Condensed consolidated interim financial statements of Maple Gold Mines Ltd. (An Exploration Stage Company) (unaudited)

September 30, 2023

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Notice of no auditor review of condensed consolidated 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 the financial statements have not been reviewed by an auditor.

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated 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 the standards established by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada for a review of interim financial statements by an entity's auditor.

Condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position As at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022

(Unaudited, expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Notes	September 30, 2023 \$	December 31, 2022 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	4,384,972	9,758,175
Marketable securities	4	336,430	_
Sales taxes receivable		124,597	512,272
Prepaid expenses and deposits		997,948	410,427
		5,843,947	10,680,874
Non-current assets			
Property and equipment	5	349,702	515,467
		6,193,649	11,196,341
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		1,081,065	716,885
Sales taxes payable		111,573	106,709
Payable to tax authorities	8	139,876	133,738
Share-based payment obligation	11(c)	296,327	343,463
Lease liabilities – current portion	9 10	201,900	160,668
Loan payable	10	<u>40,000</u> 1,870,741	40,000 1,501,463
		1,870,741	1,501,405
Non-current liabilities			
Share-based payment obligation	11(c)	2,904	64,511
Lease liabilities	9	117,724	276,422
Provision for site reclamation and closure	5	50,384	50,384
		2,041,753	1,892,780
Equity			
Share capital	11	72,126,487	71,689,848
Reserves	11	15,764,403	15,541,566
Deficit		(83,738,994)	(77,927,853)
		4,151,896	9,303,561
		6,193,649	11,196,341

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

Approved by the Board

/s/ Kiran Patankar

Kiran Patankar, Interim President & CEO

/s/ Michelle Roth

Michelle Roth, Director, Chair of the Board

Condensed consolidated interim statement of loss and comprehensive loss Three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (Unaudited, expressed in Canadian dollars)

		Three months ende	d September 30,	Nine months ende	ed September 30,
		2023	2022	2023	2022
	Notes	\$	\$	\$	\$
Operating expenses (income)					
Exploration and evaluation expenses	6	746,488	1,486,497	3,186,144	4,376,929
General and administrative	12	432,021	1,358,062	3,241,599	4,207,340
Finance income	6(a)	(86,501)	(96,675)	(765,859)	(651,380)
Finance expense	4,9	21,364	28,202	149,257	83,248
Amortization of flow-through share premium	7	_	(465,562)	-	(1,406,658)
Loss and comprehensive loss for the period		1,113,372	2,310,524	5,811,141	6,609,479
Basic and diluted loss per share		0.00	0.01	0.02	0.02
Weighted average number of common sha	res				
outstanding (basic and diluted)		339,520,006	337,619,691	338,928,330	335,702,165

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

Condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity

Three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022

(Unaudited, expressed in Canadian dollars (except share amounts))

		Share c	apital		Reserves			
	-			Share-based	Warrants	Total		
		Number	Amount	payments reserve	reserve	reserves	Deficit	Total
	Notes		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, January 1, 2023		337,619,691	71,689,848	5,639,579	9,901,987	15,541,566	(77,927,853)	9,303,561
Shares issued for exploration property	11(b)(i)(viii)	767,573	125,000	_	-	_	_	125,000
Shares issued on vesting of RSUs	11(b)(iii)(iv)(v)(vi)(vii)	1,096,663	293,932	(293,932)	_	(293,932)	_	_
Options exercised	11(b)(ii)	100,100	17,707	(5,693)	_	(5,693)	_	12,014
Share-based payments	11(c)	_	_	524,462	_	524,462	_	524,462
RSU modifications		_	_	(2,000)	_	(2,000)	-	(2,000)
Comprehensive loss		_	_	-	_	-	(5,811,141)	(5,811,141)
Balance, September 30, 2023		339,584,027	72,126,487	5,862,416	9,901,987	15,764,403	(83,738,994)	4,151,896
Balance, January 1, 2022		335,054,172	71,154,922	4,490,642	9,901,987	14,392,629	(67,647,925)	17,899,626
Shares issued for exploration property	11(b)(ix)(xiii)	398,851	100,000	_	_		_	100,000
Shares issued on vesting of RSUs	11(b)(x)(xii)	516,668	177,834	(177,834)	_	(177,834)	_	· —
Options exercised	11(b)(xi)(xiv)	1,650,000	254,925	(89,925)	_	(89,925)	_	165,000
Share-based payments	11(c)	_	_	1,233,664	_	1,233,664	_	1,233,664
RSU modifications		_	_	(11,844)	_	(11,844)	_	(11,844)
Comprehensive loss		_	_	_	_	_	(6,609,479)	(6,609,479)
Balance, September 30, 2022	—	337,619,691	71,687,681	5,444,703	9,901,987	15,346,690	(74,257,404)	12,776,967

