

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED September 30, 2022

# LION ONE METALS LIMITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) (Unaudited)

		September 30, 2022		June 30, 2022
ASSETS				
Current	¢	00 404 004	¢	05 740 774
Cash and cash equivalents Short term investment (Note 4)	\$	33,181,301	\$	25,749,771 10,000,000
Receivables		1,410,137		930,676
Prepaid expenses	_	826,247		1,190,188
		35,417,685		37,870,635
Right-of-use asset (Note 9)		77,533		116,300
Deposits (Note 5)		14,629,389		7,112,183
Other assets (Note 7)		473,624		473,655
Exploration and evaluation assets (Note 5, 11)		84,781,639		75,407,963
Property and equipment (Note 6)		11,782,254		10,294,938
	\$	4 47 400 404	¢	404 075 074
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	Ų	147,162,124	\$	131,275,674
	\$	2,992,610 87,937	<u></u> ⇒	1,094,987
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 8, 11)		2,992,610	·	1,094,987
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Lease liability (Note 9, 11) Shareholders' equity		2,992,610 87,937 3,080,547 3,080,547	·	1,094,987 130,608 1,225,595 1,225,595
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 8, 11) Lease liability (Note 9, 11) Shareholders' equity Share capital (Note 10)		2,992,610 87,937 3,080,547 3,080,547 176,041,384	·	1,094,987 130,608 1,225,595 1,225,595 1,225,595
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 8, 11) Lease liability (Note 9, 11) Shareholders' equity Share capital (Note 10) Reserves (Note 10)		2,992,610 87,937 3,080,547 3,080,547	·	1,094,987 130,608 1,225,595 1,225,595 1,225,595 164,315,701 26,477,648
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Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 8, 11) Lease liability (Note 9, 11) Shareholders' equity Share capital (Note 10) Reserves (Note 10) Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		2,992,610 87,937 3,080,547 3,080,547 176,041,384 28,171,391 589,277	·	1,094,987 130,608 1,225,595 1,225,595 164,315,701 26,477,648 (1,261,609)

Approved and authorized by the Board on November 10, 2022:

"Walter H. Berukoff"	Director	"Richard Meli"	Director

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENTS OF LOSS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) (Unaudited) FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

	2022	 2021
EXPENSES		
Consulting fees (Note 11)	\$ 18,152	\$ 11,502
Depreciation (Note 9)	38,767	38,766
Directors' fees (Note 11)	5,750	5,750
Foreign exchange (gain) loss	(152,970)	(289,920)
Interest expense (Note 9)	2,329	5,599
Licenses, dues and insurance	30,935	24,362
Investor relations (Note 11)	213,528	122,232
Management fees (Note 11)	65,000	75,668
Office and administrative	162,989	99,569
Professional fees (Note 11)	119,573	89,526
Shareholder communications and filings	72,864	63,125
Share-based payments (Note 10, 11)	797,894	238,547
Travel	 33,652	 -
Operating loss	(1,408,463)	(484,726)
OTHER INCOME & EXPENSES		
Interest income	169,649	110,461
Loss for the period	 (1,238,814)	 (374,265)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)		
Foreign exchange translation adjustment	 1,850,886	 192,945
Comprehensive income (loss) for the period	\$ 612,072	\$ (181,320)
Basic and diluted loss per common share	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.00)
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Weighted average number of common shares outstanding – basic and diluted	173,769,893	156,371,893

LION ONE METALS LIMITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) (Unaudited) FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

		2022		2021
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES Net loss for the period	\$	(1 000 014)	¢	(274 265
Net loss for the period	Φ	(1,238,814)	Φ	(374,265)
Non-cash items:				
Foreign exchange		(152,970)		(289,920
Depreciation		38,767		38,766
Interest expense		2,329		5,599
Share-based payments		797,894		238,547
Changes in non-cash working capital items:				
Receivables		(451,792)		(135,596
Prepaid expenses		(782,266)		(37,131
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(456,804)		(184,139
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	. <u> </u>	(2,243,655)		(738,139
ASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchase of property and equipment		(1,106,483)		(1,473,839
Exploration and evaluation asset expenditures		(4,390,812)		(2,085,718
Short term investments		10,000,000		(_,,
Deposits and other assets		(7,101,632)		(107,988
	_	(2,598,927)		(3,667,545
ASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		10.057.000		
Cash proceeds from sale of shares – private placement		13,357,960		-
Share issuance costs on private placement Payment of lease liability		(1,204,345) (45,000)		(45,000
r ayment of lease hability		(45,000)		(43,000
		12,108,615		(45,000
ffect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		166,497		178,903
hange in cash and cash equivalents during the period		7,431,530		(4,271,781
cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period		25,749,771		43,213,213
ash and cash equivalents, end of the period	\$	33,181,301	\$	38,941,432
upplementary cash flow information:				
ash and cash equivalents consist of:				
Cash	\$	28,181,301	\$	33,941,432
Cash equivalents (redeemable short-term deposit certificates)		5,000,000		5,000,000
lon-cash transactions:				
Depreciation expense capitalized to exploration and evaluation assets	\$	423,347	\$	210,809
Share-based payments expense capitalized to	Ψ	120,047	Ψ	210,000
exploration and evaluation assets		467,917		166,460
Share-based payments expense – share issuance costs		427,932		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities in exploration and evaluation assets		2,920,671		209,960

