



SRG Graphite Inc.

Annual Consolidated Financial Statements

For the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(Expressed in Canadian dollars)

TSX-V: SRG



Independent auditor's report

To the Shareholders of
SRG Graphite Inc.

Our opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of SRG Graphite Inc. and its subsidiaries (together, the Company) as at December 31, 2018, December 31, 2017 and January 1, 2017, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS).

What we have audited

The Company's consolidated financial statements comprise:

- the consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2018, December 31, 2017 and January 1, 2017;
- the consolidated statements of loss and comprehensive loss for the years ended December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017;
- the consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity for the years ended December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017;
- the consolidated statements of cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017; and
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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Material uncertainty related to going concern

We draw attention to note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, which describes matters and conditions that indicate the existence of a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Management's Discussion and Analysis.

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

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

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the consolidated financial statements

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

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.



Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

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

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

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



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

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

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

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP¹

Montréal, Quebec
April 26, 2019

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SRG GRAPHITE INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at December 31, 2018, 2017 and January 1, 2017

(in Canadian dollars)

| | Note | December 31, 2018 | (Adjusted - see Note 3) December 31, 2017 | (Adjusted - see Note 3) January 1, 2017 |
|---|------|----------------------|--|--|
| | | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 5 | 4,524,482 | 3,251,456 | 2,263,162 |
| Sales taxes and other receivables | | 203,552 | 69,827 | 4,493 |
| Prepaid expenses and deposits | | 463,118 | 58,772 | 4,036 |
| | | <u>5,191,152</u> | <u>3,380,055</u> | <u>2,271,691</u> |
| Non-current assets | | | | |
| Deposit on property and equipment | | - | 110,078 | - |
| Property and equipment | 6 | 934,321 | 75,135 | 24,276 |
| | | <u>934,321</u> | <u>185,213</u> | <u>24,276</u> |
| Total assets | | <u>6,125,473</u> | <u>3,565,268</u> | <u>2,295,967</u> |
| LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Current liabilities | | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | | 1,739,049 | 557,032 | 264,722 |
| Due to the major shareholder, without interest, due on demand | | - | - | 267,590 |
| Due to a related company, without interest, due on demand | | 63,190 | 16,418 | 115,206 |
| | | <u>1,802,239</u> | <u>573,450</u> | <u>647,518</u> |
| Total liabilities | | <u>1,802,239</u> | <u>573,450</u> | <u>647,518</u> |
| SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | |
| Share capital | 9 | 17,061,734 | 7,044,172 | 2,518,176 |
| Contributed surplus | 10 | 4,647,663 | 3,050,139 | 1,868,280 |
| Deficit | | (17,386,163) | (7,102,493) | (2,738,007) |
| Total shareholders' equity | | <u>4,323,234</u> | <u>2,991,818</u> | <u>1,648,449</u> |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | | <u>6,125,473</u> | <u>3,565,268</u> | <u>2,295,967</u> |

Nature of operations and going concern assumption (Note 1)

Subsequent events (Note 18)

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

Signed: "Benoit La Salle", Director

Signed: "Marc Filion", Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF LOSS AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

Years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(in Canadian dollars)

| | Note | 2018 | (Adjusted - see Note 3) 2017 |
|---|------|------------|---------------------------------|
| | | \$ | \$ |
| Expenses | | | |
| Exploration and evaluation | 7 | 6,452,125 | 1,981,900 |
| General and administrative | 8 | 3,614,951 | 2,296,432 |
| Graphite production for customers and tests | | 275,947 | - |
| | | 10,343,023 | 4,278,332 |
| Other expenses (income) | | | |
| Interest revenue | | (65,303) | (7,989) |
| Foreign exchange loss | | 5,950 | 94,143 |
| Total other expenses (income) | | (59,353) | 86,154 |
| Net loss and comprehensive loss for the year | | 10,283,670 | 4,364,486 |
| Net loss per common share, basic and diluted | | 0.16 | 0.08 |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding | | 66,314,026 | 53,327,754 |

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

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| | Note | Share Capital | | Contributed surplus | Deficit | Total |
|---|------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| | | Number | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Balance on January 1, 2017 - As previously reported | | 50,154,719 | 2,518,176 | 1,868,280 | (2,084,652) | 2,301,804 |
| Cumulative effect - exploration and evaluation asset accounting policy change | 3 | - | - | - | (653,355) | (653,355) |
| Balance on January 1, 2017, as adjusted | | <u>50,154,719</u> | <u>2,518,176</u> | <u>1,868,280</u> | <u>(2,738,007)</u> | <u>1,648,449</u> |
| Issuance of shares under a private placement | 9 | 7,500,000 | 3,000,000 | - | - | 3,000,000 |
| Exercise of warrants | 9 | 2,805,000 | 1,344,863 | (5,363) | - | 1,339,500 |
| Exercise of stock options | 9 | 820,000 | 212,145 | (108,145) | - | 104,000 |
| Share issuance costs | 9 | - | (31,012) | - | - | (31,012) |
| Stock-based compensation | 10 | - | - | 1,295,367 | - | 1,295,367 |
| Net loss and comprehensive loss | | - | - | - | (4,364,486) | (4,364,486) |
| Balance on December 31, 2017, as adjusted | | <u>61,279,719</u> | <u>7,044,172</u> | <u>3,050,139</u> | <u>(7,102,493)</u> | <u>2,991,818</u> |
| Balance on December 31, 2017, as previously reported | | 61,279,719 | 7,044,172 | 3,050,139 | (4,467,238) | 5,627,073 |
| Cumulative effect - exploration and evaluation asset accounting policy change | | - | - | - | (2,635,255) | (2,635,255) |
| Balance on December 31, 2017, as adjusted | | <u>61,279,719</u> | <u>7,044,172</u> | <u>3,050,139</u> | <u>(7,102,493)</u> | <u>2,991,818</u> |
| Issuance of units as part of a public offering | 9 | 6,134,100 | 8,747,760 | 453,390 | - | 9,201,150 |
| Issuance of units as part of a private placement | 9 | 1,333,333 | 1,946,667 | 53,333 | - | 2,000,000 |
| Share issuance costs | 9 | - | (1,162,153) | (56,830) | - | (1,218,983) |
| Issuance of broker warrants | 9 | - | - | 167,124 | - | 167,124 |
| Exercise of stock options | 9,10 | 675,000 | 485,288 | (225,413) | - | 259,875 |
| Stock-based compensation | 10 | - | - | 1,205,920 | - | 1,205,920 |
| Net loss and comprehensive loss | | - | - | - | (10,283,670) | (10,283,670) |
| Balance on December 31, 2018 | | <u>69,422,152</u> | <u>17,061,734</u> | <u>4,647,663</u> | <u>(17,386,163)</u> | <u>4,323,234</u> |

