

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL AND SPECIAL MEETING

AND

INFORMATION CIRCULAR

To be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2025

Dated: February 21, 2025

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL AND SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General and Special Meeting (the "Meeting") of NORSEMONT MINING INC. (the "Company") will be held via Zoom, on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time) for the following purposes:

- to receive the audited financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended December 31, 2023, together with the auditor's report thereon;
- to fix number of directors of the Company at six (6);
- to re-elect the current six directors for the ensuing year;
- to appoint Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton LaBonte LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, as the Company's auditor for the ensuing year, and to authorize the directors to fix the remuneration to be paid to the auditor;
- to approve, ratify and confirm the rolling Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan for the ensuing three years;
- to consider and, if thought fit, to pass a resolution authorizing the Company to make application to the Supreme Court of British Columbia pursuant to Section 229 of the *Business Corporations Act*, British Columbia, for rectification of any omissions, defects, errors or irregularities that have occurred in the conduct of the business or affairs of the Company including the failure of the Company to hold an annual general meeting during the 2023 calendar year and distribute interim and annual financial statements for that year; and
- to transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournments thereof.

The accompanying management information circular (the "**Information Circular**") provides additional information relating to the matters to be dealt with at the Meeting and is deemed to form part of this Notice. Also accompanying this Notice are (i) Form of Proxy or Voting Instruction Form, and (ii) Financial Statement Request Form. Any adjournment of the Meeting will be held at a time and place to be specified at the Meeting.

Only shareholders of record at the close of business on **February 21, 2025**, will be entitled to receive notice of and vote at the Meeting. Shareholders are entitled to vote at the Meeting either in person or by proxy. Each common share(the "**Common Shares**") is entitled to one vote.

Registered shareholders who are unable to attend the Meeting in person and who wish to ensure that their Common Shares will be voted at the Meeting are requested to complete, date and sign the enclosed form of proxy, or another suitable form of proxy and deliver it in accordance with the instructions set out in the form of proxy and in the Information Circular.

Non-registered shareholders who plan to attend the Meeting must follow the instructions set out in the form of proxy or voting instruction form to ensure that their Common Shares will be voted at the Meeting. If you hold your Common Shares in a brokerage account, you are not a registered shareholder.

#### ZOOM MEETING DETAILS:

In order to dial into the Meeting within Canada, shareholders can phone +1 778 907 2071 or in the United States, shareholders can phone +1 669 444 9171 and enter the Meeting ID and Password noted below.

Alternatively, you can find your local number at: Zoom International Dial-in Numbers - Zoom

In order to access the Meeting through Zoom, shareholders will need to download the application onto their computer or smartphone and then once the application is loaded, enter the Meeting ID and Password below or open the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83729824576?pwd=tMjbq8BLlSc0N8p7Hsa4ttgIYM2Dfo.1

Shareholders will have the option through the application to join the video and audio or simply view and listen.

Meeting ID: 837 2982 4576 Passcode: 882413

In order to assist the Scrutineer with attendance, shareholders are asked to log into the Meeting with their First and Last Names.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 21st day of February, 2025.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

<u>Signed: "Marc Levy"</u> MARC LEVY Chairman, CEO, and Director

# NORSEMONT MINING INC.

Suite 2501, 550 Burrard Street Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 2B5

# MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

The information contained in this Management Information Circular, unless otherwise indicated, is as of **February 21, 2025**.

This Management Information Circular is being mailed by the management of Norsemont Mining Inc. (the "Company" or "Norsemont") to shareholders of record at the close of business on February 21, 2025, which is the date that has been fixed by the directors of the Company as the record date (the "Record Date") to determine the shareholders who are entitled to receive notice of the meeting. The Company is mailing this Information Circular in connection with the solicitation of proxies by and on behalf of the Company for use at its Annual General and Special Meeting (the "Meeting") of the shareholders that is to be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time)via Zoom.

# **Solicitation of Proxies**

The solicitation of proxies will be primarily by mail for registered shareholders and by way of Notice and Access for Beneficial Shareholders (as defined below). Certain employees or directors of the Company may also solicit proxies by telephone or in person. The cost of solicitation will be borne by the Company.

# Notice-And-Access

The Company has elected to use the notice and access ("**Notice and Access**") provisions under National Instrument 54-101 ("**NI 54-101**") *Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer*, of the Canadian Securities Administrators, for the delivery to non-registered shareholders of the Company ("**Beneficial Shareholders**") of its Notice of Meeting and Information Circular (the "**Meeting Materials**") for the Meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

Under the provisions of Notice and Access, Beneficial Shareholders will receive a notice ("**Notice and Access Notice**") containing information on how they can access the Meeting Materials electronically instead of receiving a printed copy or how to receive a printed copy of the Meeting Materials. Together with the Notice and Access Notice, Beneficial Shareholders will receive a Voting Instruction Form ("**VIF**"), enabling them to vote at the Meeting. The Meeting Materials for the Meeting will be posted on the Company's website at https://norsemont.com/investors/ as of March 10, 2025 and will remain on the website for one year. The Meeting Materials will also be available on the Company's SEDAR corporate profile at www.sedar.com as of March 10, 2025.

The Company has elected to use the Notice and Access for the Meeting in respect of mailings to its Beneficial Shareholders but not in respect of mailings to its registered shareholders. Registered shareholders will receive a paper copy of the Meeting Materials and a Form of Proxy.

#### QUORUM

Under the Company's Articles, the quorum for the transaction of business at a Meeting of shareholder is one or more persons present and being, or representing by proxy, two or more shareholders entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting.

#### WHO CAN VOTE?

If you are a registered shareholder of the Company as at **February 21, 2025**, you are entitled to notice of and to attend at the Meeting and cast a vote for each share registered in your name on all resolutions put before the Meeting. If the shares are registered in the name of a corporation, a duly authorized officer of the corporation may attend on its behalf, but documentation indicating such officer's authority should be presented at the Meeting. If you are a registered shareholder but do not wish to, or cannot, attend the Meeting in person you can appoint someone who will attend the Meeting andact as your proxyholder to vote in accordance with your instructions (see "Voting By Proxy" below). If your shares are registered in the name of a "nominee" (usually a bank, trust company, securities dealer, financial institution, or other intermediary) you should refer to the section entitled "Non-Registered Shareholders" set out below.

It is important that your shares be represented at the Meeting regardless of the number of shares you hold. If you will not be attending the Meeting in person, we invite you to complete, date, sign and return your form of proxy as soon as possible so that your shares will be represented.

#### VOTING BY PROXY

If you do not come to the Meeting, you can still make your votes count by appointing someone who will be there to act as your proxyholder. You can either tell that person how you want to vote or you can let him or her decide for you. You can do this by completing a form of proxy.

In order to be valid, you must return the completed form of proxy to the Company's transfer agent, Odyssey Trust, 350-409 Granville Street, Attention: Proxy Department, or by fax within North America at 1-800-517-4553, or by email at proxy@odysseytrust.com not later than 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, prior to the time fixed for the Meeting or any adjournments thereof.

#### What Is A Proxy?

A form of proxy is a document that authorizes someone to attend the Meeting and cast your votes for you. We have enclosed a form of proxy with this Information Circular. You should use it to appoint a proxyholder, although you can also use any other legal form of proxy.

#### Appointing A Proxyholder

**You can choose any individual to be your proxyholder.** It is not necessary for the person whom you choose to be a shareholder. To make such an appointment, simply fill in the person's name in the blank space provided in the enclosed form of proxy. To vote your shares, your proxyholder must attend the Meeting. If you do not fill a name in the blank space in the enclosed form of proxy, the persons named in the form of proxy are appointed to act as your proxyholder (the "Management Proxyholders"). Those persons are directors, officers or other authorized representatives of the Company.

#### Instructing Your Proxy

You may indicate on your form of proxy how you wish your proxyholder to vote your shares. To do this, simply mark the appropriate boxes on the form of proxy. If you do this, your proxyholder must vote your shares in accordance with the instructions you have given.

