



**NGEX MINERALS LTD.**

**2021 THIRD QUARTER REPORT**

**Management's Discussion and Analysis  
and  
Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements**

**For the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2021  
(UNAUDITED)**

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**  
**(Amounts in Canadian Dollars unless otherwise indicated)**

The following management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") of NGEx Minerals Ltd. ("NGEx Minerals" or the "Company") should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 and related notes therein. The financial information in this MD&A is reported in Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated and is derived from the Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including IAS 34, *Interim Financing Reporting*. The effective date of this MD&A is November 26, 2021. Additional information about the Company and its business activities is available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and the Company's website [www.ngexminerals.com](http://www.ngexminerals.com).

Some of the statements in this MD&A are forward-looking statements that are subject to risk factors set out in the cautionary note contained herein.

## **CORE BUSINESS**

NGEx Minerals is a mineral exploration company with current exploration projects in Argentina and Chile. While the Company currently holds copper-gold and gold projects in South America, going forward it may also consider other jurisdictions and commodities with an emphasis on the quality and value-creation potential of each opportunity rather than a strict commodity or geographic focus.

The Company's current flagship asset is its Los Helados copper-gold deposit, located in Region III of Chile. The Company is the majority partner and operator of the Los Helados Project, which is subject to a Joint Exploration Agreement with its partner, Nippon Caserones Resources Co. Ltd. ("NCR"). NCR became the Company's partner on April 1, 2020 when Pan Pacific Copper ("PPC") transferred its interest in Los Helados to NCR. NCR is a subsidiary of JX Nippon Mining and Metals Corporation, a Tokyo-based mining and smelting company that also owns the Caserones Mine, located approximately 12km from Los Helados.

The Company's strategy is to create value for its shareholders through prudent management and deployment of its capital resources, by expanding and increasing the quality of its mineral resources through successful exploration and acquisitions and by advancing the engineering and other studies that are required to prepare its projects for eventual development by the Company and its partners or by third parties. The overall objective is to position the Company as a top tier mineral exploration-development investment opportunity.

The Company has a strong management team and board with extensive experience in the resource sector, particularly in Chile and Argentina, where the Company's current exploration projects are located. The board and management team have an appropriate mix of geological, engineering, financial, and business skills to advance the Company's projects and to generate value for its shareholders.

The Company's most recent Mineral Resource estimate for the Los Helados Project, with an effective date of April 26, 2019, is summarized in the following table:

<b>Los Helados Mineral Resource (0.33% CuEq Cutoff)</b>								
	<b>Tonnage</b>	<b>Resource Grade</b>				<b>Contained Metal</b>		
<b>Class</b>	<b>(million tonnes)</b>	<b>Cu (%)</b>	<b>Au (g/t)</b>	<b>Ag (g/t)</b>	<b>CuEq (%)</b>	<b>Cu (billion lbs)</b>	<b>Au (million oz)</b>	<b>Ag (million oz)</b>
Indicated	2,099	0.38	0.15	1.37	0.48	17.6	10.1	92.5
Inferred	827	0.32	0.10	1.32	0.39	5.8	2.7	35.1

The key assumptions, parameters, and methods used to estimate the mineral resources are contained in the 43-101 technical report for the project, entitled "*Technical Report on the Los Helados Porphyry Copper-Gold Deposit, Chile*", dated August 6, 2019 and authored by F. Devine, P.Geol., G. Zandonai, RMCMC, and G. Di Prisco, P.Geol. This report is available on the Company's website at [www.ngexminerals.com](http://www.ngexminerals.com) or under the Company's profile at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

The Company's common shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "NGEX".

### **Q3 2021 OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS AND OUTLOOK**

#### ***Previously Unsampled Los Helados Core Showcases High-grades over Considerable Lengths***

During the three months ended September 30, 2021, the Company assayed previously unsampled core that was drilled at Los Helados in 2015 for the purpose of geotechnical studies. The core was collected from two holes that were drilled into the high-grade core of Los Helados, and the assays results will serve as infill data for a future update to the Mineral Resource estimate.

The assay results are highlighted by the following:

- LHDHG02A, intersected 1,101m @ 0.70% copper equivalent ("CuEq") (0.52% Cu, 0.28 g/t Au, 1.7 g/t Ag), including a high-grade interval of 224m @ 1.04% CuEq (0.79% Cu, 0.37 g/t Au, 2.7 g/t Ag); and
- LHDHG03, which returned 1,134m @ 0.79% CuEq (0.59% Cu, 0.30 g/t Au, 1.9 g/t Ag), including a high-grade interval of 440m @ 1.03% CuEq (0.82% Cu, 0.31 g/t Au, 2.9 g/t Ag).

These results confirm the Company's improved understanding of the deposit's geology, which was reinterpreted in 2020 as a result of a core relogging program. This improved geological model will form the basis for a future update to the Mineral Resource estimate for Los Helados. In turn, the updated Mineral Resource will enable an evaluation of alternate development scenarios for Los Helados, exploring optionality in scale of operations and mine plan strategies, which may illustrate alternate strategies for realization of value on this robust asset. The Company is considering a drill program to further define and to try to extend the high-grade core of the deposit.

#### ***Final Phase of Valle Ancho Earn-In Launched***

During the third quarter of 2021, the Company commenced its planned field program at the Valle Ancho project, located in the Province of Catamarca, Argentina. The Company plans to complete between 3,000m and 4,000m of diamond drilling during this campaign, which will follow up on unverified, historical drill intersections from the 1990's, including 62 metres at 1.0 g/t gold and 108 metres at 1.0 g/t gold, and test several other high-potential gold and copper-gold targets identified during the reconnaissance work completed in 2020. Drill targeting will be guided by exploration results, including the interpretation of airborne and ground geophysical surveys undertaken at the outset of the campaign. Drilling is expected to commence upon receipt of requisite environmental permits.

The Company's interest in the Valle Ancho project is held through an option agreement with the Province of Catamarca, whereby it may earn a 100% interest in Valle Ancho by making US\$8.2 million in total project expenditures by the end of 2022. As of the date of this MD&A, approximately US\$6.0 million remains to be spent on the earn-in, which the Company intends to meet with its current exploration campaign.

### ***\$25 Million Private Placement***

Subsequent to the quarter end, on November 1, 2021, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement, pursuant to which the Company sold an aggregate of 31,250,000 common shares at a price of \$0.80 per common share, generating aggregate gross proceeds of \$25.0 million (the "Financing"). Approximately \$13.3 million of the gross proceeds were subject to a 5.0% finders' fee, payable in cash. The common shares issued under the Financing will be subject to a hold period expiring on March 2, 2022.

A portion of the net proceeds have been used to repay the amounts drawn under the 2021 Facility, and the remaining net proceeds from the Financing will be used to fund the aforementioned work programs at Los Helados in Chile and Valle Ancho in Argentina, progress the Company's business development efforts, and also for general corporate and working capital purposes. The use of the net proceeds from the Financing have not changed materially from previous disclosures.