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS'S EQUITY

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars) (Unaudited)

	Share C	Capital				
	Number	Amount	Reserves	Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total
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 Comprehensive loss	-	-	405,007			405,007
for the period	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	(374,265)	192,945	(181,320)
Balance, September 30, 2021	156,371,893	\$ 164,262,661	\$ 25,499,498	\$ (57,346,973)	\$ 1,101,749	\$ 133,516,935
Share-based payments – stock	-	-	993,690			993,690
options Exercise of stock options Comprehensive loss	50,000	53,040	(15,540)			37,500
for the period	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u>(2,134,688)</u>	(2,363,358)	(4,498,046
Balance, June 30, 2022	156,431,893	\$ 164,315,701	\$ 26,477,648	\$ (59,481,661)	\$ (1,261,609)	\$ 130,050,079
Share-based payments – stock options	-	-	1,265,811			1,265,811
Private placement	17,348,000	13,357,960	-			13,357,960
Share issue cost	-	(1,632,277)	427,932			(1,204,345
Comprehensive loss						
for the period	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u>(1,238,814)</u>	1,850,886	612,072
Balance, September 30, 2022	173,769,893	\$ 176,041,384	\$ 28,171,391	\$ (60,720,475)	\$ 589.277	\$ 144,081,57

#### 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 condensed consolidated interim 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 condensed consolidated interim 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 \$32,337,138. 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 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 condensed consolidated interim 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 condensed consolidated interim financial statements, including comparatives, have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34 'Interim Financial Reporting' ("IAS 34") 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 accounting policies and methods of computation applied by the Company in these condensed consolidated interim financial statements are the same as those applied in the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.

The condensed consolidated interim 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 condensed consolidated interim 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 condensed consolidated interim 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 condensed consolidated interim 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

#### New accounting pronouncements but not yet effective

The Company has applied the following revised IFRS that has been issued and this accounting standard does not have a significant effect on the Company's accounting policies or financial statements.

IAS 16, Property, Plant and Equipment - Proceeds Before Intended Use (effective 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

The short-term investment is comprised of guaranteed investment certificates issued by the Company's banking institutions.

#### 5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

June 30, 2022	Total
Acquisition costs	
Balance, June 30, 2022 and September 30, 2022	\$ 21,915,063
Exploration expenditures	
Balance, June 30, 2022	57,225,982
Additions for the period	7,863,710
Balance, September 30, 2022	65,089,692
Cumulative translation adjustment	
Balance, June 30, 2022	(3,733,082)
Adjustments for the period	1,509,966
Balance, September 30, 2022	(2,223,116)
Property total, September 30, 2022	\$ 84,781,639
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June 30, 2022	Total
June 30, 2022 Acquisition costs	
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June 30, 2022 Acquisition costs Balance, June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2022 Exploration expenditures Balance, June 30, 2021 Additions for the year Balance, June 30, 2022 Cumulative translation adjustment Balance, June 30, 2021	<b>Total</b> \$ 21,915,063 46,798,67 10,427,31 57,225,983 (2,218,711

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

#### **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 - \$1,603,187), (June 30, 2022 - \$1,562,409) has been placed on deposit with the MRD. The SML is subject to annual lease payments of FJD\$73,697 (\$43,759).

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 (\$415,641) was paid upon acceptance of the Surface Lease agreement. In March 2019, the Company paid FJD\$249,497 (\$148,145) to the TLTB with FJD\$50,503 (\$29,987) remaining is due upon the first gold production from mining operations in Tuvatu. An additional lease payment of FJD\$30,000 (\$17,813) is payable per annum to the local communities for education and community development over the 21-year term of the Surface Lease agreement.