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(in Canadian dollars)

| | Note | 2018 | (Adjusted - see Note 3) 2017 |
|--|----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | | \$ | \$ |
| CASH PROVIDED FROM (USED FOR): | | | |
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Net loss for the year | | (10,283,670) | (4,364,486) |
| Items not affecting cash | | | |
| Depreciation | 6 | 75,151 | 6,382 |
| Stock-based compensation | 10 | 1,205,920 | 1,295,367 |
| Loss on disposal of property and equipment | 6 | - | 25,712 |
| | | <u>(9,002,599)</u> | <u>(3,037,025)</u> |
| Change in non-cash working capital items | | | |
| Sales taxes and other receivables | | (133,725) | (65,334) |
| Prepaid expenses and deposits | | (404,346) | (54,736) |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | | 1,201,842 | 272,485 |
| | | <u>663,771</u> | <u>152,415</u> |
| | | <u>(8,338,828)</u> | <u>(2,884,610)</u> |
| INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Deposit on property and equipment | | 110,078 | (110,078) |
| Property and equipment additions | 6 | (954,162) | (63,128) |
| | | <u>(844,084)</u> | <u>(173,206)</u> |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Issuance of units as part of a public offering | 9 | 9,201,150 | 3,000,000 |
| Issuance of units as part of a private placement | 9 | 2,000,000 | - |
| Share issuance costs | 9 | (1,051,859) | (31,012) |
| Exercise of warrants | 9 | - | 1,339,500 |
| Exercise of stock options | 9 and 10 | 259,875 | 104,000 |
| Due to the major shareholder | | - | (267,590) |
| Due to a related company | | 46,772 | (98,788) |
| | | <u>10,455,938</u> | <u>4,046,110</u> |
| Increase in cash and cash equivalents during the year | | <u>1,273,026</u> | <u>988,294</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year | | <u>3,251,456</u> | <u>2,263,162</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of year | | <u><u>4,524,482</u></u> | <u><u>3,251,456</u></u> |

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1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND GOING CONCERN ASSUMPTION

SRG Graphite Inc. ("SRG" or the "Company") is a Canadian-based mineral exploration and development business with activities in Africa. The Company was incorporated on April 16, 1996 under the *Canada Business Corporations Act*. The Company's common shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSX-V") under the trading symbol "SRG.V". The Company's principal office is located at #132 – 1320 Graham Blvd., Mont-Royal, Quebec, Canada, H3P 3C8.

These consolidated financial statements were authorized for publication by the Board of Directors on April 26, 2019.

Based on the information available to date, the Company has not yet determined whether its mineral properties contain economically recoverable reserves.

The Company's mining properties are located in the Republic of Guinea ("Guinea"), Africa, and hence are subject to the risks normally associated with unanticipated changes in taxes and royalties, renegotiation of contracts, foreign currency fluctuations and political uncertainties.

Going concern uncertainty

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which presumes the Company will continue its operations for the foreseeable future and will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities and commitments in the ordinary course of business for the foreseeable future. The use of these principles may not be appropriate. The Company is in its early stages, and as is common with similar companies, it raises financing for its exploration and evaluation activities. The Company has incurred a net loss and comprehensive loss for the year ended December 31, 2018 of \$10,283,670 (2017 – \$4,364,486) and has an accumulated deficit of \$17,386,163 (2017 – \$7,102,493). In addition, the Company had working capital of \$3,388,913 as at December 31, 2018 (2017 – \$2,806,605), including cash and cash equivalents of \$4,524,482 (2017 – \$3,251,456). To date, the Company has financed its cash requirements primarily by issuing common shares or units. The Company's ability to continue as a going concern is subject to its ability to raise additional financing or reduce its expenditure levels. The Company's discretionary activities do have some scope for flexibility in terms of the amount and timing of expenditures, and to a certain extent, expenditures may be adjusted accordingly. Based on the extent of the Company's current plan and anticipated explorations, the Company will need to raise additional financing within the next 6–12 months to complete the feasibility study of the Lola Graphite Property.

In assessing whether the going concern assumption is appropriate, management takes into account all available information about the future, which is at least, but not limited to, 12 months from the end of the reporting period. Management has assessed its liquidity needs and estimates that these funds will not be sufficient to meet its obligations, budgeted expenditures and commitments through December 31, 2019. Based on the extent of the Company's current stage and anticipated plan, it will need to raise additional financing, which cast significant doubt on its ability to continue as a going concern. While management has been successful in securing financing in the past, there can be no assurance it will be able to do so in the future, that such sources of funding will be available to the Company or that they will be available on terms acceptable to it.

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If management is unable to obtain new funding, the Company may be unable to continue its operations, and amounts realized for assets might be less than amounts reflected in these consolidated financial statements.

These consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments to the amounts and classification of assets and liabilities that may be necessary if the Company is unable to continue as a going concern. Such adjustments could be material.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of presentation

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IFRS”). The Company has consistently applied the same accounting policies throughout all the periods presented in these consolidated financial statements, except for the new accounting standards and the new accounting policy adopted in 2018 (Note 3).

The Company reviewed the classification of its expenses in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss. Management believes that this new classification provides a clearer picture of the Company’s operations. Comparative periods have been presented accordingly (Note 3). There is no other effect of this change in presentation. Refer to Note 8 for the disaggregated amounts by nature of expenses.

(b) Basis of measurement

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis. In addition, these consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting except for cash flow information.

(c) Basis of consolidation

In addition to the Company, the consolidated financial statements include all subsidiaries. Subsidiaries are all companies over which the Company is able, directly or indirectly, to control financial and operating policies, which is the authority usually connected with holding majority voting rights. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is acquired by the Company. Intercompany transactions and balances are eliminated upon consolidation. They are deconsolidated from the date that control by the Company ceases.

The subsidiaries of the Company, all of which are wholly owned, are as follows:

| Subsidiaries | Jurisdiction of incorporation |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Sama Resources Guinee SARL (“SRG Guinée”) | Guinea |
| SRG Graphite International Inc. (“SRG Intl”) | Cayman Islands |

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(d) Functional and presentation currency

The functional currency for the parent entity, and its subsidiaries, is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. The parent entity has determined the functional currency of each entity is the Canadian dollar. The consolidated financial statements of the Company's subsidiaries are prepared in the local currency of its home jurisdiction. Consolidation of the subsidiaries includes re-measurement from the local currency to the subsidiary's functional currency. The determination of the functional currency may involve certain judgments as to defining the primary economic environment, and the parent entity will reconsider the functional currency of its entities if there is a change in events and conditions which determine the primary economic environment in which these entities operate.

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars.

(e) Foreign currency transactions

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency are translated at the exchange rate in effect at the financial position date, whereas non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency are translated at the exchange rate in effect at the transaction date. Expenses denominated in a foreign currency are translated at the average rate in effect during the period with the exception of depreciation that is translated at the historical rate. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognized in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

(f) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is comprised of cash on hand. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash that can be withdrawn at any time without penalty and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

(g) Exploration and evaluation ("E&E") expenses

E&E expenses, including but not limited to geological and geophysical evaluation, surveying, exploratory drilling and sampling, and evaluating the technical feasibility of extracting a mineral resource, are expensed as incurred until the property reaches the development stage.

