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## LION ONE METALS LIMITED

### **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

## DAVIDSON & COMPANY LLP \_\_\_\_\_\_ Chartered Professional Accountants \_

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Shareholders of Lion One Metals Limited

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Lion One Metals Limited (the "Company"), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as at June 30, 2022 and 2021, and the consolidated statements of loss and comprehensive loss, cash flows, and changes in shareholders' equity for the years then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, these consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at June 30, 2022 and 2021, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

#### **Basis for Opinion**

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

#### **Other Information**

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report includes Management's Discussion and Analysis.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

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



#### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the consolidated Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

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

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

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

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Carmen Newnham.

Javidson & Cansary LLP

Vancouver, Canada

September 28, 2022

**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

#### LION ONE METALS LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) AS AT JUNE 30, 2022

		2022		2021
ASSETS				
Current	•	05 7 40 774	•	
Cash and cash equivalents Short term investments (Note 4)	\$	25,749,771 10,000,000	\$	43,213,213 15,000,000
Receivables		930,676		392,782
Prepaid expenses		1,190,188		139,394
		37,870,635		58,745,389
Restricted cash (Note 4)		-		27,885
Right-of-use asset (Note 9)		116,300		271,366
Deposits (Note 5) Other assets (Note 7)		7,112,183		1,982,692
Exploration and evaluation assets (Note 5, 11)		473,655 75,407,963		771,994 66,495,023
Property and equipment (Note 6)		10,294,938		5,996,548
	\$	131,275,674	\$	134,290,897
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 8, 11)	\$	1,094,987 130 608	\$	704,614
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Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 8, 11)	\$	130,608	\$	148,391
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#### Nature of operations and going concern (Note 1) and subsequent events (Note 16)

Approved and authorized by the Board on September 28, 2022:

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Director

#### LION ONE METALS LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF LOSS AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

	2022	2021
EXPENSES		
Consulting fees (Note 11)	\$ 46,208	\$ 45,504
Depreciation (Note 9)	155,066	155,066
Directors' fees (Note 11)	23,000	23,000
Foreign exchange (gain) loss	(321,409)	495,611
Interest expense (Note 9)	17,573	30,021
Licenses, dues and insurance	129,338	87,339
Investor relations	553,403	675,636
Management fees (Note 11)	271,464	347,883
Office and administrative	461,432	470,422
Professional fees (Note 11)	420,921	388,596
Shareholder communications and filings	206,146	216,755
Share-based payments (Note 10, 11)	870,576	1,119,909
Travel	 41,575	 6,300
Operating loss	(2,875,293)	(4,062,042)
OTHER INCOME & EXPENSES		
Interest income	366,340	462,827
Write down of deposit (Note 7)	 -	 (632,147)
Loss for the year	(2,508,953)	(4,231,362)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS		
Foreign exchange translation adjustment	 (2,170,413)	 (2,524,436)
Comprehensive loss for the year	\$ (4,679,366)	\$ (6,755,798)
Basic and diluted loss per common share	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.03)
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Weighted average number of common shares outstanding –		
basic and diluted	 149,247,149	149,237,560

#### LION ONE METALS LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30

		2022		2021
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net loss for the year	\$	(2,508,953)	\$	(4,231,362)
Non-cash items:				
Foreign exchange (gain) loss		(321,409)		495,611
Depreciation		155,066		155,066
Interest expense		17,573		30,021
Share-based payments		870,576		1,119,909
Write down of deposit		-		632,147
Changes in non-cash working capital items:				
Receivables		(562,306)		(216,977)
Prepaid expenses		(260,163)		11,980
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(113,814)		(11,849)
		(2,723,430)		(2,015,454)
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchase of property and equipment		(5,521,380)		(3,118,774)
Exploration and evaluation asset expenditures		(8,382,695)		(5,432,742)
Cash proceeds on royalty advance		286,322		141,890
Short term investments and restricted cash		5,027,545		(12,000,000)
Deposits and other assets		(5,976,138)		(33,394)
		(14,566,346)		(20,443,020)
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Cash proceeds from sale of shares – private placement		-		39,697,458
Share issuance costs on private placement		-		(2,697,247)
Cash proceeds on exercise of stock options		37,500		997,165
Cash proceeds on exercise of warrants and compensation options		-		18,163,500
Payment of lease liabilities		(180,000)		(180,000)
		(142,500)		55,980,876
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(31,166)		(565,789)
Change in cash and cash equivalents during the year		(17,463,442)		32,956,613
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year		43,213,213		10,256,600
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the year	\$	25,749,771	\$	43,213,213
Supplementary cash flow information:				
Cash and cash equivalents consist of:				
Cash	\$	22,749,771	\$	38,213,213
Cash equivalents (redeemable short-term deposit certificates)		3,000,000		5,000,000
Non-cash transactions:				
Depreciation expense capitalized to exploration and evaluation assets	\$	927,455	\$	612,670
Share-based payments expense capitalized to	Ψ	021,100	*	0.2,070
exploration and evaluation assets		528,121		699,927
Share-based payments expense – share issuance costs		-, -		1,257,833
Stock options exercised – fair value		15,540		598,259
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities in exploration and evaluation assets		941,499		382,857

