



ALIANZA MINERALS LTD.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

OVERVIEW AND INTRODUCTORY COMMENT

Alianza Minerals Ltd. ("Alianza" or the "Company") is a growth-oriented junior exploration and development company listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the trading symbol "ANZ". The Company is a prospect generator focused on the Americas, particularly the Cordilleran regions that characterize western North and South America. As a prospect generator, the goal of Alianza is to acquire mineral exploration and evaluation assets (Mineral Properties) on attractive terms, add value through early stage exploration and then vend or option some or all of a value-added Mineral Property to a third party explorer for further advancement. The Company has properties in Nevada USA, Peru and Yukon Canada. The Company also has a 1% NSR (capped at \$1,000,000) on certain properties in Mexico.

This MD&A is dated March 1, 2018 and discloses specified information up to that date. Unless otherwise noted, all currency amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars. The following information should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements and the related notes for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2017 and the related notes thereto.

Additional information relevant to the Company and the Company's activities can be found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com, and/or on the Company's website at www.alianzaminerals.com.

MAJOR INTERIM PERIOD OPERATING MILESTONES

On February 21, 2018, the Company provided a summary of work completed in 2017 and plans for 2018:

Nevada USA

Alianza contracted Big Rock Exploration, LLC of Minneapolis, MN, to complete exploration on Alianza's Horsethief, Bellview and BP gold projects. Work included additional data compilation, mapping and sampling and claim staking. At Horsethief the property size was doubled, drill targets were identified, and the necessary permits were obtained to test these targets in 2018.

In 2017, Alianza leased the Ashby project to Nevada Canyon Resources. The Ashby property covers the Lazy Man Mine, where approximately 10,000 oz of gold was recovered from numerous shafts dating back to the 1930s. Nevada Canyon incorporated the Ashby into its Garfield Flats program and is conducting prospecting, geological mapping, to identify drill targets.

In 2018, Alianza will continue to focus on the sediment-hosted gold component of the exploration portfolio, marketing the Bellview Gold Project to partners for further exploration work which would lead to a drill program. Further mapping and sampling and geophysical surveys are slated for the BP project in order to define drill targets. At Horsethief, the Company is actively engaged with potential partners and is preparing for a drill program.

Peru

During 2017, management focused on marketing the drill-ready Yanac Copper Project. Several site visits were completed with potential partners who are reviewing the targets generated from work completed by Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. ("Cliffs") under an exploration alliance. Cliffs' work outlined a 900 by 900

metre area of anomalous copper and molybdenum-in-rock geochemistry within a larger area of porphyry-style alteration. Yanac is road accessible and is located 60 km inland from the Pacific coast and within 80 km of port facilities.

Alianza completed a geological review of the La Estrella gold-silver project in 2017, with a renewed focus on silver mineralization. Drilling at La Estrella has outlined disseminated gold-silver mineralization over an area 1,800 by 500 metres in size, with intersections such as 0.40 g/t gold and 30.40 g/t silver over 215 metres (including 43.5 m of 1.13 g/t gold and 101.78 g/t silver). A subsequent Induced Polarization (IP) survey indicated the target area may extend to 2,500 metres in length with a second, untested target 1,200 by 400 metres in size identified northwest of the drilled area. A high-grade silver target may also exist at La Estrella, with the latest drilling intersecting 11 metres of 311.2 g/t silver and 0.59 g/t gold. These results have not been followed up and future programs will focus on identifying controls on higher grades of gold, and particularly silver mineralization.

Management has been marketing the project to prospective partners and will continue to do so in 2018.

The Company acquired five early-stage properties through staking that have potential for zinc mineralization. These projects are being assessed for their potential and prioritized for further exploration in 2018.

Alianza continues to hold its 1.08% NSR royalty on the Pucarana project adjoining the Orcopampa (Chipmo) Gold Mine in Central Peru. Compania de Minas Buenaventura has produced over 4.8 million ounces of gold at this operation since production started in 1967. Current development is trending towards Pucarana, and management believes that mineralization may continue onto the Pucarana property.

Yukon Territory, Canada

Alianza has been actively assessing the next stages of work for its five Yukon projects. Alianza's Yukon projects target precious and base metals and varied deposit types, including carbonate-replacement (Tim Property, high-grade silver, lead, zinc in southern Yukon), VMS (Mor Property, gold-silver-base metal drill intersections in southern Yukon), gold (White River, high grade gold-silver+copper in southwest Yukon) and porphyry copper-gold (Prospector Mountain, central Yukon). Management is prioritizing these projects for option/jv and where appropriate, programs to upgrade targets to drill-ready status in 2018.

The Company's most advanced Yukon project is the Goz Creek Zinc Project, 180 km northeast of Mayo, YT. Goz Creek is a Mississippi Valley Type ("MVT") zinc-silver target where drilling in 2008 intersected 13.55% zinc and 29.88 g/t silver over 40.68 metres. A historical resource estimate from the 1970s estimated almost 2.9 million tons grading 11.25% zinc. The Company does not consider this historical resource estimate current and it should not be relied upon. Significant potential for expansion is evident but it is unlikely that Alianza will perform any exploration at the project until the Yukon Government settles the land-use issues present in the Peel Watershed region of Yukon, where the project is located. Management feels the potential value of the historic resource and its excellent exploration potential is worth holding until the government resolves the outstanding land-use issues.

INTERIM PERIOD FINANCIAL CONDITION

Capital Resources

During the three months ended December 31, 2017, the Company issued common shares pursuant to the exercise of 155,000 finder's warrants for cash proceeds of \$15,500.

These funds will be used to continue the execution of the Company's prospect generation business model. This includes additional work at existing projects in Nevada and Yukon and reconnaissance exploration of new acquisitions from Alianza's generative work in Peru.

The Company is aware of the current conditions in the financial markets and has planned accordingly. The Company's current treasury and the future cash flows from equity issuances and the potential exercise of warrants, finders' warrants and options, along with the planned developments within the Company will allow its efforts to continue throughout 2018. If the market conditions prevail or improve, the Company will make adjustment to budgets accordingly.