If you do not give any instructions as to how to vote on a particular issue to be decided at the Meeting, your proxyholder can vote your shares as he or she thinks fit. If you have appointed the persons designated in the form of proxy as your proxyholder they will, unless you give contrary instructions,

#### vote your shares IN FAVOUR of each of the items of business being considered at the Meeting.

For more information about these matters, see Section 3 - The Business of the Meeting. **The enclosed form of proxy gives the persons named on it the authority to use their discretion in voting on amendments or variations to matters identified in the Notice of Meeting**. At the time of printing this Information Circular, the management of the Company is not aware of any other matter to be presented for action at the Meeting. If, however, other matters do properly come before the Meeting, the persons named on the enclosed form of proxy will vote on them in accordance with their best judgment, pursuant to the discretionary authority conferred by the form of proxy with respect to such matters.

# Changing Your Mind

If you want to revoke your proxy after you have delivered it, you can do so at any time before it is used. You may do this by (a) attending the Meeting and voting in person; (b) signing a proxy bearing a later date; (c) signing a written statement which indicates, clearly, that you want to revoke your proxy and delivering this signed written statement to the Company at Suite 2501 – 550 Burrard Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 2B5 or (d) in any other manner permitted by law.

Your proxy will only be revoked if a revocation is received by 10:00 a.m. in the morning (Pacific Time) on the last business day before the day of the Meeting, or any adjournment thereof, or delivered to the person presiding at the Meeting before it (or any adjournment) commences. If you revoke your proxy and do not replace it with another that is deposited with us before the deadline, you can still vote your shares but to do so you must attend the Meeting in person. Only registered shareholders may revoke a proxy. If your shares are not registered in your own name and you wish to change your vote, you must arrange for your nominee to revoke your proxy on your behalf (see below under"Non-Registered Shareholders").

# **REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS**

Registered Shareholders may wish to vote by Proxy whether or not they are able to attend the Meeting in person. Registered Shareholders electing to submit a Proxy may do so by completing, dating and signing the enclosed form of Proxy and returning it to the Company's transfer agent, Odyssey Trust Company, 350-409 Granville St. Vancouver, BC V6C 1T2, Attention: Proxy Department, or by fax at 1-800-517-4553.

In all cases, the Proxy must be received at least 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) before the Meeting or the adjournment thereof at which the Proxy is to be used.

# NON-REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS

Only registered holders of common shares or the persons they appoint as their proxyholders are permitted to vote at the Meeting. In many cases, however, common shares beneficially owned by a holder (a "**Non-Registered Holder**") are registered either:

- (a) in the name of an Intermediary (an "Intermediary") that the Non-Registered Holder deals with in respect of the shares. Intermediaries include banks, trust companies, securities dealers or brokers, and trustees or administrators of self-administered RRSPs, RRIFs, RESPs and similar plans; OR
- (b) in the name of a clearing agency (such as The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited (CDS)) of which the Intermediary is a participant.

Non-Registered Holders who have not objected to their Intermediary disclosing certain ownership information about themselves to the Company are referred to as "**NOBOs**". Those Non-Registered Holders who have objected to their Intermediary disclosing ownership information about themselves to the Company are referred to as "**OBOs**".

Pursuant to NI 54-101 of the Canadian Securities Administrators, the Company has distributed copies of proxy-related materials in connection with this Meeting (including this Information Circular) indirectly or directly to the NOBOs and to the Intermediaries for onward distribution to Non-RegisteredHolders.

Intermediaries that receive the proxy-related materials are required to forward the proxy-related materials to Non-Registered Holders unless a Non-Registered Holder has waived the right to receive them. Intermediaries often use service companies to forward the proxy-related materials to Non-Registered Holders. The Company will not be paying for Intermediaries to deliver to OBOs (who have not otherwise waived their right to receive proxy-related materials) copies of the proxy-related materials and related documents. Accordingly, an OBO will not receive copies of the proxy-related materials and related documents unless the OBO's Intermediary assumes the costs of delivery.

Generally, Non-Registered Holders who have not waived the right to receive proxy-related materials (including OBOs who have made the necessary arrangements with their Intermediary for the payment of delivery and receipt of such proxy-related materials) will be sent a voting instruction form which must be completed, signed and returned by the Non-Registered Holder in accordance with the Intermediary's directions on the voting instruction form. In some cases, such Non-Registered Holders will instead be given a proxy which has already been signed by the Intermediary (typically by a facsimile, stamped signature) which is restricted as to the number of shares beneficially owned by the Non-Registered Holder but which is otherwise not completed. This form of proxy does not need to be signed by the Non-Registered Holder, but to be used at the Meeting, needs to be properly completed and deposited with Odyssey Trust Company as described under "**Voting By Proxy**" above.

The purpose of these procedures is to permit Non-Registered Holders to direct the voting of the shares that they beneficially own. Should a Non-Registered Holder wish to attend and vote atthe Meeting in person (or have another person attend and vote on behalf of the Non-Registered Holder), the Non-Registered Holder should insert the Non-Registered Holder's (or such other person's) name in the blank space provided or, in the case of a voting instruction form, follow the corresponding instructions on the form.

Non-Registered Holders should carefully follow the instructions of their Intermediaries and their service companies, including instructions regarding when and where the voting instruction form or Proxy form is to be delivered.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS IN THE UNITED STATES

The solicitation of proxies involves securities of an issuer located in Canada and is being effected in accordance with the corporate laws of Canada and securities laws of the provinces of Canada. The proxy solicitation rules under the United States *Securities Exchange Act of 1934*, as amended, are not applicable to the Company or this solicitation, and this solicitation has been prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the securities laws of the provinces of Canada. Shareholders should be aware that disclosure requirements under the securities laws of the provinces of Canada differ from the disclosure requirements under United States securities laws. The enforcement by Shareholders of civil liabilities under United States federal securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that the Company is incorporated under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), as amended (the "**Act**"), certain of its directors and its executive officers are residents of Canada and a substantial portion of its assets and the assets of such persons are located outside the United States. Shareholders may not be able to sue a foreign company or its officers or directors in a foreign court for violations of United States federal securities laws. It may be difficult to compel a foreign company and its officers and directors to subject themselves to a judgment by a United States court.

# SECTION 2 - VOTING SHARES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

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

As at the close of business on the Record Date being **February 21, 2025**, **69,856,360** shares were issued and outstanding. Each shareholder entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the Meeting is entitled to one vote for each common share registered in his or her name at the close of business on **February 21**, **2025**.

On a show of hands, every individual who is present and is entitled to vote as a shareholder or as a representative of one or more corporate shareholders will have one vote, and on a poll every shareholder present in person or represented by a Proxy and every person who is a representative of one or more corporate shareholders, will have one vote for each share registered in that shareholder's name on the list of shareholders as at the Record Date, which is available for inspection during normal business hours at the Company's transfer agent and will be available at the Meeting.

To the knowledge of the directors and executive officers of the Company, no persons or corporations beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or exercised control or direction over, shares carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to all outstanding shares of theCompany as at **February 21, 2025.** 

# SECTION 3 - THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

A simple majority of affirmative votes cast at the Meeting is required to pass the resolutions described herein. If there are more nominees for election as directors or appointment of the Company's auditor than there are vacancies to fill, those nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected or appointed, as the case may be, until all such vacancies have been filled. If the number of nominees for election or appointment is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, all such nominees will be declared elected or appointed by acclamation.

#### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The audited financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended **December 31, 2023** will be placed before you at the Meeting. They have been mailed to the shareholders who have requested they receive a copy of same together with the Notice of Meeting and this Information Circular. These audited financial statements are available through the Internet on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

#### No approval or other action needs to be taken at the Meeting in respect of these documents.

Pursuant to National Instrument 51-102 *Continuous Disclosure Obligations* and National Instrument 54-101 *Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer*, both of the Canadian Securities Administrators, a person or corporation who in the future wishes to receive annual and interim financial statements from the Company must deliver a written request for such material to the Company. Shareholders who wish to receive annual and interim financial statements are encouraged to complete the appropriate section on the Financial Statement Request Form attached to this Information Circular and send it to the Company.

