



**RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION**

**Interim Consolidated Financial Statements**

**Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2009**

**(Unaudited)**

The Company's auditor has not performed a review of these  
Interim Consolidated Financial Statements

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

Interim Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Stated in Canadian Dollars)

|   | <b>June 30</b>   | <b>December 31</b> |
|---|------------------|--------------------|
|   | <b>Unaudited</b> | <b>Audited</b>     |
|   | <b>2009</b>      | <b>2008</b>        |
| <b>Assets</b>                                     |                  |                    |
| <b>Current assets</b>                             |                  |                    |
| Cash and cash equivalents                         | \$ 11,332,850    | \$ 18,753,749      |
| Temporary investments (note 4)                    | 53,808,292       | 4,011,587          |
| Marketable securities (note 5)                    | 104,501          | 73,380             |
| Amounts receivable                                | 237,566          | 188,461            |
| Prepaid expenses and supplier advances            | 202,621          | 109,757            |
|   | 65,685,830       | 23,136,934         |
| <b>Equipment</b> (note 6)                         | 442,492          | 177,115            |
| <b>Other investments</b> (note 7)                 | 834,472          | 652,961            |
| <b>Mineral property costs</b> (note 8) (Schedule) | 94,535,011       | 82,862,073         |
| <b>Reclamation deposits</b> (note 9)              | 498,000          | 5,000              |
|   | \$ 161,995,805   | \$ 106,834,083     |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                                |                  |                    |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>                        |                  |                    |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities          | \$ 2,280,426     | \$ 793,393         |
| Corporate income tax payable                      | 1,505            | 22,603             |
|   | 2,281,931        | 815,996            |
| <b>Future Income Taxes</b>                        | 14,775,495       | 14,773,269         |
| <b>Shareholders' equity</b>                       |                  |                    |
| Share capital (note 10)                           | 161,913,644      | 109,912,429        |
| Contributed surplus (note 10(d))                  | 5,474,181        | 4,012,933          |
| Deficit   | (21,436,679)     | (21,351,403)       |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (note 10)  | (1,012,767)      | (1,329,141)        |
|   | 144,938,379      | 91,244,818         |
|   | \$ 161,995,805   | \$ 106,834,083     |

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

Asset retirement obligations (note 9)

Commitments (note 13)

Approved by the Board of Directors:

*"David Adamson"*

David Adamson, Director

*"John R. Brodie"*

John R. Brodie, FCA, Director

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

Interim Consolidated Statements of Operations and Deficit

Unaudited

(Stated in Canadian Dollars)

|   | For the 3 months ended<br>June 30 |                 | For the 6 months ended<br>June 30 |                 |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
|   | 2009                              | 2008            | 2009                              | 2008            |
| <b>Expenses</b>   |                                   |                 |                                   |                 |
| Amortization  | \$ 33,321                         | \$ 18,431       | \$ 51,267                         | \$ 34,067       |
| Consulting  | -                                 | 14,999          | -                                 | 44,258          |
| Foreign exchange loss   | 2,615                             | 12,216          | 1,652                             | 5,647           |
| General mineral exploration   | 57,819                            | 36,563          | 115,727                           | 83,742          |
| Investor relations  | 193,155                           | 200,522         | 320,633                           | 310,284         |
| Office  | 55,704                            | 51,760          | 122,733                           | 92,618          |
| Part XII.6 flow-through tax   | 5,400                             | 70,000          | 26,101                            | 151,000         |
| Professional fees   | 75,305                            | 69,654          | 111,049                           | 94,316          |
| Rent  | 25,117                            | 9,678           | 50,979                            | 32,930          |
| Salaries  | 280,079                           | 237,139         | 520,315                           | 585,872         |
| Stock-based compensation (note 10(b))                               | 517,697                           | 291,276         | 1,038,893                         | 435,457         |
| Transfer agent and regulatory filing fees                           | 39,473                            | 38,560          | 68,007                            | 51,454          |
| Travel and accommodation  | 38,155                            | 38,587          | 59,965                            | 75,985          |
| <b>(Loss) before other items</b>                                    | (1,323,840)                       | (1,089,385)     | (2,487,321)                       | (1,997,630)     |
| Interest and other income (loss)                                    | 52,567                            | (67,762)        | 104,869                           | 356,052         |
| Option and administration fees in excess of property costs          | 111,757                           | 68,555          | 227,752                           | 227,412         |
| (Loss) on sale of investments                                       | (72,341)                          | (80,035)        | (95,765)                          | (80,035)        |
| Other gains   | 566                               | 87,779          | 566                               | 87,779          |
| Current income tax expense  | (3,902)                           | -               | (3,902)                           | (140)           |
| Future income tax recovery (note 10(a)(5))                          | 134,513                           | -               | 2,168,525                         | 3,275,789       |
| <b>Net income (loss) for the period</b>                             | (1,100,680)                       | (1,080,848)     | (85,276)                          | 1,869,227       |
| <b>Deficit, beginning of the period</b>                             | (20,335,999)                      | (18,895,769)    | (21,351,403)                      | (21,845,844)    |
| <b>Deficit, end of the period</b>                                   | \$ (21,436,679)                   | \$ (19,976,617) | \$ (21,436,679)                   | \$ (19,976,617) |
| <b>Basic and diluted income (loss) per common share</b>             | \$ (0.01)                         | \$ (0.01)       | \$ (0.00)                         | \$ 0.01         |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding                | 187,679,176                       | 147,881,501     | 175,673,741                       | 147,880,567     |
| Fully diluted weighted average number of common shares outstanding* | 187,679,176                       | 147,881,501     | 175,673,741                       | 149,432,194     |

\* The exercise of options in the three and six months ended June 30, 2009 and the three months ended June 30, 2008, would have been anti-dilutive and so have been excluded from the calculation of fully diluted common shares in those periods.

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

Interim Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

Unaudited

(Stated in Canadian Dollars)

|   | For the 3 months ended<br>June 30 |                 | For the 6 months ended<br>June 30 |                 |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
|   | 2009                              | 2008            | 2009                              | 2008            |
| <b>Net income (loss) for the period</b>                                       | \$ (1,100,680)                    | \$ (1,080,848)  | \$ (85,276)                       | \$ 1,869,227    |
| <b>Other comprehensive income (loss) in the period</b>                        |                                   |                 |                                   |                 |
| Fair value adjustments to available for sale financial instruments            |                                   |                 |                                   |                 |
| Temporary investments   | 39,244                            | (8,052)         | (12,893)                          | 11,718          |
| Investments in public companies   | (1,220)                           | (268,631)       | 180,174                           | (373,509)       |
| Realized losses on investments in public companies reclassified to net income | 72,341                            | 80,035          | 95,765                            | 80,035          |
| Investment in companies spun-off  | 47,403                            | 220,175         | 53,328                            | (128,554)       |
| <b>Other comprehensive income (loss) in the period</b>                        | 157,768                           | 23,527          | 316,374                           | (410,310)       |
| <b>Comprehensive income (loss) for the period</b>                             | (942,912)                         | (1,057,321)     | 231,098                           | 1,458,917       |
| <b>Accumulated comprehensive loss, beginning of the period</b>                | (21,506,534)                      | (18,780,000)    | (22,680,544)                      | (21,296,238)    |
| <b>Accumulated comprehensive loss, end of the period</b>                      | \$ (22,449,446)                   | \$ (19,837,321) | \$ (22,449,446)                   | \$ (19,837,321) |