Liquidity

As at December 31, 2017, the Company had working capital deficiency of \$232,081 (September 30, 2017 – \$60,806). As at December 31, 2017, cash totaled \$17,641, a decrease of \$19,677 from \$37,318 as at September 30, 2017. The decrease was due to: (a) the exploration and evaluation assets expenditures of \$27,395; (b) financing activities of \$13,400; while being offset by (c) operating activities of \$21,998.

Operations

For the three months ended December 31, 2017 compared with the three months ended December 31, 2016:

Excluding the non-cash depreciation of \$767 (2016 - \$722), the Company's general and administrative expenses amounted to \$146,803 (2016 - \$201,126), a decrease of \$54,323. The change in the expenses was mainly due to decreases in: (a) accounting and legal fees of \$36,465 (2016 - \$52,707) and (b) wages, benefits and consulting fees of \$36,742 (2016 - \$61,101) as the Company has been monitoring its use of cash and has been actively seeking ways to reduce its operating expenses.

SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the quarter, there was no significant transaction between related parties.

COMMITMENTS, EXPECTED OR UNEXPECTED, OR UNCERTAINTIES

As a result of the administrative practices with respect to mining taxation in Mexico, there can be significant uncertainty, in regards to when, or if, taxes are payable and the amount that may ultimately be payable. As at September 30, 2015, Mexican claim taxes totalling approximately \$766,000 had been levied. Of this amount, \$563,000 relates to properties that were held by Minera Tarsis, S.A. de C.V., which the Company has applied to wind up, and \$203,000 relates to properties being acquired. On February 16, 2016, the Company sold all its Mexican properties to Almadex, and reduced the claim taxes to \$173,783. These taxes will never be paid in full and any amount that will, or might, be payable cannot realistically be determined at this time. Accordingly, these taxes have been disclosed as a contingent liability, and not recognized as a liability or provision.

As of the date of the MD&A, the Company has no outstanding commitments.

Other than disclosed in this MD&A – Quarterly Highlights, the Company does not have any commitments, expected or unexpected, or uncertainties.

RISK FACTORS

In our MD&A filed on SEDAR December 15, 2016 in connection with our annual financial statements (the "Annual MD&A"), we have set out our discussion of the risk factors *Exploration risks*, *Market risks* and *Financing risk* which we believe are the most significant risks faced by Alianza. An adverse development in any one risk factor or any combination of risk factors could result in material adverse outcomes to the Company's undertakings and to the interests of stakeholders in the Company including its investors. Readers are cautioned to take into account the risk factors to which the Company and its operations are



exposed. To the date of this document, there have been no significant changes to the risk factors set out in our Annual MD&A.

DISCLOSURE OF OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA

The authorized share capital of the Company consists of an unlimited number of common shares without par value. The following is a summary of the Company's outstanding share data as at December 31, 2017:

	Issued and Outstanding	
	December 31, 2017	March 1, 2018
Common shares outstanding	35,441,668	35,441,668
Stock options	2,657,000	2,657,000
Warrants	18,069,732	18,069,732
Finder's options	219,700	219,700
Warrants associated with finder's options	96,800	96,800
Fully diluted common shares outstanding	56,484,900	56,484,900

QUALIFIED PERSON

Jason Weber, BSc., P.Geo is the Qualified Persons as defined under National Instrument 43-101 responsible for the technical disclosure in this document. Mr. Weber is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Alianza and prepared the technical information contained in this MD&A – Quarterly Highlights.

Cautionary Statements

This document contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities regulations. All statements other than statements of historical fact herein, including, without limitation, statements regarding exploration results and plans, and our other future plans and objectives, are forward-looking statements that involve various risks and uncertainties. Such forward-looking statements include, without limitation, our estimates of exploration investment, the scope of our exploration programs, and our expectations of ongoing administrative costs. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, and future events and actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations are disclosed in the Company's documents filed from time to time via SEDAR with the Canadian regulatory agencies to whose policies we are bound. Forward-looking statements are based on the estimates and opinions of management on the date the statements are made, and we do not undertake any obligation to update forward-looking statements should conditions or our estimates or opinions change, except as required by law. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors, including risks associated with mineral exploration, price volatility in the mineral commodities we seek, and operational and political risks. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.



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Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements
For the three months ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

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**NOTICE OF NO AUDITOR REVIEW OF
INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Under National Instrument 51-102, Part 4, subsection 4.3 (3) (a), if an auditor has not performed a review of the interim financial statements, they must be accompanied by a notice indicating that an auditor has not reviewed the financial statements.

The accompanying unaudited interim financial statements of the Company have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the Company's management.

The Company's independent auditor has not performed a review of these financial statements in accordance with standards established by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada for a review of interim financial statements by an entity's auditor.

ALIANZA MINERALS LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
(Presented in Canadian Dollars)

		December 31, 2017 (Unaudited)	September 30, 2017 (Audited)
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash		\$ 17,641	\$ 37,318
Deferred financing costs		33,900	-
Receivables		46,210	44,724
Prepaid expenses		10,271	12,353
		<u>108,022</u>	<u>94,395</u>
Non-current assets			
Equipment	4	8,279	8,945
Exploration and evaluation assets	5	2,331,465	2,278,107
Investment in associates - royalty interest	6	559,918	559,683
		<u>2,899,662</u>	<u>2,846,735</u>
Total assets		\$ 3,007,684	\$ 2,941,130
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		\$ 121,269	\$ 79,521
Due to related parties	9	218,834	75,680
		<u>340,103</u>	<u>155,201</u>
Shareholders' equity			
Share capital	7	15,986,100	15,954,681
Reserves	7, 8	2,598,130	2,614,049
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(33,314)	(44,645)
Deficit		(15,883,335)	(15,738,156)
		<u>2,667,581</u>	<u>2,785,929</u>
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities		\$ 3,007,684	\$ 2,941,130

Nature of operations and going concern (Note 1)

These consolidated financial statements are authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on March 1, 2018.

