sector Transparency Measures Act*, the Canadian *Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act* and the U.S. *Foreign Corrupt Practices Act*, as well as similar laws in the countries in which the Company conducts its business. If the Company finds itself subject to an enforcement action or is found to be in violation of such laws, this may result in significant penalties, fines and/or sanctions imposed on the Company resulting in a material adverse effect on the Company. The Company has adopted a comprehensive Anti-Corruption Policy in order to mitigate this risk. *Competition* 

There is aggressive competition within the mining industry for the discovery and acquisition of properties considered to have commercial potential, as well as the necessary labour and supplies required to develop such properties. The Company competes with other exploration and mining companies, many of which have greater financial resources, operational experience and technical capabilities than the Company, for the acquisition of mineral claims, leases and other mineral interests as well as for the recruitment and retention of qualified employees and other personnel. The Company may not be able to maintain or acquire attractive mining properties on terms it considers acceptable, or at all. Consequently, its financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

#### Uninsurable Risks

Exploration, development and production operations on mineral properties involve numerous risks, including unexpected or unusual geological operating conditions, rock bursts, cave-ins, fires, floods, earthquakes and other environmental occurrences, as well as political and social instability. It is not always possible to obtain insurance against all such risks and the Company may decide not to insure against certain risks because of high premiums or other reasons. Should such liabilities arise, they could reduce or eliminate any further profitability and result in increasing costs and a decline in the value of the securities of the Company. The Company does not maintain insurance against political risks.

# Environmental Risks

It is possible that future regulatory developments, such as increasingly strict environmental protection laws, climate change policies, regulations and enforcement policies, and claims for damages to property and persons resulting from the Company's operations, could result in additional costs and liabilities, restrictions on or suspension of the Company's activities and delays in the exploration of and development of its properties.

The physical effects of climate change, which may include extreme weather events, resource shortages, changes in rainfall and storm patterns, water shortages and extreme weather events, may have an adverse effect on our operations. Events or conditions such as flooding or inadequate water supplies could disrupt exploration activities and rehabilitation efforts, could create resource shortages and could damage our property or equipment and increase health and safety risks on our properties. Such events or conditions could also have other adverse effects on our operations, our workforce and on the local communities surrounding our properties, such as an increased risk of food, water scarcity and civil unrest.

# Tax

The Company runs its business in different countries and strives to run its business in as tax efficient a manner as possible. The tax systems in certain of these countries are complicated and subject to changes. For this reason, future negative effects on the result of the Company due to changes in tax regulations cannot be excluded. Repatriation of earnings to Canada from other countries may be subject to withholding taxes. The Company has no control over withholding tax rates.

# <u>Disclosure For Venture Issuers Without Significant Revenue</u>

A breakdown of the components of the Company's general and administrative expenses is disclosed in the interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended December 31, 2023 to which this MD&A relates. A breakdown of the components of the exploration and evaluation assets of the Company is disclosed in the interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended December 31, 2023 to which this MD&A relates.

# Financial and Capital Risk Management

Please refer to the December 31, 2023 interim condensed consolidated financial statements on www.sedarplus.ca.

#### Recent Accounting Policies

There were no recent accounting policies adopted for the period ended December 31, 2023.

# **Financial Instruments**

Please refer to the December 31, 2023 interim condensed consolidated financial statements on www.sedarplus.ca.

# Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

# **Proposed Transactions**

There are no proposed transactions that have not been disclosed herein. <u>Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting</u>

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting ("ICFR")

In connection with National Instrument 52-109, Certification of Disclosure in Issuer's Annual and Interim Filings ("NI 52-109") adopted in December 2008 by each of the securities commissions across Canada, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Company will file a Venture Issuer Basic Certificate with respect to financial information contained in the unaudited interim financial statements and the audited annual financial statements and respective accompanying Management's Discussion and Analysis. The Venture Issue Basic Certification does not include representations relating to the establishment and maintenance of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting, as defined in NI52-109.

# Management's Responsibility for Financial Statements

Information provided in this report, including the financial statements, is the responsibility of management. In the preparation of these statements, estimates are sometimes necessary to make a determination of future value for certain assets or liabilities. Management believes such estimates have been based on careful judgments and have been properly reflected in the accompanying financial statements. Management maintains a system of internal controls to provide reasonable assurances that the Company's assets are safeguarded and to facilitate the preparation of relevant and timely information.