The development stage is considered to begin once the technical feasibility and commercial viability of the extraction of minerals in an area of interest are demonstrable. It's based on both qualitative and quantitative criteria such as substantial physical project completion, sustained level of mining, sustained level of processing activity, and passage of a reasonable period of time.

Development expenditures incurred subsequent to a development decision, and to increase or to extend the life of existing production, are capitalized and will be amortized according to the unit-of-production method based upon estimated proven and probable reserves.

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Mineral properties under development are the costs incurred subsequent to the establishment of the technical feasibility and commercial viability of the extraction of resources from a particular mineral property. Capitalized costs, including mineral property acquisition costs and certain mine development and construction costs, are not depreciated until the related mining property has reached a level of operating capacity predetermined by management, a level often referred to as “commercial production.”

(h) Property and equipment (“P&E”)

P&E and equipment are carried at cost, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of a P&E consists of the purchase price, any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for its intended use and an initial estimate of the costs of dismantling and removing the asset and restoring the site on which it is located.

P&E are recorded at cost and redepicted as follows:

| Category | Straight-line method |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Computer equipment and software | 30%–35% |
| Furniture | 20% |
| Equipment | 20% |
| Laboratory | 10% |

P&E are derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on disposal of the asset, determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset, is recognized in profit or loss in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss. Depreciation expense is capitalized to E&E assets when related to a specific E&E project.

(i) Impairment of non-financial assets

At each financial position reporting date, the carrying amounts of the Company’s non-financial assets are reviewed to determine whether there is any indication that those assets are impaired. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment, if any. Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the Company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (“CGU”) to which the asset belongs.

An asset’s recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Fair value is determined as the amount that would be obtained from the sale of the asset in an arm’s-length transaction between knowledgeable and willing parties. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. If the recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount and the impairment loss is recognized in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss for the year.

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Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or CGU) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but only to the extent that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset (or CGU) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

(j) Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are derecognized when the rights to receive cash flows from the assets have expired or have been transferred and the Company has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. Financial liabilities are derecognized when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Financial assets

Financial assets are initially measured at fair value. If the financial asset is not subsequently accounted for at fair value, then the initial measurement includes transaction costs that are directly attributable to the asset's acquisition or origination. On initial recognition, the Company classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- measured subsequently at amortized cost; and
- measured subsequently at fair value (either through other comprehensive income (loss), or through net income (loss)).

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in net loss or in other comprehensive income.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost

A financial asset is subsequently measured at amortized cost, using the effective interest method and net of any impairment loss, if:

- i) the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flow; and
- ii) the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets measured at fair value

A financial asset shall be measured at fair value through net loss unless it is measured at amortized cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income. A financial asset shall be measured at fair value through other comprehensive income if both of the following conditions are met:

- i) The financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- ii) The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

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Impairment

The Company assesses on a forward-looking basis the expected credit losses associated with its debt instruments carried at amortized cost and through other comprehensive income. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

The Company assumes that the credit risk on a financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition if the financial instrument is determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date. An external rating of “investment grade” is considered to indicate that a financial instrument may be considered as having low credit risk.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are initially recorded at fair value net of any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, these financial instruments are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

(k) Capital

Common shares issued by the Company are classified as shareholders' equity. Costs directly attributable to the issue of common shares are recognized as a deduction from shareholders' equity, net of any related income tax effects.

(l) Equity financing

The equity financing transactions may involve issuance of common shares or units. Units typically comprise a certain number of common shares and warrants. Depending on the terms and conditions of the equity financing transaction, the warrants are exercisable into additional common shares at a price prior to expiry as stipulated by the terms of the transaction. The Company adopted a residual value method with respect to the measurement of common shares and warrants issued as private placement units. The fair value of the common shares issued in the private placements is determined by the closing quoted bid price on the price reservation date, if applicable, or the announcement date. The balance, if any, is allocated to the attached warrants.

(m) Stock-based payments

The fair value, at the grant date, of equity-settled stock-based awards is recognized as an expense over the period for which the benefits of employee and others providing similar services are expected to be received using the graded vesting method. The corresponding accrued entitlement is recorded in contributed surplus. The fair value of awards is calculated using the Black-Scholes valuation model, which considers the following factors:

- Exercise price
- Expected volatility
- Risk-free interest rate
- Expected life of the award
- Current market price

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The amount recognized as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of stock options for which the related service and vesting conditions are met. Consideration received on the exercise of stock options is recorded as share capital and the related contributed surplus is transferred to share capital.

Stock-based payment transactions with non-employees are measured at the fair value of the goods or services received. However, if the fair value cannot be estimated reliably, the stock-based payment transaction is measured at the fair value of the equity instruments granted at the date the non-employee provides the goods or the services.

(n) Current and deferred income taxes

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in shareholders' equity or other comprehensive loss. Current tax expense, if any, is the expected tax payable on taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at year-end, adjusted for amendments to tax payable with regard to previous years.

Deferred tax is recorded using the liability method, providing for temporary differences, between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Temporary differences are not provided for relating to goodwill not deductible for tax purposes, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable loss. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the consolidated statement of financial position date.

A deferred tax asset is recognized only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilized.

(o) Loss per share

Basic loss per share is computed by dividing loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year. The computation of diluted loss per share assumes the conversion, exercise or contingent issuance of securities only when such conversion, exercise or issuance would have a dilutive effect on loss per share. The dilutive effect of convertible securities is reflected in diluted loss per share by application of the "if converted" method. The dilutive effect of outstanding stock options and warrants and their equivalents is reflected in diluted loss per share by application of the treasury stock method.

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3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) E&E

The Company had historically capitalized expenditures on E&E activities after they had reached a certain stage in accordance with IFRS 6, *Exploration and Evaluation of Mineral Resources*.

During 2018, the Company adopted a voluntary change in accounting policy with respect to E&E expenses. The Company's new policy is to expense E&E expenses in the consolidated statement of loss until such time as the technical feasibility and commercial viability has been established that supports the future development of the property, and such development receives the Board of Directors' approval.

The Company has determined that such a voluntary change in accounting policy results in consolidated financial statements providing reliable and more relevant information and that it brings the Company in line with a similar accounting policy adopted by its peers. This change has been applied to all of the Company's E&E activities on all properties.

The Company has also regrouped in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss the line items comprising general and administrative expenses.

In accordance with IAS 8, *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*, the changes in accounting policies have been made retrospectively and the comparatives have been adjusted accordingly to all periods presented, as if the policy had always been applied.