#### LION ONE METALS LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS'S EQUITY

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

	Share	Capital	-			Accumulated Other	
	Number	Amount	Obligation to Issue Shares	Reserves	Deficit	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total
Balance, June 30, 2020	118,292,172	108,482,976	46,875	\$ 22,846,589	\$ (52,741,346)	\$ 3,433,240	\$ 82,068,334
Share-based payments – stock options	-	-	-	1,819,836	-	-	1,819,836
Exercise of stock options	1,069,040	1,642,299	(46,875)	(598,259)	-	-	997,165
Private placement Share issuance costs	21,673,181	39,697,458 (3,955,080)	-	- 1,257,833	-	-	39,697,458 (2,697,247)
Exercise of compensation		(0,000,000)		1,207,000			(2,037,247)
options	603,750	714,508	-	(231,508)	-	-	483,000
Warrant exercised	14,733,750	17,680,500	-	-	-	-	17,680,500
Comprehensive loss for the year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>			(4,231,362)	(2,524,436)	(6,755,798)
Balance, June 30, 2021	156,371,893	\$ 164,262,661	-	\$ 25,094,491	\$ (56,972,708)	\$ 908,804	\$ 133,293,248
Share-based payments – stock options				1,398,697			1,398,697
Exercise of stock options Comprehensive loss	50,000	53,040	-	(15,540)			37,500
for the year	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		(2,508,953)	(2,170,413)	(4,679,366)
Balance, June 30, 2022	156,421,893	\$ 164,315,701	-	\$ 26,477,648	\$ (59,481,661)	\$ (1,261,609)	\$ 130,050,079

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

Lion One Metals Limited ("Lion One" or the "Company") was incorporated on November 12, 1996 under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, Canada. The Company is in the business of mineral exploration and evaluation and is currently focused on the acquisition, exploration and evaluation of mineral resources in Fiji. The Company is listed for trading on the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSX-V") under the symbol LIO and on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") under the symbol LLO. The Company's head office and principal address is 306 - 267 West Esplanade, North Vancouver, BC, Canada, V7M 1A5. The address of the Company's registered and records office is Suite 1700 – 1055 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC, V6E 2E9.

The Company's consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars.

The Company is in the process of exploring and evaluating its resource properties and has not yet determined whether the properties contain mineral reserves that are economically recoverable. The recoverability of the amounts shown for exploration and evaluation assets are dependent upon the existence of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain necessary financing to complete the development of those reserves and upon future profitable production.

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") with the assumption that the Company will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business rather than through a process of forced liquidation. The Company has incurred losses from inception and has not advanced its properties to commercial production. The Company estimates that it has adequate financial resources for the next twelve months with working capital of \$36,645,040. The Company's continuation as a going concern is dependent upon the successful results from its exploration activities and its ability to attain profitable operations and generate funds therefrom and/or raise equity capital or borrowings sufficient to meet current and future obligations.

The Company's business could be adversely affected by the effects of the ongoing outbreak of respiratory illness caused by the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"). In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared coronavirus COVID-19 a global pandemic. The Company continues to monitor the situation in Fiji, however it is not possible for the Company to predict the duration or magnitude of the adverse results of the outbreak and its effects on the Company's business or results of operations. While the impact of COVID-19 is expected to be temporary, the current circumstances are dynamic and the impacts of COVID-19 on the Company's development and exploration activities, including the impact on future mine development and process plant construction, cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

The consolidated financial statements do not include adjustments to amounts and classifications of assets and liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue operations. Continued operations of the Company are dependent on the Company's ability to receive financial support, obtain necessary financings, and/or generate profitable operations in the future.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### **Statement of Compliance**

These consolidated financial statements, including comparatives, have been prepared in accordance with IFRS using accounting policies consistent with IFRS issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and Interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC").

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for certain financial assets measured at fair value. All dollar amounts presented are in Canadian dollars unless otherwise specified.

These consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its wholly controlled subsidiaries. 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 consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its direct wholly-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

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

#### **Basis of Consolidation and Presentation**

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of these 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 year. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### Judgments

The functional currency of each of the subsidiaries and the Company were assessed to determine the economic substance of the currency in which each entity performed its operations. The functional currency of the Company is the Canadian dollar. The functional currencies of the Company's subsidiaries have been assessed as follows:

	Country of		
	Incorporation	Effective Interest	Functional currency
American Eagle Resources Inc.	Canada	100%	Canadian Dollar
Laimes International Inc.	BVI	100%	Canadian Dollar
Auksas Inc.	BVI	100%	Canadian Dollar
Lion One Pte Limited	Fiji	100%	Fijian Dollar
Lion One Australia Pty Ltd.	Australia	100%	Australian Dollar
Piche Resources Pty Ltd.	Australia	100%	Australian Dollar

#### Estimates

Significant assumptions about the future and other sources of estimation uncertainty that management has made 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, are as follows:

The carrying value and recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets and property and equipment requires management to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions about its project. Management considers the economics of the project, including the latest resource prices and the long-term forecasts, and the overall economic viability of the project.

The determination of income tax is inherently complex and requires making certain estimates and assumptions about future events. While income tax filings are subject to audits and reassessments, the Company has adequately provided for all income tax obligations. However, changes in facts and circumstances as a result of income tax audits, reassessments, jurisprudence and any new legislation may result in an increase or decrease in the Company's provision for income taxes.

Share-based payments are subject to estimation of the value of the award at the date of grant using pricing models such as the Black-Scholes option valuation model. The option valuation model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions including the expected share price volatility. Where such valuations are applied, such as the time of a stock option grant or issuance of shares from trust, management provides detailed valuation assumptions.

#### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Foreign exchange

Transactions in currencies other than an entity's 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 the Company that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the period end exchange rate 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 profit or loss.

On translation of the entities whose functional currency is other than the Canadian dollar, revenues and expenses are translated at the exchange rates approximating those in effect on the date of the transactions. Assets and liabilities are translated at the rate of exchange at the reporting date. Exchange gains and losses, including results of re-translation, are recorded in other comprehensive loss.

#### Financial instruments

#### **Classification**

The Company classifies its financial instruments in the following categories: at fair value through profit and loss ("FVTPL"), at fair value through other comprehensive income (loss) ("FVTOCI"), or at amortized cost. The Company determines the classification of financial assets at initial recognition. The classification of debt instruments is driven by the Company's business model for managing the financial assets and their contractual cash flow characteristics. Equity instruments that are held for trading are classified as FVTPL. For other equity instruments, on the day of acquisition the Company can make an irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate them as at FVTOCI. Financial liabilities are measured at amortized cost, unless they are required to be measured at FVTPL (such as instruments held for trading or derivatives) or the Company has opted to measure them at FVTPL.

The Company classifies its cash and cash equivalents, short term investments, restricted cash, receivables, deposits, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and lease liability as financial instruments at amortized cost.

#### Measurement

Financial assets and liabilities at amortized cost are initially recognized at fair value plus or minus transaction costs, respectively, and subsequently carried at amortized cost less any impairment.

Financial assets and liabilities carried at FVTPL are initially recorded at fair value and transaction costs are expensed in profit or loss. Realized and unrealized gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the financial assets and liabilities held at FVTPL are included in the consolidated statements of comprehensive loss in the period in which they arise.

#### Impairment of financial assets at amortized cost

An 'expected credit loss' impairment model applies which requires a loss allowance to be recognized based on expected credit losses. The estimated present value of future cash flows associated with the asset is determined and an impairment loss is recognized for the difference between this amount and the carrying amount as follows: the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to estimated present value of the future cash flows associated with the asset, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate, either directly or through the use of an allowance account and the resulting loss is recognized in profit or loss for the year.

In a subsequent period, if the amount of the impairment loss related to financial assets measured at amortized cost decreases, the previously recognized impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent that the carrying amount of the investment at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortized cost would have been had the impairment not been recognized.

#### Derecognition

#### Financial assets

The Company derecognizes financial assets only when the contractual rights to cash flows from the financial assets expire, or when it transfers the financial assets and substantially all of the associated risks and rewards of ownership to another entity. Gains and losses on derecognition are generally recognized in the consolidated statements of loss and comprehensive loss.

#### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd...)

#### **Property and equipment**

Property and equipment is carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is recognized when the asset is available for its intended use, using the straight-line method at the following annual rates:

Computers and office equipment	12% - 100%
Motor vehicles	18%
Buildings and equipment	2.5% - 20%

Depreciation of property and equipment related to exploration and evaluation activities is capitalized in exploration and evaluation costs. Depreciation related to general administration is expensed in office costs.

#### Mineral properties – exploration and evaluation assets

Pre-exploration costs are expensed as incurred.

Costs directly related to the acquisition of and expenditures for exploration and evaluation of mineral properties are capitalized once the legal rights to explore the mineral properties are acquired or obtained. When the technical and commercial viability of a mineral resource have been demonstrated and a development decision has been made, the capitalized costs of the related property are first tested for impairment and then transferred to mining assets and depreciated using the units of production method on commencement of commercial production.

The carrying values of capitalized amounts are reviewed annually or when indicators of impairment are present. In the case of undeveloped properties these may be only inferred resources to allow management to form a basis for the impairment review. The review is based on the intentions for the development of such a property. If it is determined that capitalized acquisition, exploration and evaluation costs are not recoverable, or the property is abandoned or management has determined an impairment in value, the property is written down to its recoverable amount.

#### Valuation of right-of-use asset and lease liabilities

The application of IFRS 16 requires the Company to make judgments that affect the valuation of the right-of-use assets and the valuation of lease liabilities. These include assessing lease agreements to determine the contract term and interest rate used for discounting of future cash flows. The lease term determined by the Company is comprised of the non-cancellable period of lease agreements, periods covered by an option to extend the lease if the Company is reasonably certain to exercise that option and periods covered by an option to terminate the lease if the Company is reasonably certain not to exercise that option. The present value of the lease payment is determined using a discount rate representing the rate of a commercial mortgage rate, observed in the period when the lease agreement commences or is modified.

The Company has elected not to recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. The lease payments associated with these leases are charged directly to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### Impairment of tangible and intangible assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Company's assets are reviewed to determine whether there is any indication that those assets may be impaired. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment, if any. The recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Fair value is determined as the amount that would be obtained from the sale of the asset in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable and willing parties. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount and the impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss for the period. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash flows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash generating unit to which the asset belongs. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but to an amount that does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss is recognized in mediately in profit or loss.

#### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd...)