# Other MD&A Requirements

Additional information relating to the Company's operations and activities can be found by accessing the Company's news releases and filings on SEDAR+ at <a href="www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a>.

Cautionary Note - Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements made and information contained herein in the MD&A constitutes "forward-looking information" and forward-looking statements" within the meaning of applicable securities legislation (collectively, "forward-looking information" or "forward-looking statements") concerning the business, operations, financial performance and condition of Aldebaran Resources Inc. The forward-looking information contained in this MD&A is based on information available to the Company as of the date of this MD&A. Except as required under applicable securities legislation, the Company does not intend, and does not assume any obligation, to update this forward-looking information. Generally, any statements that express or involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, assumptions or future events or performance, (often, but not always, identified by words or phrases such as "plans", "expects" or "does not expect", "is expected", "budget", "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "intends", "projects", "estimates", "budgets", "scheduled", "forecasts", "assumes", "intends", "strategy", "goals", "objectives", "potential", "possible", "anticipates" or "does not anticipate", or "believes", or variations of such words and phrases or statements that certain actions, events, conditions or results "will", "may", "could", "would", "should", "might" or "will be taken", "will occur" or "will be achieved" or the negative connotations thereof and similar expressions) are not statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking statements.

All statements other than statements of historical fact may be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking information is necessarily based on estimates and assumptions that are inherently subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking information, including but not limited to: risks and uncertainties relating to, among other things, the inherent uncertainties regarding mineral resource estimates, cost estimates, changes in commodity prices, currency fluctuation, financings, unanticipated resource grades, infrastructure, results of exploration activities, cost overruns, availability of materials and equipment, timeliness of government approvals, taxation, political risk and related economic risk and unanticipated environmental impact on operations, the impact of COVID-19 on the Company's operations, personnel, ability to finance and outlook, as well as other risks, and uncertainties and other factors, including, without limitation, those referred to in the "Risks and Uncertainties" section of the MD&A, and elsewhere,

which may cause the actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking information.

The Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements and information included in this MD&A are reasonable but no assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to be correct and such forward-looking statements and information should not be unduly relied upon. This statement and information is as of the date of the MD&A. In particular, this MD&A contains forward-looking statements or information pertaining to the assumptions used in the mineral resources estimates for the Altar and Rio Grande projects, including, but not limited to, geological interpretation, grades, metal price assumptions, metallurgical and mining recovery rates, geotechnical and hydrogeological conditions, as applicable; ability to develop infrastructure; assumptions made in the interpretation of drill results, geology, grade and continuity of mineral deposits; expectations regarding access and demand for equipment, skilled labour and services needed for exploration and development of mineral properties, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Canadian and worldwide economy, the Company's workforce, world wide demand for commodities and the Company's business generally; and that activities will not be adversely disrupted or impeded by exploration, development, operating, regulatory, political, community, economic and/or environmental risks. In addition, this MD&A contains forward-looking statements or information pertaining to the anticipated timing or ability to secure additional financing and/or the quantum and terms thereof; exploration and development plans and expenditures; the timing and nature of studies and any potential development scenarios; opportunities to improve project economics; the success of future exploration activities; potential for resource expansion; potential for the discovery of new mineral deposits; ability to build shareholder value; expectations with regard to adding to mineral resources through exploration; expectations with respect to the conversion of inferred resources to an indicated resources classification; ability to execute the planned work programs; estimation of commodity prices, mineral resources, costs, and permitting time lines; ability to obtain surface rights and property interests; currency exchange rate fluctuations; requirements for additional capital; government regulation of mining activities; environmental risks; unanticipated reclamation expenses; title disputes or claims; limitations on insurance coverage; and other risks and uncertainties.

Forward-looking information is based on certain assumptions that the Company believes are reasonable, including that the current price of and demand for commodities will be sustained or will improve, the supply of commodities will remain stable, that the general business and economic conditions will not change in a material adverse manner, that financing will be available if and when needed on reasonable terms and that the Company will not experience any material labour dispute, accident, or failure of plant or equipment. These factors are not, and should not be construed as being, exhaustive. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that would cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking information, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated, or intended. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. All of the forward-looking information contained in this document is qualified by these cautionary statements. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking information due to the inherent uncertainty thereof. Statements relating to "mineral resources" are deemed to be forward looking information, as they involve the implied assessment, based on certain estimates and assumptions, that the mineral resources described can be profitably produced in the future.

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