### ***Potential Impacts of COVID-19***

The Company's current plans are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. As the Company continues to monitor developments with respect to COVID-19, both globally and within its operating jurisdictions, it may implement changes to its business as may be deemed appropriate to mitigate any potential impacts to its business and its employees, contractors, visitors, and stakeholders (collectively, "Stakeholders"). Such changes may include, but are not limited to, temporary closures of the Company's project sites or offices, and deviations from the timing and nature of previous operating plans. Moreover, sustained COVID-19 outbreaks globally have resulted in operational and supply chain delays and disruption as a result of governmental regulation and preventative measures being implemented worldwide, including in Argentina and Chile. The Company could also be required to close, curtail or otherwise limit its operating activities as a result of the implementation of any such governmental regulation or preventative measures in the jurisdictions in which the Company operates, or as a result of sustained COVID-19 outbreaks at its project site or facilities. Any such closures or curtailments could have an adverse impact on the business of the Company.

## **RESULTS FROM OPERATIONS**

NGEx Minerals is a junior exploration company and, as such, its net losses are largely driven by its exploration and project investigation activities and there is no expectation of generating operating profits until it identifies and develops a commercially viable mineral deposit.

Key financial results for the last eight quarters are provided in the table below.

<b>Three Months Ended</b>	<b>Sep-21</b>	<b>Jun-21</b>	<b>Mar-21</b>	<b>Dec-20</b>	<b>Sep-20</b>	<b>Jun-20</b>	<b>Mar-20</b>	<b>Dec-19</b>
Exploration costs (\$000's)	1,390	356	402	563	390	484	1,867	1,092
Operating loss (\$000's)	1,863	810	833	1,302	1,684	829	2,272	1,533
Net loss (\$000's)	1,491	784	793	1,302	1,678	843	2,070	1,549
Net loss per share, basic and diluted (\$)	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01

Due to the geographic location of the Company's mineral properties, the Company's business activities generally fluctuate with the seasons, through increased exploration activities during the summer months in South America. As a result, a general recurring trend is the increase in exploration expenditures, and therefore net losses, for the fourth quarter and first quarter of a fiscal year, relative to the second and third quarters. In addition, other relevant factors, such as the financial position of the Company, other corporate initiatives, as well as the type and scope of planned exploration/project work, could affect the level of exploration activities and net loss in a particular period.

NGEx Minerals incurred net losses of \$1.5 million and \$3.1 million, respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 (2020: \$1.7 million and \$4.6 million), including operating losses of \$1.9 million and \$3.5 million, respectively (2020: \$1.7 million and \$4.8 million). Exploration and project investigation costs accounted for approximately 75% and 61% of the respective operating losses for the three and nine months September 30, 2021 (2020: 23% and 57%). This is reflective of the Company's accounting policy to expense its exploration costs through the consolidated statement of comprehensive loss, except for mineral property option payments and mineral property acquisition costs, which are capitalized.

Exploration and project investigation costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 were \$1.4 million and \$2.1 million, respectively (2020: \$0.4 million and \$2.7 million). The increase for the three months ended September 30, 2021 is primarily due to the Company's preparation and ramp up for its 2021/2022 drill campaign for Valle Ancho. By comparison, during the three months ended September 30, 2020, the Company did not undertake any significant exploration work following the cessation of field activity in April 2020 as a result of COVID-19 and related travel restrictions and safety concerns.

The cessation of field activity in response to COVID-19 was also the cause for the decrease in exploration and project investigation costs for the nine months ended September 30, 2021. Specifically, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, the Company did not undertake any substantial field activity as a result of this break until September 2021, when it began preparations for the 2021/2022 drill program at Valle Ancho. For the nine months September 30, 2020, the Company had conducted its initial exploration campaign at Valle Ancho, which ran until March 2020 and included field examination, surface sampling and mapping of existing prospects, and the undertaking of an airborne geophysical survey.

Excluding share-based compensation, administration costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 totaled \$0.3 million and \$1.0 million, respectively (2020: \$0.4 million and \$1.0 million). Share-based compensation, a non-cash cost, reflects the amortization of the estimated fair value of options over their vesting period and is based to a large degree on the Company's share price and its volatility. The actual future value to the option holders may differ materially from these estimates as it depends on the trading price of the Company's shares if and when the options are exercised. In addition, as the granting of options and their vesting is at the discretion of the Board, the related expense is unlikely to be uniform across quarters or financial years. Administration costs, exclusive of share-based compensation costs, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 were consistent with the 2020 comparative periods on an overall basis.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 the Company recognized financing costs of \$45,463 and \$86,513, respectively (2020: \$6,479 and \$19,834). The increase compared to the 2020 comparative periods is the result of the Company's use of an unsecured US\$3.0 million credit facility dated February 19, 2021 (the "2021 Facility") from Zebra Holdings and Investments S.à.r.l ("Zebra") and Lorito Holdings S.à.r.l. ("Lorito") to provide financial flexibility to fund ongoing exploration and for general corporate purposes.

Also, the Company recognized net monetary gains of \$14,581 and \$19,230, respectively, during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 (2020: gain of \$5,602 and loss of \$11,986), in relation to the application of hyperinflationary accounting for the Company's Argentine subsidiaries. The monetary gains recognized are the result of changes in the Argentine price indices and changes to the Company's net monetary position during the period. Further discussion regarding the application of hyperinflationary accounting has been provided in the notes to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

From time to time, the Company acquires and transfers marketable securities as a mechanism to facilitate intragroup funding transfers between its Canadian parent and its Argentine operating subsidiaries. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, the Company recognized gains of \$455,399 and \$550,201, respectively (2020: \$nil and \$246,882) on the use of marketable securities for this purpose, which represents the net benefit of having used this funding mechanism over traditional methods. The increases in the gain are primarily the result of more funding provided to its Argentine subsidiaries during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, compared to the 2020 comparative periods.

No tax recovery is recognized as a result of the nature of the Company's activities and the lack of reasonably expected taxable profits in the near term.

In other comprehensive income, the Company reported foreign currency translation losses of \$316,556 and \$531,250, respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 (2020: gain of \$94,869 and loss of \$133,068) on translation of subsidiary company accounts from their functional currency to the Canadian dollar presentation currency. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, the foreign currency translation losses are primarily the result of fluctuations of the Canadian dollar relative to the Chilean peso over the respective periods. In addition, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, the impacts of hyperinflation were a gain of \$2,946 and a loss of \$6,616, respectively (2020: losses of \$69,646 and \$142,531), and consist of adjustments recognized on the continuing inflation of opening non-monetary balances during the respective periods and the ongoing translation of the Company's Argentine subsidiaries into the Canadian dollar presentation currency.

## **LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**

As at September 30, 2021, the Company had cash of \$1.4 million and a working capital deficit of \$2.4 million, compared to cash of \$0.9 million and net working capital of \$0.5 million, as at December 31, 2020. The Company's net working capital balance decreased on an overall basis due to funds used in operations, including mineral property and surface access rights payments, and for general corporate purposes. The increase in cash is the result of amounts drawn against the 2021 Facility.

On November 1, 2021, the Company closed the Financing and a portion of the net proceeds have been used to repay the amounts drawn under the 2021 Facility. The remaining net proceeds from the Financing will be used to fund the aforementioned work programs at Los Helados in Chile and Valle Ancho in Argentina, progress the Company's business development efforts, and also for general corporate and working capital purposes.