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of cash flows Three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (Unaudited, expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Three months ende	d September 30, N	ine months ended	September 30,
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Operating activities				
Loss for the period	(1,113,372)	(2,310,524)	(5,811,141)	(6,609,479)
Adjustments for	(1/110/071)	(2,510,521)	(0,011,111)	(0,000,175)
Depreciation	55,066	53,313	165,765	155,292
Share-based payments	(70,697)	279,571	522,462	1,221,820
Shares issued for exploration property	62,500	50,000	125,000	100,000
Amortization of flow-through share premium		(465,562)		(1,406,658)
Finance expense	17,359	4,325	139,403	20,104
(Gain) loss on disposition of marketable securities	_	_	(10,746)	
Changes in non-cash working capital items			(,,	
Sales taxes receivable	380,196	(163,649)	387,675	(327,119)
Prepaid expenses and deposits	(175,421)	72,983	(587,521)	(99,058)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(574,874)	449,539	364,180	234,066
Sales taxes payable	(17,904)	72,281	4,864	88,691
Deferred gain	(13,092)	(6,128)	· _	· _
Share-based payment obligation	(268,203)	46,149	(108,743)	11,952
Payable to tax authorities	2,100	1,977	6,138	9,534
	(1,716,342)	(1,915,725)	(4,802,664)	(6,600,855)
Investing activities				
Acquisition of property and equipment		(46,494)	_	(46,494)
(Acquisition) disposition of marketable securities		(40,494)	(407,139)	(40,454)
(Acquisition) disposition of marketable securities		(46,494)	(407,139)	(46,494)
		(40,494)	(407,139)	(40,494)
Financing activities				
Proceeds from option exercise	_	145,000	12,014	165,000
Repayment of lease liabilities	(58,471)	(54,582)	(175,414)	(162,277)
	(58,471)	90,418	(163,400)	2,723
	(,)	,		,
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(1,774,813)	(1,871,801)	(5,373,203)	(6,644,626)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	6,159,785	17,132,256	9,758,175	21,905,081
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	4,384,972	15,260,455	4,384,972	15,260,455

1. Corporate information

Maple Gold Mines Ltd. (the "Company" or "Maple Gold") is a company domiciled in Canada. Maple Gold was incorporated on June 3, 2010 under the Ontario Business Corporations Act and was continued under the Canada Corporations Act by articles of continuance dated June 22, 2011 and subsequently was continued under the British Columbia Business Corporations Act on January 7, 2021. The address of the Company's registered office is 2200-885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 3E8. The Company is primarily involved in the exploration of mineral resources.

2. Basis of presentation

(a) Statement of compliance

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required by International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS") for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS.

With the exception of a new accounting policy regarding the Company's marketable securities (Note 4), the accounting policies used in the preparation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements are the same as those applied in the Company's most recent annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022, and reflect all the adjustments necessary for fair presentation in accordance with IFRS for the interim periods presented.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved and authorized for issuance by the Board of Directors of the Company on November 16, 2023

(b) Basis of preparation and consolidation

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis. The presentation currency is the Canadian dollar; therefore, all amounts are presented in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company (its subsidiaries). Control exists when the Company has power over an investee, exposure or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and the ability to use its power over the investee to affect the amount of the Company's returns.

On January 11, 2021, the Company incorporated a wholly owned subsidiary, MGM Douay Gold Project Ltd, under the Canada Business Corporations Act. MGM Douay Gold Project Ltd. is the Company's only subsidiary.

2. Basis of presentation (continued)

(c) Critical accounting judgments and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to select accounting policies and make estimates and judgments that may have a significant impact on the financial statements. Estimates are continuously evaluated and are based on management's experience and expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual outcomes may differ from these estimates. The Company's critical accounting judgements and estimates were presented in Note 2(c) of the audited annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022, and have been consistently applied in the preparation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements. No new judgements and estimates were applied for the period ended September 30, 2023.