#### **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	lssued	Expiry Date	Bond (Fijian \$)	Bond (Canadian \$)	Expenditure Requirement (Fijian \$)	Expenditure Requirement (Canadian \$)
1283	Aug. 24, 2020	Aug. 23, 2025	158,180	93,923	1,400,000	831,282
1296	Aug. 24, 2020	Aug. 23, 2025	158,180	93,923	1,600,000	950,037
1465	Mar. 5, 2022	Mar. 4, 2025	67,979	40,364	679,789	403,640
1512	May 14, 2019	May 13, 2024	516,058	306,422	15,333,305	9,104,503

#### Deposits

As at September 30, 2022, the Company paid \$12,323,906 deposits for mill and other equipment and \$106,525 other deposits in Fiji (June 30, 2022 - \$4,991,008).

#### Bonds

The SPL's require the posting of bonds as security against future reclamation obligations. As at September 30, 2022, the Company has bonds of \$2,160,241 (June 30, 2022 - \$2,083,442) held with the MRD pursuant to SML62 and the SPL's and an environmental bond \$38,717 (June 30, 2022 – 37,733) held with the Ministry of Environment. These are recorded as Deposits on the statements of financial position.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Expressed in Canadian Dollars) September 30 2022

#### 6. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

	(	Computers					
		and Office		Motor	Building and		
		Equipment		Vehicles	Equipment		Total
Cost							
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		3,118,774
Cumulative translation adjustment		(3,883)		(39,902)	(308,507)	_	(295,735)
Balance, June 30, 2022 Disposals for the period		266,478		903,846	11,858,065		13,028,389
Additions for the period		507,164		100,167	1,031,504		1,638,835
Cumulative translation adjustment		3,419		25,241	308,021		336,681
Sumulative translation adjustment		0,410		20,271	300,021	_	330,001
Balance, September 30, 2022	\$	777,061	\$	1,029,254	\$ 13,197,590	\$	15,003,905
Accumulated depreciation							
Balance, June 30, 2021	\$	270.243	\$	291.486	852,288	\$	1,940,461
Disposals for the year	Ŧ	(12,508)	*	(58,479)	(6,721)	+	(77,708)
Additions for the year		472		106,938	820,045		927,455
Cumulative translation adjustment		651		(9,310)	(48.098)		(56,757)
Balance, June 30, 2022		258,858		330,635	2,143,958		2,733,451
Disposals for the period		-		-	-		-
Additions for the period		26,094		34,943	362,309		423,346
Cumulative translation adjustment		3,191		9,206	52,457		64,854
Balance, September 30, 2022	\$	288,143	\$	374,784	\$ 2,558,724	\$	3,221,651
Net book value							
As at June 30, 2022	\$	7,620	\$	573,211	\$ 9,714,107	\$	10,294,938
As at September 30, 2022	\$	488,918	\$	654,470	\$ 10,638,866	Ś	11,782,254

#### 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.

During the period ended September 30, 2022, the Company has assigned the carrying value of the Olary Creek property at \$28,197 (June 30, 2022 - \$28,228) to the value of the royalty interest, which has been disclosed in other assets.

#### 7. OTHER ASSETS ( cont'd...)

#### **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 peiod ended September 30, 2021, the Company wrote down the deposit by \$632,147 to its estimated carrying value. As at September 30, 2022, the estimated carrying value is \$445,427 (June 30, 2022 - \$445,427).

#### 8. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Se	eptember 30, 2022	June 30, 2022
Trade payables Exploration and evaluation assets expenditures payable	\$	71,939 2,920,671	\$ 153,488 941,499
Balance, end of the period	\$	2,992,610	\$ 1,094,987

#### 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

Lease liability

	September 30, 2022	June 30, 2022
Opening balance	\$ 116,300	\$ 271,366
Depreciation	(38,767)	(155,066)
	\$ 77,533	\$ 116,300
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	September 30, 2022	Ju	ine 30, 2022
Opening balance	\$ (130,608)	\$	(293,035)
Payments	45,000		180,000
Accreted interest	(2,329)		(17,573)
	\$ (87,937)	\$	(130,608)
Lease liability (current)	(87,937)		(130,608
Lease liability (non-current)	-		-
	\$ (87,937)	\$	(130,608)

#### 10. SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES

a) Authorized share capital

Unlimited number of common shares without par value.

b) Bought Deal Offering

On September 28, 2022, the Company completed a bought deal offering of 17,348,000 units (the "Units"), 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 until September 28, 2025. 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.