### ***2021 Facility***

The 2021 Facility was extended to the Company by Zebra and Lorito, companies controlled by a trust settled by the late Adolf H. Lundin. Zebra and Lorito report their respective security holdings in the Company as joint actors, as the term is defined by Canadian securities regulations, and are related parties of the Company by virtue of their combined shareholding therein in excess of 20%.

The 2021 Facility matures on February 19, 2022, and no interest is payable in cash during its term. As consideration for the 2021 Facility, Zebra and Lorito received 40,000 common shares upon execution thereof (the "Commitment Shares"), and shall receive an additional 600 common shares each month, for every US\$50,000 in principal outstanding, prorated accordingly for the number of days outstanding. All common shares issued in conjunction with the facilities are subject to a four-month hold period under applicable securities laws.

As at September 30, 2021, the Company had drawn US\$2.1 million against the 2021 Facility, and subsequent to the closing of the Financing on November 1, 2021, the Company has fully repaid all amounts drawn and outstanding.

## RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Under the normal course of operations, the Company may undertake transactions or hold balances with related parties. Other than those related party transactions identified elsewhere in this MD&A, the Company also engages with Josemaria Resources Inc. ("Josemaria") and Filo Mining Corp. ("Filo Mining"), related parties by way of directors, officers and shareholders in common, and MOAR Consulting Inc. ("MOAR"), an exploration consulting firm, of which a director of the Company is the president.

### *Related party services*

The Company has a cost sharing arrangement with Josemaria and Filo Mining. Under the terms of this arrangement, the Company provides management, technical, administrative and/or financial services (collectively, "Management Services") to Josemaria and Filo Mining, and vice versa. In addition, the Company engages MOAR, to provide exploration consultation. These transactions were incurred in the normal course of operations, and are summarized as follows:

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Management Services to Josemaria	10,611	35,688	40,785	123,975
Management Services to Filo Mining	97,134	72,599	438,156	329,941
Management Services from Josemaria	(188)	(29,837)	(40,840)	(123,434)
Management Services from Filo Mining	(164,856)	(94,582)	(348,555)	(339,951)
Exploration Consultation from MOAR	(6,875)	(10,000)	(42,500)	(88,750)

### *Related party balances*

The amounts due from (to) related parties, and the components of the consolidated statement of financial position in which they are included, are as follows:

	Related Party	September 30, 2021	December 31, 2020
Receivables and other assets	Josemaria	25	-
Receivables and other assets	Filo Mining	10,079	5,850
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Josemaria	(6,007)	-
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Filo Mining	(14,585)	(11,752)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	MOAR	-	(14,125)

### **Key management compensation**

The Company's key management personnel have the authority and responsibility for overseeing, planning, directing and controlling its activities and consist of the Board of Directors and members of the executive management team. Total compensation expense for key management personnel, and the composition thereof, is as follows:

	<b>Three months ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine months ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Salaries and other payments	118,500	108,833	355,500	316,833
Short-term employee benefits	3,618	3,645	10,464	11,894
Directors fees	20,500	20,500	61,500	61,500
Stock-based compensation	127,992	63,887	338,351	228,169
	<b>270,610</b>	<b>196,865</b>	<b>765,815</b>	<b>618,396</b>

### **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Company continues to follow the accounting policies described in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020, as filed on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) on April 15, 2021.

### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS, including the condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and expenditures. These estimates and assumptions are based on management's best knowledge of the relevant facts and circumstances taking into account previous experience. Actual results could differ from those estimates and such differences could be material. Estimates are reviewed on an ongoing basis and are based on historical experience and other facts and circumstances. Revisions to estimates and the resulting effects on the carrying amounts of the Company's assets and liabilities are accounted for prospectively. There have been no material changes to the critical accounting estimates discussed in the annual 2020 MD&A filed on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) on April 15, 2021.

### **FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash, receivables and other assets, trade payables and accrued liabilities, amounts owing pursuant to the 2021 Facility and the amounts due to its exploration partner. Other than for the amounts due to its exploration partner, the carrying values of the Company's financial instruments are considered to be reasonable approximations of fair value due to their short term nature. For amounts due to its exploration partner, the Company revalues the liability from time to time based on revisions to the timing and amounts of expected future settlement, which the Company believes is a reasonable approximation of fair value. Between revaluations, the liability is accreted.

As at September 30, 2021 the Company's financial instruments are exposed to the following financial risks, including credit, liquidity and currency risks:

- (i) Credit risks associated with cash is mitigated by the Company's practice of holding the majority of its cash with a large Canadian financial institution that has been accorded a strong investment grade rating by a primary rating agency.



- (ii) Liquidity risks associated with the inability to meet obligations as they become due is minimized through the management of its capital structure and by maintaining good relationships with significant shareholders and creditors. The Company also closely monitors and reviews its costs to date and actual cash flows on a monthly basis.

The maturities of the Company's financial liabilities as at September 30, 2021 are as follows:

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Less than 1 year</b>	<b>1-5 years</b>	<b>More than 5 years</b>
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,461,534	1,461,534	-	-
Amounts owing pursuant to credit facility	2,692,945	2,692,945	-	-
Due to exploration partner	4,337,104	-	-	4,337,104
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,491,583</b>	<b>4,154,479</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,337,104</b>

Pursuant to the Josemaria Arrangement, the Company assumed from Josemaria an obligation to fund a partner's share of exploration expenditures related to the La Rioja properties (the "Obligation"). In accordance with the terms of a Joint Exploration Agreement between the Company and the partner, NCR, the Company has elected to settle the Obligation through funding NCR's share of exploration expenditures, which remained US\$3.4 million as at September 30, 2021, and has no defined timeline for settlement. The Obligation has been discounted at an annual effective rate of 8%, and recorded at its present value having the Canadian dollar equivalent of \$346,221 at September 30, 2021. The figure provided in the preceding table represents the Canadian dollar equivalent of the liability on an undiscounted basis.

- (iii) Foreign currency risk can arise when the Company or its subsidiaries transact or have net financial assets or liabilities which are denominated in currencies other than their respective functional currencies.

At September 30, 2021, the Company's largest foreign currency risk exposure existed at the level of its Canadian headquarters, where the Company held a net financial liability position denominated in US dollars having a Canadian dollar equivalent of approximately \$2.6 million. A 10% change in the foreign exchange rate between the US dollar, and the Canadian dollar, NGEx Minerals' functional currency, would give rise to increases/decreases of approximately \$265,000 in financial position/comprehensive loss.

## **OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA**

As at November 26, 2021, the Company had 156,189,678 common shares outstanding and 9,412,500 share options outstanding under its share-based incentive plan.

## **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The operations of the Company are speculative due to the high-risk nature of its business, which includes the acquisition, financing, exploration, development and operation of mineral and mining properties. There are a number of factors that could negatively affect the Company's business and the value of its common shares, and these risk factors could materially affect the Company's future operations and financial position and could cause actual events to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements relating to the Company. There have been no material changes in the risks and uncertainties affecting the Company that were discussed in the Company's annual 2020 MD&A, as filed on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) on April 15, 2021.

