

## PAMPA METALS CORP.

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS ("MD&A")

## FOR THE THREE AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 AND 2021

**UNAUDITED** 

(All amounts expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated)

## Introduction

Pampa Metals Corp. (the "Company" or "Pampa") is a Vancouver-based mineral exploration company engaged in the acquisition and exploration of base metals and precious metals projects in Chile. The Company is a reporting issuer in British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario, and trades on the Canadian Securities Exchange ("CSE") under the symbol PM; the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (FSE: FIRA); and on the OTCQB® Best Market (OTCQB: PMMCF). The Company is eligible for electronic clearing and settlement through the Depository Trust Company ("DTC") in the United States.

Pampa was created out of a business combination between West Pacific Ventures Corp. ("WestPac"), Fireswirl Technologies Inc. ("Fireswirl") and 1263621 B.C. Ltd.. WestPac had previously acquired eight (8) exploration projects from Revelo Resources Corp. ("Revelo" / TSX-V: RVL) for a combination of cash and shares in the resulting issuer that became Pampa (the "Transaction"). Concurrent with the closing of the Transaction, WestPac completed a private placement of a total of 10,061,250 subscription receipts of WestPac at a price of \$0.40 per receipt for gross proceeds of \$4,024,500. At the close of the Transaction on November 27, 2020, Revelo owned 19.9% of the issued and outstanding shares of Pampa that totaled 39,189,682 shares (fully diluted 45,041,958 shares). The resultant issuer, Pampa Metals Corp., initiated trading on the Canadian Securities Exchange ("CSE") under the ticker symbol "PM" on December 14, 2020 (see news release of same date).

Subsequent to the closing of the Transaction, on February 4, 2021, Austral Gold Ltd. ("Austral" – TSX-V: AGLD / ASX: AGD) and Revelo completed a previously announced business combination, pursuant to which Austral acquired all the issued and outstanding common shares of Revelo by way of a statutory plan of arrangement under the provisions of the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia). This resulted in Austral indirectly holding the 7,798,747 common shares of Pampa owned by Revelo, and consequently becoming the beneficial owner of a 19.9% holding in the Company. Austral is a growing gold and silver mining, development, and exploration company building a portfolio of quality assets in Chile, the United States and Argentina, and has become the largest single beneficial shareholder of Pampa.

As part of an exploration option and joint venture agreement between Pampa and Austral signed in July 2021, Austral returned 2,963,132 shares of Pampa Metals held by Austral's wholly owned subsidiary, Revelo Resources Corp., to treasury, and those shares were subsequently cancelled. This transaction reduced the issued and outstanding shares of Pampa and also reduced Austral's percentage shareholding in the Company.

The following Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of the Company's financial condition and results of operations has been prepared by management in accordance with the requirements of National Instrument 51-102. The following information is prepared as of August 26, 2022 unless otherwise stated, and supplements, but does not form part of, the unaudited condensed interim financial statements of the Company for the three months ended June 30, 2022. This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited financial statements and related notes for the three months ended June 30, 2022.

The Company reports its financial position, results of operations and cash flows in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC"). All dollar amounts included therein and in the following Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") are in Canadian dollars except where noted.

For the purposes of preparing this MD&A, management, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, considers the materiality of information. Information is considered material if: (i) such information results in, or would reasonably be expected to result in, a significant change in the market price or value of Pampa's common shares; or (ii) there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable investor would consider it important in making an investment decision; or (iii) it would significantly alter the total mix of information available to investors. Management, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, evaluates materiality with reference to all relevant circumstances, including potential market sensitivity. The results for the quarter ended June 30, 2022 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any future period.

Additional information relevant to the Company's activities can be found on SEDAR at <a href="www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a> and on the Company's website at <a href="www.pampametals.com">www.pampametals.com</a>.

## **Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This MD&A contains certain forward-looking information and forward-looking statements, as defined in applicable securities laws (collectively referred to herein as "forward-looking statements"). These statements relate to future events or the Company's future performance. All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements. Often, but not always, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of words such as "plans", "expects", "is expected", "budget", "scheduled", "estimates", "continues", "forecasts", "projects", "predicts", "intends", "anticipates" or "believes", or variations of, or the negatives of, such words and phrases, or state that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "should", "might" or "will" be taken, occur or be achieved. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements in this MD&A speak only as of the date of this MD&A or as of the date specified in such statement.

Inherent in forward-looking statements are risks, uncertainties, and other factors beyond Pampa's ability to predict or control. Please also refer to those risk factors referenced in the "Risks and Uncertainties" section below. Actual results and developments are likely to differ, and may differ materially, from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this MD&A. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to update publicly or otherwise revise any forward-looking statements whether because of new information or future events or otherwise, except as may be required by law. If the Company does update one or more forward-looking statements, no inference should be drawn that it will make additional updates with respect to those or other forward-looking statements, unless required by law.

#### COVID-19

The global outbreak of COVID-19 has led governments worldwide to enact emergency measures to combat the spread of the virus. Such measures may result in a period of business disruption including reduced operations, which could have a material adverse impact on the Company's results of operations, financial condition, and the market and trading price of the Company's securities.

As of the date of this MD&A, the duration and immediate and eventual impact of the COVID-19 pandemic remains unknown. It is not possible to reliably estimate the length and severity of these developments and the impact on the financial results and condition of the Company. The outbreak of COVID-19 has not caused significant disruptions to the Company's business to date, with field activities being conducted by Chile-based specialists and consultants, although international travel to Chile for management was impractical to year end 2021. Important business communication has been largely reliant on digital media, but international travel to Chile has once again becoming viable in 2022. However, the COVID-19 outbreak may yet cause disruptions to the Company's business and operational plans.

### **Description of Business**

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Pampa owns a highly prospective, wholly owned, 60,000-hectare portfolio of eight projects for copper and gold located along proven mineral belts in Chile, one of the world's top mining jurisdictions. The Company is actively progressing exploration for porphyry copper style deposits at four of its projects, including completed and planned drill tests. Pampa owns a highly prospective, wholly owned, 60,000-hectare portfolio of eight projects for copper and gold located along proven mineral belts in Chile, one of the world's top mining jurisdictions. The Company is actively progressing exploration for porphyry copper style deposits at four of its projects, including completed and planned drill tests.