#### Provision for environmental rehabilitation

The Company recognizes liabilities for legal or constructive obligations associated with the retirement of mineral properties and equipment. The net present value of future rehabilitation costs is capitalized to the related asset along with a corresponding increase in the rehabilitation provision in the period incurred. Discount rates using a pre-tax rate that reflect the time value of money are used to calculate the net present value. The Company's estimates of reclamation costs could change as a result of changes in regulatory requirements, discount rates and assumptions regarding the amount and timing of the future expenditures. These changes are recorded directly to the related assets with a corresponding entry to the rehabilitation provision. The Company does not have any significant rehabilitation obligations.

#### Share Capital

Financial instruments issued by the Company are classified as equity only to the extent that they do not meet the definition of a financial liability or financial asset. The Company's common shares and options are classified as equity instruments. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are shown in equity as a deduction from the proceeds. Equity financing transactions may involve issuance of common shares or units. A unit comprises a certain number of common shares and a certain number of share purchase warrants. Depending on the terms and conditions of each equity financing agreement, the warrants are exercisable into additional common shares prior to expiry at a price stipulated by the agreement. Warrants that are part of units are assigned value based on the residual value method and included in share capital with the common shares that were concurrently issued. Warrants that are issued as payment for agency fees or other transactions costs are accounted for as share-based payments.

#### Share-based payments

The Company accounts for stock options granted to directors, officers, employees and non-employees at fair value. Accordingly, the fair value of the options at the date of the grant is determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and share-based compensation is accrued and charged to profit or loss or exploration and evaluation assets, with an offsetting credit to share-based payment reserve, over the vesting periods. The fair value of stock options granted to non-employees is re-measured at the earlier of each financial reporting or vesting date, and any adjustment is charged or credited to profit or loss or exploration and evaluation assets upon re-measurement. The number of shares and options expected to vest is reviewed and adjusted at the end of each reporting period such that the amount recognized for services received as consideration for the equity instruments granted shall be based on the number of equity instruments that eventually vest. If and when the stock options are exercised, the applicable amounts of equity reserves are transferred to share capital. The expected price volatility is based on the historic volatility (based on the remaining life of the options), adjusted for any expected changes to future volatility due to publicly available information.

#### Earnings (loss) per share

Basic earnings (loss) per share is computed by dividing net earnings (loss) available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the reporting period. Diluted earnings (loss) per share is computed similar to basic earnings (loss) per share except that the weighted average shares outstanding are increased to include additional shares for the assumed exercise of stock options and warrants, if dilutive. The number of additional shares is calculated by assuming that outstanding stock options and warrants were exercised and that the proceeds from such exercises were used to acquire common stock at the average market price during the reporting periods.

#### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd...)

#### Income taxes

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity. Current tax expense is the expected tax payable on taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at period end, adjusted for amendments to tax payable with regards to previous years.

Deferred tax is recorded for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Temporary differences are not provided for relating to goodwill not deductible for tax purposes, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting or taxable loss, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date. A deferred tax asset is recognized only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilized. To the extent that the Company does not consider it probable that a deferred tax asset will be recovered the deferred tax asset is not recognized.

#### New accounting pronouncements but not yet effective

The Company has not applied the following revised IFRS that has been issued but was not yet effective at June 30, 2022. This accounting standard is not currently expected to have a significant effect on the Company's accounting policies or financial statements.

 IAS 16, Property, Plant and Equipment - Proceeds Before Intended Use (effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022). The amendment prohibits deducting from the cost of property, plant and equipment amounts received from selling items produced while preparing the asset for its intended use. Instead, a company will recognize such sale proceeds and related cost in profit or loss.

#### 4. SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH

The short-term investments is comprised of guaranteed investment certificates issued by the Company's banking institutions. The restricted cash balance was comprised of a guaranteed investment certificate and security deposit held as collateral for the Company's corporate credit cards, which was redeemed in April 2022.

#### 5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

June 30, 2022	Total
Acquisition costs	
Balance, June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2022	\$ 21,915,063
Exploration expenditures	
Balance, June 30, 2021	46,798,671
Additions for the year	 10,427,311
Balance, June 30, 2022	57,225,982
Cumulative translation adjustment	
Balance, June 30, 2021	(2,218,711)
Adjustments for the year	 (1,514,371)
Balance, June 30, 2022	(3,733,082)
Property total, June 30, 2022	\$ 75,407,963

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

June 30, 2021	Total
Acquisition costs	
Balance, June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021	\$ 21,915,063
Exploration expenditures	
Balance, June 30, 2020	39,827,049
Additions for the year	6,971,622
Balance, June 30, 2021	46,798,671
Cumulative translation adjustment	
Balance, June 30, 2020	(104,495)
Adjustments for the year	(2,114,216)
Balance, June 30, 2021	(2,218,711)
Property total, June 30, 2021	\$ 66,495,023

#### **Tuvatu Gold Project**

The Company's primary asset is the Tuvatu Gold Project located near Nadi on the island of Viti Levu, Fiji.

In January 2015, the Mineral Resources Department ("MRD") of Fiji granted Special Mining Lease 62 ("SML 62") on the Tuvatu project to the Company. SML 62 is a designated area within the original boundaries of the Company's Special Prospecting Licenses ("SPL's") 1283 and 1296. SML 62 provides exclusive rights for the potential development, construction, and operation of mining, processing, and waste management infrastructure at Tuvatu. The terms of the mining lease provide for certain performance and reporting requirements. The SML has been granted for a term of ten years provided the Company complies with the terms of the lease. Extensions to the term can be applied subject to the terms of the lease and the Mining Act. In August 2022, SML 62 was extended for an additional 10 year term renewable to February 28, 2035. A performance and environmental bond of FJD\$2,700,000 (2022 - \$1,562,409), (2021 - \$1,607,761) has been placed on deposit with the MRD. The SML is subject to annual lease payments of FJD\$73,697 (\$42,646).