## **QUALIFIED PERSON AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

The scientific and technical disclosure included in this MD&A have been reviewed and approved by Bob Carmichael, P. Eng. (BC). Mr. Carmichael is the Company's Vice-President of Exploration and a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects. ("NI 43-101").

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Mineral Resources are reported using a CuEq cutoff grade. Copper equivalent is calculated using US\$3.00/lb copper, US\$ 1,300/oz gold and US\$23/oz silver, and includes a provision for selling costs and metallurgical recoveries corresponding to three zones defined by depth below surface. The formulas used are:  $CuEq\% = Cu\% + 0.6264 * Au (g/t) + 0.0047 * Ag (g/t)$  for the Upper Zone (surface to ~ 250 m);  $Cu\% + 0.6366 * Au (g/t) + 0.0077 * Ag (g/t)$  for the Intermediate Zone (~250 m to ~600 m);  $Cu\% + 0.6337 * Au (g/t) + 0.0096 * Ag (g/t)$  for the Deep Zone (> ~600 m).

The Company's Mineral Resource estimates as reported in this MD&A have been prepared in accordance with the CIM Definition Standards that are incorporated by reference in NI 43-101.

Valle Ancho drill results are historical in nature and, although NGEx Minerals has no reason to believe that the analytical data reported here is inaccurate, the Company has not completed its own sampling to independently verify the assay results. Please refer to the Corporation's News Release dated September 8, 2019 for additional information on the veracity of this data.

## **CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

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

be taken", "will occur" or "will be achieved" or the negative connotations thereof and similar expressions) are not statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking statements.

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

The Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements and information included in this MD&A are reasonable but no assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to be correct and such forward-looking statements and information should not be unduly relied upon. This statement and information is as of the date of the MD&A. In particular, this MD&A contains forward-looking statements or information pertaining to: the assumptions used in the Mineral Resources estimates for the Los Helados Project, including, but not limited to, geological interpretation and grades; assumptions made in the interpretation of drill results, geology, grade and continuity of mineral deposits; expectations regarding access and demand for equipment, skilled labour and services needed for exploration and development of mineral properties; and that activities will not be adversely disrupted or impeded by exploration, development, operating, regulatory, political, community, economic and/or environmental risks. In addition, this MD&A may contain forward-looking statements or information pertaining to: the Company's ability to respond to or navigate, and/or methods by which it responds to or navigates, the COVID-19 pandemic; the expected timing, nature or results of the Company's recent business development initiatives; exploration and development plans and expenditures, including those pertaining to a 2021/2022 program at Valle Ancho and an update to the Mineral Resource estimate for Los Helados; the ability and/or the willingness of the Company to meet the remaining earn-in expenditure at Valle Ancho to secure a 100% interest therein; the timing and nature of work undertaken to advance the Los Helados Project or the Valle Ancho Project; the future uses of the net proceeds from the Financing; the success of future exploration activities; potential for the discovery of new mineral deposits; ability to build shareholder value; expectations with regard to adding to Mineral Resources through exploration; expectations with respect to the conversion of Inferred Resources to an Indicated Resource classification, or the conversion of Indicated Resources to a Measured Resource classification; ability to execute the planned work programs; estimation of commodity prices, Mineral Resources, estimations of costs, and permitting time lines; ability to obtain surface rights and property interests; currency exchange rate fluctuations; requirements for additional capital; government regulation of mining activities; environmental risks; unanticipated reclamation expenses; title disputes or claims; limitations on insurance coverage; and other risks and uncertainties.

Forward-looking information is based on certain assumptions that the Company believes are reasonable, including that the current price of and demand for commodities will be sustained or will improve, the supply of commodities will remain stable, that the general business and economic conditions will not change in a material adverse manner, that financing will be available if and when needed on reasonable terms and that the Company will not experience any material labour dispute, accident, or failure of plant or equipment. These factors are not, and should not be construed as being, exhaustive. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that would cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking information, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated, or intended. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, as the Company's actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements, as a result of the factors discussed in the "Risk and Uncertainties" section of this MD&A, and elsewhere. All of the forward-looking information contained in this document is qualified by these cautionary

statements. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking information due to the inherent uncertainty thereof.

Statements relating to "Mineral Resources" are deemed to be forward-looking information, as they involve the implied assessment, based on certain estimates and assumptions, that the Mineral Resources described can be profitably produced in the future.

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**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Financial Position**  
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	<i>Note</i>	<b>September 30, 2021</b>	<b>December 31, 2020</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current assets:			
Cash		\$ 1,386,651	\$ 898,818
Receivables and other assets	<i>4</i>	381,306	241,367
		1,767,957	1,140,185
Non-current assets:			
Receivables and other assets	<i>4</i>	292,365	105,950
Equipment		24,651	26,314
Mineral properties	<i>5</i>	3,725,997	4,105,871
		4,043,013	4,238,135
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>5,810,970</b>	<b>5,378,320</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Current liabilities:			
Trade payables and accrued liabilities		1,461,534	590,516
Amounts owing pursuant to credit facility	<i>6</i>	2,692,945	-
		4,154,479	590,516
Non-current liabilities:			
Due to exploration partner	<i>7</i>	346,221	345,977
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>4,500,700</b>	<b>936,493</b>
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>			
Share capital		43,111,342	43,053,810
Contributed surplus		1,474,657	1,058,841
Deficit		(40,853,454)	(37,786,415)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(2,422,275)	(1,884,409)
<b>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		<b>1,310,270</b>	<b>4,441,827</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		<b>\$ 5,810,970</b>	<b>\$ 5,378,320</b>

Nature of Operations and Liquidity Risk (Note 1)  
Commitments (Note 4)  
Subsequent Events (Note 14)

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

On behalf of the Board:

/s/William A. Rand  
Director

/s/Wojtek A. Wodzicki  
Director

**NGEx Minerals Ltd.**  
**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss**  
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	<i>Note</i>	<b>Three months ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine months ended September 30,</b>	
		<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Exploration and project investigation	<i>10</i>	\$ 1,389,860	\$ 390,357	\$ 2,147,373	\$ 2,740,928
Write down of mineral property interest		-	827,343	-	827,343
General and administration:					
Salaries and benefits		206,254	184,105	614,194	526,099
Share-based compensation	<i>9c</i>	134,860	66,845	355,180	238,733
Management fees		32,160	32,625	96,480	97,875
Professional fees		32,132	142,259	123,664	221,655
Travel		1,529	-	6,114	6,912
Promotion and public relations		12,524	4,857	20,293	34,297
Office and general		53,385	35,397	142,093	91,407
<b>Operating loss</b>		<b>1,862,704</b>	<b>1,683,788</b>	<b>3,505,391</b>	<b>4,785,249</b>
<b>Other expenses (income)</b>					
Financing costs		45,463	6,479	86,513	19,834
Foreign exchange loss (gain)		52,343	(6,921)	44,625	(4,316)
Net monetary loss (gain)	<i>3</i>	(14,581)	(5,602)	(19,230)	11,986
Other expenses (recoveries)		-	-	(59)	24,656
Gain on use of marketable securities, net	<i>13</i>	(455,399)	-	(550,201)	(246,882)
<b>Net loss</b>		<b>1,490,530</b>	<b>1,677,744</b>	<b>3,067,039</b>	<b>4,590,527</b>
<b>Other comprehensive loss</b>					
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to net loss:					
Foreign currency translation adjustment		316,556	(94,869)	531,250	133,068
Impact of hyperinflation	<i>3</i>	(2,946)	69,646	6,616	142,531
<b>Comprehensive loss</b>		<b>\$ 1,804,140</b>	<b>\$ 1,652,521</b>	<b>\$ 3,604,905</b>	<b>\$ 4,866,126</b>
<b>Basic and diluted loss per common share</b>					
		\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.04
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding</b>					
		124,872,369	124,793,652	124,843,191	124,793,652