In addition to exploring its wholly owned portfolio of projects, Pampa will consider business development opportunities, either proactively or reactively, which management believes could be beneficial to Pampa's shareholders and enhance the Company's ability to be party to an economic mineral discovery. In this respect, Pampa has optioned two of its projects to Austral Gold Ltd. (July 2021), which is actively advancing their exploration with a focus on gold, and has earlier in 2022 initiated its first drill test on one of the projects. The Company also signed an agreement with VerAl Discoveries Inc. (January 2022) giving Pampa Metals access to the latest in artificial intelligence technology in relation to mineral exploration, as well as a further 18,700 hectares of terrain highly prospective for copper and gold in the core of the highly productive mineral belts of northern Chile.

The Company has a vision to create value for shareholders and all other stakeholders by making a major copper or gold discovery along the prime mineral belts of Chile, using the best geological and technological methods.

## Overall Performance to June 30, 2022, Subsequent Events and Outlook

The Company has no revenues, so its ability to ensure continuing operations is dependent on it discovering economically recoverable reserves on its portfolio of properties in northern Chile, and its ability to obtain necessary financing to continue and complete exploration activities to that end, as well as its ability to pursue business development opportunities that support its prime objective of discovery.

As of June 30, 2022, the Company had a net working capital of \$866,994 (December 31, 2021 – \$1,389,074). The Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$637,354 (December 31, 2021 - \$1,333,960). Working capital and cash and cash equivalents decreased during the three months ended June 30, 2022 as a result of proceeds from the closing of a private placement closed on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, offset by exploration and evaluation expenditures, and general and administrative expenses.

The Company may be required to raise additional capital to meet its ongoing operating expenses on its current projects for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 2022. Management may increase or decrease budgeted expenditures depending on exploration results and ongoing volatility in the business environment. See "Liquidity and Financial Position" below.

During the reporting period ending June 30, 2022, the Company announced the following material technical and commercial developments:

- Pampa reported IP chargeability anomalies from the Cerro Chiquitin target at Cerro Buenos Aires and plans for further drill testing of shallow and deep porphyry targets (see news release dated April 6, 2022).
- Pampa provided an update for the Morros Blancos JV with Austral Gold (see news release dated April 28, 2022).
- Pampa announced the initiation of a large-scale soil sampling program and advances to plans for a first-pass drill program at the Buenavista target at its Block 4 project (see news release dated May 3, 2022)...
- Pampa announced that it had closed the second tranche of a private placement offering of 1,660,666 units ("Units") at a price of \$0.30 per Unit for gross proceeds of \$498,200. Together with the first tranche of the private placement, the Company issued a total of 5,447,366 Units for gross proceeds of \$1,634,210 (see news release dated May 6, 2022). (see news release dated February 8, 2022).
- Pampa announced the start of an IP geophysical program at its Block 4 project to help refine drill
  hole locations at Buenavista, and to explore post-mineral cover for further drill targets (see news
  release dated May 24, 2022). Pampa reported a strong chargeability response from its IP
  geophysical program at the Buenavista target in Block 4, confirming priority drill targets (see news
  release dated June 23, 2022).

### **Subsequent Events**

Subsequent to the end of the reporting period, and through to the date of this MD&A, the Company has made further material technical and commercial progress, as follows:

• Pampa announced that it had confirmed a Tertiary age for the host rock porphyry and found native gold-sulphide mineralization in the quartz-veinlet stockwork at the Buenavista target, Block 4 Project (see news release dated August 8, 2022).

#### **Outlook**

The company believes it is well placed to achieve success, with rapid advancement of its exploration portfolio to date, including four targets subject to reconnaissance drill tests at Cerro Buenos Aires and Redondo-Veronica. Multiple technical results focused on detailed geological and hydrothermal alteration mapping, combined with detailed geophysical surveying to prospect through extensive post-mineral cover, are still being evaluated in order to prioritise the very best opportunities for follow-up work. However, the Buenavista target at Block 4 has now assumed the highest priority for drill testing in the near future.

The company has a portfolio approach to exploration, with eight projects each of which has the potential to host more than one target of interest. Two of Pampa's projects are now subject to third-party exploration expenditures (Austral) and can be advanced without recourse to Pampa's treasury. One round of drill testing has been completed by Austral at Morros Blancos, and further drilling is planned.

The recent addition of leading-edge artificial intelligence technology applied to exploration data with VerAl's projects adds significant additional leverage to Pampa's objective of discovery, and progress is being made with the VerAl portfolio to that end.

#### **Qualified Person**

Technical information in this quarterly highlight has been approved by Mario Orrego G, Geologist and a Registered Member of the Chilean Mining Commission and a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Orrego is a consultant to the Company.

Note: The reader is cautioned that Pampa Metals' projects are early-stage exploration projects, and reference to existing mines and deposits, or mineralization hosted on adjacent or nearby properties, is not necessarily indicative of any mineralization on Pampa Metals' properties.

## Pampa Metals – Exploration Projects

This general description of the Projects has been broken down into two groupings, referred to as the "Pampa" Projects and the "Lithocap" Projects as described below:

## Pampa Projects

The Arrieros, Block 2, Block 3, Block 4, and Redondo-Veronica projects all lie along the mid-Tertiary porphyry copper belt of northern Chile and the related Domeyko Cordillera fault system. The five projects are located along a 400 km long segment of the belt, which includes the Chuquicamata (Codelco), Centinela (Antofagasta Minerals, Marubeni, and partners), Gabriela Mistral or Gaby (Codelco), La Escondida (BHP, Rio Tinto, and partners), and El Salvador (Codelco) porphyry Cu-Mo-Au deposits and clusters. The Domeyko Cordillera copper mines are responsible for producing more than 15% of world copper production, and around 60% of Chilean copper production, and include the world's largest single copper mine at La Escondida. The Arrieros project was subject to a Technical Report for the initial listing requirements of Pampa.