(d) Accounting policies adopted during the period

IAS 1 – Presentation of Financial Statements ("IAS 1") and IFRS Practice Statement 2, Making Materiality Judgements – Disclosure of Accounting Policies (the "Practice Statement")

In February 2021, the IASB issued amendments to IAS 1 and the Practice Statement to provide guidance on the application of materiality judgments to accounting policy disclosures. The amendments to IAS 1 replace the requirement to disclose 'significant' accounting policies with a requirement to disclose 'material' accounting policies. Guidance and illustrative examples are added in the Practice Statement to assist in the application of materiality concept when making judgments about accounting policy disclosures. The adoption of these amendments did not impact these condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

(e) Accounting policies not yet adopted

Issued but not yet effective - Amendments to IAS 1 – Presentation of Financial Statements

In January 2020 and October 2022, the IASB issued an amendment to IAS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements, to clarify the requirements under the standard for classifying a liability as non-current in nature. The amendments include:

- Specifying that an entity's right to defer settlement must exist at the end of the reporting period;
- Clarifying that classification is unaffected by management's intentions or expectations about whether the entity will exercise its right to defer settlement;
- Specifying that covenants whose compliance is assessed after the reporting date do
 not affect the classification of debt as current or non-current at the reporting date.
 Instead, disclosure of information about these covenants in the notes to the financial
 statements is required; and
- Clarifying if the settlement of a liability refers to the transfer of cash, equity instruments, other assets or services.

The Company will perform an assessment of the amendments on its financial statements prior to the effective date of January 1, 2024. Based on the currently available information, the Company does not anticipate any material impact from these amendments on its financial statements.

(f) Prior year comparatives

Certain prior year comparatives have been reclassified to conform with current year presentation.

3. Cash and cash equivalents

	September 30,	December 31,
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Components of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash	241,648	1,398,645
Cash equivalents	4,143,324	8,359,530
	4,384,972	9,758,175

As at September 30, 2023, all cash contributed by the Company to the Douay Gold-Joutel Joint Venture (Note 6) has been spent.

4. Marketable securities

Marketable securities comprise the Company's investment in the shares of a public company, which had a fair value of \$336,430 on September 30, 2023 (December 31, 2022 – \$nil).

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, a portion of these shares were disposed of and a gain of \$10,746 was recognized. As the remaining shares are held at fair value, an unrealized loss of \$81,455 was recognized during the nine months ended September 30, 2023 (September 30, 2022 – \$nil).

	Three months ended September 30, Nine months ended September 30,							
	2023	2022	2023	2022				
	\$	\$	\$	\$				
Balance, beginning of period	336,430	-	-	—				
Shares purchased	-	-	516,875	—				
Sale of shares	-	-	(109,736)	—				
Gain on sale of shares	-	-	10,746	_				
Unrealized loss	-	—	(81,455)	—				
Balance, end of period	336,430	_	336,430	_				

Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements Three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, and 2022 (Unaudited, expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated)

5. Property and equipment

	Right of use assets \$	Camp equipment \$	Computer equipment \$	Office furniture ir \$	Leasehold nprovements \$	Total \$
Cost						
Balance, December 31, 2021	727,176	76,558	137,683	26,954	115,137	1,083,508
Additions	438,997	46,494	-	-	-	485,491
Balance, December 31, 2022	1,166,173	123,052	137,683	26,954	115,137	1,568,999
Balance, September 30, 2023	1,166,173	123,052	137,683	26,954	115,137	1,568,999
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance, December 31, 2021	552,377	38,380	128,902	18,398	102,556	840,613
Depreciation	179,115	19,960	3,789	5,023	5,032	212,919
Balance, December 31, 2022	731,492	58,340	132,691	23,421	107,588	1,053,532
Depreciation	145,213	11,340	2,670	2,767	3,775	165,765
Balance, September 30, 2023	876,705	69,680	135,361	26,188	111,363	1,219,297
Net book value						
December 31, 2022	434,681	64,712	4,992	3,533	7,549	515,467
September 30, 2023	289,468	53,372	2,322	766	3,774	349,702

Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements Three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, and 2022 (Unaudited, expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated)

6. Exploration and evaluation expenses

The exploration and evaluation expenses, which have been incurred, are as follows:

	Three months ended September 30,									
—	Douay	Joutel	Eagle	Morris	2023	Douay	Joutel	Eagle	Morris	2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Acquisition costs	_	_	125,000	-	125,000	_	-	100,000	_	100,000
Airborne survey	-	-	_		-	_	8,000	-	-	8,000
Camp set up, camp costs and field supplies	58,639	12,102	339		71,080	8,493	88,223	100,915	-	197,631
Depreciation	8,686	—	_		8,686	6,152	_	_	_	6,152
Drilling and core assaying	207,447	146,789	652		354,888	153,962	495,731	251,767	-	901,460
Equipment rental and fuel	4,082	1,003	_		5,085	_	5,085	_	_	5,085
Geology	1,586	(2,135)	4,191		3,642	325	8,800	178	_	9,303
Geophysics	_	_	1,601		1,601	—	_	65,382	(59,782)	5,600
Licenses and permits	3,419	5,304	_		8,723	_	506	_	_	506
Other exploration support costs	(447)	_	_		(447)	(372)	1,735	18,842	_	20,205
Salaries and benefits	77,579	29,843	26,519		133,941	_	54,248	145,708	_	199,956
Share based payments	22,631	_	11,658		34,289	21,515	_	11,084	_	32,599
—	383,622	192,906	169,960	-	746,488	190,075	662,328	693,876	(59,782)	1,486,497
Mineral exploration tax credits	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_
	383,622	192,906	169,960	_	746,488	190,075	662,328	693,876	(59,782)	1,486,497