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

Interim Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Unaudited

(Stated in Canadian Dollars)

|   | For the 3 months ended<br>June 30 |                     | For the 6 months ended<br>June 30 |                     |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
|   | 2009                              | 2008                | 2009                              | 2008                |
| <b>Cash Provided by (Used for):</b>                       |                                   |                     |                                   |                     |
| <b>Operating Activities</b>                               |                                   |                     |                                   |                     |
| Net income (loss) for the period                          | \$ (1,100,680)                    | \$ (1,080,848)      | \$ (82,276)                       | \$ 1,869,227        |
| Adjustment for items which do not involve cash:           |                                   |                     |                                   |                     |
| Amortization  | 33,321                            | 18,431              | 51,267                            | 34,067              |
| Stock-based compensation in administration                | 517,697                           | 291,276             | 1,038,893                         | 435,457             |
| Gain (loss) on sale of investments                        | 72,341                            | 80,035              | 95,765                            | 80,035              |
| Other gains and losses                                    | -                                 | (87,779)            | -                                 | (87,779)            |
| Option receipts in excess of property cost                | (41,138)                          | -                   | (100,413)                         | -                   |
| Interest and other income                                 | 26,733                            | 310,380             | 57,169                            | 61,031              |
| Future income tax recovery                                | (134,513)                         | -                   | (2,168,525)                       | (3,275,789)         |
|   | (626,239)                         | (468,505)           | (1,111,120)                       | (883,751)           |
| Changes in non-cash working capital components:           |                                   |                     |                                   |                     |
| Prepaid expenses  | (22,922)                          | 3,201               | (92,864)                          | (387,661)           |
| Amounts receivable  | (57,309)                          | (163,911)           | (66,506)                          | (283,402)           |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities                  | 190,014                           | (750,885)           | 201,524                           | (363,466)           |
| Income taxes payable                                      | (21,098)                          | (74,000)            | (21,098)                          | (73,860)            |
|   | (537,554)                         | (1,454,100)         | (1,090,064)                       | (1,992,140)         |
| <b>Investing Activities*</b>                              |                                   |                     |                                   |                     |
| Temporary investments                                     | (2,022,152)                       | (3,661,319)         | (49,866,767)                      | 1,033,778           |
| Mineral property costs                                    | (6,774,064)                       | (5,044,349)         | (9,739,909)                       | (7,872,419)         |
| Reclamation deposits                                      | -                                 | -                   | (493,000)                         | -                   |
| Recovery of property costs incurred                       | 25,154                            | 597,771             | 35,636                            | 1,456,090           |
| Management and administration fees received               | -                                 | 189                 | -                                 | 1,520               |
| Purchase of equipment and investment                      | (254,418)                         | (35,002)            | (316,644)                         | (72,097)            |
| Proceeds on sales of investments                          | 80,573                            | 117,049             | 121,283                           | 117,049             |
|   | (8,944,907)                       | (8,025,661)         | (60,259,401)                      | (5,336,079)         |
| <b>Financing Activities*</b>                              |                                   |                     |                                   |                     |
| Common shares issued and subscriptions received           | 16,116,757                        | -                   | 56,483,541                        | 7,400               |
| Share issue costs   | (9,396)                           | -                   | (2,554,975)                       | (3,144)             |
|   | 16,107,361                        | -                   | 53,928,566                        | 4,256               |
| <b>Net cash provided (used) during the period</b>         | <b>6,624,900</b>                  | <b>(9,479,761)</b>  | <b>(7,420,899)</b>                | <b>(7,323,963)</b>  |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period</b> | <b>4,707,950</b>                  | <b>16,947,107</b>   | <b>18,753,749</b>                 | <b>14,791,309</b>   |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period</b>       | <b>\$ 11,332,850</b>              | <b>\$ 7,467,346</b> | <b>\$ 11,332,850</b>              | <b>\$ 7,467,346</b> |

During the 6 month period the Company received \$47,700 (2008 – 496,011) in interest and paid \$374 (2008 - \$420) in interest.

\* Supplemental Disclosure of Non-Cash Investing and Financing Activities – Refer to Note 14.

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

Interim Consolidated Statements of Mineral Property Costs

Unaudited

(Stated in Canadian Dollars)

|                                  | Balance<br>December 31<br>2008 | Gross<br>Expenditures<br>2009 | Recovery<br>2009 | Balance<br>June 30<br>2009 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>CANADA</b>                    |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| <b>ONTARIO</b>                   |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| <b>RED LAKE MINING DIVISION</b>  |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| <b>Phoenix Gold Project</b>      |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| Acquisition and option payments  | \$ 4,055,284                   | \$ 454,120                    | \$ -             | \$ 4,509,404               |
| Exploration costs:               |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| Geological and geochemical       | 2,164,953                      | 665,116                       | -                | 2,830,069                  |
| Drilling                         | 19,314,229                     | 5,837,829                     | -                | 25,152,058                 |
| Geophysical                      | 456,262                        | 57,435                        | -                | 513,697                    |
| Travel and accommodation         | 305,140                        | 106,581                       | -                | 411,721                    |
| Other                            | 109,735                        | 300,067                       | -                | 409,802                    |
| Underground                      | 734,849                        | 3,938,684                     | -                | 4,673,533                  |
|                                  | 27,140,452                     | 11,359,832                    | -                | 38,500,284                 |
| <b>Other Red Lake Properties</b> |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| Acquisition and option payments  | 484,178                        | 49,700                        | -                | 533,878                    |
| Exploration costs:               |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| Geological and geochemical       | 1,342,133                      | -                             | -                | 1,342,133                  |
| Drilling                         | 1,803,375                      | -                             | -                | 1,803,375                  |
| Geophysical                      | 334,225                        | 165,862                       | -                | 500,087                    |
| Travel and accommodation         | 121,975                        | -                             | -                | 121,975                    |
| Other                            | 67,800                         | 795                           | -                | 68,595                     |
| Administration fees (earned)     | (648,080)                      | -                             | -                | (648,080)                  |
|                                  | 3,505,606                      | 216,357                       | -                | 3,721,963                  |
| <b>McCuaig JV Project</b>        |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| Acquisition and option payments  | 125,890                        | -                             | -                | 125,890                    |
| Exploration costs:               |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| Geological and geochemical       | 531,321                        | -                             | -                | 531,321                    |
| Drilling                         | 2,286,814                      | -                             | -                | 2,286,814                  |
| Geophysical                      | 27,425                         | -                             | -                | 27,425                     |
| Travel and accommodation         | 35,809                         | -                             | -                | 35,809                     |
| Other                            | 8,000                          | -                             | -                | 8,000                      |
| Administration fees (earned)     | (76,345)                       | -                             | -                | (76,345)                   |
|                                  | 2,938,914                      | -                             | -                | 2,938,914                  |
| <b>English Royalty Division</b>  |                                |                               |                  |                            |
| Acquisition and option payments  | -                              | 18,235                        | (18,235)         | -                          |
|                                  | -                              | 18,235                        | (18,235)         | -                          |

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

Interim Consolidated Statements of Mineral Property Costs

Unaudited

(Stated in Canadian Dollars)

|                                 | Balance<br>December 31<br>2008 | Gross<br>Expenditures<br>2009 | Recovery<br>2009   | Balance<br>June 30<br>2009 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b> |                                |                               |                    |                            |
| <b>ALASKA</b>                   |                                |                               |                    |                            |
| <b>Alaska Properties</b>        |                                |                               |                    |                            |
| Acquisition and option payments | \$ 37,200,284                  | \$ -                          | \$ -               | \$ 37,200,284              |
| Exploration costs               |                                |                               |                    |                            |
| Geological and geochemical      | 1,814,908                      | 23,683                        | -                  | 1,838,591                  |
| Drilling                        | 2,371,509                      | -                             | -                  | 2,371,509                  |
| Travel and accommodation        | 26,230                         | -                             | -                  | 26,230                     |
| Other                           | 825,255                        | -                             | -                  | 825,255                    |
|                                 | <u>42,238,186</u>              | <u>23,683</u>                 | <u>-</u>           | <u>42,261,869</u>          |
| <b>NEVADA</b>                   |                                |                               |                    |                            |
| <b>Nevada Properties</b>        |                                |                               |                    |                            |
| Acquisition and option payments | 6,177,535                      | -                             | -                  | 6,177,535                  |
| Exploration costs               |                                |                               |                    |                            |
| Geological and geochemical      | 296,977                        | 73,066                        | -                  | 370,043                    |
| Geophysics                      | 562,658                        | -                             | -                  | 562,658                    |
| Other                           | 1,745                          | -                             | -                  | 1,745                      |
|                                 | <u>7,038,915</u>               | <u>73,066</u>                 | <u>-</u>           | <u>7,111,981</u>           |
| Mineral Property Costs          | <u>\$ 82,862,073</u>           | <u>\$ 11,691,173</u>          | <u>\$ (18,235)</u> | <u>\$ 94,535,011</u>       |

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements – Unaudited

June 30, 2009

(Stated in Canadian Dollars)

## 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Company is incorporated in British Columbia, Canada and has been primarily involved in the acquisition and exploration of mineral property interests in North America. At the date of these financial statements, the Company has not been able to identify a known body of commercial grade ore on any of its properties and the ability of the Company to recover the costs it has incurred to date on these properties is dependent upon the Company being able to identify a commercial ore body, to finance its exploration and development costs and to resolve any environmental, regulatory, or other constraints which may hinder the successful development of the property. The Company is in the development stage with no source of operating revenue and is dependent upon equity financing to maintain its current operations.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Basis of Accounting and Consolidation**

These interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) in Canada and follow the same accounting principles and method of computation as the consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. These interim consolidated financial statements do not conform in all respects to the requirements of generally accepted accounting principles for annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes for the year ended December 31, 2008. References to the Company included herein are inclusive of the accounts of the parent company and its 100% owned subsidiaries, 1304850 Ontario Inc., 0691403 BC Ltd., Rubicon Alaska Holdings Inc., Rubicon Alaska Corp., Rubicon Minerals Nevada Inc. and Rubicon Nevada Corp. All inter-company balances have been eliminated.