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

Director "Jason Weber"

Director "Mark T. Brown"

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements

ALIANZA MINERALS LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE LOSS
(Unaudited, presented in Canadian Dollars)

	Note	Three months ended December 31	
		2017	2016
Expenses			
Accounting and legal fees	9	\$ 36,465	\$ 52,707
Depreciation	4	767	722
Investor relations and shareholder information	9	19,831	24,086
Office facilities and administrative services	9	4,667	4,500
Office expenses		14,437	17,878
Property investigation expenses		19,537	20,069
Transfer agent, listing and filing fees		4,982	4,014
Travel		10,142	16,771
Wages, benefits and consulting fees	9	36,742	61,101
		(147,570)	(201,848)
Interest income and other income		2,241	474
Foreign exchange gain (loss)		150	(1,550)
Net loss for the period		\$ (145,179)	\$ (202,924)
Other comprehensive income (loss)			
Exchange difference arising on the translation of foreign subsidiary		11,331	55,450
Total comprehensive loss for the period		\$ (133,848)	\$ (147,474)
Basic and diluted loss per common share		\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.01)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - basic and diluted		35,434,929	28,279,078

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements

ALIANZA MINERALS LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
(Unaudited, presented in Canadian Dollars)

	Note	Share Capital		Reserves			Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Deficit	Total equity
		Number of shares	Amount	Equity settled employee benefits	Warrants	Finders' warrants	Foreign exchange reserve		
Balance, September 30, 2016 (Audited)		28,279,078	\$ 15,151,899	\$ 1,720,915	\$ 597,205	\$ 263,975	\$ (13,439)	\$ (14,454,716)	\$ 3,265,839
Net loss		-	-	-	-	-	55,450	(202,924)	(147,474)
Balance, December 31, 2016 (Unaudited)		28,279,078	15,151,899	1,720,915	597,205	263,975	42,011	(14,657,640)	3,118,365
Private placements	7(b)(i)(ii)	6,785,715	830,357	-	44,643	-	-	-	875,000
Share issue costs		-	(72,549)	-	-	10,097	-	-	(62,452)
Exercise of finder's warrants	7(b)(iii)	221,875	44,974	-	-	(22,786)	-	-	22,188
Net loss		-	-	-	-	-	(86,656)	(1,080,516)	(1,167,172)
Balance, September 30, 2017 (Audited)		35,286,668	15,954,681	1,720,915	641,848	251,286	(44,645)	(15,738,156)	2,785,929
Exercise of finder's warrants	7(b)(iv)	155,000	31,419	-	-	(15,919)	-	-	15,500
Net loss		-	-	-	-	-	11,331	(145,179)	(133,848)
Balance, December 31, 2017 (Unaudited)		35,441,668	\$ 15,986,100	\$ 1,720,915	\$ 641,848	\$ 235,367	\$ (33,314)	\$ (15,883,335)	\$ 2,667,581

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements

ALIANZA MINERALS LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31
(Unaudited, presented in Canadian Dollars)

	Three months ended December 31	
	2017	2016
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities		
Net loss for the period	\$ (145,179)	\$ (202,924)
Items not affecting cash:		
Depreciation	767	722
Changes in non-cash working capital items:		
Receivables	(1,486)	(7,803)
Prepaid expenses	2,082	2,420
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	27,660	(7,368)
Due to related parties	138,154	(11,940)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>21,998</u>	<u>(226,893)</u>
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities		
Exploration and evaluation assets	<u>(27,395)</u>	<u>(121,379)</u>
Net cash (used in) investing activities	<u>(27,395)</u>	<u>(121,379)</u>
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities		
Proceeds from exercise of finder's warrants	15,500	-
Share issue costs	-	(12,463)
Deferred financing costs	<u>(28,900)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash (used in) financing activities	<u>(13,400)</u>	<u>(12,463)</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	<u>(880)</u>	<u>(1,230)</u>
Change in cash for the period	<u>(19,677)</u>	<u>(361,965)</u>
Cash, beginning of the period	<u>37,318</u>	<u>421,699</u>
Cash, end of the period	<u>\$ 17,641</u>	<u>\$ 59,734</u>

Supplemental disclosure with respect to cash flows (Note 10)

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND GOING CONCERN

Alianza Minerals Ltd. (the “Company” or “Alianza”) was incorporated in Alberta on October 21, 2005 under the Business Corporations Act of Alberta and its registered office is Suite 410, 325 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC, Canada, V6C 1Z7. On April 25, 2008 the Company filed for a certificate of continuance and is continuing as a BC Company under the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia).

The Company is an exploration stage company and is engaged principally in the acquisition and exploration of mineral properties. The recovery of the Company’s investment in its exploration and evaluation assets is dependent upon the future discovery, development and sale of minerals, upon the ability to raise sufficient capital to finance these activities, and/or upon the sale of these properties.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) applicable to a going concern, which assumes that the Company will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business for the foreseeable future. The ability of the Company to continue as a going concern is dependent on obtaining additional financing through the issuance of common shares or obtaining joint venture or property sale agreements for one or more properties.

There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to continue to raise funds in which case the Company may be unable to meet its obligations. Should the Company be unable to realize on its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business, the net realizable value of its assets may be materially less than the amounts recorded on the condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include adjustments to amounts and classifications of assets and liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue operations.

Adverse financial market conditions and volatility increase the uncertainty of the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern given the need to both manage expenditures and to raise additional funds. The Company is experiencing, and has experienced, negative operating cash flows. The Company will continue to search for new or alternate sources of financing but anticipates that the current market conditions may impact the ability to source such funds. Accordingly, these material uncertainties may cast significant doubt upon the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern.

As at December 31, 2017, the Company had working capital deficiency of \$232,081 (September 30, 2017: \$60,806) and shareholders’ equity of \$2,667,581 (September 30, 2017: \$2,785,929).