All Pampa's projects are characterized by variable but generally extensive post-mineral gravel and caliche-covered basins, typically called "pampas", which obscure the underlying geology. Mapping of the geology and hydrothermal alteration of peripheral outcrops, and structural corridors, together with geophysical surveying, followed by drill testing, are the main tools available for exploration of concealed porphyry copper systems. The projects all lie directly along north-south blocks of thick-skinned tectonically inverted Paleozoic and Mesozoic rocks, where early to mid-Tertiary pre-mineral intrusions and porphyry-type hydrothermal alteration zones have been recognized. Although historic drilling has been carried out on some of the projects by third parties, large areas and targets with indicative data and potential to conceal porphyry deposits remain untested. Geological mapping and geophysical surveying of the Pampa projects portfolio, focused on Arrieros, Redondo-Veronica, Block 3, and Block 4 to date, have been advanced since inception of the Company in December 2020, and continues to advance through to the date of this MD&A with Redondo-Veronica also being subject to a wide-spaced reconnaissance drill test on three targets in 2021, and the Buenavista target at Block 4 emerging as a new priority drilling objective.

Since inception of the Company, limited available additional ground has been staked around both the Redondo-Veronica and Block 4 projects in order to further protect encouraging results and targets to date. Additionally, some un-prospective ground at Arrieros has been dropped.

Wholly Owned Pampa Projects	Ownership	Ownership %	Area Hectares
Arrieros	Pampa Metals Chile SpA	100	8,100
Redondo Veronica	Pampa Metals Chile SpA	100	6,600
Block 2	Pampa Metals Chile SpA	100	3,300
Block 3	Pampa Metals Chile SpA	100	10,100
Block 4	Pampa Metals Chile SpA	100	6,800

Pampa Targets – Total:		34,900

## **Lithocap Projects**

The Cerro Blanco, Cerro Buenos Aires and Morros Blancos projects all lie along the early-Tertiary aged mineral belt of northern Chile often referred to as the Paleocene or Central Belt. This mineral belt extends from at least southern Peru to central Chile – more than 1,500 kilometers – and is host to important porphyry copper deposits and mines such as Cerro Colorado and Spence (BHP and partners), Sierra Gorda (KGHM, South32, and partners), Lomas Bayas (Glencore) and Relincho (Teck and partners), in northern Chile. The segment south of Antofagasta is also characterized by historically important and currently producing gold and silver mines of both high-sulphidation and low-sulphidation type, such as the El Peñon-Fortuna district (Yamana Gold), Amancaya (Austral Gold), Guanaco (Austral Gold), and the historic Inca de Oro district.

The three lithocap projects all occur within a 100 km long segment of the belt dominated by gold and silver deposits and mines between El Peñon and Amancaya. Their geology is characterized by high-level, advanced argillic hydrothermal alteration zones commonly called "lithocaps", which may be related to concealed high-sulphidation gold-silver and porphyry copper or copper-gold systems. Cerro Buenos Aires and Morros Blancos have extensive hydrothermal alteration zones with zoned geochemical patterns at surface, but also have significant post-mineral gravel-filled pampas. Cerro Blanco is a small, 1 x 2 km hydrothermally altered outcrop surrounded by extensive post-mineral gravel-filled pampas.

Minor and peripheral historic drilling support the currently understood exploration upside for these lithocap projects. All the projects require (further) geophysical surveying as well as detailed geological mapping, amongst other exploration activities in order to fully understand the best targets, some of which has already been advanced by Pampa, or its partner, Austral.

Geological mapping and geophysical surveying of the Cerro Buenos Aires project has been advanced, together with a wide-spaced reconnaissance drill test of the northern Cerro Chiquitin target area.

Austral has also advanced exploration at Morros Blancos and Cerro Blanco with geological mapping, geochemical sampling and geophysical surveys completed. Austral completed an initial drill test of the Rosario del Alto target at Morros Blancos in early 2022.

Wholly Owned Lithocap Projects	Ownership	Ownership %	Area Hectares
Cerro Blanco *	Pampa Metals Chile SpA	100	7,200
Cerro Buenos Aires	Pampa Metals Chile SpA	100	7,600
Morros Blancos *	Pampa Metals Chile SpA	100	9,000
Lithocap Targets – Total:			23,800

## **Exploration**

Pampa has published exploration results from its Arrieros, Redondo-Veronica, Block 3, Block 4, and Cerro Buenos Aires projects to the date of this MD&A. Additionally, information has been made public in relation to the exploration advances of Austral as part of its earn-in to Pampa's Morros Blancos and Cerro Blanco projects. See Pampa's website (<a href="https://www.pampametals.com">www.pampametals.com</a>) for further information.

## Cerro Buenos Aires

Cerro Buenos Aires is located along the western margins of the Paleocene metallogenic belt of northern Chile, some 35Km southwest of the Au-Ag El Peñón epithermal deposits (Yamana Gold). The project has substantial historical information including magnetometry, resistivity, soil and rock geochemistry, rock and soil spectrometry and nine RC drill holes (2739m) available to Pampa. Updated detailed geological mapping was completed in April 2021, and confirmed the presence of rocks and hydrothermal alteration of an appropriate age to host Paleocene porphyry systems. The work also indicated that the project is located along a north-northeast structural corridor along the highly prospective western margins of the Paleocene Belt. The identification of quartz veinlets together with the improved understanding of a tourmaline breccia in the project area has enhanced the potential for finding a porphyry copper related system. Both gradient array IP and pole-dipole IP surveys have been completed by Pampa in the Cerro Chiquitin area, together with an initial drill test of 9 wide-spaced holes totalling 2,738 metres that was completed in September 2021, with highly encouraging results for the presence of a porphyry system. See news releases dated April 28; May 12; June 2; June 16; July 7; July 29; August 3, September 15, November 2, December 7, 2021, and April 6, 2022 for further information. Follow-up drilling at Cerro Chiquitin is planned.