The following tables summarize the impact of the change in accounting policy on affected line items within the Company's consolidated financial statements:

Consolidated statements of financial position:

| As at December 31, 2017 | As previously reported | Adjustment | Adjusted |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Exploration and evaluation assets | 2,635,255 | (2,635,255) | - |
| Deficit | (4,467,238) | (2,635,255) | (7,102,493) |

| As at January 1, 2017 | As previously reported | Adjustment | Adjusted |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Exploration and evaluation assets | 653,355 | (653,355) | - |
| Deficit | (2,084,652) | (653,355) | (2,738,007) |

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Consolidated statements of loss and comprehensive loss:

| As previously reported Year ended December 31, 2017 | As previously reported \$ | Reclassification \$ | Before adjustment \$ | Adjustment \$ | Adjusted \$ |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Expenses: | | | | | |
| Exploration and evaluation | - | - | - | 1,981,900 | 1,981,900 |
| General and administrative | - | 2,296,432 | 2,296,432 | - | 2,296,432 |
| | - | 2,296,432 | 2,296,432 | 1,981,900 | 4,278,332 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | |
| Consulting | 406,510 | (406,510) | - | - | - |
| Office administration | 221,103 | (221,103) | - | - | - |
| Travel and representation | 120,999 | (120,999) | - | - | - |
| Accounting fees | 87,606 | (87,606) | - | - | - |
| Legal fees | 31,549 | (31,549) | - | - | - |
| Audit fees | 37,312 | (37,312) | - | - | - |
| Office supplies, utilities and rent | 97,979 | (97,979) | - | - | - |
| Investor relation fees | 87,800 | (87,800) | - | - | - |
| Transfert agent and filing fees | 28,179 | (28,179) | - | - | - |
| Shareholders' information | 14,890 | (14,890) | - | - | - |
| Insurance | 8,175 | (8,175) | - | - | - |
| Depreciation | 546 | (546) | - | - | - |
| Loss on disposal of PP&E | 25,712 | (25,712) | - | - | - |
| Stock-based compensation | 1,128,072 | (1,128,072) | - | - | - |
| Total operating expenses | 2,296,432 | (2,296,432) | - | - | - |

Consolidated statements of cash flows:

| CASH PROVIDED FROM (USED FOR): Year ended December 31, 2017 | As previously reported \$ | Adjustment \$ | Adjusted \$ |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Operating activities | | | |
| Net loss for the year | (2,382,586) | (1,981,900) | (4,364,486) |
| Items not affecting cash | | | |
| Depreciation | 546 | 5,836 | 6,382 |
| Stock-based compensation | 1,128,072 | 167,295 | 1,295,367 |
| Change in non-cash working capital items | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 16,333 | 256,152 | 272,485 |
| Investing activities | | | |
| Exploration and evaluation expenditures | (1,552,617) | (1,552,617) | - |

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(b) New accounting standards and interpretations issued and in effect

IFRS 9 – Financial Instruments

On January 1, 2018, the Company adopted IFRS 9, which replaced IAS 39, *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*, bringing together all three aspects of the accounting for financial instruments: classification and measurement and impairment. The Company applied IFRS 9 retrospectively with restatement of prior periods, but there was no measurement impact on the opening balance sheet as of January 1, 2017 and on the information for the year ended December 31, 2017, other than the terminology and methodology changes described below.

i) Assets and liabilities: IFRS 9 uses a single approach to determine whether a financial asset is measured at amortized cost or fair value, replacing the multiple rules in IAS 39. The approach in IFRS 9 is based on how an entity manages its financial instruments and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. Most of the requirements in IAS 39 for classification and measurement of financial liabilities were carried forward in IFRS 9.

The following table summarizes the classification and measurement changes for the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities as at January 1, 2017.

| Financial assets | Classification: IAS 39 | Classification: IFRS 9 |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | Loans and receivables | Amortized cost |
| Other receivables | Loans and receivables | Amortized cost |
| Financial liabilities | Classification: IAS 39 | Classification: IFRS 9 |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | Other financial liabilities | Amortized cost |
| Due to major shareholder and a related company | Other financial liabilities | Amortized cost |

The accounting for these instruments and the line item in which they are included in the consolidated statement of financial position are unaffected by the adoption of IFRS 9, and no measurement adjustments were required to the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities.

The adoption of IFRS 9 had no impact on the impairment of the Company's financial assets.

IFRIC 22 – Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration

On January 1, 2018, the Company adopted on a prospective basis IFRIC 22, which provides requirements about which exchange rate to use when recognizing revenue in circumstances where an entity has received advance consideration in a foreign currency. The adoption of IFRIC 22 had no impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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IFRS 2 – Share-based Payment

On January 1, 2018, the Company adopted retrospectively the amendments to IFRS 2, in relation to the classification and measurement of share-based payment transactions. The amendments are intended to eliminate diversity in practice in three main areas: the effects of vesting conditions on the measurement of cash-settled stock-based payments; the classification of a stock-based payment transaction with net settlement features for withholding tax obligations; and the accounting where a modification to the terms and conditions of a stock-based payment transaction changes its classification from cash-settled to equity-settled. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018, with earlier adoption permitted. The adoption of these amendments to IFRS 2 had no impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

(c) Accounting standards and interpretations issued but not yet adopted

IFRS 16 – Leases

In January 2016, the IASB issued IFRS 16, which eliminates the classification of leases as either operating or finance leases for a lessee. Under IFRS 16, all leases are considered finance leases and will be recorded on the consolidated statement of financial position. The only exemptions to this classification will be for leases that are 12 months or less in duration or for leases of low-value assets. The requirement to record all leases as finance leases under IFRS 16 will increase lease assets and lease liabilities on an entity's financial statements. IFRS 16 will also change the nature of expenses relating to leases as the straight-line lease expense previously recognized for operating leases will be replaced with depreciation expense for lease assets and finance expense for lease liabilities. IFRS 16 includes an overall disclosure objective and requires a company to disclose (a) information about lease assets and expenses and cash flows related to leases; (b) a maturity analysis of lease liabilities; and (c) any additional company-specific information that is relevant to satisfying the disclosure objective. The Company will adopt IFRS 16 on January 1, 2019 on a modified retrospective basis whereby the adjustments to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities will be recorded on that date without adjustment of prior periods. The extent of the impact of adoption of IFRS 16 has not yet been determined.

IFRIC 23 - Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments

In June 2017, the IASB issued IFRIC 23. IFRIC 23 clarifies the determination of taxable profit (tax loss), tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits and tax rates, when there is uncertainty over income tax treatments under IAS 12 and requires an entity to consider whether it is probable that the relevant authority will accept each tax treatment, or group of tax treatments, that it uses or plans to use in its income tax filing. IFRIC 23 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019 and permits early adoption. It is expected that the adoption of IFRIC 23 will not have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS

Significant judgments and estimation uncertainty

The preparation of these consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. Actual outcomes could differ from these estimates. These consolidated financial statements include estimates, which, by their nature, are uncertain.