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

Statement of Compliance

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements, including comparatives, have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 “Interim Financial Reporting” (“IAS 34”) using accounting policies consistent with IFRS issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”) and interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (“IFRIC”).

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION - continued

Basis of preparation

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for marketable securities classified as available-for-sale, which are stated at fair value through other comprehensive income (loss). In addition, these condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, except for cash flow information.

The preparation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements in conformity with IAS 34 requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements, including comparatives, have been prepared on the basis of IFRS standards that are published at the time of preparation.

New accounting standards and interpretations

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for the December 31, 2017 reporting period. The Company has not early adopted the following new and revised standards, amendments and interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective:

- IFRS 9 (Amended 2010) Financial Instruments (effective January 1, 2018)
- IFRS 16 Leases (effective January 1, 2019)

The Company anticipates that the application of the above new and revised standards, amendments and interpretations will have no material impact on its results and financial position.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB on a basis consistent with those followed in the Company's most recent annual financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2017.

These unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all note disclosures required by IFRS for annual financial statements, and therefore should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2016. In the opinion of management, all adjustments considered necessary for fair presentation of the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows have been included. Operating results for the three month period ended December 31, 2017 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the current fiscal year ending September 30, 2018.

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4. EQUIPMENT

	Office equipment and furniture	Vehicles and other field equipment	Total
Cost			
As at September 30, 2016	\$ 6,234	\$ 10,898	\$ 17,132
Assets acquired	1,702	-	1,702
Foreign exchange movement	(294)	(1,163)	(1,457)
As at September 30, 2017	7,642	9,735	17,377
Foreign exchange movement	282	1,119	1,401
As at December 31, 2017	\$ 7,924	\$ 10,854	\$ 18,778
Accumulated depreciation			
As at September 30, 2016	\$ 4,065	\$ 2,976	\$ 7,041
Depreciation for the year	1,037	1,785	2,822
Foreign exchange movement	(301)	(1,130)	(1,431)
As at September 30, 2017	4,801	3,631	8,432
Depreciation for the period	336	431	767
Foreign exchange movement	266	1,034	1,300
As at December 31, 2017	\$ 5,403	\$ 5,096	\$ 10,499
Net book value			
As at September 30, 2017	\$ 2,841	\$ 6,104	\$ 8,945
As at December 31, 2017	\$ 2,521	\$ 5,758	\$ 8,279

5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

The Company follows the prospect generator model whereby it acquires projects on attractive terms, adds value through preliminary exploration efforts and then vends or options the project for further advancement.

Although the Company has taken steps to verify title to its unproven mineral right interests, these procedures do not guarantee the Company's title. Such properties may be subject to prior agreements or transfers and title may be affected by undetected defects.

The Company has properties in Nevada, USA (the "USA Properties"), in Peru (the "Peru Properties") and in the Yukon Territory of Canada (the "Canada Properties"). Following are summary tables of exploration and evaluation assets and brief summary descriptions of each of the exploration and evaluation assets:

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5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS – continued

Exploration and Evaluation Assets for the period ended December 31, 2017

	USA				Peru		Canada	Total
	BP	Bellview	Horsethief	Others	Yanac	Others		
Balance at September 30, 2017	\$ 216,126	\$ 83,942	\$ 158,020	\$ 22,830	\$ 410,630	\$ 212,390	\$ 1,174,169	\$ 2,278,107
Additions during the period								
Exploration expenditures:								
Camp, travel and meals	-	-	2,229	-	-	1,470	-	3,699
Field supplies and maps	-	-	282	-	-	-	-	282
Geological consulting	-	-	11,063	-	-	15,453	-	26,516
Legal and accounting	-	-	-	-	-	4,153	-	4,153
Office and administrative fees	-	-	-	-	115	4,844	-	4,959
Rent	-	-	514	-	-	1,360	-	1,874
	-	-	14,088	-	115	27,280	-	41,483
Net additions / (subtractions)	-	-	14,088	-	115	27,280	-	41,483
Foreign currency translation	-	-	-	-	1,274	10,601	-	11,875
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$ 216,126	\$ 83,942	\$ 172,108	\$ 22,830	\$ 412,019	\$ 250,271	\$ 1,174,169	\$ 2,331,465

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5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS – continued

Exploration and Evaluation Assets for the year ended September 30, 2017

	USA				Peru		Canada	Total
	BP	Bellview	Horsethief	Others	Yanac	Others		
Balance at September 30, 2016	\$ 112,750	\$ 31,411	\$ 15,149	\$ 21,193	\$ 510,781	\$ 628,492	\$ 1,174,169	\$ 2,493,945
Additions during the year								
Acquisition costs:								
Claim staking	12,960	-	8,867	-	-	-	-	21,827
	<u>12,960</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,867</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,827</u>
Exploration expenditures:								
Camp, travel and meals	4,527	4,527	12,906	-	1,830	539	-	24,329
Field supplies and maps	109	109	109	-	-	-	-	327
Geological consulting	32,130	32,131	86,552	-	7,437	21,736	-	179,986
Insurance	-	-	-	-	899	-	-	899
Legal and accounting	2,356	730	1,045	249	2,226	7,585	-	14,191
Licence and permits	46,010	9,751	24,982	3,295	5,648	34,294	-	123,980
Office and administrative fees	-	-	-	-	8,497	7,985	-	16,482
Rent	1,335	1,334	1,336	-	346	1,538	-	5,889
Reporting, drafting, sampling and analysis	3,949	3,949	7,074	-	103	-	-	15,075
	<u>90,416</u>	<u>52,531</u>	<u>134,004</u>	<u>3,544</u>	<u>26,986</u>	<u>73,677</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>381,158</u>
Less:								
Recovered exploration expenditures	-	-	-	(1,907)	-	-	-	(1,907)
Write-down of properties	-	-	-	-	(114,319)	(469,457)	-	(583,776)
Net additions / (subtractions)	103,376	52,531	142,871	1,637	(87,333)	(395,780)	-	(182,698)
Foreign currency translation	-	-	-	-	(12,818)	(20,322)	-	(33,140)
Balance at September 30, 2017	\$ 216,126	\$ 83,942	\$ 158,020	\$ 22,830	\$ 410,630	\$ 212,390	\$ 1,174,169	\$ 2,278,107

5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS – continued

USA

a) BP

On June 10, 2013, the Company purchased from Almaden Minerals Ltd. (“Almaden”) the BP property in Nevada, USA. A 2% NSR is payable to Almadex Minerals Limited (“Almadex”) on future production on the property after Almaden transferred the NSR right to Almadex.