The Company incurred broker, filing and legal fees of \$1,204,345 in respect of the placement and recognized \$427,932 for share issuance costs related to the issuance of 1,040,880 non-transferable compensation options ("CO"), each CO is exercisable to purchase a common share at a price of \$0.77 until September 28, 2025. The fair value of the CO's of \$427,932 was determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model using the following assumptions: risk free interest rate 3.68%, expected life of 3 years, annualized volatility 75% and dividend rate at nil.

c) 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		
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		
Granted	4,540,000	1.25		
Balance, September 30, 2022	13,015,000	1.18		

The following stock options are outstanding and exercisable as at September 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 1,875,000	1.00 1.50	75,000 1,406,250	March 1, 2024 June 3, 2025
	3,470,000	1.25	1,735,000	June 2, 2026
	4,540,000	1.25	<u>1,513,333</u> 7,784,583	September 3, 2027

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

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

During the period ended September 30, 2022, the Company granted 4,540,000 (2022 - Nil) stock options. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the period was \$0.65 per share (2022 - Nil). Total share-based payments recognized for the period ended September 30, 2022 was \$1,265,811 (2022 - \$405,007) for incentive options granted and vested. Share-based payments expense of \$797,894 (2022 - \$870,576) was recognized in the condensed consolidated interim statement of loss and comprehensive loss with the balance of \$467,917 (2022 - \$528,121) capitalized to exploration and evaluation assets, which relates to employees and consultants working on the Tuvatu property.

#### d) Warrants

Warrant transactions are summarized as follows:

	Number of Warrants	Weighted Average Exercise Price		Expiry Date	
Balance, June 30, 2021 Warrants expired	10,836,591 (10,836,591)	\$	2.50 2.50	August 20, 2021 August 20, 2021	
Balance, June 30, 2022 Warrants issued Balance, September 30, 2022	8,674,000 8,674,000		1.05	September 28, 2025	

#### e) Compensation Options

The compensation options were issued from August 2020 and September 2022 private placements.

#### Compensation Options are summarized as follows:

	Number of Options	Weighted Exerc	Average ise Price	Expiry Date
Balance, June 30, 2021	1,303,010	\$	1.83	August 20, 2022
Balance, June 30, 2022	1,303,010		1.83	August 20, 2022
Expired Issued Balance outstanding and exercisable, September 30, 2022	(1,303,010) <u>1,040,880</u> 1,040,880	\$	1.83 0.77 0.77	August 20, 2022 September 28, 2025

#### 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 period ended September 30:

2022	2021
\$ 142,000 \$	164,168
130,000	156,237
672,461	281,456
\$	\$ 142,000 \$ 130,000

During the period ended September 30, 2022, the Company paid \$45,000 (2021 - \$45,000) in rent to Cabrera Capital Corp. ("Cabrera"), a company controlled by Walter Berukoff, the CEO and director of the Company. As at September 30, 2022, the Company had a payable of \$37,357 (June 30, 2022 - \$Nil) due to Cabrera and a lease liability of \$87,937 (June 30, 2022 - \$130,608) 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 period ended September 30, 2022, the Company paid \$57,893 (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 receivable of \$3,407 (June 30, 2022 - \$6,840).

During the period ended September 30, 2022, the Company paid professional fees of \$8,027 (2021 - \$8,330) to a management services company owned by David McArthur, a director of the Company's subsidiary, Lion One Australia Pty Ltd. As at September 30, 2022, the Company had a payable of \$2,934 (2021 - \$Nil).

#### 12. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

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

September 30, 2022	Fiji	Australia	Total
Exploration and evaluation assets Other assets	\$ 84,781,639	\$ - 28,197	\$ 84,781,639 28,197
Property and equipment	 - 11,782,254	 - 20,197	 11,782,254
	\$ 96,563,893	\$ 28,197	\$ 96,592,090
June 30, 2022	Fiji	Australia	Total
Exploration and evaluation assets Other assets	\$ 75,407,963	\$ - 28,228	\$ 75,407,963 28,228
Property and equipment	 10,294,938	 	 10,294,938
	\$ 85,702,901	\$ 28,228	\$ 85,731,129

#### 13. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Financial instruments**

Cash and cash equivalents, short term investments, receivables, deposits, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and lease liability are carried at amortized cost. The Company considers 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 September 30, 2022, the Company had working capital of \$32,337,138.

#### 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.

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

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

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.

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

	Foreign currency	Canadian dollar equivalent
Australian Dollar	2,024,783	1,789,947
Fijian Dollar	6,774,733	4,022,653
USD Dollar	1,013,694	1,392,676

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		June 30, 2022		
+ 5% - 5%	\$	367,481 (367,481)	\$	424,059 (424,059)

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.

#### 14. 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 \$144,081,577 (June 30, 2022 - \$130,050,079). 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 period ended September 30, 2022.