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

# Number of Directors

Under the Company's Articles and pursuant to the Act, the number of directors may be set by ordinary resolution but shall not be fewer than three. The Company currently has **six (6)** directors. All of the current directors are being put forward by management of the Company for election at the Meeting.

#### Recommendation

The Company's management recommends that the shareholders vote in favour of the resolution setting the number of directors at six (6). Unless you give other instructions, the Management Proxyholders intend to vote FOR the resolution setting the number of directors at six (6).

#### **NOMINEES FOR ELECTION**

Directors of the Company are elected for a term of one year. The term of office of each of the nominees proposed for election as a director will expire at the Meeting, and each of them, if elected, will serve until the close of the next annual general meeting, unless he or she resigns or otherwise vacates office before that time.

The following table sets out the names of management's nominees for election as directors of the Company; all offices in the Company each nominee now holds; each nominee's principal occupation, business or employment; the period of time during which each nominee has been a director of the Company; and the number of shares that are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, orover which control or direction is exercised, by each nominee as at Record Date.

Each of the nominees has agreed to stand for election and management of the Company is not aware of any intention of any of them not to do so. Management does not contemplate that any of the nominees will be unable to serve as a director but, if that should occur for any reason prior to the Meeting, the persons designated in the enclosed form of proxy reserve the right to vote for other nominees in their discretion.

Name and place of residence <sup>(1)</sup>	Principal occupation for the past five years <sup>(1)</sup> Direct or since		Number of shares <sup>(2)</sup>
Director	Strategic business planning and investment consultant since 2009; CEO of Gama Explorations Inc. since April 2022; CEO of Norsemont Mining Inc. from June 2017 to September 2020. Director and President of Cannogen International Inc. from June 7, 2021 and CEO of Cannogen International Inc. from August 19, 2021 to present.	2013	Nil Shares 150,000 Options Nil RSU
<b>Mijael Thiele</b> Santiago, Chile	Member of the Board of Directors of MLC Minera Las Cenizas since 2019; Director of Copperman & Co since 2022	November 4, 2024	Nil shares 100,000 Options Nil RSU
<b>Charles Ross</b> <sup>(3)(4)</sup> British Columbia, Canada <i>Director</i>	President of Goldex Resources Corp, August 2007-present; CEO of Tearlach Resources Limited, December 1996-Present; CEO of Four Nines Gold Inc., May 2019-Present	April 27, 2020	160,000 Shares 200,000 Options Nil RSU
Marc Levy British Columbia, Canada Chairman, Director, and CEO	President of Mosam Ventures Inc., October 2004 to present, Chief Executive Officer of Avarone Metals Inc., August 2006 to present.	September 2, 2020	1,191,753 Shares 550,000 Options Nil RSU

Sergei Diakov California, United States Director	Advisor Group Discovery for Exploration Group of Anglo American from 20185-2020; BCM Resources Board Member from 2020-2021; Chairman of Technical Committee at Fairchild Gold Corp since 2021; President, CEO and Board Member of BCM since 2021.	May 3, 2024	Nil Shares 100,000 Options Nil RSU
<b>Nikolas Perrault</b> <sup>(3)(4)</sup> Quebec, Canada <i>Director</i>	CEO of Twilight Capital Inc. since December 2008; Advisor board member of Virax Biolabs since September 2021.	April 13, 2023	8,750 Shares 300,000 Options 26,250 RSU

#### NOTES:

- <sup>(1)</sup> Information as to the residency and principal occupation has been provided by the respective directors.
- (2) Number of shares are provided on an undiluted basis. Information as to shares beneficially owned, as of February 21, 2025, not being within our knowledge has been furnished by the respective person, has been extracted from the list of registered shareholders maintained by the Company's transfer agent, has been obtained from insider reports filed by respective person and available through the Internet at the Canadian System for Electronic Disclosure by Insiders (www.sedi.ca) or has been obtained from early warning report and alternative monthly reports filed by the respective person and are available through the Internet on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.
- <sup>(3)</sup> Member of the Audit Committee as of February 21, 2025.
- <sup>(4)</sup> Member of the Corporate Governance Committee as of February 21, 2025.

#### Recommendation

The Company's management recommends that the shareholders vote in favour of the election of the proposed nominees as directors of the Company for the ensuing year. Unless you give instructions otherwise, the Management Proxyholders intend to vote FOR the nominees named in this Information Circular.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITOR**

At the Meeting, Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton LaBonte LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, located at Suite 1500 – 1140 West Pender Street, Vancouver, British Columbia. V6E 4G1, will be recommended by management and the Board of Directors for re-appointment as auditor of the Company at a remuneration to be fixed by the directors. See Section 5 – Audit Committee – External Service Fees.

#### Recommendation

The Company's management recommends that the shareholders vote in favour of the appointment of Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton LaBonte LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, as the Company's auditor for the ensuing year and grant the Board of Directors the authority to determine the remuneration to be paid to the auditor. Unless you give instructions otherwise, the Management Proxyholders intend to vote FOR the appointment of Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton LaBonte LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, to act as the Company's auditor until the close of its next annual general meeting and also intend to vote FOR the proposed resolution to authorize the Board of Directors to fix the remuneration to be paid to the auditor.

#### APPROVAL OF THE OMNIBUS EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

Whereas an Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan was adopted on July 3, 2020, the Company is seeking reapproval of its "rolling" Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan (the "**Plan**"), whereby 10% of the number of issued and outstanding shares of the Company at any given time may be reserved for issuance pursuant to the grant of Awards. The purpose of the Plan is to attract and motivate directors, senior officers, employees, consultants and others providing services to the Company and its subsidiaries, and thereby advance the Company's interests, by affording such persons with an opportunity to acquire an equity interest in the Company through the grant of Awards.

A summary of the Plan is on page 13 of this Information Circular. A copy of the Plan will be available for inspection at the Meeting. A Shareholder may also obtain a copy of the Plan by contacting the Company at Suite 2501, 550 Burrard Street Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 2B5 or search under the Company's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

At the Meeting, the Company's Plan will be recommended by management and the Board of Directors for adoption for the ensuing three years, until April 9, 2028.

Accordingly, Shareholders will be asked at the Meeting to pass the following ordinary resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Plan is hereby confirmed, ratified and approved, until April 9, 2028."

In the absence of instructions to the contrary, the shares represented by proxy will be voted FOR the re-approval and confirmation of the Plan.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Company will consider and transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof. Management of the Company knows of no other matters to come before the Meeting other than those referred to in the Notice of Meeting. Should any other matters properly come before the Meeting, the shares represented by the proxies solicited hereby will be voted on such matter in accordance with the best judgement of the persons voting by proxy.

# **SECTION 4 – EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### GENERAL

For the purpose of this Statement of Executive Compensation:

"Company" means Norsemont Mining Inc.;

"compensation securities" includes stock options, convertible securities, exchangeable securities and similar instruments including stock appreciation rights, deferred share units and restricted stock units granted or issued by the company or one of its subsidiaries for services provided or to be provided, directly or indirectly, to the company or any of its subsidiaries; and

"NEO" or "named executive officer" means each of the following individuals:

- (a) each individual who, in respect of the Company, during any part of the most recently completed financial year, served as chief executive officer ("CEO"), including an individual performing functions similar to a CEO;
- (b) each individual who, in respect of the Company, during any part of the most recently completed financial year, served as chief financial officer ("CFO"), including an individual performing functions similar to a CFO;
- (c) in respect of the Company and its subsidiaries, the most highly compensated executive officer other than the individuals identified in paragraphs (a) and (b) at the end of the most recently completed financial year ended **December 31, 2023** whose total compensation was more than

\$150,000 for that financial year; and

(d) each individual who would be a named executive officer under paragraph (c) but for the fact that the individual was not an executive officer of the Company, and was not acting in a similar capacity, at the end of that financial year.