In 2017, the Company acquired new ground by staking an additional 48 BLM lode mining claims at the BP property.

As of December 31, 2017, the Company had spent \$216,126 on advancing this property.

On January 27, 2015, the Company signed a binding agreement to acquire eight gold properties in Nevada, USA from Sandstorm Gold Ltd. (“Sandstorm”) by issuing 150,000 shares to Sandstorm and granting a net smelter returns royalty ranging from 0.5% to 1.0%. The Company also granted Sandstorm a right of first refusal on any future metal streaming agreements on these properties. In 2015 and 2016, the Company dropped four of the gold properties. The properties retained are:

- Ashby
- Bellview
- East Walker
- Horsethief

b) Bellview

The Bellview property is located in White Pine County, near the Bald Mountain Gold Mine. A 2% NSR is payable to a previous owner of the property and a 1% NSR is payable to Sandstorm from production from all the claims on the property.

As of December 31, 2017, the Company had spent \$83,942 on advancing this property.

c) Horsethief

The Horsethief property is located in Lincoln County, northeast of Pioche. A 2% NSR is payable to a previous owner of the property from production from some claims on the property while a 1% NSR is payable to Sandstorm on all the claims on the property.

In 2017, the Company acquired new ground by staking an additional 33 BLM lode mining claims at the Horsethief property.

As of December 31, 2017, the Company had spent \$172,108 on advancing this property.

5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS – continued

USA – continued

d) *Others - Ashby*

On August 2, 2017, the Company signed an exploration lease agreement to lease the Ashby gold property to Nevada Canyon Gold Corp. (“Nevada Canyon”). Under the terms of the agreement, Nevada Canyon made a US\$1,000 payment on signing, will make annual payments of US\$2,000 and will grant a 2% Net Smelter Royalty (“NSR”) on future production from the Lazy 1-3 claims comprising the Ashby property. Nevada Canyon will also be responsible for all claim fees and certain reclamation work to be undertaken on the property. The initial term of the lease is 10 years and can be extended for an additional 20 years.

e) *Others – East Walker*

The East Walker property is located in Lyon County, west of Hawthorne. A 2% NSR is payable to a previous owner of the property from production from some claims on the property.

As of December 31, 2017, the Company had spent \$18,440 on advancing this property.

Peru

On April 29, 2015, the Company acquired the Yanac, Isy and La Estrella properties in Peru.

- Yanac – located in Chincha region of the Department of Ica, south-central Peru.
- Isy – located in the Department of Ayacucho, Peru (dropped in June 2017).
- La Estrella – located 130 kilometers south of Huancayo in the Department of Huancavelica, Peru.

a) *Yanac*

On February 27, 2013, Cliffs Natural Resources Exploration Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. (“Cliffs”) and the Company’s wholly-owned subsidiary entered into a Limited Liability Company Membership Agreement (“agreement”) in respect of the Yanac property. In December 2015, Cliffs’ interest in Yanac was acquired by 50 King Capital Exploration Inc. (“50 King”), a private company, which took over all previous obligations of Cliffs.

On July 6, 2016, 50 King terminated the agreement, retaining only a 0.5% net smelter royalty (“NSR”) on the Yanac property based on prior expenditures and transferred the ownership of the property back to the Company.

During the year ended September 30, 2017, the Company reduced the size of the Yanac property and La Estrella property and dropped the Isy property and wrote off \$583,776.

5. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS – continued

Canada

In 2010, the Company acquired the White River property through staking. The White River property is located in the Yukon, northwest of Whitehorse.

On July 23, 2007, the Company purchased from Almaden certain properties in the Yukon and Almaden assigned the 2% NSR royalty on future production from these mineral claims to Almadex:

- Goz Creek – located 180 kilometers north east of Mayo, Yukon.
- MOR – located 35 kilometers east of Teslin, Yukon and is 1.5 kilometers north of the paved Alaska Highway.
- Tim – located 72 kilometers west of Watson Lake, Yukon and 12 kilometers northeast of the Silvertip/Midway deposit.

On June 10, 2008, the Company signed another agreement with Almaden to acquire a 100% interest in the Prospector Mountain gold-silver-copper property, located in central Yukon. Almaden assigned the 2% NSR over any minerals produced from the property to Almadex. Half of the NSR may be purchased by the Company at any time after the production commences for fair value as determined by an independent valuator. The Company will also issue to Almadex 50,000 fully paid common shares upon receipt of a positive bankable feasibility study for the property.

6. INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATES – ROYALTY INTEREST

On April 29, 2015, the Company acquired a 36% interest in Pucarana S.A.C. (“Pucarana”), an exploration company in Peru holding the Pucarana property.

On May 22, 2015, Pucarana signed an Assignment Agreement with Compania de Minas Buenaventura S.A.A. (“Buenaventura”) whereby Pucarana assigned to Buenaventura the rights to the Pucarana property. In consideration, Buenaventura granted a 3% NSR royalty to Pucarana that is then distributed as to 60% to Alamos Gold Inc. (1.8% NSR), 36% to the Company (1.08% NSR) and 4% to Gallant Minerals Ltd (0.12% NSR).