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**NGEx Minerals Ltd.**  
**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
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	<i>Note</i>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Nine months ended September 30, 2020</b>
<b>Cash flows used in operating activities</b>			
Net loss for the period		\$ (3,067,039)	\$ (4,590,527)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net operating cash flows:			
Depreciation		6,257	5,583
Write down of mineral property interest		-	827,343
Share-based compensation	<i>9c</i>	415,816	291,127
Finance costs		86,513	19,834
Foreign exchange loss		45,000	7,682
Net monetary loss		6,519	44,790
Net changes in working capital and other items:			
Receivables and other		(376,073)	14,075
Trade payables and accrued liabilities		938,048	(10,455)
		<u>(1,944,959)</u>	<u>(3,390,548)</u>
<b>Cash flows from (for) financing activities</b>			
Drawdown of credit facility		2,630,855	-
Payments made on behalf of exploration partner		(20,980)	(19,834)
		<u>2,609,875</u>	<u>(19,834)</u>
<b>Cash flows used in investing activities</b>			
Mineral properties and related expenditures	<i>6</i>	(117,251)	(133,558)
		<u>(117,251)</u>	<u>(133,558)</u>
<b>Effect of exchange rate change on cash</b>		(59,832)	(201,939)
<b>Increase (decrease) in cash during the period</b>		487,833	(3,745,879)
<b>Cash, beginning of the period</b>		\$ 898,818	\$ 5,559,454
<b>Cash, end of the period</b>		\$ 1,386,651	\$ 1,813,575
Non-cash Financing Activities (Note 6)			

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**NGEx Minerals Ltd.**  
**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity**  
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	<i>Note</i>	<b>Number of Shares</b>	<b>Share Capital</b>	<b>Contributed Surplus</b>	<b>Deficit</b>	<b>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss</b>	<b>Total Shareholders' Equity</b>
<b>Balance, January 1, 2020</b>		124,793,652	\$ 43,053,810	\$ 419,228	\$ (31,893,537)	\$ (1,767,396)	\$ 9,812,105
Share-based compensation		-	-	291,127	-	-	291,127
Net loss and other comprehensive loss		-	-	-	(4,590,527)	(275,599)	(4,866,126)
<b>Balance, September 30, 2020</b>		<b>124,793,652</b>	<b>\$ 43,053,810</b>	<b>\$ 710,355</b>	<b>\$ (36,484,064)</b>	<b>\$ (2,042,995)</b>	<b>\$ 5,237,106</b>
<b>Balance, January 1, 2021</b>		124,793,652	\$ 43,053,810	\$ 1,058,841	\$ (37,786,415)	\$ (1,884,409)	\$ 4,441,827
Share-based compensation	<i>9c</i>	-	-	415,816	-	-	415,816
Shares issued pursuant to credit facility	<i>6</i>	92,322	57,532	-	-	-	57,532
Net loss and other comprehensive loss		-	-	-	(3,067,039)	(537,866)	(3,604,905)
<b>Balance, September 30, 2021</b>		<b>124,885,974</b>	<b>\$ 43,111,342</b>	<b>\$ 1,474,657</b>	<b>\$ (40,853,454)</b>	<b>\$ (2,422,275)</b>	<b>\$ 1,310,270</b>

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**1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS**

NGEx Minerals Ltd. (the "Company" or "NGEx Minerals") was incorporated on February 21, 2019 under the laws of the Canada Business Corporations Act in connection with a plan of arrangement to reorganize Josemaria Resources Inc. ("Josemaria"), which was completed on July 17, 2019 (the "Josemaria Arrangement").

The Company's principal business activities are the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral properties located in South America. The Company's registered office is located at Suite 2000, 885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 3E8, Canada. The Company's common shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSXV") under the symbol "NGEX".

**2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"), applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including IAS 34, Interim Financing Reporting. Accordingly, certain disclosures included in the annual financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS have been condensed or omitted, and these condensed interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020. In preparation of these condensed interim consolidated financial statements, the Company has consistently applied the same accounting policies as disclosed in Note 3 to the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements were authorized for issuance by the Board of Directors of the Company on November 26, 2021.

**3. HYPERINFLATION**

Argentina was designated a hyperinflationary economy as of July 1, 2018 for accounting purposes.

Accordingly, the application of hyperinflation accounting has been applied to the Company's Argentine subsidiaries' non-monetary assets and liabilities, shareholders' equity and comprehensive loss items from the transaction date when they were first recognized into the current purchasing power, which reflects a price index current at the end of the reporting period before being included in the consolidated financial statements. To measure the impact of hyperinflation on its financial position and results, the Company has elected to use the Wholesale Price Index (*Indice de Precios Mayoristas* or "*IPIM*") for periods up to December 31, 2016, and the Retail Price Index (*Indice de Precios al Consumidor* or "*IPC*") thereafter. These price indices have been recommended by the Government Board of the Argentine Federation of Professional Councils of Economic Sciences.

As the consolidated financial statements of the Company have been previously presented in Canadian dollars, a stable currency, the comparative period amounts do not require restatement.

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The Company recognized a gain of \$2,946 and a loss of \$6,616, respectively, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 (2020: losses of \$69,646 and \$142,531) in relation to the impact of hyperinflation within other comprehensive income, which is primarily the result of devaluation of the Argentine peso relative to the Canadian dollar which is primarily the result of continued inflation, and depreciation of the Argentine Peso relative to the Canadian dollar, from the time that funding was provided to the Argentine operating subsidiary during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 to the end of the period.

As a result of changes in the IPC and changes to the Company's net monetary position during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, the Company recognized net monetary gains of \$14,581 and \$19,230, respectively (2020: gain of \$5,602 and loss of \$11,986) to adjust transactions recorded during the periods into a measuring unit current as of September 30, 2021.

The level of the IPC at September 30, 2021 was 528.5 (December 31, 2020: 385.9), which represents an increase of approximately 37% over the IPC at December 31, 2020, and an approximate 13% increase over the average level of the IPC during the nine months ended September 30, 2021.