Based on the foregoing definitions, during the most recently completed financial year ended **December 31, 2023**, the Company had **two (2)** NEOs, namely Marc Levy, CEO and Kulwant Sandher, CFO.

#### DIRECTOR AND NEO COMPENSATION

#### Director and NEO compensation, excluding options and compensation securities

The following table sets forth all compensation paid, payable, awarded, granted, given, or otherwise provided, directly or indirectly, by the Company or its subsidiary, to each NEO and director of the Company, in any capacity, including, for greater certainty, all plan and non-plan compensation, direct and indirect pay, remuneration, economic or financial award, reward, benefit, gift or perquisite paid, payable, awarded, granted, given or otherwise provided to the NEO or a director of the Company for services provided and for services to be provided, directly or indirectly, to the Company or its subsidiaries.

	Table of compensation excluding compensation securities						
Name and position	Year Ended Dec 31	Salary, consulting fee, retainer or commission (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Committee or meeting fees (\$)	Value of perquisites (\$)	Value of all other compensation (\$) <sup>(12)</sup>	Total compensation (\$)
Marc Levy <sup>(1)</sup>	2023	\$240,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$33,336	\$273,336
CEO and Director	2022	\$240,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$170,582	\$410,582
Kulwant Sandher <sup>(2)</sup>	2023	\$120,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$25,742	\$145,742
CFO	2022	\$120,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$94,462	\$214,462
<b>Allan Larmour</b> <sup>(3)</sup> Director	2023 2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$319	\$319
Director	-	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$5,947	\$5,947
Charles Ross (4)	2023 2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$20,772	\$20,772
Director	2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$85,542	\$85,542
Art Freeze (5)	2023	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$22,263	\$22,263
Former Director	2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$96,561	\$96,561
Kyle Haddow <sup>(6)</sup>	2023	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$4,367	\$4,367
Former Director	2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$43,087	\$43,087
Patrick Burns <sup>(7)</sup>	2023	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$21,586	\$21,586
Director	2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$38,567	\$38,567
Adrian King <sup>(8)</sup>	2023	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Former Director	2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$40,949	\$40,949
Nikolas Perrault <sup>(9)</sup>	2023	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$38,211	\$38,211
Director	2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Bill Koutsouras (10)	2023	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Former Director	2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
John Bean (11)	2023	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$29,633	\$29,633
Former Director	2022	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$43,787	\$43,787

#### NOTES:

<sup>(1)</sup> Marc Levy was appointed CEO on September 21, 2020. Mr. Levy was a member of Audit Committee as at December 31, 2021 until January 31, 2022, when he resigned as a member of Audit Committee.

<sup>(2)</sup> Kulwant Sandher was appointed as Chief Financial Officer on April 27, 2018. Professional fees for the years ended December 31, 2023 were paid to Hurricane Corporate Services Ltd., a company controlled by Kulwant Sandher.

<sup>(3)</sup> Allan Larmour was appointed as Director on August 13, 2013 and Interim CEO on June 7, 2017 until September 21, 2020. Mr. Larmour was a member of the Compensation Committee as at December 31, 2022.

<sup>(4)</sup> Charles Ross was appointed as Director on April 27, 2020. Mr. Ross is Chair of the Audit and Compensation Committees as at December 31, 2021 until January 31, 2022, when he resigned as a Chair of Audit Committee but remained a member of the Audit Committee.

<sup>(5)</sup> Art Freeze was appointed as Director on September 2, 2020 until October 17, 2023, when he resigned.

<sup>(6)</sup> Kyle Haddow was appointed Director on October 20, 2021 and resigned on April 18, 2023. Mr. Haddow was a member of Audit and Compensation Committees as at December 31, 2022.

- <sup>(7)</sup> Patrick Burns was appointed as Director on May 2, 2022 and resigned on November 12, 2023.
- <sup>(8)</sup> Adrian King was appointed Director on March 5, 2021 and resigned on April 20, 2022.
- <sup>(9)</sup> Nikolas Perrault was appointed Director on April 13, 2023. Mr. Perrault is a member of the Audit Committee.
- <sup>(10)</sup> Bill Koutsouras was appointed as Director from July 27, 2020 and resigned on September 30, 2021.
- <sup>(11)</sup> John Bean was appointed as Director on January 31, 2023 and resigned on November 17, 2023.
- <sup>(12)</sup> Other compensation represents fair value of options and RSUs granted and/or vested during the period.

#### Stock Options and Other Compensation Securities

The Company granted the following compensation securities to the directors and NEOs during the financial year ended **December 31, 2023**.

			<b>Compensation Secu</b>	rities			
Name and position John Bean	Type of compen sation security Options	Number of compensation securities, number of underlying securities, and percentage of class <sup>(1)</sup> 100,000 <sup>(2)</sup> – 0.168%	Date of issueor grant June 14, 2023	lssue, conversi on or exercise price (\$ ) \$0.25	Closing price of security or underly ing security ondate of grant (\$) \$0.20	Closing price of security or underlyin gsecurity at year end (\$) \$0.34	Expiry date June 14, 2028
Former Director	RSU	150,000 <sup>(3)</sup> – 0.04%	Aug 10, 2023	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.34	N/A
Adrian King Former Director	Options RSU	100,000 <sup>(2)</sup> – 0.168% Nil	June 14, 2023	\$0.25	\$0.20	\$0.34	June 14, 2028
<b>Art Freeze</b> Former Director	Options RSU	100,000 <sup>(2)</sup> – 0.168% Nil	June 14, 2023	\$0.25	\$0.20	\$0.34	June 14, 2028
<b>Bill</b> Koutsouras Former Director	Options RSU	25,000 <sup>(2) –</sup> 0.042% Nil	June 14, 2023	\$0.25	\$0.20	\$0.34	June 14, 2028
Patrick Burns Director	Options RSU	100,000 <sup>(2)</sup> – 0.168% Nil	June 14, 2023	\$0.25	\$0.20	\$0.34	June 14, 2028
Marc Levy CEO and Director	Options RSU	150,000 <sup>(2)</sup> – 0.25% Nil	June 14, 2023	\$0.25	\$0.20	\$0.34	June 14, 2028

Kulwant Sandher CFO	Options RSU	140,000 <sup>(2)</sup> – 0.23% Nil	June 14, 2023	\$0.25	\$0.20	\$0.34	June 14, 2028
Charles Ross Director	Options RSU	100,000 <sup>(2)</sup> – 0.168% Nil	June 14, 2023	\$0.25	\$0.20	\$0.34	June 14, 2028
Nikolas Perrault Director	Options RSU	300,000 <sup>(2) –</sup> 0.5% 35,000 <sup>(3)</sup> – 0.059%	April 20, 2023 April 20,2023	\$0.31 \$0.31	\$0.28 \$0.28	\$0.12 \$0.12	April 20, 2028 N/A

Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the number of underlying shares issuable upon the exercise of Options and as a percentage of the total issued and outstanding shares of 59,526,680 as at December 31, 2023.

(2) Options vested immediately.

(3) RSU vesting quarterly over the period of 2 years.

No Options were re-priced, replaced, extended or otherwise materially modified during the Company's two most recently completed financial years. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company cancelled 50,000 options, none of those were held by directors or NEOs. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company cancelled 1,170,000 options of which 650,000 were held by directors and NEOs.