Prior to the Company’s investment in Pucarana, the Company had capitalized, as exploration and evaluation assets, \$566,782 in exploration and evaluation expenditures incurred on its Pucarana property. This amount, with minor adjustments, has been carried forward as the cost of the Company’s 36% investment. The investment is accounted for using the equity method. To date, no dividends have been received from the associate. As at December 31, 2017, summarized financial information for the associate is as follows:

- Current assets - \$245 (September 30, 2017 - \$1,760)
- Non-current assets - \$52,897 (September 30, 2017 - \$52,212)
- Current liabilities - \$265 (September 30, 2017 - \$326)
- Non-current liabilities - \$76,585 (September 30, 2017 - \$76,109)

To date, there is no profit or loss from continuing operations.

7. SHARE CAPITAL

a) Authorized:

As at December 31, 2017, the authorized share capital is comprised of an unlimited number of common shares without par value and an unlimited number of preferred shares issuable in series. All issued shares are fully paid.

b) Issued:

During the year ended September 30, 2017, the Company:

- i) Completed a non-brokered private placement on March 6, 2017 by issuing 5,000,000 units ("Unit") at a price of \$0.125 per Unit for gross proceeds of \$625,000. Each Unit consists of one common share and a half non-transferable warrant. Each whole warrant entitles the holder to purchase one additional common share for a 3 year period at a price of \$0.20. In connection with the financing, the Company paid \$21,700 as a cash finder's fee and issued 173,600 finder's warrants, each of which is exercisable into one Unit at a price of \$0.125 for a period of 18 months. Each finder's warrant consists of one common share and one half non-transferable warrant exercisable for a 3 year period at a price of \$0.20. The value of the finder's warrants was determined to be \$8,072 and was calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Under the residual value approach, no value was assigned to the warrant component of the Units. The Company incurred additional share issue costs of \$19,272 in connection with this financing.
- ii) Completed a non-brokered private placement on August 16, 2017 by issuing 1,785,715 units ("Unit") at a price of \$0.14 per Unit for gross proceeds of \$250,000. Each Unit consists of one common share and a half non-transferable warrant. Each whole warrant entitles the holder to purchase one additional common share for a 3 year period at a price of \$0.20. In connection with the financing, the Company paid \$3,654 as a cash finder's fee and issued 26,100 finder's warrants, each of which is exercisable into one common share at a price of \$0.14 for a period of 3 years. The value of the finder's warrants was determined to be \$2,025 and was calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Under the residual value approach, \$44,643 was assigned to the warrant component of the Units. The Company incurred additional share issue costs of \$17,826 in connection with this financing.
- iii) During the year ended September 30, 2017, the Company issued common shares pursuant to the exercise of 221,875 finder's warrants for cash proceeds of \$22,188.

During the three months ended December 31, 2017, the Company:

- iv) Issued common shares pursuant to the exercise of 155,000 finder's warrants for cash proceeds of \$15,500.

8. STOCK OPTIONS AND WARRANTS

a) Stock option compensation plan

The Company grants stock options to directors, officers, employees and consultants pursuant to the Company's Stock Option Plan (the "Plan"). The number of options that may be issued pursuant to the Plan are limited to 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares and to other restrictions with respect to any single participant (not greater than 5% of the issued common shares) or any one consultant (not greater than 2% of the issued common shares).

Options granted to consultants performing investor relations activities will contain vesting provisions such that vesting occurs over at least 12 months with no more than one quarter of the options vesting in any 3 month period.

Vesting provisions may also be applied to other option grants, at the discretion of the directors. Options issued pursuant to the Plan will have an exercise price as determined by the directors, and permitted by the TSX-V, at the time of the grant. Options have a maximum expiry date of 5 years from the grant date.

Stock option transactions and the number of stock options for the three months ended December 31, 2017 are summarized as follows:

Expiry date	Exercise price	September 30, 2017	Granted	Exercised	Expired / cancelled	December 31, 2017
February 25, 2019	\$0.25	22,500	-	-	-	22,500
April 29, 2020	\$0.25	1,264,500	-	-	-	1,264,500
April 29, 2021	\$0.25	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
September 30, 2021	\$0.15	1,270,000	-	-	-	1,270,000
Options outstanding		2,657,000	-	-	-	2,657,000
Options exercisable		2,657,000	-	-	-	2,657,000
Weighted average exercise price		\$0.20	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$0.20

As at December 31, 2017, the weighted average contractual remaining life of options is 3.04 years (September 30, 2017 – 3.29 years). The weighted average fair value of stock options granted during the three months ended December 31, 2017 was \$Nil (2016 - \$Nil).

Stock option transactions and the number of stock options for the year ended September 30, 2017 are summarized as follows:

Expiry date	Exercise price	September 30, 2016	Granted	Exercised	Expired / cancelled	September 30, 2017
May 7, 2017	\$0.25	4,500	-	-	(4,500)	-
February 25, 2019	\$0.25	22,500	-	-	-	22,500
April 29, 2020	\$0.25	1,264,500	-	-	-	1,264,500
April 29, 2021	\$0.25	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
September 30, 2021	\$0.15	1,270,000	-	-	-	1,270,000
Options outstanding		2,661,500	-	-	(4,500)	2,657,000
Options exercisable		2,661,500	-	-	(4,500)	2,657,000
Weighted average exercise price		\$0.20	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$0.25	\$0.20

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8. STOCK OPTIONS AND WARRANTS – continued

a) Stock option compensation plan – continued

The weighted average assumptions used to estimate the fair value of options for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
Risk-free interest rate	n/a	n/a
Expected life	n/a	n/a
Expected volatility	n/a	n/a
Expected dividend yield	n/a	n/a

b) Warrants

The continuity of warrants for the three months ended December 31, 2017 is as follows:

Expiry date	Exercise price	September 30, 2017	Issued	Exercised	Expired	December 31, 2017
October 3, 2017	\$0.40	687,000	-	-	(687,000)	-
October 9, 2017	\$0.40	755,500	-	-	(755,500)	-
December 24, 2017	\$1.00	300,000	-	-	(300,000)	-
April 29, 2018	\$0.40	3,000,000	-	-	-	3,000,000
March 8, 2020	\$0.15	7,221,875	-	-	-	7,221,875
April 7, 2020	\$0.15	3,100,000	155,000	-	-	3,255,000
September 28, 2019	\$0.20	1,200,000	-	-	-	1,200,000
March 6, 2020	\$0.20	2,500,000	-	-	-	2,500,000
August 16, 2020	\$0.20	892,857	-	-	-	892,857
Outstanding		19,657,232	155,000	-	(1,742,500)	18,069,732
Weighted average exercise price		\$0.23	\$0.15	\$Nil	\$0.50	\$0.20

As at December 31, 2017, the weighted average contractual remaining life of warrants is 1.88 years (September 30, 2017 – 1.95 years).