## Block 4

Block 4 is located along the Eocene-Oligocene (Domeyko) porphyry copper belt of northern Chile, to the south of the giant La Escondida copper mining district, and to the southeast of Block 3. Detailed geological mapping and the completion of a detailed ground magnetic survey revealed the coincidence of a discrete magnetic high with a dacite porphyry exhibiting an intense quartz-veinlet stockwork zone, partially exposed at surface, and now named the Buenavista target. Other magnetic features of interest occur under post-mineral cover materials (see news releases date October 18, and November 2, 2021). Follow-up trenching and rock sampling of accessible outcrop and sub-crop was completed, with assay results published during the Q1 reporting period (see news release dated March 15, 2022). Pampa also announced the start of a large-scale soil sampling survey (see news release dated May 3, 2022) and the completion of a reconnaissance geophysical pole-dipole IP survey (see news releases dated May 24, and June 23, 2022) at Block 4. Pampa also announced that it had confirmed a Tertiary age for the host rock porphyry and found native gold-sulphide mineralization in the quartz-veinlet stockwork at the Buenavista

<sup>\*</sup> Subject to Option Agreement with Austral Gold Ltd.

target (see news release dated August 8, 2022). Results to date are highly encouraging and drill testing of the Buenavista target is being planned.

### Redondo-Veronica

Redondo-Veronica is also located along the Eocene-Oligocene (Domeyko) porphyry copper belt of northern Chile, to the south of Arrieros, and approximately midway between the Gaby and giant Escondida porphyry copper mining districts. Geological mapping at the project was completed and identified five separate areas of hydrothermal alteration with characteristics of porphyry copper systems, with intervening areas of post-mineral, gravel filled "pampas". One of the five areas was subject to significant historic exploration, including drill testing, but the historic results are not available to Pampa. Geophysical surveying comprising 3D-Vector-IP, MagnetoTellurics and drone magnetics surveying was completed, and an initial drill test of three of the five identified areas of interest totalling 1,956m in 7 holes was completed, with encouraging results for deep porphyry systems at two of these target areas. See news releases dated February 25; March 23; June 2; June 16; June 29; July 7; July 29, September 28, and November 2, 2021 for further information.

#### Block 3

Block 3 is also located along the Eocene-Oligocene (Domeyko) porphyry copper belt of northern Chile, to the south of the giant La Escondida porphyry copper mining district. Geological mapping was completed at the project that is mostly characterised by post-mineral gravel-filled pampas, and has identified evidence of hydrothermal alteration with characteristics of porphyry copper systems within the limited available outcrops. A third-party project area in the centre of Block 3 was subject to significant historic drill testing. Geophysical surveying comprising drone-flown magnetics surveying has been completed with the identification of a series of magnetic features of potential interest for association with porphyry systems. See news releases dated March 9; March 23; June 9; July 5; August 3, and November 2, 2021 for further information.

## <u>Arrieros</u>

The Arrieros project is located along the preeminent Eocene-Oligocene (Domeyko) porphyry copper belt of northern Chile, midway between the giant Chuquicamata and Centinela porphyry copper mining districts. Geological mapping of the limited rock outcrops on the northern and western margins of the Arrieros project area was completed by mid-February 2021. Porphyry style hydrothermal alteration occurs to the west and north of the project area, on ground not controlled by Pampa. Geophysical surveying, including 3D-Vector-IP, MagnetoTellurics, and drone magnetics surveying, were completed. Several magnetic features of potential interest for porphyry copper exploration were delineated, together with one principal IP chargeability anomaly, historically undrilled. The property is largely characterised by post-mineral cover materials, and geophysical evidence suggests the cover is thick in the central-southern and southeastern part of the project. Pampa Metals is currently evaluating the best next steps for the project. See news releases dated February 16, February 25, and November 2, 2021 for further information.

Morros Blancos & Cerro Blanco (Option & JV Agreement with Austral Gold Ltd.)

Austral identified three prospective areas along a 15 km x 3 km NE-oriented favorable hydrothermal alteration corridor on the Morros Blancos property. Target delineation has been completed at the first prospective area named Rosario del Alto, in the north of the property, where key elements of a high-sulphidation system have been field validated, including four maar-diatreme structures and a multiplicity of phreatomagmatic breccias extending over an area of ~2 km x 1 km, within a preserved structural block based on shallow volcanic features and high-level hydrothermal alteration. Systematic geochemical sampling and geophysical surveying support the model. Austral commenced a first phase of diamond drilling in 5 holes at the Rosario del Alto target in early 2022. See news releases dated August 11, and November 2, 2021, January 11, 2022, and April 28, 2022, for further information. Austral has also announced (see Austral Q4 2021 Activity Report) that surface exploration of the Cerro Blanco project has been advanced.

## VerAI Properties (Option & JV Agreement in favour of Pampa)

Since the signing of the Option, JV and Royalty agreement with VerAI in late January 2022 (see news release dated February 1, 2022), Pampa has been engaged in field evaluations of the 8 properties under option from VerAI, focused on detailed geological mapping and limited geochemical sampling. This work continues through to the date of this MD&A, with encouraging results to date. Further detailed updates will be announced in due course.

Pampa's initial commitment is to spend US\$500,000 by January 27, 2023, and define anything from zero (in which case the agreement is abandoned) up to eight "Designated Projects" for further field activities, including drilling, in order to earn-in to the relevant Designated Project(s).

The company started significant exploration work on its properties starting January 2021. During the 6 months ended June 30, 2022 the company had spent approximately \$660K on exploration of the company's properties as follows:

Deferred Exploration Costs	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2021
Geophysics	198,669	1,093,305
Drilling	-	869,466
Professional fees	123,150	29,002
Geochemistry	22,554	121,621
Land fees	257,477	387,947
Other exploration costs	58,314	54,409
Total	\$666,164	\$2,555,750

- \$820K (approximate) Geophysics work on 2 properties: Cerro B. Aires and Block 4
- \$123K (approximate) Professional fees incurred primarily on Block 4 and the Verai projects
- \$258K (approximate) Property Maintenance fees across all projects

Note: These exploration costs are capitalized on a monthly basis and appear as part of the Company's Asset Base in the Financial Statements.

Disclaimer Note: The reader is cautioned that the Pampa and Lithocap Projects are early-stage exploration properties and reference to existing mines and deposits, or mineralization hosted on adjacent and nearby properties, is not necessarily indicative of any mineralization hosted on the Projects.