The following table sets forth the total compensation securities held by each Named Executive Officer and director as of December 31, 2023:

Name and Position	Type of Compensation Security	Total Number of Compensation Securities Held	Total Number of Shares Underlying Compensation Securities
Marc Levy	Stock Option	550,000	550,000
CEO	RSU	Nil	Nil
Kulwant Sandher	Stock Option	170,000	170,000
CFO	RSU	Nil	Nil
Allan Larmour	StockOption	150,000	150,000
Director	RSU	Nil	Nil
Charles Ross	Stock Option	200,000	200,000
Director	RSU	Nil	Nil
Art Freeze	Stock Option	200,000	200,000
Former Director	RSU	Nil	Nil
Nikolas Perrault	Stock Option	300,000	300,000
Director	RSU	26,250	26,250
Adrian King	Stock Option	100,000	100,000
Former Director	RSU	43,750	43,750
Kyle Haddow	Stock Option	100,000	100,000
Former Director	RSU	Nil	Nil
Kant Trivedi	Stock Option	50,000	50,000
Former Director	RSU	Nil	Nil
John Bean	Stock Option	100,000	100,000
Former Director	RSU	159,375	159,375
Patrick Burns	Stock Option	100,000	100,000
Director	RSU	6,250	6,250
TOTAL	Stock Option	2,020,000	2,020,000
TOTAL	RSU	558,875	558,875

# *Exercise of Compensation Securities by Directors and NEOs during the financial year ended December 31, 2023*

No Options were exercised by NEOs and Directors for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

The following table sets forth the total common shares received on vested compensation securities by each Named Executive Officer and director during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

Name and Position	Type of Compensation Security	Total Number of Common Shares Issued on Vested Compensation	Exercise price	Date of Common Shares Issued
		Securities		
Marc Levy	RSU	55,000	N/A	March 6, 2023
CEO	RSU	6,875	N/A	March 3, 2023
	RSU	6,875	N/A	May 23, 2023
	RSU	6,875	N/A	August 23, 2023
	RSU	6,875	N/A	November 22, 2023
Kulwant Sandher	RSU	37,500	N/A	March 6, 2023
CFO	RSU	4,625	N/A	March 3, 2023
	RSU	4,625	N/A	May 23, 2023
	RSU	4,625	N/A	August 23, 2023
	RSU	4,625	N/A	November 22, 2023
Charles Ross	RSU	37,500	N/A	March 6, 2023
Director	RSU	4,625	N/A	March 3, 2023
	RSU	4,625	N/A	May 23, 2023
	RSU	4,625	N/A	August 23, 2023
	RSU	4,625	N/A	November 22, 2023
Art Freeze	RSU	17,500	N/A	March 6, 2023
Former Director	RSU	6,250	N/A	March 3, 2023
	RSU	6,250	N/A	May 23, 2023
	RSU	6,250	N/A	August 23, 2023
	RSU	6,250	N/A	November 22, 2023
Bill Koutsouras	RSU	17,500	N/A	March 9, 2023
Former Director		,	,	
Kyle Haddow	RSU	3,125	N/A	March 3, 2023
Former Director	RSU	3,125	N/A	July 7, 2023
	RSU	3,125	N/A	September 14, 2023
	RSU	3,125	N/A	December 6, 2023
Partrick Burns	RSU	3,125	N/A	February 15, 2023
Director	RSU	3,125	N/A	May 23, 2023
	RSU	6,250	N/A N/A	November 22, 2023
John Bean	RSU	3,125	N/A N/A	February 15, 2023
Former Director	RSU	3,125	N/A N/A	May 23, 2023
	RSU	3,125	N/A N/A	August 29, 2023
Nikolas Perrault	RSU	4,375	N/A N/A	September 25, 2023
Director	RSU	4,375	N/A N/A	November 22, 2023
	νου	297,625	IN/A	
TOTAL		291,020		

Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan")

The Company implemented an omnibus equity incentive plan on July 3, 2020 (the "**Plan**") enabling the Board to grant equity-based incentive awards in the form of options ("**Options**"), restricted share units ("**RSUs**"), performance share units ("**PSUs**") and deferred share units ("**DSUs**", and collectively with Options, RSUs and PSUs, the "**Awards**") from time to time to eligible persons (collectively, "**Participants**") in consideration of such Participants providing services to the Company or a subsidiary

of the Company. The number of Awards granted by the Company to Participants is determined by the Board, within the guidelines established by the Plan.

A summary of the key terms of the Plan is set out below, which is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the Plan.

# Key Terms of the Equity Incentive Plan

# Shares Subject to the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan

The Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan is a rolling plan which, subject to the adjustment provisions provided for therein (including a subdivision or consolidation of Common Shares), provides that the aggregate maximum number of Common Shares that may be issued upon the exercise or settlement of awards granted under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan shall not exceed 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding Common Shares from time to time, such number being 69,856,360 as at February 21, 2025. The Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan is considered an "evergreen" plan, since the Common Shares covered by awards which have been exercised, settled or terminated shall be available for subsequent grants under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and the number of awards available to grant increases as the number of issued and outstanding Common Shares increases.

# Insider Participation Limit

The Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan also provides that the aggregate number of Common Shares (a) issuableto insiders at any time (under all of the Company's security-based compensation arrangements) cannotexceed 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding Common Shares and (b) issued to insiders withinany one year period (under all of the Company's security-based compensation arrangements) cannot exceed 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding Common Shares. Furthermore, the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan provides that (i) the Company shall not make grants of awards to nonemployee directors if, after giving effect to such grants of awards, the aggregatenumber of Common Shares issuable to non-employee directors, at the time of such grant, under all of the Company's security based compensation arrangements would exceed 1% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares on a non-diluted basis, and (ii) within any one financial year of the Company, (a) the aggregate fair value on the date of grant of all Options granted to any one non- employee director shall not exceed \$100,000, and (b) the aggregate fair market value on the date of grant of all awards (including, for greater certainty, the fair market value of the Options) granted to any one non-employee director under all of the Company's security based compensation arrangements shall not exceed \$150,000; provided that such limits shall not apply to (i) awards taken in lieu of any cash retainer or meeting director fees, and (ii) a one-time initial grant to a non-employee director uponsuch non-employee director joining the Board.

Any Common Shares issued by the Company through the assumption or substitution of outstanding stock options or other equity-based awards from an acquired company shall not reduce the number of Common Shares available for issuance pursuant to the exercise of awards granted under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan.

#### Administration of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan

The Plan Administrator (as defined in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan) is determined by the Board, and is initially the Board. The Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan may in the future continue to be administered by the Board itself or delegated to a committee of the Board. The Plan Administrator determines which directors, officers, consultants and employees are eligible to receive awards under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, the time or times at which awards may be granted, the conditions under which awards may be granted or forfeited to the Company, the number of Common Shares to be covered by any award, the exercise price of any award, whether restrictions or limitations are to be imposed on

the Common Shares issuable pursuant to grants of any award, and the nature of any such restrictions or limitations, any acceleration of exercisability or vesting, or waiver of termination regarding any award, based on such factors as the Plan Administrator may determine.

In addition, the Plan Administrator interprets the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and may adopt guidelines and other rules and regulations relating to the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, and make all other determinations and take all other actions necessary or advisable for the implementation and administration of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan.

# Eligibility

All directors, employees and consultants are eligible to participate in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan. The extent to which any such individual is entitled to receive a grant of an award pursuant to the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan will be determined in the sole and absolute discretion of the Plan Administrator.

# Types of Awards

Awards of Options, RSUs, PSUs and DSUs may be made under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan. All of the awards described below are subject to the conditions, limitations, restrictions, exercise price, vesting, settlement and forfeiture provisions determined by the Plan Administrator, in its sole discretion, subject to such limitations provided in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, and will generally be evidenced by an award agreement. In addition, subject to the limitations provided in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and in accordance with applicable law, the Plan Administrator may accelerate or defer the vesting or payment of awards, cancel or modify outstanding awards, and waive any condition imposed with respect to awards or Common Shares issued pursuant to awards.