## 3. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Goodwill and Intangible Assets**

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted new CICA Handbook section 3064 which replaces CICA Handbook Section 3062, *Goodwill and Other Intangibles*. This standard provides guidance on the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of goodwill and intangible assets. Consequentially, references to deferred costs were removed from CICA Accounting Guideline 11, *Enterprises in the Development Stage*. Adoption of this standard did not have an effect on the Company’s financial statements.

### **Credit Risk and Fair Value of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities**

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted new CICA Emerging Issues Committee guidance in EIC-173, Credit Risk and the Fair Value of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities. The EIC provides guidance on how to take into account credit risk of an entity and counterparty when determining the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities, including derivative instruments. Adoption of this guidance did not have an effect on the Company’s financial statements.

### **Mining Exploration Costs**

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted new CICA Emerging Issues Committee guidance in EIC-174, “Mining Exploration Costs”. The EIC provides guidance on the capitalization and impairment review of exploration costs. Adoption of this guidance did not have an effect on the Company’s financial statements.

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

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## 3. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### New Accounting Pronouncements

International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”)

In February 2008 the Canadian Accounting Standards Board announced 2011 as the changeover date for publicly-listed companies to use IFRS, replacing Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. The specific implementation is set for interim and annual financial statements relating to fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011. The transition date of January 1, 2011 will require restatement for comparative purposes of amounts reported by the Company for the year ended December 31, 2010. While the Company has begun assessing the adoption of IFRS for 2011, the financial reporting impact of the transition to IFRS cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

## 4. TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS

Temporary investments consist of Canadian government treasury bills maturing between July 9, 2009 and January 21, 2010 with an aggregate carrying value and market value of \$53,808,292 at June 30, 2009 and effective interest rates between 0.137% and 0.571%.

## 5. MARKETABLE SECURITIES

Marketable securities are comprised of shares in public companies and had a carrying and market value of \$104,501 at June 30, 2009 (December 31, 2008 - \$73,380). Market values were based on quoted prices in an active market.

## 6. EQUIPMENT

|                        |            |                          | June 30 2009   | December 31 2008 |
|------------------------|------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|
|                        | Cost       | Accumulated Amortization | Net Book Value | Net Book Value   |
| Computer equipment     | \$ 182,297 | \$ 80,081                | \$ 102,216     | \$ 71,423        |
| Field Equipment        | 208,885    | 13,448                   | 195,437        | 7,988            |
| Furniture and fixtures | 128,557    | 63,612                   | 64,945         | 48,072           |
| Leasehold Improvements | 12,291     | 7,375                    | 4,916          | 6,760            |
| Software               | 162,236    | 87,258                   | 74,978         | 42,872           |
|                        | \$ 694,266 | \$ 251,774               | \$ 442,492     | \$ 177,115       |

## 7. OTHER INVESTMENTS

|  | June 30, 2009 | December 31, 2008 |
|--|---------------|-------------------|
| Investments in companies spun-off (1)          | \$ 185,662    | \$ 153,400        |
| Investments in other public company shares (2) | 648,810       | 499,561           |
|  | \$ 834,472    | \$ 652,961        |

(1) Investment in companies spun off consists of the net value of rights and obligations outstanding from options issued or revised at the December 2006 plan of arrangement. The June 30, 2009, carrying value and fair value of \$185,662 is attributable to the right to receive the proceeds from any exercise of Africo options or the underlying Africo shares

(2) Other investments in public company shares have aggregate carrying and market value of \$648,810 at June 30, 2009 (December 31, 2008 - \$499,561). Market values were based on quoted prices in an active market. These shares were received as payments pursuant to mineral property option agreements and pursuant to prior year spin-out transactions. where options expire or are forfeited unexercised.

# RUBICON MINERALS CORPORATION

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June 30, 2009

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## 8. MINERAL PROPERTY INTERESTS

There were no changes in the principal property interests of the Company during the 6 month period ended June 30, 2009.

## 9. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

The Company's asset retirement obligations consist of reclamation and closure costs for its Phoenix Gold project which is currently at the advanced exploration stage. Reclamation and closure activities related to this project will include land rehabilitation, demolition of buildings and processing facilities, ongoing care and maintenance and other costs. In February of 2009, the Company filed a Closure Plan with the Ontario Ministry of Northern Mines and Development ("MNDM") which included an independent estimation of closure costs, if currently implemented, which amounted to \$493,000. Upon filing the closure plan, a deposit in the same amount was made with the MNDM as financial assurance for completion of the closure plan when required. Additional financial assurance will be required if closure amount estimates increase.

The present value of this asset retirement obligation is currently immaterial to recognize due to (i) the Company's current intention to continue to hold and utilize the Phoenix property and related facilities for a period extending beyond 50 years and (ii) the Company has no legal requirement or intention to implement its closure plan during this extended holding period. Should management's intention's change or closure plans and cost estimates change, the Company may be required to recognize an asset retirement obligation on the consolidated balance sheet at that time.

## 10. SHARE CAPITAL

a) Authorized share capital consists of unlimited common shares without par value.

|                                | 6 Months Ended<br>June 30, 2009 |             | Year Ended<br>December 31, 2008 |             |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
|                                | Number of<br>Shares             | \$          | Number of<br>Shares             | \$          |
| Balance, beginning of period   | 156,151,871                     | 109,912,429 | 147,871,501                     | 103,572,229 |
| Private placements (1) (2) (3) | 25,000,000                      | 37,445,025  | 8,166,670                       | 9,460,640   |
| Stock options exercised (4)    | 482,500                         | 701,675     | 113,700                         | 155,349     |
| Warrants exercised             | 10,682,843                      | 16,024,265  | -                               | -           |
| Flow-through renunciation (5)  | -                               | (2,169,750) | -                               | (3,275,789) |
| Balance, end of period         | 192,317,214                     | 161,913,644 | 156,151,871                     | 109,912,429 |

(1) On March 5, 2009, the Company closed a \$40 million private placement financing and issued 25 million common shares at \$1.60 per share. A commission of \$2.2 million (5.5%) was paid to the underwriters.

(2) Nil (2008 – 4,870,370) shares were issued under flow-through share purchase agreements.

(3) Proceeds are net of issue costs of \$2,554,975 (2008 - \$740,289).

(4) Inclusive of the original \$242,400 (2008 - \$57,750) fair value of these options re-allocated from contributed surplus to share capital on exercise

(5) On February 28, 2009 the Company renounced \$6.6 million of exploration expenditures to flow-through share investors and recorded the effect of the reduction in future tax deductible expenses against share capital.

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## 10. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

### b) Stock Options

The following is a summary of the changes in the Company's outstanding stock options.

|                                  | 6 Months Ended<br>June 30, 2009 |                                       | Year Ended<br>December 31, 2008 |                                       |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                                  | Number of<br>Shares             | Weighted<br>Average<br>Exercise Price | Number of<br>Shares             | Weighted<br>Average<br>Exercise Price |
| Balance at beginning of period   | 4,733,300                       | \$ 0.93                               | 3,328,250                       | \$ 0.87                               |
| Granted                          | 3,005,000                       | 1.46                                  | 1,617,500                       | 1.03                                  |
| Exercised                        | (482,500)                       | 0.95                                  | (113,700)                       | 0.86                                  |
| Expired/Cancelled                | -                               | -                                     | (98,750)                        | 1.10                                  |
| Outstanding at end of period (1) | 7,255,800                       | 1.15                                  | 4,733,300                       | 0.93                                  |

(1) At June 30, 2009, the weighted-average remaining contractual life of stock options outstanding is 3.16 years (2008 – 2.60 years).

The fair value of stock options included in the expense figures, has been estimated using the Black-Scholes Option Pricing Model based on the following weighted average assumptions:

|                             | 6 Months ended June<br>30, 2009 | Year ended December<br>31, 2008 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Risk-free interest rate (%) | 1.88%                           | 3.67%                           |
| Expected life (years)       | 5 years                         | 5 years                         |
| Expected volatility (%)     | 67%                             | 64%                             |
| Expected dividend yield (%) | 0%                              | 0%                              |

The weighted average grant-date fair value of options granted during the period was \$0.83.

Option pricing models require the input of highly subjective assumptions, particularly as to the expected price volatility of the stock. Changes in these assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate and therefore it is management's view that the existing models do not necessarily provide a single reliable measure of the fair value of the Company's stock option grants.