#### **Trends and Economic Conditions**

Although there can be no assurance that additional funding will be available to the Company, management is of the opinion that copper and gold prices will continue to be favourable and hence it may be possible to obtain additional funding for its projects. Copper, in particular, is a vital commodity for the ever-increasing renewable energy field, as well as being a bedrock mainstay of any industrialised society, and gold continues to be a vital investment commodity as well as having a variety of practical uses. However, the Company remains cautious in case economic factors that impact the mining industry deteriorate.

Due to the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic, material uncertainties may arise that could influence management's going concern assumption. Management cannot accurately predict the future impact COVID-19 may have on:

- Global copper and gold prices;
- Demand for copper and gold;
- The severity and the length of potential measures taken by governments to manage the spread of the virus, and their effect on labour availability, the ability of labour to travel and work in field project areas, and contractor availability and supply lines;
- Purchasing power of the Canadian and United States dollars; and
- Ability to obtain funding.

Apart from these and the risk factors noted under the heading "Risks and Uncertainties", the Company is not aware of any other trends, commitments, events, or uncertainties that would have a material effect on the Company's business, financial condition, or results of operations.

### **Off-Balance-Sheet Arrangements**

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

#### **Possible Transactions**

The Company routinely evaluates various business development opportunities which could entail optioning properties, direct acquisitions, trades and/or divestitures. The Company will only announce such developments when there is a reasonable degree of certainty to a transaction and when the transaction could be material to the Company. There can be no assurances that any such transactions will be concluded in the future. The Company signed definitive documentation with Austral Gold Ltd. in relation to Pampa's Morros Blancos and Cerro Blanco projects in July 2021, and signed a definitive agreement with VerAl in relation to VerAl's artificial intelligence technology and associated project generation in northern Chile in January 2022.

## **Environmental Contingency**

The Company's exploration activities are subject to various government laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. These environmental regulations are subject to change and may become more restrictive. As of June 30, 2022, the Company does not believe that there are any significant environmental obligations requiring material capital outlays in the immediate future.

## **Discussion of Operations**

- Three months ended June 30, 2022 compared with three months ended June 30, 2022
  - o Pampa's net loss totaled \$1,140,092 for the three months ended June 30, 2022, with basic and diluted loss per share of \$0.02. This compares with a net loss of \$539,146 with basic and diluted loss per share of \$0.01 for the three months ended June 30, 2022. The increase of \$600,946 in net loss was principally because of greater IR and Communication costs as the company tried to generate awareness to help raise funds for the next round of capital expenditure required on the properties:

\$217,125 in Consulting fees

\$175,761 in Director and Management fees

\$455,004 in IR and Communication expenses

\$93,520 in Stock Compensation expense

All other expenses are related to general working capital purposes.

- Six months ended June 30, 2022 compared with six months ended June 30, 2021
  - o Pampa's net loss totaled \$1,789,602 for the six months ended June 30, 2022, with basic and diluted loss per share of \$0.04. This compares with a net loss of \$1,381,436 with basic and diluted loss per share of \$0.03 for the six months ended June 30, 2022. The increase of \$408,166 in net loss was principally because of greater IR and Communication costs as the company tried to generate awareness to help raise funds for the next round of capital expenditure required on the properties:

\$227,125 in Consulting fees

\$329,836 in Director and Management fees

\$759,089 in IR and Communication expenses

\$186,012 in Stock Compensation expense

All other expenses are related to general working capital purposes.

## **Liquidity and Financial Position**

The activities of the Company, principally the acquisition and exploration of mineral properties, are financed through the completion of equity transactions such as equity offerings and the exercise of stock options and warrants. There is no assurance that equity capital will be available to the Company in the amounts or at the times desired or on terms that are acceptable to the Company, if at all.

Cash used in operating activities was \$1,654,972 for the six months ended June 30, 2022. Operating activities were affected by a net loss of \$1,789,602 plus non-cash items of \$309,156 and the negative change in non-cash working capital balances of \$174,526.

Cash provided by financing activities was \$1,618,530 for the six months ended June 30, 2022 which represents the proceeds from a private placement during the Q1 and Q2.

Cash used by investing activities was \$660,164 represents primarily exploration expenditures on the company's mineral properties.

On June 30, 2022, the company had \$637,354 in cash and cash equivalents (December 31, 2021 - \$1,333,960).

The Company has no operating revenues and therefore must utilize the funds it obtains from equity financing and other financing transactions to maintain its capacity to meet ongoing exploration and operating activities. The Company may be required to raise additional capital to meet its ongoing operating expenses and to continue to meet its obligations on its current projects for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 2022. Management may increase or decrease budgeted expenditures depending on exploration results and ongoing volatility in the economic environment.

As of June 30, 2022, and to the date of this MD&A, the cash resources of Pampa are held with the Bank of Montreal in Canada and Scotia Bank in Chile.

The Company's use of cash at present occurs, and in the future will occur, principally in two areas, namely: i) funding of its general, administrative, and mineral property maintenance expenditures, and ii) exploration expenditures and funding of its investment activities. For fiscal 2022, the Company's expected general and administrative expenses are estimated to average \$100,000 per month for recurring operating costs. Management may reassess its planned expenditures based on the Company's working capital resources, the scope of work required to advance the exploration of its projects, and the overall condition of the financial markets.

Assuming that management is successful in developing a substantial copper deposit in Chile, future work plans to develop the deposit will depend upon the Company's assessment of prior results, the condition of the Company financially, and the then prevailing economic climate in general.

The Company's working capital is \$866,994 as of June 30, 2022.

## **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

## IFRS 16 - Leases

The Company adopted IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective transition approach. Accordingly, comparative figures at and for the quarter ended June 30, 2022 have not been restated and continue to be reported under IAS 17 Leases and IFRIC 4 Determining Whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease.

The Company used the following practical expedients when applying IFRS 16 to leases previously classified as operating leases under IAS 17.