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The impacts of such estimates are pervasive throughout the consolidated financial statements, and may require accounting adjustments based on future occurrences. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and the revision affects both current and future periods.

Significant estimates and judgments used in applying accounting policies that have most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the consolidated financial statements are as follows:

(a) Going concern

The assessment of the Company's ability to execute its strategy by funding future working capital requirements involves judgment. Estimates and assumptions are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances (Note 1).

(b) Determination of the ownership of mining property title

Management must determine if it has or still holds the legal title of its mining properties in Guinea on a continuous basis. In certain cases, to conclude on the validity of the legal title, significant judgment is required in determining if the Company has met all of its commitments and obligations. Management exercised its judgment, having considered the laws enforceable in Guinea and the communications with the government, to conclude on the title ownership. Note 7 to these consolidated financial statements provides background information around those judgments.

(c) Impairment of non-financial assets

P&E is reviewed for impairment if there is any indication that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. If any such indication is present, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine whether impairment exists. The recoverable amounts with respect to non-financial assets are based on numerous assumptions and may differ significantly from actual recoverable amounts. The recoverable amounts are based, in part, on certain factors that may be partially or totally outside of the Company's control. This evaluation involves a comparison of the estimated recoverable amounts of non-financial assets to their carrying values. The recoverable amount estimates may differ from actual recoverable amounts, and these differences may be significant and could have a material impact on the Company's financial position and results of operations. Asset groups are reviewed for an indication of impairment at each consolidated statement of financial position date or when a triggering event is identified. This determination requires significant judgment.

(d) Determination of the functional currency of the subsidiaries

A number of judgments were made in the determination of the subsidiaries' functional currency. The parent entity has determined the functional currency of each entity is the Canadian dollar. The determination of the functional currency may involve certain judgments as to defining the primary economic environment, and the parent entity will reconsider the functional currency of its entities if there is a change in events and conditions which determine the primary economic environment in which these entities operate. If a different conclusion had been reached for any one of those assumptions, it could have resulted in the identification of functional currency different from the one actually identified by the Company.

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(e) Recognition of deferred taxes

The determination of income tax expense and deferred income tax involves judgment and estimates as to the future taxable earnings, expected timing of reversals of deferred tax assets and liabilities, and interpretations of laws in the countries in which the Company operates. The Company is subject to assessment by tax authorities who may interpret the tax law differently. Changes in these estimates may materially affect the final amount of deferred income taxes or the timing of tax payments.

Management continually evaluates the likelihood that it is probable that its deferred tax assets will be realized. This requires management to assess whether it is probable that sufficient taxable income will exist in the future to utilize these losses within the carry-forward period. By its nature, this assessment requires significant judgment. To date, management has not recognized any deferred tax assets in excess of existing taxable temporary differences expected to reverse within the carry-forward period.

(f) Fair value of stock options

The estimation of stock-based payments requires the selection of an appropriate valuation model and consideration as to the inputs necessary for the valuation model chosen. The model used by the Company is the Black-Scholes valuation model at the date of grant. The Company has made estimates as to the volatility, the probable life of stock options granted and the time of exercise of those stock options. Given the limited trading history of the Company's common shares, the expected volatility was determined by reference to historical data of comparable mining exploration companies' share over the expected average life of the stock options.

(g) Provision for foreign tax and value-added tax

The Company is subject to foreign tax and value-added tax in numerous jurisdictions. Significant judgment is required in determining the provision for foreign tax and value-added taxes. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. The Company recognizes liabilities for anticipated tax audit issues based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters differs from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the current foreign tax and value-added tax liabilities in the period in which such determination is made.

5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

| | 2018 \$ | 2017 \$ |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Cash | 4,479,482 | 3,231,456 |
| Guaranteed investment certificate, maturing June 11, 2019 redeemable on demand | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| Guaranteed investment certificate, maturing February 19, 2019 redeemable on demand | 25,000 | - |
| | <u>4,524,482</u> | <u>3,251,456</u> |

The guaranteed investment certificates are guarantees given to secure the credit card line of credit and are considered restricted. Those investments can be redeemed anytime if the credit card is cancelled or for the same consideration of the reduction of the line of credit.

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6. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

| | Equipment \$ | Furniture \$ | Computer, equipment and software \$ | Laboratory \$ | Total \$ |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|------------------|-------------|
| Cost | | | | | |
| Balance – January 1, 2017 | 59,140 | 9,778 | 3,991 | - | 72,909 |
| Acquisitions | 78,186 | 3,385 | 1,382 | - | 82,953 |
| Write-off | (60,737) | (9,778) | (3,991) | - | (74,506) |
| Balance – December 31, 2017 | 76,589 | 3,385 | 1,382 | - | 81,356 |
| Acquisitions | 627,354 | 70,537 | 130,043 | 106,403 | 934,337 |
| Balance – December 31, 2018 | 703,943 | 73,922 | 131,425 | 106,403 | 1,015,693 |
| Accumulated depreciation | | | | | |
| Balance – January 1, 2017 | 40,102 | 5,370 | 3,161 | - | 48,633 |
| Depreciation | 5,836 | 339 | 207 | - | 6,382 |
| Write-off | (40,262) | (5,371) | (3,161) | - | (48,794) |
| Balance – December 31, 2017 | 5,676 | 338 | 207 | - | 6,221 |
| Depreciation | 58,172 | 4,700 | 10,530 | 1,749 | 75,151 |
| Balance – December 31, 2018 | 63,848 | 5,038 | 10,737 | 1,749 | 81,372 |
| Carrying amount | | | | | |
| Balance – December 31, 2017 | 70,913 | 3,047 | 1,175 | - | 75,135 |
| Balance – December 31, 2018 | 640,095 | 68,884 | 120,688 | 104,654 | 934,321 |

During the year ended December 31, 2018, a depreciation expense of \$15,230 (2017 – \$546) was recorded in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss under general and administrative expenses and a depreciation expense of \$59,921 (2017 – \$5,836) was recorded under exploration and evaluation expenses.

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8. GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

General and administrative expenses consist of expenditures required to administer the business but which are not directly linked to the sale of goods, the provision of services, and to the carrying out of construction or E&E activities.

| | 2018 \$ | (Adjusted) 2017 \$ |
|--|------------------|--------------------------|
| Operating expenses | | |
| Salaries and benefits | 753,546 | - |
| Consulting fees | 520,433 | 406,510 |
| Travel and representation | 374,665 | 120,999 |
| General and office expenses | 515,466 | 327,257 |
| Professional fees | 362,107 | 156,467 |
| Investor relation fees | 81,573 | 87,800 |
| Transfer agent and filing fees | 73,621 | 28,179 |
| Shareholder information | 12,114 | 14,890 |
| Stock-based compensation | 906,196 | 1,128,072 |
| Amortization | 15,230 | 546 |
| Loss on disposal of property and equipment | - | 25,712 |
| Total general and administrative expenses | 3,614,951 | 2,296,432 |

9. SHARE CAPITAL

2017

During the first quarter ended March 31, 2017, a total of 108,000 warrants were exercised at a price of \$0.15 per warrant for total proceeds of \$16,200 and 620,000 stock options were exercised at a price of \$0.05 per stock option for total proceeds of \$31,000.