In addition to a 5% net smelter royalty ("NSR") with the government of Fiji, the Fiji properties are subject to a perpetual production royalty of 0.5% to 1.5% of net smelter returns. This NSR is payable to Laimes Global Inc., a company controlled by Walter Berukoff, CEO and director of the Company.

#### Surface Lease Agreement

The Company holds a 21-year Surface Lease agreement with the iTaueki Land Trust Board ("TLTB") which governs the native land ownership rights in Fiji. The TLTB manages the lease agreements between native land owners and tenants. Under the terms of the Surface Lease, the Company must make a one-time payment of FJD\$1,000,000 of which FJD\$700,000 (\$405,069) was paid upon acceptance of the Surface Lease agreement. In March 2019, the Company paid FJD\$249,497 (\$144,376) to the TLTB with FJD\$50,503 (\$29,225) remaining is due upon the first gold production from mining operations in Tuvatu. An additional lease payment of FJD\$30,000 (\$17,360) is payable per annum to the local communities for education and community development over the 21-year term of the Surface Lease agreement.

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

#### **Fiji Exploration Properties**

The Company holds four exploration licenses (SPL's) for the Tuvatu properties as granted by the MRD. Under the terms of the SPL's, the Company is required to spend a minimum threshold of expenditures on each of the licenses. In March 2022, the Company received the renewal application for SPL 1465 for a three year period ending in March 2025.

SPL	Issued	Expiry Date	Bond (Fijian \$)	Bond (Canadian \$)	Expenditure Requirement (Fijian \$)	Expenditure Requirement (Canadian \$)
1283	Aug. 24, 2020	Aug. 23, 2025	158,180	91,534	1,400,000	810,138
1296	Aug. 24, 2020	Aug. 23, 2025	158,180	91,534	1,600,000	925,872
1465	Mar. 5, 2022	Mar. 4, 2025	67,979	39,337	679,789	393,374
1512	May 14, 2019	May 13, 2024	516,058	298,628	15,333,305	8,872,924

#### Deposits

In 2022, the Company paid \$4,647,770 deposits for mill and other equipment, \$295,040 deposit for enterprise resource planning software and \$48,198 other deposits in Fiji.

#### Bonds

The SPL's require the posting of bonds as security against future reclamation obligations. As at June 30, 2022, the Company has bonds of \$2,083,442 (June 30, 2021 - \$1,944,418) held with the MRD pursuant to SML62 and the SPL's and an environmental bond \$37,733 (June 30, 2021 – Nil) held with the Ministry of Environment. These are recorded as Deposits on the statements of financial position.

#### 6. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

	Computers						
	and Office		Motor	В	Building and		- <i>.</i>
	Equipment		Vehicles		Equipment		Tota
Cost							
Balance, June 30, 2020	\$ 277,232	\$	413,016	\$	4,423,722	\$	5,113,970
Additions for the year	2,156		45,769		3,070,849		3,118,774
Cumulative translation adjustment	 <u>(5,997)</u>		<u>(19,780)</u>		(269,958)		<u>(295,735</u>
Balance, June 30, 2021	273,391		439,005		7,224,613		7,937,009
Disposals for the year	(12,508)		(58,479)		(6,721)		(77,708
Additions for the year	9,478		563,222		4,948,680		5,521,380
Cumulative translation adjustment	 (3,883)		(39,902)		(308,507)		(352,292
Balance, June 30, 2022	\$ 266,478	\$	903,846	\$	11,858,065	\$	13,028,38
Accumulated depreciation							
Balance, June 30, 2020	\$ 275,976	\$	257,684		852,288	\$	1,385,94
Additions for the year	147		46,382		566,141	·	612,67
Cumulative translation adjustment	 (5,880)		(12,580)		(39,697)		(58,157
Balance, June 30, 2021	270.243		291,486		1.378.732		1.940.46
Disposals for the year	(12,508)		(58,479)		(6,721)		(77,708
Additions for the year	472		106.938		820.045		927,45
Cumulative translation adjustment	 651		(9,310)		(48,098)		(56,757
Balance, June 30, 2022	\$ 258,858	\$	330,635	\$	2,143,958	\$	2,733,45
Net book value							
As at June 30, 2021	\$ 3,148	\$	147,519	\$	5,845,881	\$	5,996,54
As at June 30, 2022	\$ 7,620	Š	573,211	Š	9,714,107	Š	10,294,93

#### 7. OTHER ASSETS

#### Royalty Interest on Olary Creek - South Australia

On March 19, 2019, the Company entered into a sale agreement ("Agreement") to sell its 51% Olary Creek Tenement ("Olary") interest including a 47% interest in the iron ore and manganese rights on the Olary Creek Joint Venture in South Australia, which included a 25% interest free carried through the completion of a bankable feasibility study and the decision to mine, and an optional 22% participating interest, to Olary Magnetite Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lodestone Mines Limited ("Lodestone") for the following proceeds:

- 1% FOB royalty on Iron Ore or manganese concentrates sold from Olary plus AUD\$0.75 per tonne of Iron Ore or manganese concentrates or 2% FOB royalty on Iron Ore or manganese concentrates sold from Olary.
- Lodestone shall advance against the FOB royalty payable noted above:
  - a. 10% of all funds raised by Lodestone until funding specifically designated as funding for a Bankable Feasibility Study ("BFS") has been raised;
  - b. AUD\$1,000,000 upon funding being raised by Lodestone specifically designated as funding for a Bankable Feasibility Study;
  - c. AUD\$3,000,000 upon a Decision to Mine being made; and
  - d. AUD\$3,000,000 upon 18 months after a Decision to Mine being made.