- o Elected not to reassess whether a contract is, or contains, a lease at the date of initial application.
- For leases previously accounted for as operating leases with a remaining lease term of less than 12 months and for leases of low-value assets the Company has applied the optional exemptions to not recognise right-of-use assets but to account for the lease expense on a straight-line basis over the remaining lease term.
- At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease based on whether the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period in exchange for consideration.

The Company has elected not to recognize a right of use asset and lease liability in relation to the lease agreement due to its short-term nature.

#### Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments

In June 2017, the IASB issued IFRIC 23 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments with a mandatory effective date of January 1, 2019. The interpretations provide guidance on how to value uncertain income tax positions based on the probability of whether the relevant tax authorities will accept a corporation's tax treatments. A Corporation is to assume that a taxation authority, with the right to examine any amounts

reported to it, will examine those amounts, and will have full knowledge of all relevant information when doing so. IFRIC 23 is to be applied by recognizing the cumulative effect of initially applying these guidelines in opening retained earnings without adjusting comparative information. For the period beginning July 1, 2019, the implementation of IFRIC 23 did not have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

## **Critical Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of the 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 reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. Actual outcomes could differ from these estimates. The consolidated financial statements include estimates that, by their nature, are uncertain. The impacts of such estimates are pervasive throughout the consolidated financial statements and may require accounting adjustments based on future occurrences. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods. These estimates are based on historical experience, current and future economic conditions, and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

## <u>Critical accounting estimates</u>

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

- The recoverability of amounts receivable that are included in the consolidated statements of financial position;
- The inputs used in the Black-Scholes valuation model (volatility; interest rate; expected life and forfeiture rate) in accounting for share-based payment transactions and warrants; and
- The valuation of income tax accounts; and
- The recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets the application of the Company's accounting policy for exploration and evaluation expenditures requires judgment in determining whether it is likely that future economic benefits will flow to the Company, which may be based on assumptions about future events or circumstances. Estimates and assumptions made may change if new information becomes available. If, after an expenditure has been capitalized, information becomes available suggesting that the recovery of the expenditure is unlikely, the amount capitalized is written off to profit or loss in the period the new information becomes available.

#### Critical accounting judgments

- Management applied judgment in determining the functional currency of Pampa Metals Chile SpA
  as Chilean Pesos, the functional currency of Pampa Metals Corp. as CDN dollars, and the
  presentation currency of the Company as Canadian dollars;
- Acquisition method accounting: during the acquisition of the Chilean mineral property portfolio, judgment was required to determine if the acquisition represented a business combination or an asset purchase. More specifically, management concluded that they did not represent a business, as the assets acquired were not an integrated set of activities with inputs, processes, and outputs. Since it was concluded that the acquisition represented the purchase of assets, there was no goodwill generated on the transaction and acquisition costs were capitalized to the assets purchased rather than expensed. As the Company concluded that the acquisition was an asset acquisition, an allocation of the purchase price to the individual identifiable assets acquired, including intangible assets, and liabilities assumed based on their relative fair values at the date of purchase was required. The fair values of the net assets acquired were calculated using significant estimates and judgments. If estimates or judgments differed, this could result in a materially different allocation of net assets on the consolidated statement of financial position; and
- Management assessment of no material restoration, rehabilitation, and environmental obligations, based on the facts and circumstances that existed during the reporting period and the year.

## **Capital Risk Management**

The Company manages its capital with the following objectives:

- o to ensure sufficient financial flexibility to achieve the ongoing business objectives including funding of future growth opportunities, and pursuit of accretive acquisitions; and
- o to maximize shareholder returns by increasing the share value.

The Company monitors its capital structure and makes adjustments according to market conditions in an effort to meet its objectives given the current outlook of the business and industry in general. The Company may manage its capital structure by issuing new shares, repurchasing outstanding shares, adjusting capital spending, or disposing of assets. The capital structure is reviewed by management and the Board of Directors on an ongoing basis.

The Company considers its capital to be equity, which comprises share capital, reserves, and accumulated deficit, which on June 30, 2022 totaled \$6,690,988 (December 31, 2021 - \$6,580,548).

The Company manages capital through its financial and operational forecasting processes. The Company reviews its working capital and forecasts its future cash flows based on operating expenditures, and other investing and financing activities. The forecast is updated based on activities related to its mineral properties. Selected information is provided to the Board of Directors of the Company. The Company's

capital management objectives, policies and processes have remained unchanged during the quarter ended June 30, 2022.

## **Financial Risk Management**

#### Financial risk

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

Risk management is carried out by the Company's management team under policies approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors also provides regular guidance for overall risk management. There were no changes to credit risk, liquidity risk or market risk for the quarter ended June 30, 2022.

#### (i) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss associated with a counterparty's inability to fulfill its payment obligations. The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to cash and cash equivalents. Cash is held with select major Canadian and American chartered banks, from which management believes the risk of loss to be minimal.

## (ii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not have sufficient cash resources to meet its financial obligations as they come due. All accounts payable and accrued liabilities are due in the next twelve months. The Company's liquidity and operating results may be adversely affected if its access to the capital market is hindered, whether because of a downturn in stock market conditions generally or matters specific to the Company. The Company generates cash flow primarily from its financing activities.

#### (iii) Market risk

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

## (a) Interest rate risk

The Company currently does not have any short-term or long-term debt that is interest bearing and, as such, the Company's current exposure to interest rate risk is minimal.

#### (b) Foreign currency risk

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Company's presentation currency. The Company holds cash balances in Canadian dollars, US dollars and Chilean Pesos, which could give rise to exposure to foreign exchange risk. It is not the Company's policy to hedge its foreign currency related to the US dollar.

#### (c) Commodity and equity price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity prices. Commodity price risk is defined as the potential adverse impact on earnings and economic value due to commodity price movements and volatilities. The Company closely monitors commodity prices, as they relate to

copper and gold, and the stock market to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company.

Commodity price risk could adversely affect the Company. In particular, the Company's future profitability and viability of development depends upon the world market price of copper and gold. There is no assurance that, even if commercial quantities of copper or gold are produced in the future, a profitable market will exist for them. As of June 30, 2022, the Company was not a copper or gold producer. Additionally, commodity price risk may affect the completion of future equity transactions such as equity offerings and the exercise of stock options and warrants. This may also affect the Company's liquidity and its ability to meet its ongoing obligations.