	Nine months ended September 30,									
-	Douay	Joutel	Eagle	Morris	2023	Douay	Joutel	Eagle	Morris	2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Acquisition costs	_	_	250,000	-	250,000	-	-	200,000	-	200,000
Airborne survey	-	-	-	-	-	31,509	8,000	_	_	39,509
Camp set up, camp costs and field supplies	301,116	77,221	71,680	-	450,017	106,234	88,223	430,742	_	625,199
Depreciation	24,281	-	-	-	24,281	13,808	_	_	_	13,808
Drilling and core assaying	759,675	416,281	460,663	-	1,636,619	605,731	495,731	1,461,475	_	2,562,937
Equipment rental and fuel	9,167	31,513	-	-	40,680	8,052	5,085	2,237	_	15,374
Geology	29,746	7,474	7,255	800	45,275	29,517	8,800	5,545	_	43,862
Geochemistry	-	-	-	-	-	473	_	_	_	473
Geophysics	_	18,991	28,198	-	47,189	-	-	76,682	36,025	112,707
Licenses and permits	9,068	6,198	1,108	3,022	19,396	7,876	506	1,308	_	9,690
Other exploration support costs	4,737	209	-	-	4,946	(372)	1,735	38,776	_	40,139
Salaries and benefits	343,159	121,928	111,075	-	576,162	137,605	54,248	367,135	429	559,417
Share based payments	60,442	-	31,137	-	91,579	99,210	-	51,109	-	150,319
	1,541,391	679,815	961,116	3,822	3,186,144	1,039,643	662,328	2,635,009	36,454	4,373,434
Mineral exploration tax credits	_	_	_	-	-	3,495	_	-	_	3,495
	1,541,391	679,815	961,116	3,822	3,186,144	1,043,138	662,328	2,635,009	36,454	4,376,929

6. Exploration and evaluation expenses (continued)

(a) Douay and Joutel

On February 2, 2021, the Company and Agnico Eagle Mines Limited ("Agnico") entered into the Joint Venture Agreement ("JV Agreement") pursuant to which the parties agreed to form a 50-50 joint operation (the "JV"), which combined the Company's Douay Gold Project ("Douay") and Agnico's Joutel Project ("Joutel") into a consolidated joint property package. Douay and Joutel (the latter hosting Agnico's past-producing Telbel mine) are contiguous properties located in the James Bay subregion of Northern Quebec.

The terms and conditions of the JV Agreement provide that: (i) Agnico will fund the joint operation \$16,000,000 in exploration expenses, and fund \$2,000,000 directly to the Company over a fouryear period; (ii) the Company will fund \$2,000,000 in exploration expenses over the same fouryear period and contribute Property and Equipment with an approximate value of \$40,000 located at the Douay Gold Project; (iii) Agnico and the Company in year one will jointly fund an additional \$500,000 in exploration on the western portion of Douay; and (iv) Agnico and the Company will each be granted a 2% Net Smelter Returns Royalty ("NSR") on the property that they contribute to the joint operation, with respective aggregate buyback provisions of \$40 million.

Committed funding to the JV from both operators is expected to occur as follows: \$4,000,000 in each of years one and two; \$5,000,000 in year three; and \$5,500,000 in year four. These funds will be allocated based on management committee budgets. Agnico and Maple Gold will contribute proportionately for expenditures thereafter.

Amounts received by the Company from Agnico are deferred to the extent that the Company has future committed funding performance obligations to the joint operation. The deferred amounts are recognized as other income as the Company fulfills its funding performance obligation by incurring exploration and evaluation expenditures at the joint operation.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company received \$500,000 from Agnico with regard to Agnico's year three contribution to the Company, in accordance with the terms outlined above. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, \$13,092 and \$500,000 of this contribution was incurred on qualified exploration expenditures and \$13,092 and \$500,000 has been recognized in finance income on the condensed consolidated interim statements of loss and comprehensive loss during the same periods.