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## 10. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

c) Summary of stock options outstanding:

| June 30, 2009              |                    |                        |                       |
|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Type of Issue              | Number Outstanding | Weighted Average Price | Weighted Average Life |
| Stock Options              |                    | \$                     | Years                 |
|                            | 100,000            | 0.44                   | 1.17                  |
|                            | 150,000            | 0.48                   | 1.20                  |
|                            | 200,000            | 0.56                   | 1.46                  |
|                            | 770,000            | 0.74                   | 2.54                  |
|                            | 20,000             | 0.76                   | 4.31                  |
|                            | 1,203,300          | 0.77                   | 0.53                  |
|                            | 115,000            | 0.79                   | 0.50                  |
|                            | 1,315,000          | 1.04                   | 3.62                  |
|                            | 2,597,500          | 1.31                   | 4.51                  |
|                            | 20,000             | 1.46                   | 3.86                  |
|                            | 95,000             | 1.68                   | 3.17                  |
|                            | 200,000            | 1.89                   | 4.79                  |
|                            | 150,000            | 1.90                   | 3.00                  |
|                            | 75,000             | 2.14                   | 4.75                  |
|                            | 100,000            | 2.55                   | 2.80                  |
|                            | 145,000            | 3.13                   | 4.94                  |
| <b>Total Stock Options</b> | <b>7,255,800</b>   | <b>1.15</b>            | <b>3.16</b>           |

d) Summary of changes in contributed surplus:

|  | 6 Months Ended<br>June 30, 2009 | Year Ended<br>December 31, 2008 |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Balance at beginning of period                                     | \$ 4,012,933                    | \$ 3,082,261                    |
| Stock-based compensation - administration                          | 1,038,892                       | 761,890                         |
| Stock-based compensation – mineral property costs                  | 664,756                         | 209,941                         |
| Fair value on options/warrants granted by spun-off companies       | -                               | 16,591                          |
| Fair value of stock options allocated to shares issued on exercise | (242,400)                       | (57,750)                        |
| <b>Balance at end of period</b>                                    | <b>\$ 5,474,181</b>             | <b>\$ 4,012,933</b>             |

## 11. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

|  | June 30, 2009         | December 31,<br>2008  |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), beginning of period | \$ (1,329,141)        | \$ 549,606            |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) for the period                   | 316,374               | (1,878,747)           |
| <b>Accumulated other comprehensive (loss), end of the period</b>   | <b>\$ (1,012,767)</b> | <b>\$ (1,329,141)</b> |
| Components of accumulated other comprehensive income               |                       |                       |
| Unrealized gains (losses) on temporary investments                 | \$ (7,723)            | \$ 5,169              |
| Unrealized (losses) on investments in public company shares        | (400,654)             | (571,890)             |
| Unrealized (losses) on the Company's Africo share receivable       | (604,390)             | (762,420)             |
| <b>Accumulated other comprehensive (loss)</b>                      | <b>\$ (1,012,767)</b> | <b>\$ (1,329,141)</b> |

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## **12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

For the six months ended June 30, 2009, the Company paid legal fees to a law firm, of which a partner is a director of the Company, aggregating to \$414,912 (2008 - \$35,854). As at June 30, 2009, this law firm is owed \$259,624 (December 31, 2008 - \$19,500). All these transactions were recorded at their fair value amounts and were incurred in the normal course of business.

## **13. COMMITMENTS**

- a) At June 30, 2009, the Company has \$103,068 (December 31, 2008 - \$144,295) in remaining lease payments for the use of its Vancouver office to September, 2010.
- b) At June 30, 2009, the Company is committed to incur \$Nil (December 31, 2008 – 5,730,041) in eligible exploration expenditures by December 31, 2009, in order to complete obligations entered into pursuant to flow-through share purchase agreements.
- c) The Company is required to make certain cash and share option payments and incur exploration costs to maintain its mineral properties in good standing. These payments and costs are at the Company's discretion and are based upon available financial resources and the exploration merits of the mineral properties which are evaluated on a periodic basis.

## **14. SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

During the six months ended June, 2009, the Company received common shares of other companies valued at \$100,413 (2008 - \$48,546) pursuant to the terms of property and joint venture agreements. The Company has excluded from its investing cash flows \$1,554,340 (2008 - \$11,606) in accounts payable relating to mineral property costs.



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**Management's Discussion & Analysis**

**Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2009**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

This Management Discussion and Analysis (“MD&A”) dated August 1, 2009 includes financial information from, and should be read in conjunction with, the interim consolidated financial statements for the 6 months ended June 30, 2009. It is further assumed that the reader has access to the audited consolidated financial statements and accompanying MD&A for the year ended December 31, 2008. Please refer to the cautionary notices at the end of this MD&A, especially in regard to forward looking statements. Rubicon Minerals Corporation (the “Company”) reports its financial position, results of operations and cash flows in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) in Canadian dollars.

Rubicon Minerals Corporation is a Canadian based mineral exploration-stage company that explores for commercially viable gold and base metal deposits. In addition the Company selectively invests in other mineral exploration and resource companies which the Company deems to be of merit.

The Company’s key assets are in the Red Lake gold camp, in the Province of Ontario. In addition, in the prior year, the Company acquired significant land packages in Alaska, USA and Nevada, USA. The Company does not have any assets or mineral properties that are in production or that contain a reserve.

The Company is a reporting issuer in the provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario and Quebec in Canada as well as with the SEC in the United States. The Company’s common shares trade on the TSX in Canada under the symbol ‘RMX’ and on the NYSE Amex Stock Exchange in the United States under the symbol ‘RBY’.

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Rubicon continued to drill from surface (land and barge based drills) at its Phoenix Gold Project throughout the second quarter and also initiated drilling from underground with two drill rigs in early July. The Company drilled a total of 11,637 metres at Phoenix, during the quarter, which represents about 10% of the March 2009 to March 2010 drilling plans. Positive results continued the trend established in 2008, confirming further expansion of the F2 Gold Zone.

To lead the underground development, the Company has secured the services of Claude Bouchard, P.Eng. as Vice President, Operations. Mr. Bouchard has over 25 years experience in the industry including mine management positions with FNX and Falconbridge. (More details are found in our news release of April 15, 2009).

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, the Company closed a \$40 million bought deal private placement financing for common shares. As a result, the Company announced plans to expand and accelerate its 2009 exploration program to 80,000 metres with further emphasis on underground drilling and associated development work (budget of \$25 million). (see news releases of March 5<sup>th</sup> and March 30<sup>th</sup>). During May, the Company received an additional \$16.4 million from the exercise of warrants. This was followed in July by the Company’s announcement of plans for up to an additional 20,000 metres of drilling property wide to test additional drill targets (budget of \$5 million).

### **Red Lake Exploration**

#### **100% Controlled Projects**

##### **Phoenix Gold Project**

The 100% owned Phoenix Gold Project includes 25 Licenses of Occupation, one Mining Lease, and 16 Patented Claims that cover approximately 505.43 contiguous hectares. Pursuant to acquisition agreements Rubicon is required to make certain advance annual royalty payments and a net smelter return royalty to the property vendor should commercial production be achieved. The Phoenix Gold Project is underlain by a NNE-trending, west-dipping belt of deformed and intermixed metasediments, basaltic volcanics and ultramafic rocks which define the “East Bay Trend”. The rocks are Archean in age and part of the Balmer Sequence. A strong NNE trending structural fabric through the area, which is considered part of the East Bay Deformation Zone (EBDZ) is variably affected by later, NW-SE trending cross cutting regional structures.

**2009 Exploration Highlights to June 30, 2009**

***Drilling***

The Company drilled a total of 11,637 metres on the Phoenix Gold property, during the quarter, to bring the total metres drilled year to date to 26,900. Several target areas were tested. The majority of this drilling was focused on the “F2 Gold Zone”, the discovery of which was announced March 12, 2008.

Mineralization within the F2 Zone occurs in a major ultramafic-mafic structural setting which is considered analogous to major deposits in the Red Lake gold district. The F2 Zone is currently drilled to 1437 metres below surface and remains open at depth. The zone is located approximately 450 metres southeast of the existing exploration shaft which is currently being extended from its former depth of 122 metres. Underground drilling from the 122 metre level commenced June 28, 2009. Gold in the F2 Zone is best developed within mafic volcanics as multiple and complex quartz veins, breccias and silica replacement zones that typically contain visible gold and trace to 3% sulphides. Results to date indicate that sub-parallel, high-grade gold lenses or shoots are developed within a robust gold-bearing structure that also hosts thick, lower grade intervals. The overall mineralized envelope suggests a steep plunge to the northwest. These interpretations are preliminary in nature and relationships between the various styles of mineralization are complex. Additional drilling is required to gain a better understanding of gold distribution, geometry and controls on mineralization within the F2 Zone.