On October 15, 2019, the Company received formal approval from the South Australian Minister of Energy and Mining for the Olary transfer to Lodestone.

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Company invoiced Lodestone for AUD\$322,000 as an advance against FOB royalty for 10% of all funds raised for a BFS. The Company has assigned the carrying value of the Olary Creek property at \$28,228 (June 30, 2021 - \$328,807) to the value of the royalty interest, which has been disclosed in other assets.

#### Mining Equipment Deposit

In July 2018, the Company paid an AUD\$1,097,280 (\$1,075,334) deposit to an Australian mining contractor towards the refurbishment and purchase of certain mining equipment. In May 2021, the Company requested the delivery of the mining equipment to Fiji and to date it has not been delivered. During the year ended June 30, 2021, the Company wrote down the deposit by \$632,147 to its estimated carrying value. As at June 30, 2022, the estimated carrying value is \$445,427 (June 30, 2021 - \$443,187).

#### 8. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	2022	2021
Trade payables Exploration and evaluation assets expenditures payable Employee benefits	\$ 153,488 941,499 -	\$ 51,648 382,857 270,109
Balance, end of the year	\$ 1,094,987	\$ 704,614

Employee benefits included accrued long-term service benefits for employees in Australia in accordance with Australian labour standards.

#### 9. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSET AND LEASE LIABILITY

On July 1, 2019, the Company recognized \$581,499 for a right-of-use asset for the office space lease and \$581,499 for the lease liability equal to the present value of office space lease payments over a 45-month period ending March 31, 2023, discounted by using the Company's estimated incremental borrowing rate at 8.0%.

#### Right-of-use asset

	2022	2021
Opening balance	\$ 271,366	\$ 426,433
Depreciation	(155,066)	(155,067)
	\$ 116,300	\$ 271,366

Lease liability		
	2022	2021
Opening balance	\$ (293,035)	\$ (443,014)
Payments	180,000	180,000
Accreted interest	(17,573)	(30,021)
	\$ (130,608)	\$ (293,035)
Lease liability (current)	(130,608)	(148,391)
Lease liability (non-current)	-	(144,644)
	\$ (130,608)	\$ (293,035)

#### 10. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES

a) Authorized share capital

Unlimited number of common shares without par value.

b) Stock options

The TSX-V accepted the Company's Stock Option Plan, which was approved by the Company's shareholders at the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") held on December 16, 2021. A rolling stock option plan has been implemented whereby a maximum of 10% of the issued shares will be reserved for issuance under the plan. Options can be granted for a term not to exceed ten years. Shareholder approval must also be obtained yearly at the Company's AGM and in addition, submitted for review and acceptance by the TSX-V each year.

#### Stock option transactions are summarized as follows:

	Number of Stock Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
		<b>•</b> • • • •
Balance, June 30, 2020	8,411,540	\$ 1.08
Exercised	(1,069,040)	0.98
Granted	3,500,000	1.25
Forfeited and expired	(1,362,500)	0.99
Balance, June 30, 2021	9,480,000	1.16
Exercised	(50,000)	0.75
Forfeited and expired	(955,000)	1.34
Balance, June 30, 2022	8,475,000	1.15
Balance, June 30, 2022 exercisable	6,271,250	\$ 1.09

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

b) Stock options (cont'd...)

The following stock options are outstanding and exercisable as at June 30, 2022:

	Number of Options Outstanding	Exercise price	Number of Options Exercisable	Expiry date
Stock Options	860,000 2,195,000	1.00 0.75	860,000 2,195,000	January 26, 2023 March 1, 2024
	75,000	1.00	2,195,000	March 1, 2024
	1,875,000	1.50	1,406,250	June 3, 2025
	3,470,000	1.25	1,735,000	June 2, 2026
	8,475,000		6,271,250	

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Company granted Nil (2021 – 3,500,000) stock options. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the yeard was Nil per share (2021 - \$0.73). Total share-based payments recognized for the year ended June 30, 2022 was \$1,398,697 (2021 - \$1,819,836) for incentive options granted and vested. Share-based payments expense of \$870,576 (2021 - \$1,119,909) was recognized in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss with the balance of \$528,121 (2021 - \$699,927) capitalized to exploration and evaluation assets, which relates to employees and consultants working on the Tuvatu property.