(b) Eagle

On July 19, 2021, the Company announced that it had entered into an option agreement with Globex Mining Enterprises Inc. ("Globex") to acquire a 100% interest in the Eagle Mine Property ("Eagle") in Quebec. The Company can earn a 100% interest in Eagle by completing payments to Globex totaling \$1.2 million in cash and shares over five years and incurring exploration expenditures on Eagle of \$1.2 million over a four-year period as outlined in the table below:

Date	Cash payments \$		Shares \$		Cumulative exploration expenditures \$	
On signing	50,000	Paid	50,000	Issued	_	_
January 16, 2022	50,000	Paid	50,000	Issued	200,000	Incurred
July 16, 2022	50,000	Paid	50,000	Issued	200,000	Incurred
January 16, 2023	62,500	Paid	62,500	Issued	200,000	Incurred
July 16, 2023	62,500	Paid	62,500	Issued	500,000	Incurred
July 16, 2024	75,000		75,000		800,000	Incurred
July 16, 2025	100,000		100,000		1,200,000	Incurred
July 16, 2026	150,000		150,000		1,200,000	Incurred
	600,000		600,000		1,200,000	

6. Exploration and evaluation expenses (continued)

(b) Eagle (continued)

Globex will retain a 2.5% Gross Metal Royalty ("GMR") which is subject to a right of first refusal and can be reduced to a 1.5% GMR in consideration for a cash payment of \$1.5 million.

(c) Morris

On July 22, 2021, the Company acquired a 100% interest in 34 mining claims (the "Morris Claims") located in the Morris Township, Quebec by paying \$5,000 and issuing a 1% NSR in respect of the Morris Claims. The Company subsequently staked an additional 39 claims in January 2022 that expanded the Morris property to a current total of 73 mining claims.

7. Flow-through share premium liability

	Three months end	ed September 30,	Nine months ende	ed September 30,
	2023 2022		2023	2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, beginning of period Amortization of flow-through	-	1,700,104	-	2,641,200
share premium	_	(465,562)	_	(1,406,658)
Balance, end of period	_	1,234,542	_	1,234,542

On December 9, 2021, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement for gross proceeds of \$7,030,800 through the issuance of 13,020,000 flow-through shares at a price of \$0.54 per flow-through share. The flow-through shares were issued at a premium of \$0.20 per flow-through share, with the total flow-through share premium liability related to the 13,020,000 flow-through shares issued being \$2,641,200, representing the Company's obligation to spend the \$7,030,800 on eligible expenditures. The flow through share premium liability was fully amortized as of December 31, 2022.

8. Payable to tax authorities

Canada Revenue Agency ("CRA") has re-assessed the Company's 2010 Part XII.6 tax filing. The Company intends to defend its filing position and has filed a notice of objection with CRA for the 2010 tax year, although there is no way of knowing to what extent the Company will be successful in its objections.

Revenu Quebec conducted audits of the Company's METC filings for the 2011 to 2020 tax years and disallowed certain amounts that the Company subsequently disputed. The dispute has now been resolved, with the Company being entitled to the amounts pursuant to the METC which were previously disallowed.

9. Lease liabilities

	Three months ended September 30, Nine months ended September 30,				
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Balance, beginning of period	399,859	103,069	437,090	194,985	
Lease payments made	(58,471)	(54,582)	(175,414)	(162,277)	
Lease modification	-	_	_	_	
Lease additions	-	86,267	-	86,267	
Lease termination	-	_	-	_	
Interest expense on lease liabilities	17,359	4,325	57,948	20,104	
	358,747	139,079	319,624	139,079	
Less: current portion	(358,747)	(139,079)	(201,900)	(61,041)	
Balance, end of period	_	_	117,724	78,038	

10. Loan payable

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company applied for the COVID-19 Relief Line of Credit as part of the Government-sponsored Canada Emergency Business Account ("CEBA"). The Company received a CEBA loan of \$40,000 which is due on December 25, 2025. In September 2023, the Government of Canada extended the deadline for the interest free period on CEBA loans. The loan is now interest free until January 18, 2024, and bears interest at 5% per annum thereafter. If at least 75% of the loan principal is paid on or before January 18, 2024, the balance of the loan will be forgiven. It is the Company's intention to repay the CEBA loan before January 18, 2024, and as such this loan payable is presented as a current liability.

11. Share capital and reserves

(a) Authorized

The Company is authorized to issue unlimited common shares without par value.