Since discovering the F2 zone in late February, 2008, significant gold mineralization has now been intersected to a vertical depth of 4,715 feet (1,437 metres) and over an interpreted strike length of 2,559 feet (780 metres). The reader is referred to the Company’s news releases and its website ([www.rubiconminerals.com](http://www.rubiconminerals.com)) for more information. Drilling is on-going from land-based, barge-mounted and underground set-ups.

A new 43-101 technical report focused on the exploration results from the F2 Gold Zone was filed in January, 2009. Following the \$40 million financing in March, 2009, an expanded \$25 million drill program was announced (see news release dated March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009) which includes an 80,000 metre drill program and up to 20,000 metre property wide regional program.

***Permitting Summary***

Rubicon received all of the necessary permits to commence the previously reported Phase I dewatering and underground rehabilitation during the first quarter of 2009. In addition, Rubicon submitted a Closure Plan to the Government of Ontario to allow underground exploration which was approved (accepted for filing) February 27, 2009. Rubicon currently is extending the existing three compartment shaft by approximately 200 metres and expects completion in early Q4.

Rubicon is required to comply with all permits in hand which includes the obligation to continue to consult with local communities, including First Nations.

***Drilling Results***

Significant results received this quarter are summarized below. Drilling is on-going and complete assays remain pending.

**F2 Zone: F2 Zone Significant Gold Results<sup>†</sup> since March 23, 2009 and up to July 27, 2009**

| Hole         | Depth to Centre of Intercept (m) | Gold (g/t)  | Metres      | Gold (oz/t) | Feet        |
|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| F2-56        | 51                               | 12.1        | 2.0         | 0.35        | 6.6         |
| <b>Incl.</b> | <b>51</b>                        | <b>42.4</b> | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>1.24</b> | <b>1.6</b>  |
| <b>F2-56</b> | <b>45</b>                        | <b>4.1</b>  | <b>25.6</b> | <b>0.12</b> | <b>84.0</b> |
| Incl.        | 48                               | 8.3         | 8.0         | 0.24        | 26.2        |
| Incl.        | 46                               | 26.3        | 1.0         | 0.77        | 3.3         |
| F2-56        | 118                              | 2.1         | 8.0         | 0.06        | 26.2        |
| F2-57        | 96                               | 3.4         | 6.0         | 0.10        | 19.7        |
| F2-57        | 120                              | 12.3        | 30.0        | 0.36        | 98.4        |

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| Hole          | Depth to Centre of Intercept (m) | Gold (g/t)   | Metres      | Gold (oz/t)  | Feet         |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>F2-57</b>  | <b>109</b>                       | <b>68.8</b>  | <b>4.0</b>  | <b>2.01</b>  | <b>13.1</b>  |
| <b>Incl.</b>  | <b>109</b>                       | <b>368.9</b> | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>10.76</b> | <b>1.6</b>   |
| Incl.         | 121                              | 16.0         | 1.5         | 0.47         | 4.9          |
| <b>Incl.</b>  | <b>121</b>                       | <b>41.7</b>  | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>1.22</b>  | <b>1.6</b>   |
| <b>F2-58</b>  | <b>68</b>                        | <b>238.6</b> | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>6.96</b>  | <b>3.3</b>   |
| F2-58         | 136                              | 3.1          | 9.3         | 0.09         | 30.7         |
| Incl.         | 135                              | 4.1          | 5.0         | 0.12         | 16.4         |
| Incl.         | 136                              | 11.5         | 1.0         | 0.34         | 3.3          |
| <b>F2-59</b>  | <b>200</b>                       | <b>39.3</b>  | <b>3.7</b>  | <b>1.15</b>  | <b>12.1</b>  |
| <b>Incl.</b>  | <b>199</b>                       | <b>263.4</b> | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>7.68</b>  | <b>1.6</b>   |
| F2-60         | anomalous                        |              |             |              |              |
| F2-60B        | 309                              | 5.1          | 6.0         | 0.15         | 19.7         |
| F2-61         | 127                              | 5.4          | 5.9         | 0.16         | 19.4         |
| Incl.         | 126                              | 9.0          | 3.0         | 0.26         | 9.8          |
| <b>F2-61B</b> | <b>218</b>                       | <b>3.6</b>   | <b>49.0</b> | <b>0.11</b>  | <b>160.7</b> |
| Incl.         | 209                              | 6.5          | 13.0        | 0.19         | 42.6         |
| Incl.         | 217                              | 9.1          | 5.0         | 0.26         | 16.4         |
| Incl.         | 218                              | 14.1         | 3.0         | 0.41         | 9.8          |
| <b>Incl.</b>  | <b>221</b>                       | <b>33.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>0.96</b>  | <b>3.3</b>   |
| F2-62         | anomalous                        |              |             |              |              |
| F2-62B        | 95                               | 14.2         | 1           | 0.41         | 3.3          |
| F2-62B        | 190                              | 4            | 3           | 0.12         | 9.8          |
| F2-63         | anomalous                        |              |             |              |              |
| F2-63B        | 85                               | 14           | 1           | 0.41         | 3.3          |
| F2-63B        | 181                              | 7.1          | 7.6         | 0.21         | 24.8         |
| <b>Incl.</b>  | <b>178</b>                       | <b>37.6</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.10</b>  | <b>3.3</b>   |
| F2-63B        | 381                              | 123.5        | 1           | 3.6          | 3.3          |
| <b>F2-64</b>  | <b>180</b>                       | <b>42.9</b>  | <b>2</b>    | <b>1.25</b>  | <b>6.6</b>   |
| F2-64         | 181                              | 78.9         | 1           | 2.3          | 3.3          |
| F2-64         | 1437                             | 3.3          | 5           | 0.1          | 16.4         |
| FE-09-01      | 237                              | 3.6          | 3.0         | 0.10         | 9.8          |
| FE-09-01      | 243                              | 12.8         | 1.0         | 0.37         | 3.3          |
| F2-65         | 409                              | 22.9         | 0.5         | 0.67         | 1.6          |
| F2-65         | 421                              | 12.2         | 1.0         | 0.36         | 3.3          |
| F2-66         | 1032                             | 22.6         | 1.0         | 0.66         | 3.3          |
| <b>incl.</b>  | <b>1032</b>                      | <b>40.9</b>  | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>1.19</b>  | <b>1.6</b>   |
| FE-09-01      | 237                              | 3.6          | 3.0         | 0.10         | 9.8          |
| FE-09-01      | 243                              | 12.8         | 1.0         | 0.37         | 3.3          |
| DS-09-02      | 77                               | 7.7          | 1.0         | 0.22         | 3.3          |
| DS-09-02      | 125                              | 5.0          | 1.0         | 0.15         | 3.3          |
| DS-09-02      | 315                              | 7.3          | 1.0         | 0.21         | 3.3          |
| DS-09-02      | 318                              | 3.9          | 1.5         | 0.11         | 5.1          |
| DS-09-03      | 105                              | 4.8          | 1.0         | 0.14         | 3.3          |
| DS-09-04      | 614                              | 15.7         | 0.5         | 0.46         | 1.6          |

All assays are uncut

\*Significant gold results satisfy the following cut-off criteria: > 10.0 gram gold x metre product and > 3.0 g/t gold.

Anomalous holes satisfy the following criteria: > 2.5 gram gold x metre product and < 10.0 gram gold x metre product and greater than 2 g/t gold.

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All reported intercepts are core lengths and true widths are currently unknown. Reported gold values are uncut. Vein orientations are generally observed to be at moderate to high angle to the core axis but further drilling will be required to determine true thicknesses.

### **Other Red Lake projects**

Rubicon's strategy in Red Lake is predicated on its control of major ultramafic trends in this important gold-producing district. Ultramafic units are important because there is a close empirical relationship in Red Lake between ultramafic rocks and gold deposits as detailed in numerous public domain articles and publications. As such, all of Rubicon's current land holdings in Red Lake projects are considered strategic to our plans. While the current focus of the Company is on exploration at its Phoenix project, high geological potential and numerous gold zones are known to exist elsewhere on the Company's regional land holdings. These provide an important and unique pipeline of future exploration projects in Red Lake for the Company.

#### Adams Lake Property

The Adams Lake property comprises 35 unpatented mining claims (235 units) located approximately 5 kilometres east of the Red Lake mine complex. Titan 24 geophysical surveys define large structures extending to depth that are thought to be similar to structures which host gold mineralization elsewhere in this prolific gold district. The Company conducted a two-hole reconnaissance program at Adams Lake during 2008. The drilling confirmed the presence of prospective Balmer rocks and validated the Titan 24 survey in the area below iron formation located close to the Balmer formation contact. The Company believes these results confirm the presence of prospective units in a major fold closure at Adams Lake. Due to the focus on the Phoenix project, drilling at Adams Lake was curtailed to allow maximum resources to be directed to the F2 discovery.