**4. RECEIVABLES AND OTHER ASSETS**

	<b>September 30, 2021</b>	<b>December 31, 2020</b>
<b>Current</b>		
Taxes receivable	29,461	62,297
Other receivables	27,532	41,175
Other prepaid expenses and deposits	324,313	137,895
	<b>381,306</b>	<b>241,367</b>
<b>Non-current</b>		
Taxes receivable	90,092	105,950
Deferred surface access rights	202,273	-
	<b>292,365</b>	<b>105,950</b>

Deferred Surface Access Rights

Historically, the Company has had a contractual agreement with the owners of the surface rights covering the Los Helados properties, which gave the Company access over these surface rights for exploration, development, and mining through to closure of any mining operation, in exchange for certain payments which are linked to project activities and certain development milestones (the "Original Surface Access Agreement"). The Original Surface Access Agreement provided for minimum annual payments of US\$0.5 million which covered basic access to the property and minimal surface disturbance such as road maintenance.

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On January 26, 2021, the Original Surface Access Agreement was mutually terminated by the Company and the holders of the surface rights and replaced with an interim surface access agreement with an effective period of three years (the "Interim Surface Access Agreement"). The Interim Surface Access Agreement reduces the Company's payments to the holders of the surface rights to coincide with the current, reduced level of activities at Los Helados properties. As a result, the payments by the Company to the holders of the surface rights have been reduced, with US\$200,000 paid upon execution and another US\$200,000 to be paid in January 2022. In return, during the effective period of the Interim Surface Access Agreement, the Company is permitted to access the surface rights for conducting environmental data collection, site visits, and general maintenance of the Los Helados properties, but prohibits the undertaking of programs for the purposes of exploration or development.

Accordingly, as at September 30, 2021, the payment of US\$200,000 due in January 2022 has been recognized within trade payables and accrued liabilities. As at September 30, 2021, this contractual liability had a Canadian dollar equivalent of approximately \$254,820.

As the payments related to the Interim Surface Access Agreement provide the Company the benefit of access for a period of three years ending January 2024, the pro rata portion relating to the 12 months ending September 30, 2022 have been classified as a current asset, whereas all other amounts have been classified as non-current.

Non-current Taxes Receivable

Pursuant to local regulations, the Company is entitled to a refund of certain value added taxes ("VAT") paid in Argentina. While the Company continues to expect full payment of the amounts claimed, the timing of receipt of the refunds has become increasingly uncertain due to ongoing delays which have now exceeded the Company's prior expectations and experiences. Accordingly, the corresponding taxes receivable balance has been classified as non-current.

**5. MINERAL PROPERTIES**

	<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Nacimientos Properties</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>January 1, 2020</b>	<b>\$ 3,924,374</b>	<b>\$ 840,831</b>	<b>\$ 4,765,205</b>
Additions	133,558	-	133,558
Write down		(827,343)	(827,343)
Effect of foreign currency translation	47,939	-	47,939
Adjustments for impacts of hyperinflation	-	(13,488)	(13,488)
<b>December 31, 2020</b>	<b>\$ 4,105,871</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 4,105,871</b>
Additions	117,251	-	117,251
Effect of foreign currency translation	(497,125)	-	(497,125)
<b>September 30, 2021</b>	<b>\$ 3,725,997</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,725,997</b>

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Los Helados Project

The Company's primary mineral property assets are the Los Helados properties and the La Rioja properties (together, the "Los Helados Project"), which are comprised of adjacent mineral titles in Region III, Chile, and the San Juan Province in Argentina.

The Company is the majority partner and operator of the Los Helados Project, which is subject to a Joint Exploration Agreement ("JEA") with its exploration partner, Nippon Caserones Resources Co. Ltd. ("NCR"). NCR became the Company's partner on April 1, 2020 when Pan Pacific Copper Co. Ltd. transferred its interest in the Los Helados Project to NCR, a subsidiary of JX Nippon Mining and Metals Corporation, a Tokyo-based mining and smelting company that also owns the Caserones Mine, located approximately 12 kilometres from the Los Helados properties.

The Company holds an approximate 64% interest in the underlying Los Helados properties, which are located in Region III, Chile, and a 60% interest in the La Rioja properties, located in the adjacent San Juan Province in Argentina.

The Company has been funding and accounting for 100% of the expenditures related to the Los Helados Project following the election by the exploration partner pursuant to the JEA not to fund its share of expenditures since September 1, 2015. The sole funding of expenditures at the Los Helados Project has resulted in dilution of NCR's interest, and corresponding increases to the Company's interest, resulting in the amounts noted in the preceding paragraph.

Valle Ancho Properties

On August 29, 2019, the Company entered into an option agreement with the Province of Catamarca, Argentina to earn a 100% interest in the Valle Ancho, Interceptor, and Filo del las Vicunas properties (collectively, the "Valle Ancho Properties"), located in Catamarca, Argentina, by making US\$8.2 million in qualifying exploration expenditures on the Valle Ancho Properties over a two-year period. In August 2020, the option period for Valle Ancho was extended from August 2021 to December 2022.

**6. CREDIT FACILITY**

On February 19, 2021, the Company obtained an unsecured US\$3.0 million credit facility (the "2021 Facility") from Zebra Holdings and Investments S.à.r.l. ("Zebra") and Lorito Holdings S.à.r.l. ("Lorito") to provide financial flexibility to fund ongoing exploration and for general corporate purposes. Zebra and Lorito are companies controlled by a trust settled by the late Adolf H. Lundin. Zebra and Lorito report their respective security holdings in the Company as joint actors, as the term is defined by Canadian securities regulations, and are related parties by virtue of their combined shareholding in the Company in excess of 20%.

As consideration for the 2021 Facility, Zebra and Lorito received 40,000 common shares upon execution thereof (the "Commitment Shares") and shall receive an additional 600 common shares each month, for every US\$50,000 in principal outstanding, prorated accordingly for the number of days outstanding. The 2021 Facility matures on February 19, 2022, and no interest is payable in cash during its term.

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As at September 30, 2021, a total of US\$2,100,000 has been drawn and remained outstanding against the 2021 Facility. During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, 92,322 common shares were issued to Zebra and Lorito in connection with the facility, with an additional 21,140 common shares issuable. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, the Company has recognized \$38,368 and \$65,533, respectively, (2020: \$nil) in financing costs through the consolidated statement of comprehensive loss. In addition, \$9,334 has been deferred within prepaid expenses and other deposits as at September 30, 2021 as it relates to a portion of the Commitment Shares.

All common shares issued in conjunction with the facilities are subject to a four-month hold period under applicable securities laws.

**7. DUE TO EXPLORATION PARTNER**

Pursuant to the Josemaria Arrangement, the Company assumed from Josemaria an obligation to fund a partner's share of exploration expenditures related to the La Rioja properties (the "Obligation"). In accordance with the terms of the JEA between the Company and the partner, NCR, the Company has elected to settle the Obligation through funding NCR's share of exploration expenditures, which remained US\$3.4 million as at September 30, 2021, and has no defined timeline for settlement.

The Company considered the estimated timeframe required to expend the remaining US\$3.4 million on behalf of NCR at the La Rioja properties and has presented the remaining obligation as a non-current liability, discounted to its present value at an annual effective rate of 8%.

**8. SHARE CAPITAL**

The Company has authorized an unlimited number of voting common shares without par value.