(b) Share issuances

Nine-month period ended September 30, 2023:

- (i) On January 14, 2023, the Company issued 314,502 common shares with a deemed value of \$62,500 with respect to the Eagle option agreement (Note 6(b)).
- (ii) On January 16, 2023, the Company issued 100,100 common shares on the exercise of 100,100 stock options.
- (iii) On March 3, 2023, the Company issued 629,998 common shares on the vesting of 629,998 restricted share units.
- (iv) On March 25, 2023, the Company issued 149,999 common shares on the vesting of 149,999 restricted share units.
- (v) On April 4, 2023, the Company issued 50,000 common shares on the vesting of 50,000 restricted share units.
- (vi) On April 19, 2023, the Company issued 116,666 common shares on the vesting of 116,666 restricted share units.
- (vii) On April 20, 2023, the Company issued 150,000 common shares on the vesting of 150,000 restricted share units.
- (viii)On July 13, 2023, the Company issued 453,071 common shares with a deemed value of \$62,500 with respect to the Eagle option agreement.

Year ended December 31, 2022:

- (ix) On January 14, 2022, the Company issued 144,126 common shares with a deemed value of \$50,000 with respect to the Eagle option agreement (Note 6(b)).
- (x) On March 23, 2022, the Company issued 200,001 common shares on the vesting of 200,001 restricted share units.
- (xi) On April 28, 2022, the Company issued 200,000 common shares on the exercise of 200,000 stock options.
- (xii) On May 16, 2022, the Company issued 316,667 common shares on the vesting of 316,667 restricted share units.
- (xiii)On July 12, 2022, the Company issued 254,725 common shares with a deemed value of \$50,000 with respect to the third tranche of payments required on the Eagle option agreement (Note 6(b)).
- (xiv) On September 28, 2022, the Company issued 1,450,000 common shares on the exercise of 1,450,000 stock options.

11. Share capital and reserves (continued)

(c) Share based compensation plans

On December 17, 2020, the Company adopted a rolling Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), pursuant to which eligible directors, officers, employees, and consultants may be granted stock options, RSUs and DSUs. The aggregate maximum number of common shares available for issuance from treasury underlying RSUs and DSUs under the Plan is 12,000,000 common shares (9,000,000 for RSUs and 3,000,000 for DSUs). The Plan also includes a purchase program for eligible employees to purchase Program Shares.

The aggregate number of Common Shares that may be subject to issuance under the Plan, together with any other securities-based compensation arrangements of the Company, shall not exceed 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares at the time of the grant.

The following table summarizes share-based compensation for the period:

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2023 2022		2023	2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Equity settled awards				· · ·
Stock Option Expense	(62,569)	234,777	395,844	888,550
RSU expense	(8,127)	44,795	84,152	205,114
DSU expense	-	-	51,000	140,000
Compensation expense - equity settled awards	(70,696)	279,572	530,996	1,233,664
Cash settled awards				
RSU expense	(118,203)	57,400	95,939	362,391
DSU expense	(150,000)	(11,250)	(141,250)	27,500
Compensation expense - cash settled awards	(268,203)	46,150	(45,311)	389,891
Total compensation expense - equity & cash settled awards	(338,899)	325,722	485,685	1,623,555
Compensation expense included in:				
General and administrative (Note 12)	(373,188)	293,123	394,106	1,473,236
Exploration and evaluation (Note 6)	34,289	32,599	91,579	150,319
	(338,899)	325,722	485,685	1,623,555

11. Share capital and reserves (continued)

- (c) Share based compensation plans (continued)
 - (i) Stock options

The continuity of the number of stock options issued and outstanding is as follows:

Outstanding, December 31, 2021 Granted	22,633,433 7,600,000	0.18 0.32
Exercised	(1,650,000)	0.10
Cancelled/Forfeited	(5,783,333)	0.31
Outstanding, December 31, 2022	22,800,100	0.21
Granted	4,125,000	0.20
Exercised	(100,100)	0.12
Cancelled/Forfeited	(9,400,000)	0.21
Outstanding, September 30, 2023	17,425,000	0.21

As at September 30, 2023, the number of stock options outstanding and exercisable was:

			Outstanding			Exercisable
	Number	Exercise	remaining	Number	Exercise	remaining
Expiry date	of options	price	contractual	of options	price	contractual
	#	\$	life (years)	#	\$	life (years)
January 23, 2024	2,750,000	0.16	0.32	2,750,000	0.16	0.32
April 28, 2025	5,725,000	0.10	1.58	5,725,000	0.10	1.58
June 1, 2025	300,000	0.10	1.67	300,000	0.10	1.67
August 25, 2025	175,000	0.24	1.90	175,000	0.24	1.90
September 11, 2025	750,000	0.20	1.95	750,000	0.20	1.95
October 12, 2025	250,000	0.23	2.04	250,000	0.23	2.04
January 4, 2026	400,000	0.39	2.27	400,000	0.39	2.27
March 3, 2026	400,000	0.33	2.42	400,000	0.33	2.42
June 21, 2026	75,000	0.51	2.73	75,000	0.51	2.73
October 18, 2026	400,000	0.38	3.05	266,666	0.38	3.05
March 25, 2027	2,375,000	0.42	3.48	1,583,333	0.42	3.48
April 14, 2027	50,000	0.34	3.54	33,333	0.34	3.54
August 15, 2027	1,050,000	0.26	3.88	700,000	0.26	3.88
March 6, 2028	2,325,000	0.20	4.44	775,001	0.20	4.44
July 24, 2028	400,000	0.17	4.82	133,333	0.17	4.82
	17,425,000	0.21	2.34	14,316,666	0.19	1.96