During the third quarter ended September 30, 2017, a total of 3,000 warrants were exercised at a price of \$0.15 per warrant for total proceeds of \$450.

The Company also closed the first tranche of a non-brokered private placement by issuing 5,250,000 units at a price of \$0.40 per unit for gross proceeds of \$2,100,000. Each unit is comprised of one common share of the Company and one-half of one common share purchase warrant. Each whole warrant will entitle the holder to purchase one additional common share at a price of \$0.50 per share for a period of 24 months from the date of issuance. Based on the residual method, the fair value of the warrants is nil. The Company incurred \$16,012 in legal and filing fees associated with this private placement, which were included as share issuance costs.

During the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2017, a total of 69,000 warrants were exercised at a price of \$0.15 per warrant for total proceeds of \$10,350. And 2,625,000 warrants were exercised at a price of \$0.50 per warrant for total proceeds of \$1,312,500.

A total of 200,000 stock options were exercised at a price of \$0.365 per stock option for total proceeds of \$73,000.

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Also in the fourth quarter, the Company closed the second tranche of a non-brokered private placement by issuing 2,250,000 units at a price of \$0.40 per unit for gross proceeds of \$900,000. Each unit is comprised of one common share of the Company and one-half of one common share purchase warrant. Each whole warrant will entitle the holder to purchase one additional common share at a price of \$0.50 per share for a period of 24 months from the date of issuance. Based on the residual method, the fair value of the warrants is nil. The Company incurred \$15,000 in legal and filing fees associated with this private placement, which were included as share issuance costs.

2018

During the first quarter ended March 31, 2018, a total of 125,000 stock options were exercised at a price of \$0.365 per stock option and 100,000 stock options were exercised at a price of \$0.50 per stock option for total proceeds of \$95,625.

During the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, a total of 400,000 stock options were exercised at a price of \$0.365 per stock option for total proceeds of \$146,000.

During the third quarter ended September 30, 2018, a total of 50,000 stock options were exercised at a price of \$0.365 per stock option for total proceeds of \$18,250.

On May 18, 2018, the Company closed its marketed public offering by issuing 5,334,000 units of the Company at a price of \$1.50 per unit for gross proceeds of \$8,001,000. Each unit comprises one common share of the Company and one common share purchase warrant of the Company. Each warrant will entitle the holder thereof to acquire one additional common share of the Company at an exercise price of \$2.30 per common share at any time for a period of 12 months. Based on the residual method, a fair value of \$213,360 was allocated to the warrants.

In connection with the offering, the Company paid to the underwriters a cash fee of \$480,060 and issued 320,040 broker warrants, with each such broker warrant entitling the holder thereof to acquire one common share of the Company at an exercise price of \$1.50 for a period of 12 months. The fair value of the 320,040 broker warrants was estimated at \$152,350 using the Black-Scholes valuation model with the following assumptions: expected dividend yield 0%, expected volatility 84.80%, risk-free rate of return 1.99%, share price of \$1.46 and expected maturity of 1 year.

In addition, the Company completed a concurrent non-brokered private placement with Coris Capital SA ("Coris"), pursuant to which Coris subscribed for 1,333,333 units of the Company, which were issued on the same terms and conditions as those issued under the marketed public offering, for gross proceeds of \$2,000,000. Based on the residual method, a fair value of \$53,333 was allocated to the warrants.

On June 15, 2018, the Company fully exercised the overallotment option granted under the marketed public offering by issuing 800,100 additional units at a price of \$1.50 per unit for additional gross proceeds of \$1,200,150. Each unit comprises one common share of the Company and one common share purchase warrant of the Company. Each warrant will entitle the holder thereof to acquire one additional common share of the Company at an exercise price of \$2.30 per common share at any time for a period of 12 months following the closing of the marketed public offering. Based on the residual method, a fair value of \$240,030 was allocated to the warrants.

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In connection with the overallotment option, the Company paid to the underwriters a cash fee of \$72,009 and issued 48,006 broker warrants, with each such broker warrant entitling the holder thereof to acquire one common share of the Company at an exercise price of \$1.50 for a period of 12 months. The fair value of the 48,006 broker warrants was estimated at \$14,774 using the Black-Scholes valuation model with the following assumptions: expected dividend yield 0%, expected volatility 83.30%, risk-free rate of return 1.88%, share price of \$1.20 and expected maturity of 1 year.

As part of the marketed public offering, the private placement and the overallotment option, the Company paid a total of \$499,790 in legal fees, filing fees and other fees.

The share issuance costs were allocated between the common shares and the warrants for \$1,162,153 and \$56,830 respectively.

Warrants

The following table shows the changes in warrants:

| | Number of warrants | 2018 Weighted average exercise price \$ | Number of warrants | 2017 Weighted average exercise price \$ |
|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|---|
| Outstanding, beginning of year | 1,125,000 | 0.50 | 180,000 | 0.15 |
| Issued | 7,835,479 | 2.26 | 3,750,000 | 0.50 |
| Exercised | - | - | (2,805,000) | 0.48 |
| Outstanding and exercisable, end of year | 8,960,479 | 2.04 | 1,125,000 | 0.50 |

The number of outstanding warrants that could be exercised for an equal number of common shares is as follows:

| | 2018 | |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Expiry date | Exercise price \$ | Number of warrants outstanding |
| May 18, 2019 | 2.30 | 7,467,433 |
| May 18, 2019 | 1.50 | 368,046 |
| October 24, 2019 | 0.50 | 1,125,000 |
| | | 8,960,479 |

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10. STOCK OPTIONS

The Company has a rolling stock option plan (the “Plan”), in which the maximum number of common shares which can be reserved for issuance under the Plan is 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company. The exercise price of each option (“Option”) shall not be less than the closing price of the common shares on the trading day immediately preceding the day on which the Option is granted, less any discount permitted by the TSX-V and, in any event, the exercise price per Option will not be less than \$0.05, being the minimum exercise price allowable under TSX-V policy.

The following table shows the changes in stock options:

| | Number of stock options | 2018 Weighted average exercise price \$ | Number of stock options | 2017 Weighted average exercise price \$ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| Outstanding, beginning of year | 4,233,000 | 0.45 | 620,000 | 0.05 |
| Granted | 2,650,000 | 1.13 | 4,633,000 | 0.44 |
| Exercised | (675,000) | 0.39 | (820,000) | 0.13 |
| Expired | - | - | (100,000) | 0.365 |
| Forfeited | - | - | (100,000) | 0.365 |
| Outstanding, end of year | 6,208,000 | 0.75 | 4,233,000 | 0.45 |
| Exercisable, end of year | 3,544,250 | 0.47 | 1,935,250 | 0.42 |

Weighted average share price at the date of exercise was \$1.46 (2017 – \$0.74).