#### East Bay Property

The Company has a 100% vested interest in 25 unpatented mining claims (44 units: Herbert Option and Seargeant Option). The project occupies four-kilometres of strike length of the East Bay Trend, immediately adjacent to, and on strike with, the GAZ zone (an inferred resource of 1.4 million tonnes grading 8.0 g/t gold controlled by Goldcorp/Premier Gold Source: Premier Gold News Releases). The East Bay claims are underlain by the East Bay ultramafic body, an important unit associated with gold elsewhere along the trend, including at Rubicon's Phoenix Gold Project. Although considered strategic and a priority target, plans for East Bay have been postponed to allow maximum resources to be directed to the Phoenix project.

#### DMC Property

The DMC property comprises 41 contiguous unpatented mining claims (263 units) located 7.5 kilometres northwest of the Red Lake mine complex and covers over 17 kilometres strike length of the northeast-trending Red Lake Greenstone belt. The property was subject to an option agreement with Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. (Agnico) at the beginning of 2008, but was returned 100% to the Company in February of that year. Large parts of the property remain underexplored and the property is thus considered strategic to the Company. The Company conducted a Titan 24 geophysical survey covering the core of the DMC property in April 2009 and the final data and reports are pending. This survey technique has the potential to provide targeting information from surface to up to one kilometre below surface. At the Company's Phoenix project, similar Titan 24 surveys have been able to identify the F2 Zone mineralized sequence. Rubicon views Titans 24 as a useful tool to identify new targets beyond the Phoenix project itself.

#### Humlin Property

The Company had optioned a 55% interest in 19 unpatented mining claims (216 units) known as the Humlin Project located in Fairlie Township to Solitaire Minerals Corporation ("Solitaire"). During 2008 Solitaire funded a soil sampling survey on claims immediately adjacent to Goldcorp's North Madsen property and northwest of Claude Resources' Madsen property. Solitaire was not able to meet the required \$400,000 option terms in 2008 and Rubicon subsequently re-acquired 100% of the property in February 2009. The property is subject to an underlying NSR of between 1.75% and 2.0%.

*Partnered Projects*

McCuaig JV Property

The McCuaig Property comprises three unpatented mining claims (10 claim units) seven kilometres northwest of the Red Lake mine complex and is a Joint Venture between Rubicon Minerals Corp. (60%) and Golden Tag Resources (40%). The property is strategically located in the heart of the Red Lake gold camp and is underlain in part by the Balmer stratigraphy of the Red Lake Greenstone Belt. The geological setting is considered to be analogous to the Bruce Channel mineralization previously being explored on the adjacent Gold Eagle Mines property (now controlled by Goldcorp Inc.) and to the setting of the major gold deposits of the camp hence is well located for future exploration. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company's focus at the Phoenix project meant that no work was carried out in the period. However, the location and geological environment on the property makes this a strategic project for Rubicon.

Red Lake North Property

The Company has optioned a 55% interest in 47 unpatented mining claims (329 units) known as the Red Lake North Project located in Bateman, Black Bear, Coli Lake and McDonough Townships to Solitaire. Solitaire is required to spend \$751,000 by May 1, 2011 (extended in the second quarter for one year to 2011) in order to maintain its option in good standing at which time, it will have vested as to a 55% interest in the project. The main focus of exploration on the property is in the area referred to as the Sidace Area claims.

*Sidace area claims:*

This area of the property is situated adjacent to the Main Discovery Zone (MDZ) located on the adjacent Goldcorp/Planet Exploration Inc. property (see Planet Exploration's news releases). The style of mineralization reported on the adjacent property is consistent with locally thick gold zones developed within folded quartz-sericite schist which are reported to exhibit an increase in both gold grade and thickness with depth. In early 2008 a drill hole completed to a depth of 2269 metres to test the down-dip extension of the MDZ. Assays returned from a 50.4 metre section of sericite-bearing schist indicate a thick section of elevated gold (0.74 g/t over 36.1 metres) including 3.42 g/t gold over 4.6 metres and individual assays up to 7.7 g/t gold over 1.0 metre. This stratigraphy is interpreted to be the equivalent of the stratigraphy host to the MDZ on adjacent claims. Partner Solitaire has elected not to drill a recommended follow-up deep drill hole at Sidace but it has met its expenditure commitment required to May 2009.

Westend Property

During 2008, the Company optioned a 60% interest in 23 unpatented mining claims (87 units) known as the Westend Project located in Ball Township to Halo Resources Ltd. ("Halo"). Under terms of the Letter Agreement dated July 10, 2008, Halo must incur \$1,000,000 in expenditures on the property over four years including \$75,000 firm in Year 1 (completed), make an initial cash payment of \$20,000 (completed) and issue to the Company 50,000 shares of Halo (completed) to earn a 60% interest in the property. Once the initial option for 60% is completed, Halo may earn an additional 15% interest in the property for a total of 75% interest by continuing the necessary work commitments to maintain the property in good standing and by delivering a Bankable Feasibility Study. The property is subject to a NSR of 1.0% on four of the claims in the Agreement.

Halo Announced July 22, 2009 that it commenced a 2009 summer field program on its West Red Lake Properties comprised of three Agreements of which Rubicon properties represent approximately one third of the ground. Halo is required to complete year two commitment of \$225,000 by July 31, 2010 and a \$20,000 cash payment (up to 50% in shares) by July 31, 2009.

Slate Bay Property

The Company has a 100% interest in 28 unpatented mining claims (146 units) located in McDonough and Graves Township. The Company's 100% interest is subject to a 1.75 - 2.0% NSR royalty. Approximately \$500,000 in exploration work has been completed since 2001.

Slate Bay, located in the core of Red Lake, is a large property with extensive gold-bearing highly prospective Balmer stratigraphy, including key mafic-ultramafic contacts in proximity to a regional scale angular unconformity. The setting is analogous to that at the producing mines in the camp, which collectively contain >20 million ounces

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of gold. Rubicon's exploration has advanced the Slate Bay property to a drill-ready status, and incorporates a \$500,000 dataset with which to plan future exploration programs. A minimum 10-hole (2,500 m) drill program is recommended for the Slate Bay property.

### **English Royalty Division**

The English Royalty Division refers to Rubicon's active program of acquiring mineral properties for the purpose of optioning out to other mining exploration companies. As such, it provides the Company with an ongoing revenue stream of cash and shares and a residual royalty position in all the properties acquired.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2009, the Company finalized 1 new property agreement and spent \$5,153 on acquisition costs and recovered \$203,949 in cash and shares. The cash and shares received are recorded on the property statement as a recovery of the \$5,153 in acquisition costs and the excess is recorded on the statement of operations and deficit as option receipts in excess of property costs.

### **Future Exploration Plans**

During the second quarter 11,637 metres of drilling were completed on its 100% controlled Phoenix Gold Project. Following the March 2009 \$40 million financing, the Company revised its exploration budget to include an 80,000 metre drill program for the period April 1 2009 to March 31 2010. At the end of June, 68,000metres are still to be drilled.

On June 28<sup>th</sup> Company commenced deepening of the Phoenix shaft. The Company plans to extend the shaft from 122 metres below surface to between 300 and 350 metres below surface and complete a 300-400 metre cross drift from which future diamond drilling will be carried out.

In May the company increased its treasury by \$16 million on the exercise of May 2007 warrants (see May 21, 2009 news release). As a consequence, the Company has increased its exploration budget to carry out up to an additional 20,000 metres of diamond drilling from surface on the Phoenix Gold Project. This additional drilling will be property wide and will test a number of priority targets outside the F2 Zone.

### **Qualified Person**

The 2009 exploration work in Red Lake is supervised by Terry Bursey, P.Geo., the Qualified Person under the definition of NI 43-101. Assays were conducted by SGS Minerals Services using standard fire assay on a 30 gram (1 assay ton) sample with a gravimetric finish procedure. Standards, blanks and check assays were included at regular intervals in each sample batch. Gold standards were prepared by CDN Resource Laboratories Ltd.

## **ALASKA EXPLORATION**

Pursuant to its obligations under the McEwen agreement, Rubicon has since May of 2007 carried out a total of Cdn\$5 million worth of exploration on its land holdings, located in the Pogo area of Alaska. This includes US\$1.2 million on claims under options from Rimfire Minerals Corporation. The Company has therefore met all current and future exploration obligations pursuant to the McEwen transaction, for Alaska.