11. Share capital and reserves (continued)

(c) Share based compensation plans (continued)

(i) Stock options (continued)

The Company uses the fair value method of accounting for all share-based payments to directors, officers, employees and others providing similar services. The fair values of the share options granted during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, and 2022 were estimated using the Black-Scholes option valuation model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 3	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	Option grants	Option grants	Option grants	Option grants
Risk-free interest rate	3.70%	2.87%	3.06%	2.23%
Expected dividend yield	nil	nil	nil	nil
Stock price volatility	86%	89%	88%	90%
Expected life in years	5	5	5	5
Weighted average grant				
date fair value	\$0.09	\$0.13	\$0.11	\$0.18

The expected volatility assumption is based on the historical and implied volatility of the Company's common shares. The risk-free interest rate assumption is based on the Government of Canada benchmark bond yields and treasury bills with a remaining term that approximates the expected life of the stock options.

(ii) Restricted Share Units

RSU's are granted under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan and are accounted for based on the market value of the underlying shares on the date of grant and vest as determined by the Board of Directors. These units are exercisable into one common share once vested, for no additional consideration. They can be redeemed in cash, at the Company's discretion.

The continuity of the number of cash and equity settled RSUs issued and outstanding is as follows:

	Cash Settled	Equity Settled	Total number of
	RSUs	RSUs	RSUs
Outstanding, December 31, 2021	1,105,593	1,042,741	2,148,334
Granted	2,878,000	652,000	3,530,000
Modification of cash/equity election	105,256	(105,256)	—
Vested	(1,617,496)	(516,668)	(2,134,164)
Forfeited	(94,334)	—	(94,334)
Outstanding, December 31, 2022	2,377,019	1,072,817	3,449,836
Granted	2,262,500	562,500	2,825,000
Modification of cash/equity election	13,367	(13,367)	_
Vested	(2,165,668)	(1,017,496)	(3,183,164)
Forfeited	(1,953,334)	(121,668)	(2,075,002)
Outstanding, September 30, 2023	533,884	482,786	1,016,670

11. Share capital and reserves (continued)

- (c) Share based compensation plans (continued)
 - (ii) Restricted Share Units (continued)

533,884 RSUs were determined to be cash settled awards. For cash-settled awards the liability is marked to market using the quoted market price of the underlying common shares at the end of each reporting period. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the share-based payment related to these cash settled awards was calculated as \$(118,203) and \$95,939 (three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 - \$57,400 and \$362,391).

482,786 RSUs were determined to be equity settled awards. The fair value of equity settled RSUs was determined based on the Company's share price on the date of grant. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the share-based payment related to these equity settled awards was calculated as \$(8,127) and \$84,152 (three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 - \$44,795 and \$205,114.

On March 6, 2023, the Company granted 2,825,000 RSUs to its directors, officers and employees and subject to vesting provisions of one-third on April 14, 2023, one-third on April 14, 2024, and one-third on April 14, 2025.

On March 25, 2022, the Company granted 3,530,000 RSUs to its directors, officers and employees and subject to vesting provisions of one-third on April 30, 2022, one-third on March 25, 2023, and one-third on March 25, 2024.

On March 3, 2021, the Company granted 3,175,000 RSUs to its directors, officers and employees and subject to vesting provisions of one-third on April 30, 2021, one-third on March 3, 2022, and one-third on March 3, 2023.

As at September 30, 2023, 1,016,670 RSUs remain outstanding (533,884 cash settled RSUs and 482,786 equity settled RSUs).

(iii) Deferred Share Units

DSUs are granted under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan and are accounted for based on the market value of the underlying shares on the date of grant and vest immediately. These units are exercisable into one common share for no additional consideration. In the event a participant resigns or is otherwise no longer an eligible participant during the period, then any grant of DSUs that are intended to cover such period, the participant will only be entitled to a pro-rated DSU payment. These units can be redeemed in cash, at the Company's discretion. The Company did not issue DSUs prior to 2021.