**9. SHARE OPTIONS**

**a) Share option plan**

The Company has a share option plan adopted by the Board of Directors on May 7, 2019, which reserves an aggregate of 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company for issuance upon the exercise of options granted. The granting, vesting and terms of the share options are at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

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**b) Share options outstanding**

Movements in the number of share options outstanding and their related weighted average exercise prices are as follows:

	<b>Number of shares issuable pursuant to share options</b>	<b>Weighted average exercise price per share</b>
Balance at January 1, 2020	6,657,500	\$ 0.64
Options granted	2,660,000	0.54
Expired	(1,182,500)	0.89
Balance at December 31, 2020	8,135,000	\$ 0.57
Options granted	2,280,000	0.68
Expired	(1,002,500)	0.84
September 30, 2021	9,412,500	\$ 0.57

On September 1, 2021, the Company granted a total of 2,280,000 share options to officers, employees, directors and other eligible persons at an exercise price of \$0.68 per share.

The Company uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value for all options granted and the resulting stock-based compensation. The weighted average assumptions used in this pricing model, and the resulting fair values per option, for the 2,280,000 share options granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2021, are as follows:

(i)	Risk-free interest rate:	0.71%
(ii)	Expected life:	5 years
(iii)	Expected volatility:	60.81%
(iv)	Expected dividends:	nil
(v)	Fair value per option:	\$0.35

The following table details the share options outstanding and exercisable as at September 30, 2021:

Exercise prices	Outstanding options			Exercisable options		
	Options outstanding	Weighted average remaining contractual life (Years)	Weighted average exercise price	Options exercisable	Weighted average remaining contractual life (Years)	Weighted average exercise price
\$0.475	3,445,000	2.99	\$0.48	3,445,000	2.99	\$0.48
\$0.54	2,660,000	4.17	\$0.54	886,667	4.17	\$0.54
\$0.68	3,307,500	4.14	\$0.68	1,027,500	2.41	\$0.68
	<u>9,412,500</u>	3.73	\$0.57	<u>5,359,167</u>	3.07	\$0.53

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**c) Share-based compensation**

	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>	
	<b>September 30,</b>		<b>September 30,</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Exploration and project investigation	22,954	14,669	60,636	52,394
General and administration	134,860	66,845	355,180	238,733
	<b>157,814</b>	<b>81,514</b>	<b>415,816</b>	<b>291,127</b>

**10. EXPLORATION AND PROJECT INVESTIGATION**

Due to the geographic location of the Company's current mineral property interests, the Company's business activities generally fluctuate with the seasons, with increased exploration activities during the summer months in South America. As a result, a general recurring trend is the increase in exploration expenditures, and therefore net losses, for the fourth quarter and first quarter of a fiscal year, relative to the second and third quarters.

The Company expensed the following exploration and project investigation costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020:

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<b>Three months ended September 30,</b>		<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Nacimientos Properties</b>	<b>Valle Ancho</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2021</b>	Land holding and access costs	125,685	-	8,004	7,921	141,610
	Fuel, camp costs and field supplies	11,750	-	197,852	-	209,602
	Roadwork, travel and transport	6,344	-	172,135	153	178,632
	Consultants, geochemistry and geophysics	62,999	-	55,077	6,875	124,951
	Environmental and community relations	10,690	-	10,300	-	20,990
	VAT and other taxes	29,773	-	176,503	3,496	209,772
	Office, field and administrative salaries, overhead and other administrative costs	74,451	-	363,162	9,062	446,675
	Share-based compensation	1,208	-	21,746	-	22,954
	COVID-19-related health and safety	-	-	34,674	-	34,674
	<b>Total</b>	<b>322,900</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,039,453</b>	<b>27,507</b>	<b>1,389,860</b>
<b>2020</b>	Land holding and access costs	7,188	2,649	-	8,779	18,616
	Fuel, camp costs and field supplies	14,310	1,907	2,804	-	19,021
	Roadwork, travel and transport	7,134	-	688	-	7,822
	Consultants, geochemistry and geophysics	17,418	-	8,745	31,904	58,067
	Environmental and community relations	35,111	-	3,973	-	39,084
	VAT and other taxes	9,632	1,976	17,162	2,446	31,216
	Office, field and administrative salaries, overhead and other administrative costs	57,145	8,656	131,120	4,941	201,862
	Share-based compensation	5,711	467	7,203	1,288	14,669
	<b>Total</b>	<b>153,649</b>	<b>15,655</b>	<b>171,695</b>	<b>49,358</b>	<b>390,357</b>



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<b>Nine months ended September 30,</b>		<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Nacimientos Properties</b>	<b>Valle Ancho</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2021</b>	Land holding and access costs	267,066	-	8,010	22,123	297,199
	Fuel, camp costs and field supplies	73,547	-	199,426	21	272,994
	Roadwork, travel and transport	18,278	-	178,278	161	196,717
	Consultants, geochemistry and geophysics	70,289	-	68,416	63,075	201,780
	Environmental and community relations	29,710	-	12,090	-	41,800
	VAT and other taxes	48,097	-	212,408	9,822	270,327
	Office, field and administrative salaries, overhead and other administrative costs	164,124	-	575,960	31,162	771,246
	Share-based compensation	19,500	-	35,961	5,175	60,636
	COVID-19-related health and safety	-	-	34,674	-	34,674
	<b>Total</b>	<b>690,611</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,325,223</b>	<b>131,539</b>	<b>2,147,373</b>
<b>2020</b>	Land holding and access costs	682,791	5,946	9,481	25,609	723,827
	Fuel, camp costs and field supplies	37,295	12,360	117,229	44	166,928
	Roadwork, travel and transport	25,452	3,023	143,479	34	171,988
	Engineering and conceptual studies	26,517	-	-	-	26,517
	Consultants, geochemistry and geophysics	26,275	-	387,025	115,089	528,389
	Environmental and community relations	54,237	-	31,192	-	85,429
	VAT and other taxes	23,722	10,647	211,096	8,308	253,773
	Office, field and administrative salaries, overhead and other administrative costs	162,028	36,913	523,219	9,523	731,683
	Share-based compensation	20,234	1,343	27,726	3,091	52,394
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,058,551</b>	<b>70,232</b>	<b>1,450,447</b>	<b>161,698</b>	<b>2,740,928</b>

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Under the normal course of operations, the Company may undertake transactions or hold balances with related parties. Other than those related party transactions identified elsewhere in these condensed interim consolidated financial statements, the Company also engages with Josemaria and Filo Mining Corp. ("Filo Mining"), related parties by way of directors, officers and shareholders in common, and MOAR Consulting Inc. ("MOAR"), an exploration consulting firm, of which a director of the Company is the president.