### (d) Related parties risk

Related parties include the Board of Directors, close family members, other key management individuals, and enterprises that are controlled by these individuals as well as certain persons performing similar functions. The Company defines key management personnel as its CEO, COO, CFO and Board of Directors.

Related party transactions conducted in the normal course of operations are measured at the fair value and approved by the Board of Directors in strict adherence to conflict-of-interest law and regulations.

The Company incurred no related party transactions during the three months ended June 30, 2022.

## (e) Insider shareholdings

None of the Company's major shareholders have different voting rights than those rights of other holders of the Company's common shares.

As of August 26, 2022, directors, and officers of the Company, had collective control of 11.7% of the total fully diluted common shares outstanding, equivalent to 5,759,240 common shares (December 31, 2021 – 4,952,000). To the knowledge of the directors and officers of the Company, Revelo Resources Corp. (owned 100% by Austral Gold Ltd.) owned 5,926,264 common shares of the Company, equivalent to 12% of the outstanding shares of the Company, with the remaining common shares of the Company being widely held.

#### **Share Capital**

As of the date of this MD&A, the Company had 49,272,958 issued and outstanding common shares.

Stock options outstanding for the Company at the date of this MD&A were as follows:

Options	Expiry Date	Exercise Price
600,000	October 7, 2026	\$0.45
3,000,000	December 22, 2025	\$0.45

Warrants outstanding for the Company at the date of this MD&A were as follows:

Warrants	Expiry Date	Exercise Price
332,500	October 19, 2022	\$0.60
5,519,756	November 27, 2022	\$0.60
3,367,649	March 18, 2023	\$0.60
1,893,348	March 21, 2024	\$0.50
861,833	May 6, 2024	\$0.50

#### **Disclosure of Internal Controls**

Management has established processes to provide them sufficient knowledge to support representations that they have exercised reasonable diligence that (i) the consolidated financial statements do not contain any untrue statement of material fact, or omit to state a material fact required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances under which it is made, as of the date of, and for the periods represented by, the consolidated financial statements; and (ii) the consolidated financial statements fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows of the Company, as of the date of and for the periods represented.

In contrast to the certificate required for non-venture issuers under National Instrument 52-109 Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings ("NI 52-109"), this Venture Issuer Basic Certificate does not include representations relating to the establishment and maintenance of disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P"), and internal control over financial reporting ("ICFR"), as defined in NI 52-109. In particular, the certifying officers filing this certificate are not making any representations relating to the establishment and maintenance of:

- controls and other procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the issuer in its annual filings, interim filings, or other reports filed or submitted under securities legislation is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in securities legislation; and
- a process to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with the issuer's GAAP (IFRS).

The issuer's certifying officers are responsible for ensuring that processes are in place to provide them with sufficient knowledge to support the representations they are making in this certificate. Investors should be aware that inherent limitations on the ability of certifying officers of a venture issuer to design and implement on a cost-effective basis DC&P and ICFR as defined in NI 52-109 may result in additional

risks to the quality, reliability, transparency and timeliness of interim and annual filings and other reports provided under securities legislation.

#### **Risks and Uncertainties**

The Company's financial condition, results of operation and business are subject to certain risks, certain of which are described below (and elsewhere in this MD&A):

#### Additional Funding Requirements

The Company is reliant upon additional equity financing in order to continue its business and operations because it is in the business of mineral exploration and at present does not derive any income from its mineral assets. There is no guarantee that future sources of funding will be available to the Company. If the Company is not able to raise additional equity funding in the future, it will be unable to carry out its business.

## Commodity Price Volatility

The prices of copper and gold can fluctuate drastically and are beyond the Company's control. While the Company would benefit from an increase in the value of copper or gold, a decrease in the value of copper or gold could also adversely affect it.

## Title to Mineral Properties

Acquisition of title to mineral properties is a very detailed and time-consuming process. Title to, or the geographic area of, mineral properties may be disputed or impugned. Although the Company has investigated its title to the mineral properties, leases or licences for which it holds rights, there can be no assurance that the Company has valid title to such mineral properties or that its title thereto will not be challenged or impugned. For example, mineral properties sometimes contain claims or transfer histories that examiners cannot verify; and transfers under foreign law are often complex. The Company does not carry title insurance with respect to its mineral properties. A successful claim that the Company does not have title to a mineral property could cause the Company to lose its rights to mine that property, perhaps without compensation for its prior expenditures relating to the property.

## **Mineral Exploration**

Mineral exploration involves a high degree of risk. Few properties that are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. Geological uncertainty, other technical uncertainties, unusual or unexpected formations, formation pressures, fires, power outages, labour disruptions, flooding, explosions, tailings impoundment failures, cave-ins, landslides, and the inability to obtain adequate machinery, equipment, or labour are some of the risks involved in mineral exploration and exploitation activities. The Company has relied on, and may continue to rely on, consultants and others for mineral exploration and exploitation expertise. Substantial expenditures are required to establish mineral reserves and resources through drilling, to develop metallurgical processes to extract the metal from the ore, and, in the case of some properties, to develop the mining and processing facilities and infrastructure at any site chosen for mining, or to upgrade existing infrastructure. There can be no assurance that the

funds required to exploit any mineral reserves and resources discovered by the Company will be obtained on a timely basis or at all. The economics of exploiting mineral reserves and resources discovered by the Company are affected by many factors, many outside the control of the Company, including metals prices, the cost of development, the cost of operations, variations in the grade of ore mined and metals recovered, price fluctuations in the metal markets, costs of processing equipment, and other factors such as government regulations, including regulations relating to royalties, allowable production, importing and exporting of minerals, and environmental and social protection. There can be no assurance that the Company's mineral exploration and exploitation activities will be successful.

#### Country Risk

The Company could be at risk regarding any political developments in the country in which it operates. At present the Company only has exploration activities in Chile, with its headquarters and management located largely in Canada.