The Alaska claims are at an early stage of exploration and accordingly, work has focused on mapping and prospecting of this large area to identify and prioritize targets going forward. The 2008 program also included a minor diamond drilling program testing priority areas. Prospecting of the ER claims, under option from Rimfire, led to the discovery of intermittently exposed sub-cropping surface mineralization hosted by quartz rich breccias and elevated gold mineralization, however subsequent drilling failed to return significant gold values.

Due to the F2 Gold Zone discovery, the Company has elected to reduce its 2009-2010 exploration in Alaska but it continues to view its holdings as prospective for new high grade gold discoveries in the area.

The Alaska projects are under the supervision of Curt Freeman, MS., PGeo, Qualified Person as defined by NI 43-101.

## **NEVADA EXPLORATION**

During 2007, Rubicon acquired a 225,000 acre land package in Elko County, Northeastern Nevada pursuant to the McEwen transaction. Exploration of this property is in the preliminary stage.

To the end of June 2009, the Company has expended Cdn\$935,000 on exploration on the property and has met all current and future exploration obligations pursuant to the McEwen transaction.

Due to the F2 Gold Zone discovery, the Company has elected to reduce its 2009-2010 exploration in Nevada but it continues to view its holdings as prospective for bulk mineable gold discoveries in the area.

## **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The success of the Company depends upon a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control. Typical risk factors and uncertainties, among others, include political risks, financing risks, title risks, commodity prices, exchange rate risks, operating and environmental hazards encountered in the exploration, development and mining business and changing laws and public policies. Risk factors are more fully described in our Annual Information Form, on file at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

## **OPERATING RESULTS**

### **6 Months ended June 30, 2009 compared to the 6 Months ended June 30, 2008**

For the 6 months ended June 30, 2009, the Company's net loss was \$85,276 (\$0.00 per share) compared to net income of \$1,869,227 (\$0.01 per share) incurred in the 6 months ended June 30, 2008, a difference from income to loss of \$1,954,503 million. The main factor in this change to loss was the recording of a recovery of future income taxes of \$2,167,339 million in the 6 months ended June 30, 2009 on the renunciation of flow-through share expenditures compared to \$3,275,789 in the 6 months ended June 30, 2008, and an increase of \$603,436 in stock based compensation expense in the 6 months ended June 30, 2009. During the 6 month period, the Company had other comprehensive income ("OCI") of \$316,373 compared to a \$410,310 loss in the prior year. Comprehensive income (the total of net income and other comprehensive income) for the 6 months was \$231,098 compared to a comprehensive income of \$1,458,917 in the prior year comparative period, a reduction in income of \$1,227,819.

The decrease in income was due to the net effect of some expense categories increasing and some decreasing. Significant items making up this change were as follows:

- General mineral exploration was higher by \$119,024. This expense does not follow a trend and consists of the exploration expenditures that are not allocable to current properties.
- Salary expense was lower by \$65,557 as no bonuses were awarded for fiscal 2008 that would have been paid out in 2009.
- Stock based compensation was higher by \$603,436 mostly relating to new options granted in January 2009.
- Interest income was lower by \$251,281 due to lower interest rates in the current period.
- Option receipts in excess of property costs, which represent amounts received from optionees of the Company's properties was higher by \$87,379. This line item is now mostly ERD option receipts in excess of acquisition costs.
- The future income tax recovery was lower by \$1,107,264 due to the future tax liability arising from renunciation of flow-through share expenditures and the offsetting of this liability against previously unrecognized tax losses. In 2008, \$10.4 million was renounced to investors whereas in 2009, \$6.575 million was renounced.
- Other comprehensive income for the 6 months ended June 30, 2009 represented a change from loss to income of \$726,684 compared to the prior year. The OCI loss in the prior year was mainly caused by a drop in value of the Company's option rights associated with Africo Resources Ltd. Africo's share price increased significantly in the current 6 month period.

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### 3 Months ended June 30, 2009 compared to the 3 Months ended June 30, 2008

For the 3 months ended June 30, 2009, the Company had a net loss of \$1,100,680 (\$0.01 per share) compared to a net loss of \$1,080,848 (\$0.01 per share) incurred in the 3 months ended June 30, 2008, an increase in net loss of \$19,832. During the quarter, the Company recorded other comprehensive income (“OCI”) of \$157,768 compared to OCI income of \$23,527 in the prior year comparative quarter. Comprehensive loss (the total of net loss and other comprehensive income) for the quarter was \$942,912 compared to a comprehensive loss of \$1,057,321 in the prior year comparative quarter, a decrease in comprehensive loss of \$114,409.

The increase in net loss was mainly the result of greater stock based compensation and general mineral exploration in the current second quarter. Greater other comprehensive income in the current year’s second quarter resulted in an overall reduction in comprehensive losses.. Significant changes in line items were as follows:

- General mineral exploration was higher by \$108,295 in the current quarter. This expense does not follow a trend and consists of the exploration expenditures that are not allocable to current properties.
- Stock based compensation was higher by \$226,421 in the current quarter due to higher valuations on vesting options.
- Part XII.6 tax on flow through was lower in the current quarter by \$64,600 as the Company had a smaller amount of prior year unspent flow-through exploration expenditures to make in the current year.
- Option receipts in excess of property costs, which represent amounts received from optionees of the Company’s properties was higher by \$130,241. This line item is now mostly ERD option receipts in excess of acquisition costs.
- The future income tax recovery was higher by \$134,513 in the current quarter due to the recognition of current tax losses against previously recorded future tax liabilities.
- Other comprehensive income for the quarter ending June 30, 2008 was \$157,768 (\$23,527 in Q2 2008). The large increase in OCI income in the current year was mainly caused by an increase in value of the Company’s option rights associated with Africo Resources Ltd. Africo’s share price increased significantly in the current quarter.

### SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS (Based on Canadian GAAP)

| Quarter   | 2009<br>Second | 2009<br>First | 2008<br>Fourth | 2008<br>Third | 2008<br>Second | 2008<br>First | 2007<br>Fourth | 2007<br>Third |
|---|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
|   | \$             | \$            | \$             | \$            | \$             | \$            | \$             | \$            |
| Interest and other income                           | 52,567         | 52,302        | 215,364        | 161,382       | 67,762         | 293,438       | 381,017        | 218,638       |
| Gain (loss) on sale of investments                  | (72,341)       | (23,424)      | (85,912)       | (111,252)     | 7,744          | -             | (165,503)      | (11,687)      |
| Net loss (income)                                   | 1,115,866      | (1,015,404)   | 1,318,567      | 531,151       | 1,080,848      | (2,950,075)   | 230,576        | 355,458       |
| Basic and fully diluted net loss (income) per share | 0.01           | (0.01)        | 0.00           | 0.00          | 0.01           | (0.02)        | 0.01           | 0.00          |

Overall, quarterly losses have tended to increase due to increased administration costs to support an expanding exploration program. If the Company had raised capital in a prior year, through the use of flow-through shares a renunciation of exploration expenses will always occur in the first quarter of the following year. If the Company has unrecognized tax losses or tax assets a significant recovery may be recorded in that quarter. This may push results into a net income position, as happened in the both the first quarters of 2008 and 2009.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources – 6 months ended June 30, 2009.

Following the \$10.2 million November 2008 flow-through and non-flow-through financing, the Company had working capital of \$22.3 million at the 2008 year end. Following the \$40 million March 2009 financing and the exercise of \$16.0 million worth of warrants related to the 2007 McEwen financing, working capital increased from \$22.3 million at the 2008 year end to \$63.4 million as at June 30, 2009. The Company’s investment policy is to invest excess funds only in Canadian federal or provincial government instruments.

The Company currently has sufficient funds to meet its working capital requirements for the next 24 months, including all announced 2009 exploration plans..

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### **Operating Cash Flows – 6 months ended June 30, 2009**

Cash used in operations of \$1,113,371, before working capital changes, were higher than cash used in the prior year of \$883,751.

### **Investing Activities – 6 months ended June 30, 2009**

For the 6 months ended June 30, 2009, the Company had a cash outflow of \$60 million on investing which included \$49.9 million of funds transferred to T-Bills of greater than 90 day terms and \$9.7 million cash on mineral property acquisition and exploration (\$7.9 million - 2008).

### **Financing Activities – 6 months ended June 30, 2009**

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009, the Company closed a \$40 million bought deal private placement financing issuing 25 million common shares at \$1.60 per share. A commission of \$2.2 million (5.5%) was paid to the underwriters leaving net proceeds of \$37.8 million.

For the 6 months ended June 30, 2009, the Company issued 10,682,483 (2008 - nil) common shares from the exercise of warrants and issued 482,500 (2008 - 10,000) common shares from the exercise of options for aggregate cash proceeds of \$16,483,540 (2008 - \$7,400).