# **Options**

An Option entitles a holder thereof to purchase a prescribed number of treasury Common Shares at an exercise price set at the time of the grant. The Plan Administrator will establish the exercise price at the time each Option is granted, which exercise price must in all cases be the greater of the closing market price of the Common Shares on (i) the trading day prior to the date of grant and (ii) the date of grant, and as otherwise required pursuant to the policies of the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "**Market Price**"). Subject to any accelerated termination as set forth in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, each Option expires on its respective expiry date. The Plan Administrator will have the authority to determine the vesting terms applicable to grants of Options. Once an Option becomes vested, itshall remain vested and shall be exercisable until expiration or termination of the Option, unless otherwise specified by the Plan Administrator, or as otherwise set forth in any written employment agreement, award agreement or other written agreement between the Company or a subsidiary of theCompany and the participant. The Plan Administrator may provide at the time of granting an Optionthat the exercise of that Option is subject to restrictions, in addition to those specified in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, such as vesting conditions relating to the attainment of specified performance goals.

Unless otherwise specified by the Plan Administrator at the time of granting an Option and set forth in the particular award agreement, an exercise notice must be accompanied by payment of the exercise price. Subject to the policies of the Canadian Securities Exchange, a participant may, in lieu of exercising an Option pursuant to an exercise notice, elect to surrender such Option to the Company (a "**Cashless Exercise**") in consideration for an amount from the Company equal to (i) the Market Price of the Common Shares issuable on the exercise of such Option (or portion thereof) as of the date such Option (or portion thereof) is exercised, less (ii) the aggregate exercise price of the Option (or portion thereof) surrendered relating to such Common Shares (the "In-the-Money Amount") by written notice to the Company indicating the number of Options such participant wishes to exercise using the Cashless

Exercise, and such other information that the Company may require. Subject to the provisions of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and the policies of the Canadian Securities Exchange, the Company will satisfy payment of the In-the-Money Amount by delivering to the participant such number of Common Shares having a fair market value equal to the In-the-Money Amount.

# **Restricted Share Units**

A RSU is a unit equivalent in value to a Common Share credited by means of a bookkeeping entry in the books of the Company which entitles the holder to receive one Common Share (or the value thereof) for each RSU after a specified vesting period. The Plan Administrator may, from time to time, subject to the provisions of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and such other terms and conditions as the Plan Administrator may prescribe, grant RSUs to any participant in respect of a bonus or similar payment in respect of services rendered by the applicable participant in a taxation year (the "**RSU Service Year**").

The number of RSUs (including fractional RSUs) granted at any particular time under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan will be calculated by dividing (a) the amount of any bonus or similar payment that is to be paid in RSUs, as determined by the Plan Administrator, by (b) the greater of (i) the Market Price of a Common Share on the date of grant and (ii) such amount as determined by the Plan Administrator in its sole discretion. The Plan Administrator shall have the authority to determine any vesting terms applicable to the grant of RSUs, provided that the terms comply with Section 409A of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, to the extent applicable.

Upon settlement, holders will redeem each vested RSU for the following at the election of such holder but subject to the approval of the Plan Administrator: (a) one fully paid and non-assessable Common Share in respect of each vested RSU, (b) a cash payment or (c) a combination of Common Shares and cash. Any such cash payments made by the Company shall be calculated by multiplying the number of RSUs to be redeemed for cash by the Market Price per Share as at the settlement date. Subject to the provisions of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and except as otherwise provided in an award agreement, no settlement date for any RSU shall occur, and no Common Share shall be issued or cash payment shall be made in respect of any RSU any later than the final business day of the third calendar year following the applicable RSU Service Year.

# Performance Share Units

A PSU is a unit equivalent in value to a Common Share credited by means of a bookkeeping entry in the books of the Company which entitles the holder to receive one Common Share (or the value thereof) for each PSU after specific performance-based vesting criteria determined by the Plan Administrator, inits sole discretion, have been satisfied. The performance goals to be achieved during any performance period, the length of any performance period, the amount of any PSUs granted, the effect of termination of a participant's service and the amount of any payment or transfer to be made pursuant to any PSU will be determined by the Plan Administrator and by the other terms and conditions of any PSU, all as set forth in the applicable award agreement. The Plan Administrator may, from time to time, subject to the provisions of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and such other terms and conditions as the Plan Administrator may prescribe, grant PSUs to any participant in respect of a bonus or similar payment in respect of services rendered by the applicable participant in a taxation year (the "**PSU Service Year**").

The Plan Administrator shall have the authority to determine any vesting terms applicable to the grant of PSUs. Upon settlement, holders will redeem each vested PSU for the following at the election of such holder but subject to the approval of the Plan Administrator: (a) one fully paid and non-assessable Common Share in respect of each vested PSU, (b) a cash payment, or (c) a combination of Common Shares and cash. Any such cash payments made by the Company to a participant shall be calculated by multiplying the number of PSUs to be redeemed for cash by the Market Price per Share as at the settlement date. Subject to the provisions of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and except as otherwise provided in an award agreement, no settlement date for any PSU shall occur, and no Common Share shall be issued or cash payment shall be made in respect of any PSU any later than the final business day of the third calendar year following the applicable PSU Service Year.

# Deferred Share Units

A DSU is a unit equivalent in value to a Common Share credited by means of a bookkeeping entry in the books of the Company which entitles the holder to receive one Common Share (or, at the election of the holder and subject to the approval of the Plan Administrator, the cash value thereof) for each DSU on a future date. The Board may fix from time to time a portion of the total compensation (including annual retainer) paid by the Company to a director in a calendar year for service on the Board (the "**Director Fees**") that are to be payable in the form of DSUs. In addition, each director is given, subject to the provisions of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, the right to elect to receive a portion of the cash Director Fees owing to them in the form of DSUs.

Except as otherwise determined by the Plan Administrator or as set forth in the particular award agreement, DSUs shall vest immediately upon grant. The number of DSUs (including fractional DSUs) granted at any particular time will be calculated by dividing (a) the amount of Director Fees that are to be paid in DSUs, as determined by the Plan Administrator, by (b) the Market Price of a Share on the date of grant. Upon settlement, holders will redeem each vested DSU for: (a) one fully paid and non-assessable Common Share issued from treasury in respect of each vested DSU, or (b) at the election of the holder and subject to the approval of the Plan Administrator, a cash payment on the date of settlement. Any cash payments made under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan by the Company to a participant in respect of DSUs to be redeemed for cash shall be calculated by multiplying the number of DSUs to be redeemed for cash by the Market Price per Share as at the settlement date.

# Dividend Equivalents

Except as otherwise determined by the Plan Administrator or as set forth in the particular award agreement, RSUs, PSUs and DSUs shall be credited with dividend equivalents in the form of additional RSUs, PSUs and DSUs, as applicable, as of each dividend payment date in respect of which normal cash dividends are paid on Common Shares. Dividend equivalents shall vest in proportion to, and settle in the same manner as, the awards to which they relate. Such dividend equivalents shall be computed by dividing: (a) the amount obtained by multiplying the amount of the dividend declared and paid per Common Share by the number of RSUs, PSUs and DSUs, as applicable, held by the participant on the record date for the payment of such dividend, by (b) the Market Price at the close of the first business day immediately following the dividend record date, with fractions computed to three decimal places.

# Black-out Periods

In the event an award expires, at a time when a scheduled blackout is in place or an undisclosed material change or material fact in the affairs of the Company exists, the expiry of such award will be the date that is 10 business days after which such scheduled blackout terminates or there is no longer such undisclosed material change or material fact.

# Term

While the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan does not stipulate a specific term for awards granted thereunder, as discussed below, awards may not expire beyond 10 years from its date of grant, except where shareholder approval is received or where an expiry date would have fallen within a blackout period of the Company. All awards must vest and settle in accordance with the provisions of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and any applicable award agreement, which award agreement may include an expiry date for a specific award.