#### c) Warrants

Warrant transactions are summarized as follows:

	Number of Warrants	Weighted Average Exercise Price	)
Balance, June 30, 2020 Issued Tranche 1 Aug. 2020 Issued Tranche 2 Aug. 2020 Warrants exercised	14,375,000 6,760,805 4,075,786 (14,375,000)	\$ 1.2 2.3 2.7 1.2	5 August 20, 2021 5 August 20, 2021
Balance, June 30, 2021 Warrants expired Balance, June 30, 2022	10,836,591 (10,836,591) -	2.50	) August 20, 2021
Compensation Options (Note 10(d)) Balance, June 30, 2020 Issued Expired Exercised	258,750 603,750 (503,750) (358,750)	1.20 1.20 1.20 1.20	June 6, 2021   June 6, 2021   June 6, 2021
Balance, June 30, 2021 and 2022	-		

On August 25, 2020, the Company elected to accelerate the expiry date of the outstanding common share purchase warrants originally issued by the Company as part of its private placement which closed on December 6, 2019. Pursuant to the terms of the warrants, the Company can accelerate the expiry date of the warrants if the closing price of the Company's common shares listed on the TSX-Vremain higher than \$1.65 for 20 consecutive trading days. On August 24, 2020 the Company's common shares closed at a price higher than \$1.65 for 20 consecutive trading days. As a result, the Company exercised the acceleration right relating to the warrants to expire on October 7, 2020. On October 13, 2020, the Company announced that a total of 14,375,000 warrants representing 100% of the \$1.20 warrants issued in connection with the December 2019 private placement for gross proceeds of approximately \$17.25 million.

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

#### d) Compensation Options

The compensation options were issued from December 2019 and August 2020 private placements. Compensation Options are summarized as follows:

	Number of Options	Weighted Exerc	Average cise Price	Expiry Date
Balance, June 30, 2020	603,750	\$	0.80	June 6, 2021
Issued - Tranche 1 Issued - Tranche 2 Exercised	811,968 491,042 (603,750)		1.70 2.05 0.80	August 20, 2022 August 20, 2022 June 6, 2021
Balance, June 30, 2021	1,303,010		1.83	August 20, 2022
- Balance outstanding and exercisable, June 30, 2022	1,303,010	\$	1.83	

The outstanding compensation options of 811,968 at exercise price of \$1.70 and 491,042 at exercise price of \$2.05 expired on August 20, 2022.

#### 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### **Management Compensation**

Key management personnel comprise of the: Chief Executive Officer, Managing Director, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Senior Vice President Exploration and Vice President, Corporate Secretary of the Company, members of the Board of Directors and related companies. The remuneration of the key management personnel is as follows for the year ended June 30:

	2022	2021
Payments to key management personnel: Cash compensation expensed to management fees, professional fees, investor relations, directors fees and	\$ 578,584	\$ 559,638
consulting fee Cash compensation capitalized to exploration and evaluation assets	545,139	289,922
Share-based payments	943,069	1,064,135

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Company paid \$180,000 (2021 - \$180,000) in rent to Cabrera Capital Corp. ("Cabrera"), a company controlled by Walter Berukoff, the CEO and director of the Company. As at June 30, 2022, the Company had a payable of \$Nil (2021 - \$82,181) due to Cabrera and a lease liability of \$130,608 (2021 – 293,035) due to Cabrera equal to the present value of office space lease payments over the term of the lease.

The Company has a management and corporate services agreement with Cabrera pursuant to which Cabrera provides a fully furnished and equipped business premises as well as management and administration services to the Company. With the exception of rent expense, Cabrera charges the Company on a cost-recovery basis. The Company can terminate the agreement at any time by paying Cabrera a year's worth of fees based on the average monthly fee paid to Cabrera since April 1, 2018.

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Company paid \$108,277 (2021 - \$Nil) in rent to Lions Den (Fiji) Pte Limited, a company controlled by Walter Berukoff, the CEO and director of the Company, for short-term and long-term accommodations including utilities in Fiji, and has a payable of \$6,840 (2021 - \$Nil).

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Company paid professional fees of \$33,054 (2021 - \$34,450) to a management services company owned by David McArthur, a director of the Company's subsidiary, Lion One Australia Pty Ltd. As at June 30, 2022, the Company had a payble of \$2,934 (2021 - \$Nil).

#### 12. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Company operates in one industry segment, the mineral exploration industry.

June 30, 2022	Fiji	Australia	Total
Exploration and evaluation assets Other assets Property and equipment	\$ 75,407,963 - 10,294,938	\$ - 28,228 -	\$ 75,407,963 28,228 10,294,938
	\$ 85,702,901	\$ 28,228	\$ 85,731,129
June 30, 2021	Fiji	Australia	Total
Exploration and evaluation assets Other assets Property and equipment	\$ 66,495,023 - 5,996,548	\$ - 328,807 -	\$ 66,495,023 328,807 5,996,548
	\$ 72,491,571	\$ 328,807	\$ 72,820,378

#### 13. INCOME TAXES

A reconciliation between expense (recovery) and the product of accounting loss multiplied by the Company's domestic tax rate for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021 is as follows:

	2022	2021
Net loss before income tax Income tax rate	\$ 2,508,953 27.00%	\$ 4,231,362 27.00%
Expected tax recovery at statutory income tax rate Increase (decrease) due to:	 (677,000)	 (735,000)
Permanent differences	236,000	303,000
Effect of change in tax and foreign exchange rate	162,000	36,000
Share issuance costs	-	(728,000)
True up and other adjustments	51,000	(201,000)
Tax effect of tax losses and temporary differences not recognized	 228,000	 1,732,000
	\$ -	\$ -

No deferred tax assets have been recognized on the consolidated statements of financial position as the Company has concluded that it is not probable that the benefits of deferred income tax assets will be realized prior to their expiry. As such, the Company has the following unrecognized deductible temporary differences:

	2022	2021
Non-capital losses	\$ 34,654,000	\$ 32,957,000
Share issue costs	1,996,000	2,724,000
Other assets	630,000	632,000
Exploration and evaluation assets (no expiry date)	3,726,000	3,853,000
Property and equipment (no expiry date)	513,000	460,000

As at June 30, 2022, the Company has non-capital losses, for Canadian income tax purposes, of approximately \$25,795,000 to reduce future taxable income in Canada. These losses, if unused, will expire between 2027 and 2042.