#### **Uninsurable Risks**

Mineral exploration activities involve numerous risks, including unexpected or unusual geological operating conditions, rock bursts, cave-ins, fires, floods, earthquakes and other environmental occurrences, and 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 negatively affect the Company's profitability and financial position and the value of its common shares. The Company does not maintain insurance against environmental risks.

## **Environmental Regulation and Liability**

The Company's activities are subject to laws and regulations controlling not only mineral exploration and exploitation activities themselves but also the possible effects of such activities upon the environment. Environmental legislation may change and make the exploration, development, mining, and processing of ore uneconomic, or result in significant environmental or reclamation costs. Environmental legislation provides for restrictions and prohibitions on spills, releases or emissions of various substances produced in association with certain mineral exploration and exploitation activities, such as seepage from tailings disposal areas that could result in environmental pollution. A breach of environmental legislation may result in the imposition of fines and penalties or the suspension or closure of operations. In addition, certain types of exploration, development, mining, and processing operations require the submission of environmental impact statements and approval thereof by government authorities. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner that may mean stricter standards and enforcement, increased fines and penalties for non-compliance, more stringent environmental assessments of proposed projects and a heightened degree of responsibility for companies and their directors, officers, and employees. Permits from a variety of regulatory authorities are required for many aspects of mineral exploration and exploitation activities, including closure and reclamation. Future environmental legislation could cause additional expense, capital expenditures, restrictions, liabilities, and delays in the development of the Company's properties, the extent of which cannot be predicted. In the context of environmental permits,

including the approval of closure and reclamation plans, the Company must comply with standards and laws and regulations that may entail costs and delays, depending on the nature of the activity to be permitted, and how stringently the regulations are implemented by the permitting authority. The Company does not maintain environmental liability insurance.

#### Regulations and Permits

The Company's activities are subject to a wide variety of laws and regulations governing health and worker safety, employment standards, waste disposal, protection of the environment, protection of historic and archaeological sites, mine development and protection of endangered and protected species, aboriginal title and access, and other matters. The Company is required to have a wide variety of permits from governmental and regulatory authorities to carry out its activities. These permits relate to virtually every aspect of the Company's exploration activities. Changes in these laws and regulations or changes in their enforcement or interpretation could result in changes in legal requirements or in the terms of the Company's permits that could have a significant adverse impact on the Company's existing or future operations or projects. Obtaining permits can be a complex, time-consuming process. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain the necessary permits on acceptable terms, or in a timely manner or at all. The costs and delays associated with obtaining permits and complying with these permits and applicable laws and regulations could stop or materially delay or restrict the Company from continuing or proceeding with existing or future operations or projects. Any failure to comply with permits and applicable laws and regulations, even if inadvertent, could result in the interruption or closure of operations or material fines, penalties, or other liabilities.

#### **Potential Dilution**

The issue of common shares of the Company upon the exercise of the options and warrants will dilute the ownership interest of the Company's current shareholders. The Company may also issue additional options and warrants or additional common shares from time to time in the future. If it does so, the ownership interest of the Company's then current shareholders could also be diluted.

#### Competition

Competition in the mineral exploration business is intense and could adversely affect the ability of the Company to suitably develop its properties. The Company will be competing with many other exploration companies possessing greater financial resources and technical facilities. Accordingly, there is a high degree of competition for desirable mineral leases, suitable prospects for drilling operations, and necessary mining equipment, as well as for access to funds. There can be no assurance that the necessary funds can be raised or that any projected work will be completed.

#### Conflicts of Interest

Certain of the directors of the Company are also directors, officers, or shareholders of other companies. Such associations may give rise to conflicts of interest from time to time. The directors of the Company will be required by law to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company and to disclose any interest which they may have in any project or opportunity of the Company. If a conflict

arises at a meeting of the board of directors, any director in a conflict will disclose his interest and abstain from voting on such matter. In determining whether or not the Company will participate in any project or opportunity, the director will primarily consider the degree of risk to which the Company may be exposed and its financial position at that time.

#### Covid-19 Risks

The worldwide emergency measures taken to combat the COVID-19 pandemic may continue, could be expanded, and could also be reintroduced in the future following relaxation. As governments implement monetary and fiscal policy changes aimed to help stabilize economies and capital markets, the Company cannot predict legal and regulatory responses to concerns about the COVID-19 pandemic and related public health issues and how these responses may impact our business. The COVID-19 pandemic, actions taken globally in response to it, and the ensuing economic downturn, have caused significant disruption to business activities and economies. The depth, breadth and duration of these disruptions remain highly uncertain currently. Furthermore, governments are developing frameworks for the staged resumption of business activities. As a result, it is difficult to predict how significant the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, including any responses to it, will be on the global economy and the Company's business. The Company has outlined these risks in more detail below.

## **Strategic & Operational Risks**

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic could adversely impact our financial condition in future periods because of reduced business opportunities via acquisitions and dispositions of exploration and development properties. The uncertainty around the expected duration of the pandemic and the measures put in place by governments to respond to it could further depress business activity and financial markets. The company's strategic initiatives to advance our business may be delayed or cancelled as a result.

To date, the company's operations have remained stable under the pandemic but there can be no assurance that the company's ability to continue to operate the business will not be adversely impacted, to the extent that aspects of our operations which rely on services provided by third parties fail to operate as expected. The successful execution of business continuity strategies by third parties is outside the company's control. If one or more of the third parties to whom the company outsource critical business activities fails to perform because of the impacts from the spread of COVID-19, it could have a material adverse effect on the company's business and operations.

## Liquidity risk and capital management

Extreme market volatility and stressed conditions resulting from COVID-19 and the measures implemented to control its spread could limit our access to capital markets and our ability to generate funds to meet out capital requirements. Sustained global economic uncertainty could result in more costly or limited access to funding sources. In addition, while the company currently have sources of liquidity, such as cash balances, there can be no assurance that these sources will provide the company with sufficient liquidity on commercially reasonable terms in the future. Extreme market volatility may leave the company unable to react in a manner consistent with our historical practices.

## Market Risk

The pandemic and resulting economic downturn have created significant volatility and declines in financial and commodity markets. The pandemic could result in a global recessionary environment with continued market volatility, which may continue to impact our financial condition.