# Termination of Employment or Services

The following table describes the impact of certain events upon the participants under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, including termination for cause, resignation, termination without cause, disability, death or retirement, subject, in each case, to the terms of a participant's applicable employment agreement, award agreement or other written agreement:

Event	Provisions
Termination for Cause/Resignation	• Any Option or other award held by the participant that has not been exercised, surrendered or settled as of the Termination Date (as defined in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan) shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled as of the Termination Date.
Termination without Cause	<ul> <li>A portion of any unvested Options or other awards shall immediately vest, such portion to be equal to the number of unvested Options or other awards held by the participant as of the Termination Date multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of days between the date of grant and the Termination Date and the denominator of which is the number of days between the date of grant and the date any unvested Options or other awards were originally scheduled to vest. Any vested Options may be exercised by the participant at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (A) the expiry date of such Option; and (B) the date that is 90 days after the Termination Date. If an Option remains unexercised upon the earlier of (A) or (B), the Option shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled for no consideration upon the termination of such period. In the case of a vested award other than an Option, such award will be settled within 90 days after the Termination Date.</li> </ul>
Disability	• Any award held by the participant that has not vested as of the date of such participant's Termination Date shall vest on such date. Any vested Option may be exercised by the participant at any time until the expiry date of such Option. Any vested award other than an Option will be settled within 90 days after the Termination Date.
Death	• Any award that is held by the participant that has not vested as of the date of the death of such participant shall vest on such date. Any vested Option may be exercised by the participant's beneficiary or legal representative (as applicable) at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (a) the expiry date of such Option, and (b) the first anniversary of the date of the death of such participant. If an Option remains unexercised upon the earlier of (A) or (B), the Option shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled for no consideration upon the termination of such period. In the case of a vested award other than an Option, such award will be settled with the Participant's beneficiary or legal representative (as applicable) within 90 days after the date of the Participant's death
Retirement	<ul> <li>Any (i) outstanding award that vests or becomes exercisable based solely on the Participant remaining in the service of the Company or its subsidiary will become 100% vested, and (ii) outstanding award that vests based on the achievement of Performance Goals (as defined in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan) that has not previously become vested shall continue to be eligible to vest based upon the actual achievement of such Performance Goals. Any vested Option may be exercised by the participant at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (A) the expiry date of such Option; and (B) the third anniversary of the participant's date of retirement. If an Option remains unexercised upon the earlier of (A) or (B), the Option shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled for no consideration upon the termination of such period. In the case of a vested award other than an Option that is described in (i), such award will be settled within 90 days after the participant's retirement. In the case of a vested award other than an Option that is described in (ii), such award would otherwise have been settled had the participant remained in active service with the Company or its subsidiary. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if, following his or her retirement, the participant commences (the "Commencement Date") employment, consulting or acting as a director of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, any Option or other award held by the participant that has not been exercised or settled as of the Commencement Date shall be immediately forfeited andcancelled as of the Commencement Date shall be immediately forfeited andcancelled as of the Commencement Date shall be immediately forfeited andcancelled as of the Commencement Date shall be immediately forfeited andcancelled as of the Commencement Date shall be immediately forfeited andcancelled as of the Commencement Date shall be immediately forfeited andcancelled as of the Commencement Date shall be immediately forfeited andcancelled as of the Commence</li></ul>

# Change in Control

Under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, except as may be set forth in an employment agreement, award agreement or other written agreement between the Company or a subsidiary of the Company and a participant:

- (a) If within 12 months following the completion of a transaction resulting in a Change in Control (as defined below), a participant's employment, consultancy or directorship is terminated by the Company or a subsidiary of the Company without Cause (as defined in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan), without any action by the Plan Administrator:
  - (i) any unvested awards held by the participant at Termination Date shall immediately vest; and

(ii) any vested awards may be exercised, surrendered to the Company, or settled by the participant at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (A) the expiry date of such award; and (B) the date that is 90 days after the Termination Date. Any award that has not been exercised, surrendered or settled at the end of suchperiod being immediately forfeited and cancelled.

(b) Unless otherwise determined by the Plan Administrator, if, as a result of a Change in Control, the Common Shares will cease trading on the Canadian Securities Exchange, the Company may terminate all of the awards, other than an Option held by a participant that is a resident of Canada for the purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada), granted under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan at the time of and subject to the completion of the Change in Control transaction by paying to each holder at or within a reasonable period of time following completion of such Change in Control transaction an amount for each Award equal to the fair market value of the Award held by such participant as determined by the Plan Administrator, acting reasonably, provided that any vested awards granted to U.S. Taxpayers (as defined in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan) will be settled within 90 days of the Change in Control.

Subject to certain exceptions, a "**Change in Control**" includes (a) any transaction pursuant to which a person or group acquires more than 50% of the outstanding Common Shares, (b) the sale of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, (c) the dissolution or liquidation of the Company, (d) the acquisition of the Company via consolidation, merger, exchange of securities, purchase of assets, amalgamation, statutory arrangement or otherwise, (e) individuals who comprise the Board at the last annual meeting of shareholders (the "Incumbent Board") cease to constitute at least a majority of the Board, unless the election, or nomination for election by the shareholders, of any new director was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the Incumbent Board, in which case such new director shall be considered as a member of the Incumbent Board, or (f) any other event which the Board determines to constitute a change in control of the Company.

# Non-Transferability of Awards

Except as permitted by the Plan Administrator and to the extent that certain rights may pass to a beneficiary or legal representative upon death of a participant, by will or as required by law, no assignment or transfer of awards, whether voluntary, involuntary, by operation of law or otherwise, vests any interest or right in such awards whatsoever in any assignee or transferee and immediately upon any assignment or transfer, or any attempt to make the same, such awards will terminate and be of no further force or effect. To the extent that certain rights to exercise any portion of an outstanding award pass to a beneficiary or legal representative upon the death of a participant, the period in which such award can be exercised by such beneficiary or legal representative shall not exceed one year from the participant's death.

### Amendments to the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan

The Plan Administrator may also from time to time, without notice and without approval of the holders of voting Common Shares, amend, modify, change, suspend or terminate the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan or any awards granted pursuant thereto as it, in its discretion, determines appropriate, provided that (a) no such amendment, modification, change, suspension or termination of the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan or any award granted pursuant thereto may materially impair any rights of a participant or materially increase any obligations of a participant under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan without theconsent of such participant, unless the Plan Administrator determines such adjustment is required or desirable in order to comply with any applicable securities laws or stock exchange requirements, and (b) any amendment that would cause an award held by a U.S. Taxpayer to be subject to the income inclusion under Section 409A of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, shall be null and void ab initio. Notwithstanding the above, and subject to the rules of the Canadian Securities Exchange, the approval of shareholders is required to effect any of the following amendments to the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan:

- (a) increasing the number of Common Shares reserved for issuance under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, except pursuant to the provisions in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan which permit the Plan Administrator to make equitable adjustments in the event of transactions affecting the Company or its capital;
- (b) increasing or removing the 10% limits on Common Shares issuable or issued to insiders;
- (c) reducing the exercise price of an option award (for this purpose, a cancellation or termination of an award of a participant prior to its expiry date for the purpose of reissuing an award to the same participant with a lower exercise price shall be treated as an amendment to reduce the exercise price of an award) except pursuant to the provisions in the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan which permit the Plan Administrator to make equitable adjustments in the event of transactions affecting the Company or its capital;
- (d) extending the term of an Option award beyond the original expiry date (except where an expiry date would have fallen within a blackout period applicable to the participant or within10 business days following the expiry of such a blackout period);
- (e) permitting an Option award to be exercisable beyond 10 years from its date of grant (except where an expiry date would have fallen within a blackout period);
- (f) increasing or removing the limits on the participation of non-employee directors;
- (g) permitting awards to be transferred to a person;
- (h) changing the eligible participants; and
- (i) deleting or otherwise limiting the amendments which require approval of the shareholders.