The continuity of warrants for the year ended September 30, 2017 is as follows:

Expiry date	Exercise price	September 30, 2016	Issued	Exercised	Expired	September 30, 2017
December 16, 2016	\$1.50	483,666	-	-	(483,666)	-
March 17, 2017	\$1.50	266,667	-	-	(266,667)	-
May 15, 2017	\$1.00	1,200,000	-	-	(1,200,000)	-
September 11, 2017	\$1.00	900,000	-	-	(900,000)	-
October 3, 2017	\$0.40	687,000	-	-	-	687,000
October 9, 2017	\$0.40	755,500	-	-	-	755,500
December 24, 2017	\$1.00	300,000	-	-	-	300,000
April 29, 2018	\$0.40	3,000,000	-	-	-	3,000,000
March 8, 2020	\$0.15	7,000,000	221,875	-	-	7,221,875
April 7, 2020	\$0.15	3,100,000	-	-	-	3,100,000
September 28, 2019	\$0.20	1,200,000	-	-	-	1,200,000
March 6, 2020	-	-	2,500,000	-	-	2,500,000
August 16, 2020	-	-	892,857	-	-	892,857
Outstanding		18,892,833	3,614,732	-	(2,850,333)	19,657,232
Weighted average exercise price		\$0.37	\$0.20	\$Nil	\$1.13	\$0.23

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8. STOCK OPTIONS AND WARRANTS – continued

c) Finder's warrants

The continuity of finder's warrants for the three months ended December 31, 2017 is as follows:

Expiry date	Exercise price	September 30, 2017	Issued	Exercised	Expired	December 31, 2017
October 7, 2017	⁽²⁾ \$0.10	155,000	-	(155,000)	-	-
March 28, 2018	⁽³⁾ \$0.125	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
September 6, 2018	⁽⁴⁾ \$0.125	173,600	-	-	-	173,600
August 16, 2020	\$0.14	26,100	-	-	-	26,100
Outstanding		374,700	-	(155,000)	-	219,700
Weighted average exercise price		\$0.12	\$Nil	\$0.10	\$Nil	\$0.13

As at December 31, 2017, the weighted average contractual remaining life of finder's warrants is 0.87 years (September 30, 2017 – 0.67 years).

The continuity of finder's warrants for the year ended September 30, 2017 is as follows:

Expiry date	Exercise price	September 30, 2016	Issued	Exercised	Expired	September 30, 2017
September 8, 2017	⁽¹⁾ \$0.10	223,750	-	(221,875)	(1,875)	-
October 7, 2017	⁽²⁾ \$0.10	155,000	-	-	-	155,000
March 28, 2018	⁽³⁾ \$0.125	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
September 6, 2018	⁽⁴⁾ \$0.125	-	173,600	-	-	173,600
August 16, 2020	\$0.14	-	26,100	-	-	26,100
Outstanding		398,750	199,700	(221,875)	(1,875)	374,700
Weighted average exercise price		\$0.10	\$0.13	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.12

- (1) The finder's warrants are exercisable into units, with each unit consisting of one common share and one warrant exercisable at \$0.15 until March 8, 2020.
- (2) The finder's warrants are exercisable into units, with each unit consisting of one common share and one warrant exercisable at \$0.15 until April 7, 2020. On October 4, 2017, 155,000 finder's warrants were exercised resulting in 155,000 common shares and 155,000 warrants issued.
- (3) The finder's warrants are exercisable into units, with each unit consisting of one common share and one half warrant exercisable at \$0.20 until September 28, 2019.
- (4) The finder's warrants are exercisable into units, with each unit consisting of one common share and one half warrant exercisable at \$0.20 until March 6, 2020.

The weighted average assumptions used to estimate the fair value of finder's warrants for the three months ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
Risk-free interest rate	n/a	n/a
Expected life	n/a	n/a
Expected volatility	n/a	n/a
Expected dividend yield	n/a	n/a

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9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The aggregate value of transactions and outstanding balances relating to key management personnel and entities over which they have control or significant influence were as follows:

For the three months ended December 31, 2017

	Short-term employee benefits	Post-employment benefits	Other long-term benefits	Termination benefits	Share-based payments	Total
Jason Weber Chief Executive Officer, Director	\$ 30,000	\$ Nil	\$ Nil	\$ Nil	\$ Nil	\$ 30,000

For the three months ended December 31, 2016

	Short-term employee benefits	Post-employment benefits	Other long-term benefits	Termination benefits	Share-based payments	Total
Jason Weber Chief Executive Officer, Director	\$ 30,000	\$ Nil	\$ Nil	\$ Nil	\$ Nil	\$ 30,000

Related party transactions and balances

	Services	Three months ended		Balance due	
		December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016	As at December 31, 2017	As at September 30, 2017
Amounts due to:					
Jason Weber	Consulting fee and share-based payment	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ Nil	\$ 80
Pacific Opportunity Capital Ltd. ^(a)	Accounting, financing, and shareholder communication services	\$ 40,760	\$ 41,050	\$ 218,834	\$ 75,600
TOTAL:				\$ 218,834	\$ 75,680

(a) The president of Pacific Opportunity Capital Ltd., a private company, is a director of the Company.

10. SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE WITH RESPECT TO CASH FLOWS

The significant non-cash investing and financing transactions during the three months ended December 31, 2017 were as follows:

- As at December 31, 2017, a total of \$36,849 in exploration and evaluation asset costs was included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities;
- As at December 31, 2017, a total of \$5,000 in deferred financing costs was included in due to related parties;

The significant non-cash investing and financing transactions during the three months ended December 31, 2016 were as follows:

- As at December 31, 2016, a total of \$21,181 in exploration and evaluation asset costs was included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

11. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Company has one reportable operating segment, that being the acquisition and exploration of mineral properties. Geographical information is as follows:

	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>September 30, 2017</u>
Non-current assets		
USA	495,006	781,333
Peru	1,229,050	673,729
Canada	1,175,606	1,175,835
	<u>\$ 2,899,662</u>	<u>\$ 2,630,897</u>

12. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company's financial instruments are exposed to certain financial risks, including currency risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk and commodity price risk.

(a) Currency risk

The Company's property interests in Peru and USA make it subject to foreign currency fluctuations and inflationary pressures which may adversely affect the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The Company is affected by changes in exchange rates between the Canadian Dollar and foreign functional currencies. The Company does not invest in foreign currency contracts to mitigate the risks. The Company's exploration program, some of its general and administrative expenses and financial instruments denoted in a foreign currency are exposed to currency risk. A 10% change in the Peruvian nuevo sol and US dollar over the Canadian dollar would change the results of operations by approximately \$4,500.

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of an unexpected loss if a customer or third party to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to the liquidity of its cash. The Company limits exposure to credit risk by maintaining its cash with a large Canadian financial institution.

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company ensures there is sufficient capital in order to meet short-term business requirements, after taking into account cash flows from operations and the Company's holdings of cash. The Company does not have sufficient cash to settle its current liabilities, and further funding will be required to meet the Company's short-term and long-term operating needs. The Company manages liquidity risk through the management of its capital structure.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are due within the current operating period.

12. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – continued

(d) Market risk

Market risks to which the Company is exposed include unfavorable movements in commodity prices, interest rates, and foreign exchange rates. As at December 31, 2017, the Company has no producing assets and holds the majority of its cash in secure, Canadian dollar-denominated deposits. Consequently, its exposure to these risks has been significantly reduced, but as the Company redeploys its cash, exposure to these risks may increase. The objective of the Company is to mitigate exposure to these risks while maximizing returns.

The Company may from time-to-time own available-for-sale marketable securities, in the mineral resource sector. Changes in the future pricing and demand of commodities can have a material impact on the market value of the investments. The nature of such investments is normally dependent on the invested company being able to raise additional capital to further develop and to determine the commercial viability of its resource properties. Management mitigates the risk of loss resulting from this concentration by monitoring the trading value of the investments on a regular basis.

i) Interest rate risk

As at December 31, 2017, the Company's exposure to movements in interest rates was limited to potential decreases in interest income from changes to the variable portion of interest rates for its cash. Market interest rates in Canada are at historically low levels, so management does not consider the risk of interest rate declines to be significant, but should such risks increase the Company may mitigate future exposure by entering into fixed-rate deposits. A 1% change in the interest rate, with other variables unchanged, would not significantly affect the Company.

ii) Foreign exchange risk

The Company is exposed to the financial risk related to the fluctuation of foreign exchange rates. The Company may maintain cash and other financial instruments, or may incur revenues and expenditures in currencies other than the Canadian dollar. Significant changes in the currency exchange rates between the Canadian dollar relative to these foreign currencies, which may include but are not limited to US dollars and Peruvian nuevo sol, could have an effect on the Company's results of operations, financial position or cash flows. The Company has not hedged its exposure to currency fluctuations.

(e) Commodity price risk

The ability of the Company to develop its mineral properties and the future profitability of the Company are directly related to the market price of minerals such as gold, zinc, lead and copper. The Company's input costs are also affected by the price of fuel. The Company closely monitors mineral and fuel prices to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company.

IFRS 7 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the input to valuation techniques used to measure fair value as follows:

Level 1 – quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2 – inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices); and

12. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – continued

Level 3 – inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The following table sets forth the Company's financial assets measured at fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy.

As at December 31, 2017	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Cash	\$ 17,641	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,641

As at September 30, 2017	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Cash	\$ 37,318	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,318

13. MANAGEMENT OF CAPITAL RISK

The Company considers items included in shareholders' equity as capital. The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to pursue the development of its mineral properties and to maintain a flexible capital structure which optimizes the costs of capital at an acceptable risk.

The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares, issue new debt, acquire or dispose of assets or adjust the amount of cash and cash equivalents.

In order to facilitate the management of its capital requirements, the Company prepares expenditure budgets that are updated as necessary depending on various factors, including successful capital deployment and general industry conditions.

In order to maximize ongoing development efforts, the Company does not pay out dividends. The Company's investment policy is to invest its short-term excess cash in highly liquid short-term interest-bearing investments with maturities of 90 days or less from the original date of acquisition, selected with regard to the expected timing of expenditures from continuing operations. The Company's approach to managing capital remains unchanged from the year ended September 30, 2017.

14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As a result of the administrative practices with respect to mining taxation in Mexico, there can be significant uncertainty, in regards to when, or if, taxes are payable and the amount that may ultimately be payable. As at September 30, 2015, Mexican claim taxes totalling approximately \$766,000 had been levied. Of this amount, \$563,000 (\$193,000 for 2014 and \$370,000 for 2015) related to properties that were held by Minera Tarsis, S.A. de C.V., which the Company had applied to wind up, and \$203,000 (\$63,000 for 2014 and \$140,000 for 2015) related to properties being acquired. On February 16, 2016, the Company sold all its Mexican properties, Yago, Mezquites and San Pedro, to Almadex, and reduced the claim taxes to \$173,783. These taxes will never be paid in full and any amount that will, or might, be payable cannot realistically be determined at this time. Accordingly, these taxes have been disclosed as a contingent liability, and not recognized as a liability or provision.