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The number of outstanding stock options that could be exercised for an equal number of common shares is as follows:

| Expiry date | Exercise price \$ | Number outstanding | December 31, 2018 |
|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | | | Number exercisable |
| June 21, 2022 | 0.41 | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| October 24, 2023 | 1.20 | 150,000 | - |
| February 20, 2027 | 0.365 | 2,808,000 | 2,808,000 |
| March 31, 2027 | 0.50 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| April 25, 2027 | 0.50 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| June 14, 2027 | 0.36 | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| November 22, 2027 | 1.30 | 325,000 | 243,750 |
| January 14, 2028 | 1.72 | 135,000 | 67,500 |
| August 8, 2028 | 1.10 | 2,285,000 | - |
| October 30, 2028 | 0.89 | 80,000 | - |
| | | <u>6,208,000</u> | <u>3,544,250</u> |

The fair value of stock options granted was determined using the Black & Scholes valuation model based on the following weighted average assumptions:

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Weighted average price at the grant date | \$1.12 | \$0.44 |
| Weighted average exercise price | \$1.13 | \$0.44 |
| Expected dividend | nil | nil |
| Expected average volatility | 96% | 98% |
| Risk-free average interest rate | 2.34% | 1.65% |
| Expected average life | 9.72 years | 9.44 years |
| Weighted fair value per stock option | \$0.98 | \$0.38 |

A stock-based compensation expense of \$1,205,920 was recognized during the year ended December 31, 2018 (2017 – \$1,295,367). Amount of \$299,724 and \$906,196 (2017 – \$167,925 and \$1,128,072) was recognized in E&E expenses and in general and administrative expenses, respectively, in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

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11. INCOME TAXES

Major components of tax expense (income)

The major components of tax expense (income) are outlined below:

| | 2018 | 2017 (Adjusted) |
|---|------------------|--------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Current tax expense (Income) | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Deferred tax expense (Income) | | |
| Origination and reversal of temporary differences | (2,497,176) | (879,267) |
| Change in tax rate | 10,644 | 2,540 |
| Deferred tax expense arising from the write-down of a deferred tax asset | <u>2,486,532</u> | <u>876,727</u> |
| Total deferred tax expense (income) | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total income tax expense (income) | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |

The relationship between the expected tax expense based on the combined income tax rate in Canada and the reported tax expense in the statement of comprehensive loss can be reconciled as follows:

| | 2018 | 2017 (Adjusted) |
|---|------------------|--------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Loss before income taxes | (10,283,670) | (4,364,486) |
| Expected tax expense calculated using the combined federal and provincial income tax rate in Canada of 26.70% (26.80% in 2017) | (2,745,740) | (1,169,682) |
| Change in tax rate | 10,643 | 2,540 |
| Difference between Canadian and foreign tax rate | (123,021) | (12,610) |
| Stock-based compensation | 321,981 | 302,323 |
| Other | 49,605 | 702 |
| Change in unrecognized temporary differences | <u>2,486,532</u> | <u>876,727</u> |
| Deferred income tax expense (income) | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |

The statutory tax rate is 26.50% in 2018 (26.50% in 2017).

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Unrecognized deferred tax assets and liabilities

As at December 31, 2018 and 2017, the Company has the following temporary differences for which no deferred tax has been recognized:

| | 2018 | | 2017 | |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Federal | Provincial | Federal | Provincial |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Exploration & evaluation | 3,144,168 | 3,144,168 | - | - |
| Property & equipment | 6,698 | 6,698 | - | - |
| Issuance costs | 1,054,182 | 1,054,182 | 285,273 | 285,273 |
| Non-capital losses | 3,489,910 | 3,477,123 | 1,027,560 | 1,023,511 |
| | <u>7,694,958</u> | <u>7,682,171</u> | <u>1,312,833</u> | <u>1,308,784</u> |

The ability to realize the tax benefits is dependant upon a number of factors, including the future profitability of operations. Deferred tax assets are recognized only to the extent that it is probable that sufficient profits will be available to allow the asset to be removed. At December 31, 2018, deferred tax assets totaling \$2,037,693 (\$876,627 at December 31, 2017) have not been recognized.

The Company has the following non-capital losses which are available to reduce income taxes in future periods, for which no deferred tax asset has been recognized in the statement of financial position, that can be carried over the following years:

| | Federal \$ | Provincial \$ |
|------|------------------|------------------|
| 2036 | 104,126 | 104,126 |
| 2037 | 923,434 | 919,386 |
| 2038 | <u>2,462,350</u> | <u>2,453,611</u> |
| | <u>3,489,910</u> | <u>3,477,123</u> |

12. ADDITIONAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

The following significant non-cash transactions have been excluded from the consolidated statements of cash flows:

| | 2018 \$ | 2017 \$ |
|--|------------|------------|
| Change in accounts payable and accrued liabilities included in P&E | 19,825 | (19,825) |

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13. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern (note 1) and to maintain a flexible capital structure, which will allow it to pursue its E&E activities.

The Company considers its capital structure to include shareholders' equity. The Company monitors its capital structure and makes adjustments in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets and capital markets. In order to facilitate the management of capital and the exploration and evaluation of its E&E assets, the Company prepares annual expenditure budgets, which are monitored and updated as considered necessary.

To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may issue new equity if available on favorable terms, sell off permits and enter into joint venture arrangements.

The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements. There has been no change in the Company's approach to capital management during the year ended December 31, 2018.

The changes in the Company's capital are disclosed in the consolidated equity.

14. FINANCIAL RISK FACTORS

The Company's risk exposures and the impact of these exposures on the Company's financial instruments are summarized below:

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Company is exposed to credit concentration risk by holding cash and cash equivalents. This risk is minimized by holding cash and cash equivalents balances with large Canadian financial institutions and a minimal amount with local banks in Africa.

Liquidity risk

The Company manages its liquidity risk by using budgets that enable it to determine the amounts required to fund its E&E programs. The Company also ensures that it has sufficient working capital available to meet its day-to-day commitments.

As at December 31, 2018, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$4,524,482 to settle accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$1,739,049 and a due to a related company, without interest, due on demand of \$63,190.

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As at December 31, 2018, management does not consider current funds to be sufficient for the Company to continue operating considering the intention to complete the feasibility study on the Lola Graphite Property (Note 1). Any funding shortfall may be met in the future in a number of ways including, but not limited to, the issuance of new equity instruments, further expenditure reductions, or other measures. While management has been successful in securing financing in the past, there can be no assurance it will be able to do so in the future or that these sources of funding or initiatives will be available for the Company or that they will be available on terms which are acceptable to the Company. If management is unable to obtain new funding, the Company may be unable to continue its operations, and amounts realized for assets might be less than amounts reflected in these consolidated financial statements.