### **OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

The Company does not have any off-balance sheet arrangements other than those disclosed under asset retirement obligations in note 9 and commitments in note 13 of the interim consolidated financial statements of the Company.

### **ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS**

The Company has an obligation to close and rehabilitate its exploration sites upon abandonment. At the Phoenix Gold project, a survey was completed in the first quarter, to estimate the current cost to rehabilitate the site, if it were abandoned today. The total cost was estimated to be \$493,000 and this amount was deposited with the Ontario Ministry of Northern Development and Mines (“MNDM”). No amount was recorded on the balance sheet for this obligation as a reasonable estimate of the likely date of asset retirement could not be determined and therefore a discounted amount of future cash flows could not be calculated. If such a calculation could be made, the result would be the recording of a liability at the discounted amount and therefore it would be significantly less than the current cost estimate of \$493,000.

### **COMMITMENTS**

At June 30, 2009, the Company has \$103,068 (2008 - \$184,772) in remaining lease payments for the use of its Vancouver office to September, 2010.

At June 30, 2009, the Company is committed to incur \$nil (2008 year end – \$5,730,041) in eligible exploration expenditures in order to complete obligations entered pursuant to flow-through share purchase agreements.

The Company is required to make certain cash and share option payments and incur exploration costs to maintain its mineral properties in good standing. These payments and costs are at the Company’s discretion and are based upon available financial resources and the exploration merits of the mineral properties which are evaluated on a periodic basis.

### **TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

#### Legal services

David Reid is a director of the Company and a partner at the law firm Davis LLP. For the six months ended June 30, 2009, the Company paid or accrued legal fees to Davis LLP, aggregating to \$442,573 (2008 - \$35,854). As at June 30, 2009, Davis LLP is owed \$259,624 (2007 - \$28,427).

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See note 12, “Related Party Transactions”, in the consolidated financial statements for additional information on related party transactions with the Company.

### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

The Company’s accounting policies are described in detail in Note 3 of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008. The Company considers the following policies to be most critical in understanding its financial results:

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting policies requires management of the Company to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates are based on past experience, industry trends and known commitments and events. By their nature, these estimates are subject to measurement uncertainty and the effects on the financial statements of changes in such estimates in future periods could be significant. Actual results will likely differ from those estimates.

#### Carrying value of mineral property costs

The Company has capitalized the cost of acquiring mineral property interests and on-going exploration and maintenance costs. Capitalized property costs are expensed in the period in which the Company determines that the mineral property interests have no future economic value. Capitalized property costs may also be written down if future cash flow, including potential sales proceeds and option payments, related to the property are estimated to be less than the carrying value of the property. The Company reviews the carrying value of its mineral properties periodically, and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable, reductions in the carrying value of each property would be recorded to the extent that the carrying value of the investment exceeds the property’s estimated fair value.

#### Stock-based compensation

The Company has adopted the fair value based method of accounting for stock option and compensatory warrant awards granted to directors, employees and consultants. Under this method, the fair value of stock options is calculated at the date of grant or vesting and is expensed, capitalized or recorded as share issue costs over the vesting period, with the offsetting credit to contributed surplus. If the stock options are exercised, the proceeds are credited to share capital.

The Company uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model to calculate the fair value of stock options and compensatory warrants granted. This model is subject to various assumptions. The assumptions the Company makes will likely change from time to time. At the time the fair value is determined, the methodology the Company uses is based on historical information, as well as anticipated future events.

### **CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES INCLUDING INITIAL ADOPTION**

#### **Goodwill and Intangible Assets**

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted new CICA Handbook section 3064 which replaces CICA Handbook Section 3062, Goodwill and Other Intangibles. This standard provides guidance on the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of goodwill and intangible assets. Consequentially, references to deferred costs were removed from CICA Accounting Guideline 11, Enterprises in the Development Stage. Adoption of this standard did not have an effect on the Company’s financial statements.

#### **Mining Exploration Costs**

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted new CICA Emerging Issues Committee guidance in EIC-174, “Mining Exploration Costs”. The EIC provides guidance on the capitalization and impairment review of exploration costs. Adoption of this guidance did not have an effect on the Company’s financial statements.

### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

The following pronouncements recently issued by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (“CICA”) will likely impact the Company’s future accounting policies:

#### International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”)

In February 2008 the Canadian Accounting Standards Board announced 2011 as the changeover date for publicly-listed companies to use IFRS, replacing Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. The specific implementation is set for interim and annual financial statements relating to fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011. The transition date of January 1, 2011 will require restatement for comparative purposes of amounts reported by the Company for the year ended December 31, 2010. While the Company has begun assessing the adoption of IFRS for 2011, the financial reporting impact of the transition to IFRS cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. The SEC has indicated that foreign private issuers, like the Company, will no longer have to append US GAAP reconciliations to their SEC filings upon their conversion to IFRS.

The key elements, timing and status of the Company’s changeover plan are outlined below:

1. Develop internal knowledge to manage changeover, design systems and produce IFRS reports.

Senior accounting staff have commenced upgrading their knowledge and will continue throughout the process.

2. Review accounting policy changes that are required or are optional under IFRS1 on conversion and make choices where necessary.

Mid to late 2009 has been targeted as completion date to make these decisions. When these changes and proposed decisions have been made, the audit committee and board will be provided with the knowledge to evaluate the proposed changes. Initial issue review has commenced.

3. Prepare 2010 opening balance sheets and reconciliations of 2010 interim and year end statements to Canadian GAAP statements of the same periods.

The target will be to prepare these statements as soon as practicable through 2010.

4. Review accounting software and other information technology issues for IFRS compliance.

Software is planned to be compliant before the transition date of January 1, 2010.

5. Review internal control implication of new policies and changeover.

Internal control implications are targeted to be determined before the changeover date of January 1, 2011.

6. Review disclosure controls and procedures in light of change to IFRS.

Disclosure controls and procedures implications will be determined before the changeover date of January 1, 2011.

7. Review business implications of conversion such as compensation formulas, key performance indicators and contract requirements.

Target completion date is mid 2010.

It is expected that policy changes implemented pursuant to IFRS may have a material effect on the Company’s financial statements.

**OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA**

As at August 6, 2009, the Company had the following common shares, stock options and warrants outstanding:

|                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Common shares                    | 192,329,714 |
| Stock options                    | 7,443,300   |
| Warrants                         | -           |
| Fully diluted shares outstanding | 199,773,014 |

**MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING**

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Any system of internal control over financial reporting, no matter how well designed, has inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation.

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the 3 months ended June 30, 2009, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, its internal control over financial reporting.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information on the Company, including its Annual Information Form and other public filings, are available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). Other information can be viewed at the Company's website at [www.rubiconminerals.com](http://www.rubiconminerals.com).

**CAUTIONARY NOTICES**

The Company's consolidated financial statements for the 6 months ended June 30, 2009 and this accompanying MD&A contain statements that constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 21E of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and "forward looking information" within the meaning of applicable Canadian provincial securities legislation (collectively, "forward-looking statements"). Forward-looking statements often, but not always, are identified by the use of words such as "seek", "anticipate", "believe", "plan", "estimate", "expect", "targeting" and "intend" and statements that an event or result "may", "will", "should", "could", or "might" occur or be achieved and other similar expressions. Forward-looking statements in this MD&A include statements regarding the Company's future exploration plans and expenditures, the satisfaction of rights and performance of obligations under agreements to which the Company is a part and estimates of rehabilitation costs, administrative assessments and other expenses.

The forward-looking statements that are contained in this MD&A are based on various assumptions and estimates by the Company and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. As a consequence, actual results might differ materially from results forecast or suggested in these forward-looking statements. Some of these risks and uncertainties are identified under the heading "RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES" in this MD&A. Additional information regarding these factors and other important factors that could cause results to differ materially may be referred to as part of particular forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements are qualified in their entirety by reference to the important factors discussed under the heading "Risks and Uncertainties" and to those that may be discussed as part of particular forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other factors that may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause the actual results to differ include market prices, results of exploration, availability of capital and financing on acceptable terms, inability to obtain required regulatory approvals, unanticipated difficulties or costs in any rehabilitation which may be necessary, market conditions and general business, economic, competitive, political and social conditions. These statements are based on a number of assumptions, including assumptions regarding general market conditions, timing and receipt of regulatory approvals, the ability of the Company and other relevant parties to satisfy regulatory requirements, the availability of financing for proposed transactions and programs on reasonable terms and the ability of third-party service providers to deliver services in a timely manner. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors which cause actual results to differ. Forward-looking

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statements contained herein are made as of the date of this MD&A and the Company disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or results or otherwise, except as required by applicable securities laws. There can be no assurance that forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.