**a) Related party services**

The Company has a cost sharing arrangement with Josemaria and Filo Mining. Under the terms of this arrangement, the Company may, from time to time, provide management, technical, administrative and/or financial services (collectively, "Management Services") to Josemaria and Filo Mining, and vice versa. In addition, the Company engages MOAR, to provide exploration consultation. These transactions were incurred in the normal course of operations, and are summarized as follows:

	<b>Three months ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine months ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Management Services to Josemaria	10,611	35,688	40,785	123,975
Management Services to Filo Mining	97,134	72,599	438,156	329,941
Management Services from Josemaria	(188)	(29,837)	(40,840)	(123,434)
Management Services from Filo Mining	(164,856)	(94,582)	(348,555)	(339,951)
Exploration Consultation from MOAR	(6,875)	(10,000)	(42,500)	(88,750)

**b) Related party balances**

The amounts due from (to) related parties, and the components of the consolidated statements of financial position in which they are included, are as follows:

	<b>Related Party</b>	<b>September 30, 2021</b>	<b>December 31, 2020</b>
Receivables and other assets	Josemaria	25	-
Receivables and other assets	Filo Mining	10,079	5,850
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Josemaria	(6,007)	-
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Filo Mining	(14,585)	(11,752)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	MOAR	-	(14,125)

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**c) Key management compensation**

The Company's key management personnel have the authority and responsibility for overseeing, planning, directing and controlling its activities and consist of the Board of Directors and members of the executive management team. Total compensation expense for key management personnel, and the composition thereof, is as follows:

	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>	
	<b>September 30,</b>		<b>September 30,</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Salaries and other payments	118,500	108,833	355,500	316,833
Short-term employee benefits	3,618	3,645	10,464	11,894
Directors fees	20,500	20,500	61,500	61,500
Stock-based compensation	127,992	63,887	338,351	228,169
	<b>270,610</b>	<b>196,865</b>	<b>765,815</b>	<b>618,396</b>

**12. SEGMENTED INFORMATION**

The Company is principally engaged in the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral properties in South America. The information regarding mineral properties and exploration and project investigation costs presented in Notes 5 and 10, respectively, represent the manner in which management reviews its business performance. Materially all of the Company's mineral properties and exploration and project investigation costs relate to South America, particularly Chile and Argentina. The net gains on the use of marketable securities are allocated to the Nacimiento and Valle Ancho Projects, as they are the result of funding provided to the Company's Argentine subsidiary in support of these projects. Materially all of the Company's administrative costs are incurred by the Canadian parent, where materially all of the Company's cash is held in the normal course of business until it is required to be deployed to the Company's South American subsidiaries in support of ongoing and planned work programs.

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The following are summaries of the Company's current and non-current assets, current liabilities, and net losses by segment:

	<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Valle Ancho</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Total</b>	
<b>As at September 30, 2021</b>	Current assets	340,824	833,994	593,139	1,767,957
	Non-current receivables and other assets	202,273	90,092	-	292,365
	Equipment	-	24,651	-	24,651
	Mineral properties	3,725,997	-	-	3,725,997
	<b>Total assets</b>	<b>4,269,094</b>	<b>948,737</b>	<b>593,139</b>	<b>5,810,970</b>
	Current liabilities	308,730	768,688	3,077,061	4,154,479
	Due to exploration partner	-	-	346,221	346,221
	<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>308,730</b>	<b>768,688</b>	<b>3,423,282</b>	<b>4,500,700</b>
	<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Nacimientos &amp; Valle Ancho</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Total</b>	
<b>As at December 31, 2020</b>	Current assets	128,924	201,442	809,819	1,140,185
	Non-current receivables and other assets	-	105,950	-	105,950
	Equipment	-	26,314	-	26,314
	Mineral properties	4,105,871	-	-	4,105,871
	<b>Total assets</b>	<b>4,234,795</b>	<b>333,706</b>	<b>809,819</b>	<b>5,378,320</b>
	Current liabilities	67,847	222,337	300,332	590,516
	Due to exploration partner	-	-	345,977	345,977
	<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>67,847</b>	<b>222,337</b>	<b>646,309</b>	<b>936,493</b>

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<b>Three months ended September 30,</b>		<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Valle Ancho</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2021</b>	Exploration and project investigation	322,900	1,039,453	-	27,507	1,389,860
	Gain on use of marketable securities	-	(455,399)	-	-	(455,399)
	General and administration and other items	17,471	(11,888)	550,486	-	556,069
	<b>Net loss</b>	<b>340,371</b>	<b>572,166</b>	<b>550,486</b>	<b>27,507</b>	<b>1,490,530</b>
		<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Nacimientos &amp; Valle Ancho</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2020</b>	Exploration and project investigation	153,649	187,350	-	49,358	390,357
	Write down of mineral property interest	-	827,343	-	-	827,343
	General and administration and other items	22,627	1,212	436,205	-	460,044
	<b>Net loss</b>	<b>176,276</b>	<b>1,015,905</b>	<b>436,205</b>	<b>49,358</b>	<b>1,677,744</b>

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<b>Nine months ended September 30,</b>		<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Valle Ancho</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2021</b>	Exploration and project investigation	690,611	1,325,223	-	131,539	2,147,373
	Gain on use of marketable securities	-	(550,201)	-	-	(550,201)
	General and administration and other items	59,351	(8,174)	1,418,690	-	1,469,867
	<b>Net loss</b>	<b>749,962</b>	<b>766,848</b>	<b>1,418,690</b>	<b>131,539</b>	<b>3,067,039</b>
		<b>Los Helados Project</b>	<b>Nacimientos &amp; Valle Ancho</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2020</b>	Exploration and project investigation	1,058,551	1,520,679	-	161,698	2,740,928
	Write down of mineral property interest	-	827,343	-	-	827,343
	General and administration and other items	62,703	(197,374)	1,156,927	-	1,022,256
	<b>Net loss</b>	<b>1,121,254</b>	<b>2,150,648</b>	<b>1,156,927</b>	<b>161,698</b>	<b>4,590,527</b>

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**13. USE OF MARKETABLE SECURITIES**

From time to time, the Company may acquire and transfer marketable securities to facilitate intragroup funding transfers between the Canadian parent and its Argentine operating subsidiaries.

The Company does not acquire marketable securities or engage in these transactions for speculative purposes. In this regard, under this strategy, the Company generally uses marketable securities of large, well established companies, with high trading volumes and low volatility. Nonetheless, as the process to acquire, transfer and ultimately sell the marketable securities occurs over several days, some fluctuations are unavoidable.

As the marketable securities are acquired with the intention of a near term sale, they are considered financial instruments that are held for trading. Accordingly, all changes in the fair value of the instruments, between acquisition and disposition, are recognized through profit or loss.

As a result of having utilized this mechanism for intragroup funding for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, the Company realized net gains of \$455,399 and \$550,201, respectively, (2020: \$nil and \$246,882). For the three months ended September 30, 2021, the net gain was comprised of a favorable foreign currency impact of \$581,259 (2020: \$nil) and a trading loss of \$125,859 (2020: \$nil). For the nine months ended September 30, 2021, the net gain was comprised of a favorable foreign currency impact of \$696,538 (2020: \$192,213) and a trading loss of \$146,337 (2020: gain of \$54,669).

**14. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

On November 1, 2021, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement, pursuant to which the Company sold an aggregate of 31,250,000 common shares at a price of \$0.80 per common share, generating aggregate gross proceeds of \$25.0 million (the "Financing"). Approximately \$13.3 million of the gross proceeds were subject to a 5.0% finders' fee, payable in cash.

The common shares issued under the Financing will be subject to a hold period expiring on March 2, 2022.

A portion of the net proceeds have been used to repay the amounts drawn under the Facility (Note 6).

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