#### 14. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Financial instruments**

Cash and cash equivalents, short term investments, restricted cash, receivables, deposits, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and lease liability are carried at amortized cost. The Company considers that the carrying amount of the current financial assets and liabilities measured at amortized cost to approximate their fair value due to the short-term nature of the financial instruments. Long-term provisions, representing long-term service benefits, are carried at amortized cost and reflect the fair value of the instrument as the carrying value reflects the payout of the instrument as at the reporting date.

Fair value estimates of financial instruments are made at a specific point in time, based on relevant information about financial markets and specific financial instruments. As these estimates are subjective in nature, involving uncertainties and matters of significant judgment, they cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions can significantly affect estimated fair values.

#### Financial risk factors

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of potential loss to the Company if the counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to its liquid financial assets including cash and cash equivalents, short term investments and receivables. The Company limits exposure to credit risk on liquid financial assets through maintaining its cash with high-credit quality financial institutions.

Receivables mainly consist of Goods and Services Tax ("GST") receivable from the Government of Canada, GST receivable from the Government of Australia and value added tax receivable from the Government of Fiji. The Company believes that the credit risk concentration with respect to receivables is minimal.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The Company will raise funds for future use from equity financings and other methods as contemplated by management to satisfy its capital requirements and will continue to depend heavily upon these financing activities. All of the Company's current financial liabilities have contractual maturities of 30 days or due on demand and are subject to normal trade terms. As at June 30, 2022, the Company had working capital of \$36,645,040.

#### 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. The Company does not have a practice of trading derivatives.

a) Interest rate risk

The Company's financial assets exposed to interest rate risk consist of cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments. The Company's current policy is to invest excess cash in investment-grade short-term deposit certificates issued by its banking institutions. The Company periodically monitors the investments it makes and is satisfied with the credit ratings of its banks. Management believes the interest rate risk is low given the current low global interest rate environment.

#### b) Foreign currency risk

The Company's property exploration work occurs in Fiji and is conducted in Canadian dollars and Fijian dollars. A portion of the Company's financial assets and other assets is denominated in US dollars and Australian dollars. As such, the Company is exposed to foreign currency risk in fluctuations.

#### 14. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (con'd...)

#### Financial risk factors (cont'd...)

As at June 30, 2022, the Company's net foreign denominated financial assets (liabilities) are as follows:

	Fo	reign currency	Canadian dollar equivalent
Australian Dollar Fijian Dollar USD Dollar	\$	2,095,543 4,013,045 3,333,539	\$

The sensitivity of the Company's comprehensive loss due to changes in the carrying values of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies is as follows.

Increase / decrease in foreign exchange rate	2022	2021
+ 5%	\$ 424,059 \$	802,614
- 5%	(424,059)	(802,614)

#### c) Price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity and equity prices. The Company closely monitors commodity prices to determine the appropriate strategic action to be taken by the Company.

#### 15. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Company's capital management policy has the objective of maintaining a strong, but flexible capital structure that optimizes the cost of capital, creditor and market confidence while sustaining the future development of the business.

The Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in the light of changes in economic conditions. The Company's capital structure includes shareholders' equity of \$130,050,079 (2021 - \$133,293,248). In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may from time to time issue shares, seek debt financing and adjust its capital spending to manage current and working capital requirements. The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

There were no changes to the Company's approach to capital management during the year ended June 30, 2022.

#### 16. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

#### a) Option Grant

On September 3, 2022, the Company granted 4,540,000 stock options to various directors, officers, employees, and consultants of the Company, subject to TSX-V approval. The options are exercisable into common shares of the Company at a price of \$1.25 per share, expiring five years from the date of grant, on September 3, 2027.

#### b) Completed Bought Deal

On September 28, 2022, the Company closed a bought deal offering of 17,348,000 units (the "Units"), including 1,108,0000 Units issued pursuant to the over-allotment option granted to Eight Capital and Canaccord Genuity Corp. (together, the "Underwriters") at a price of \$0.77 per Unit for gross proceeds of \$13,357,960 (the "Offering").

Each Unit consists of a common share of the Company and one-half of one common share purchase warrant. Each whole common share warrant may be exercised to purchase a common share at a price of \$1.05 for a period of 36 months following the closing date of the Offering. In the event that the volume weighted average trading price of the common shares on the TSX-V or such other principal exchange on which the common shares are then trading, is greater than \$1.75 for a period of twenty consecutive trading days at any time after the closing of the Offering, the Company may accelerate the expiry date of the warrants by giving written notice to the holder thereof and in such case the warrants will expire on the 30th day after the date on which such notice is given by the Company.

Pursuant to the Offering the Company issued 1,040,880 compensation warrants (the "Compensation Options") to the Underwriters. Each Compensation Option is exercisable to purchase a common share at a price of \$0.77 for a period of 36 months following the closing date of the Offering. In addition, the Company paid \$945,947 of cash finders' fees in relation to the Offering.