Fair value

Fair value estimates are made at the consolidated statement of financial position date based on relevant market information and other information about financial instruments.

The Company's financial instruments as at December 31, 2018 consist of cash and cash equivalents, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and due to a related company. The Company's financial assets and financial liabilities approximate their fair values due to their relatively short periods to maturity.

Market risk

Foreign exchange risk

Currency risk is the risk that future cash flows or fair value of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Company is exposed to foreign exchange ("FX") risk as cash is primarily held in Canadian dollars, while a significant portion of expenditures are denominated in US dollars and Guinean francs and, to a lesser extent, euros, Australian dollars and British pounds.

| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 2018 in CAD | Impact of 10% change in FX | 2017 in CAD | Impact of 10% change in FX |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| United States dollar | 138,047 | + / - \$13,805 | - | - |
| Guinea franc | 472,838 | + / - \$47,284 | 267,077 | + / - \$26,708 |
| Euro | 19,492 | + / - \$1,949 | - | - |
| Australian dollar | 23,712 | + / - \$2,371 | - | - |
| British pound | 32,638 | + / - \$3,264 | - | - |

| Cash and cash equivalents | 2018 in CAD | Impact of 10% change in FX | 2017 in CAD | Impact of 10% change in FX |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| United States dollar | \$63,622 | + / - \$6,362 | \$613,852 | + / - \$61,385 |
| Guinea franc | \$18,441 | + / - \$1,844 | \$20,934 | + / - \$2,093 |

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Commodity price risk

Commodity price risk is the risk that the fair value or expected future cash flows will fluctuate as a result of changes in commodity prices. Commodity prices for minerals are impacted by world economic events that dictate the levels of supply and demand as well as the relationship between the Canadian and other currencies, as outlined above. As the Company has not yet developed commercial mineral interests, the Company is not a party to financial instruments exposed to the price of commodities. However, the Company is indirectly exposed to commodity price risk, as it impacts the Company's access to capital and funding.

15. RELATED PARTIES

Related parties include the Company's key management personnel and related companies. Unless otherwise stated, balances are usually settled in cash.

Transactions with key management personnel

Key management personnel are the members of the Board of Directors, the President and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), the Vice-President Corporate and Legal Affairs, and the Vice-President Operations, Metallurgy, and Process Design.

Remuneration of key management personnel

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company incurred accounting fees of \$60,940 (2017 – \$69,000) with the CFO. These fees are recorded under professional fees in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss. On June 29, 2018, the Company decided to terminate the CFO's consulting agreement and therefore agreed to pay a termination fee of \$54,000. This termination is also recorded under professional fees. As at December 31, 2018, no amount is due to the CFO (2017 – \$10,000 included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities).

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company incurred fees of \$119,835 (2017 – \$20,500) with two officers. These fees are recorded under legal fees in administration expenses. As at December 31, 2018, \$12,665 was due to these officers (2017 – nil).

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company incurred salaries of \$410,824 (2017 – nil) to two employees who are officers of the Company, of which \$114,596 was recorded in E&E expenses and \$296,228 was recorded in general and administrative expenses. As at December 31, 2018, \$87,375 was due to these officers (2017 – nil).

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company recognized stock-based compensation of \$845,224 (2017 – \$592,214) in connection with stock options granted to officers and directors solely, of which \$62,563 was expensed under E&E expenses (2017 – nil) and \$782,661 was expensed under general and administrative expenses (2017 – \$592,214).

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Transactions with related parties

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company incurred fees of \$60,000 from a consultant who is also a director and the Qualified Person under National Instrument NI43-101 (2017 – \$122,085). This expense was recorded in E&E expenses under geology and prospecting. As at December 31, 2018 and 2017, no amount was due to that consultant.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, a corporation where the Company's Executive Chairman is also the President and Chief Executive Officer, charged a total amount of \$28,788 (2017 – nil) to the Company. This amount was expensed in E&E expenses. These fees were for technical services which were rendered by a consultant of that corporation. As at December 31, 2018, \$4,105 was due to that corporation (2017 – nil).

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company paid a salary of \$25,920 (2017 – nil) to an individual related to the Company's Executive Chairman. This expense was recorded under salaries and benefits (2017 – nil) in administrative expenses. As at December 31, 2018 and 2017, no amount was due to that individual.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company incurred fees of \$123,330 (2017 – \$56,250) with a corporation where the Company's Executive Chairman is also a shareholder of that corporation. As at December 31, 2018, \$1,917 was due to that corporation (2017 – \$64,673).

As at December 31, 2018, a subsidiary of Sama Resources Inc. charged the Company \$419,768 for services recorded as E&E expenses as well as services recorded as general and administrative expenses (2017 – \$391,475). As at December 31, 2018, \$67,436 was owing to Sama Resources Inc. and its subsidiary (2017 – \$57,649).

16. COMMITMENTS

The Company has lease commitments for office premises, exploration camps and land in Guinea, which call for total payments of GNF 611,450,000 (approximately: \$34,131 in 2019, \$24,842 in 2020 and 2021, \$3,726 in 2022, \$1,807 in 2023 and \$452 in 2024).

The Company has lease commitments for office premises in Canada, which expire at the end of 2019 and call for a payment of \$67,392 in 2019.

The Company has entered into consulting agreements expiring February 28, 2019, which will call for a total payment of \$12,000 in 2019.

Minimum annual payments relating to the above commitments in the next five fiscal years and thereafter are as follows:

| Year | Leases \$ | Other \$ |
|------------|--------------|-------------|
| 2019 | 101,523 | 12,000 |
| 2020 | 24,842 | - |
| 2021 | 24,842 | - |
| 2022 | 3,726 | - |
| 2023 | 1,807 | - |
| Thereafter | 452 | - |

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Termination and change of control provisions

Certain agreements between the executive team and the Company contain termination without cause and change of control provisions. Assuming that these agreements would be terminated without cause during the year ending December 31, 2019, the total amounts payable in respect of severance would amount to \$827,750. If a change of control would occur during the year ending December 31, 2019, the total amounts payable in respect of severance, if elected by the executive members, would amount to \$827,750.

17. OPERATING SEGMENT

The Company operates in one reportable business segment: the exploration and evaluation of mineral properties. As at December 31, 2018, \$843,978 of the Company's non-current assets are located in Guinea, Africa, and \$90,343 are located in Montréal, Canada. As at December 31, 2017, \$185,213 of the Company's non-current assets were located in Guinea, Africa.

18. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On March 22, 2019, the Company announced that it had received its Environmental Conformity Certificate for the Lola Graphite Property from the Government of Guinea. This certificate is the only environmental and social permit required to move forward with the construction of the project on the property.

On April 1, 2019, the Company submitted its application for a mining licence, which approval is necessary for construction to start on the mine.