For cash-settled awards the liability is marked to market using the quoted market price of the underlying common shares at the end of each reporting period. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the share-based payment related to these cash settled awards was calculated as (\$150,000) and \$(141,250) (three and nine months ended 2022 – (\$11,250) and \$27,250).

The fair value of equity settled DSUs was determined based on the Company's share price on the date of grant. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the share-based payment related to these equity settled awards was calculated as \$nil and \$51,000 (three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 - \$nil and \$140,000).

On March 6, 2023, the Company granted 550,000 DSUs to its directors and these units vested in full at the grant date.

On March 25, 2022, the Company granted 900,000 DSUs to its directors and these units vested in full at the grant date.

Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements Three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, and 2022 (Unaudited, expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated)

11. Share capital and reserves (continued)

- (c) Share based compensation plans (continued)
 - (iii) Deferred Share Units (continued)

On March 3, 2021, the Company granted 550,000 DSUs to its directors and these units vested in full at the grant date.

As at September 30, 2023, 1,000,000 DSUs remain outstanding (nil cash settled DSUs and 1,000,000 equity settled DSUs).

(d) Share purchase warrants

The continuity of the number of share purchase warrants issued and outstanding is as follows:

	Number of	Weighted average
	warrants	exercise price
		\$
Outstanding, December 31, 2022	25,838,821	0.34
Exercised	-	-
Expired	-	-
Outstanding, September 30, 2023	25,838,821	0.34

As at September 30, 2023, all of the outstanding warrants expire on October 13, 2023.

12. General and administrative

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 3	
	2023 2022		2023	2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Business development	39,824	64,965	387,864	189,903
Depreciation	46,380	47,162	141,484	141,485
Directors' fees	27,125	23,500	93,750	72,000
Office and general	96,183	79,317	247,119	195,107
Professional fees	171,370	45,620	478,555	230,236
Regulatory transfer agent and				
shareholder information	28,711	22,134	130,002	131,630
Salaries and benefits	264,580	638,996	790,264	1,312,558
Share-based payments	(373,189)	293,123	394,106	1,473,236
Travel, marketing and				
investor relations	131,037	143,245	578,455	461,185
	432,021	1,358,062	3,241,599	4,207,340

13. Related party balances and transactions

Compensation of key management personnel

During the period, compensation to key management personnel was as follows:

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine Months ended September 30,		
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Salaries and Benefits	164,309	178,601	551,539	655,150	
Share-based compensation	(289,271)	1,113	360,281	866,524	
Termination payments	-	324,000	-	324,000	
	(124,962)	503,714	911,820	1,845,674	

14. Segmented information

The Company's operations comprise a single reporting operating segment engaged in mineral exploration in Canada. As the operations comprise a single reporting segment, amounts disclosed in the financial statements also represent segment amounts.

15. Financial instruments

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities, prepaid expenses and deposits, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and loan payable. The fair values of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values, unless otherwise noted.

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The following summarizes fair value hierarchy under which the Company's financial instruments are valued:

- Level 1 fair values based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 fair values based on inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 fair values based on inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data.

As at September 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company classified publicly traded securities of \$336,430 (2022 - \$nil) included in marketable securities as Level 1. Fair value of cash and cash equivalents, prepaid expenses and deposits, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and loan payable approximate their carrying values.

No transfer occurred between the levels during the period.

The Company's financial instruments are exposed to credit risk, liquidity risk, and market risks, which include currency risk and interest rate risk.

(a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a third party fails to discharge its obligations under the terms of the financial contract and causes a financial loss for the Company. The Company's credit risk is attributable to its cash and cash equivalents and deposits. The Company limits exposure to credit risk on liquid financial assets through maintaining its cash and cash

14. Financial instruments (continued)

(a) Credit risk (continued)

equivalent balances in highly rated Canadian financial institutions. The Company considers the risk of loss associated with cash and cash equivalents to be low.

(b) 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 manages liquidity risk through the management of its capital structure.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are due within twelve months of the statement of financial position date.

(c) Market risk

This is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Significant market risks to which the Company is exposed are as follows:

(i) Foreign currency risk

The Company is exposed to currency risk by having balances and transactions in currencies that are different from its functional currency (the Canadian dollar). As at September 30, 2023, and 2022 and throughout the respective periods, the Company held immaterial balances in foreign currencies. Foreign currency risk is considered to be minimal.

(ii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk arising from the effect of changes in prevailing interest rates on the Company's financial instruments. The Company's exposure to interest rate risks is limited to potential increases or decreases on the interest rate offered on cash and cash equivalents held at chartered Canadian financial institutions, which would result in higher or lower relative interest income. This risk is considered to be minimal.