Except for the items listed above, amendments to the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan will not require shareholder approval. Such amendments include (but are not limited to): (a) amending the general vesting provisions of an award, (b) amending the provisions for early termination of awards in connection with a termination of employment or service, (c) adding covenants of the Company for the protection of the participants, (d) amendments that are desirable as a result of changes in law in any jurisdiction where a participant resides, and (e) curing or correcting any ambiguity or defect or inconsistent provision or clerical omission or mistake or manifest error.

Anti-Hedging Policy

Participants are restricted from purchasing financial instruments such as prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars, or units of exchange funds that are designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of awards granted to them.

# Securities Authorized For Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

The following table sets out information with respect to all compensation plans under which equity securities are authorized for issuance as of the financial year ended **December 31, 2023**:

	Equity Compensation Plan Information				
Plan Category	Number of securities to beissued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))		
	(a)	(b)	(c)		
Equity compensation	RSU: 298,125	\$0.43	892,346		
plans approved by Securityholders	Stock Options: 4,405,000	\$0.44	351,264		
Securityholders	Warrants: 2,252,500	\$0.38	N/A		
Equity compensation plans not approved by securityholders	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Total	6,955,625	-	1,243,610 <sup>(1)</sup>		

#### NOTES:

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the number of shares available under the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, which reserves a number of shares for issuance, pursuant to the exercise of stock options, that is equal to 10% of the issued and outstanding shares from time to time.

#### Employment, consulting and management agreements

The Company does not have any written employment, consulting or management agreements or arrangements with any of the Company's current NEOs or directors; however, each of the NEOs have verbally agreed on a monthly fee to be paid by the Company for compensation.

#### Termination and Change of Control Benefits

For the financial year ended **December 31, 2023**, there were no plans, contracts, agreements or arrangements that provided for compensation to NEOs or directors of the Company, or that provided for payments to a NEO or director at, following or in connection with any termination (whether voluntary, involuntary or constructive), resignation, retirement, severance, a change of control in the Company or a change in the NEO or director's responsibilities.

# Oversight and description of director and named executive officer compensation

# Compensation of Directors and Named Executive Officers

The Board and the Compensation Committee have the responsibility for determining compensation for the directors and senior executives of the Company including the CEO and CFO. The Company does not currently pay its directors any remuneration for acting as directors and the only compensation for acting as directors received by non-management directors is through the grant of Awards and certain consulting fees.

At present, the Board is satisfied that the current compensation arrangements adequately reflect the

responsibilities and risks involved in being an effective director and/or senior executive of the Company. In addition, the number of Awards to any director or senior executive is determined by the Board as a whole, thereby providing the independent directors with input into compensation decisions.

#### Elements of NEO Compensation

As discussed above, the Company provides the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan to motivate NEOs by providing them with the opportunity, through grant Awards, to acquire an interest in the Company and benefit from the Company's growth. The Board does not employ a prescribed methodology when determining the grant or allocation of stock options to NEOs.

Other than the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, the Company does not offer any long-term incentive plans, share compensation plans, retirement plans, pension plans, or any other such benefit programs for NEOs.

#### Pension disclosure

The Company does not have any pension, defined benefit, defined contribution or deferred compensation plans currently in place or proposed at this time.

# **SECTION 5 - AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee is a standing committee of the Board of Directors, the primary function of which is to assist the Board of Directors in fulfilling its financial oversight responsibilities, which will include monitoring the quality and integrity of the Company's financial statements and the independence and performance of the Company's external auditor, acting as a liaison between the Board of Directors and the Company's external auditor, reviewing the financial information that will be publicly disclosed and reviewing all audit processes and the systems of internal controls management and the Board have established.

National Instrument 52-110 Audit Committees ("**NI 52-110**") requires the Company, as a venture issuer to disclose annually in its Information Circular certain information concerning the constitution of its audit committee and its relationship with its independent auditor.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

The text of the Company's Audit Committee Charter is attached hereto as Schedule "A" to this Information Circular.

#### **COMPOSITION OF AUDIT COMMITTEE**

NI 52-110 provides that a member of an audit committee is "independent" if the member has no direct or indirect material relationship with the Company, which could, in the view of the Board, reasonably interfere with the exercise of the member's independent judgment.

NI 52-110 provides that an individual is "financially literate" if he or she has the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Company's financial statements.

As of February 21, 2025 the current members of the Audit Committee are Allan Larmour (Chair), Charles Ross and Nikolas Perrault.

All members of the Audit Committee are not executive officers of the Company and; therefore, are

considered independent members of the Audit Committee.

All members of the Audit Committee are considered to be financially literate. All of the Audit Committee members have the ability to read and understand financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Company's financial statements.

#### **RELEVANT EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE**

All of the Audit Committee members are senior-level businesspeople with experience in financial matters; each has an understanding of accounting principles used by the Company to prepare financial statements and varied experience as to general application of such accounting principles, as well as the internal controls and procedures necessary for financial reporting, garnered from working in their individual fields of endeavour.

Each member also has an understanding of the mineral exploration and mining business in which the Company is engaged and has an appreciation of the financial issues and accounting principles that are relevant in assessing the Company's financial disclosures and internal control systems.

In addition, each of the members of the Audit Committee has knowledge of the role of an audit committee in the realm of reporting companies from their years of experience as directors or officers of public companies other than the Company. See Section 6 - Corporate Governance – Directorships in Other Public Companies.

# Allan Larmour

Mr. Larmour is an accomplished entrepreneur with over 25 years of experience in Fortune 500 companies, start-up technology companies, international sales and business development, and executive management.

# Charles Ross

Mr. Ross has a strong understanding of accounting principles and an ability to assess the application of these principals. He has over 26 years' experience in the international resources sector as a senior executive. He applies accounting principles regularly when evaluating financial reports of target companies. He has more than 20 years' experience acting as the CFO of various companies in both the resources and manufacturing sectors. He has prepared financial statements, supervised financial statement preparation, coordinated audits and chaired audit committees. He has setup internal controls and procedures over financial reporting in compliance with regulatory regimes in both domestic and foreign environments.

# Nikolas Perrault

Mr. Perrault is a Corporate Finance executive who, over the last 32 years, has built an international network of strategic relationships and has raised directly and indirectly hundreds of millions of dollars for public as well as private companies. He has considerable experience in securities trading, going-public transactions, capital markets, spin-offs, mergers, and acquisitions ("M&A") and other matters related to those fields. Previously, Mr. Perrault served as an investment executive with some of Canada's largest institutions. This includes National Bank, Merrill-Lynch, CIBC, and Scotia Capital. He graduated from Concordia University in 1991 with a Bachelor of Commerce degree and received his Chartered Financial Analyst designation in 1997.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT

At no time since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year was a

recommendation of the Audit Committee to nominate or compensate an external auditor not adopted by the Board of Directors.

#### **RELIANCE ON CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS**

At no time since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year ended **December 31, 2023**, has the Company relied on the exemptions in Sections 2.4, 6.1.1(4), 6.1.1(5), or 6.1.1(6) or Part 8 of NI 52-110. Section 2.4 (*De Minimis Non-audit Services*) provides an exemption from the requirement that the Audit Committee must pre-approve all non-audit services to be provided by the auditor, where the total amount of fees related to the non-audit services are not expected to exceed 5% of the total fees payable to the auditor in the financial year in which the non-audit services were provided. Sections 6.1.1(4) (*Circumstance Affecting the Business or Operations of the Venture Issuer*), 6.1.1(5) (*Events Outside Control of Member*) and 6.1.1(6) (*Death, Incapacity or Resignation*) provide exemptions from the requirement that a majority of the members of the Company's Audit Committee must not be executive officers, employees or control persons of the Company or of an affiliate of the Company. Part 8 (*Exemptions*) permits a company to apply to a securities regulatory authority or regulator for an exemption from the requirements of NI 52-110 in whole or in part.

#### PRE-APPROVAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR NON-AUDIT SERVICES

The Audit Committee has adopted specific policies and procedures for the engagement of non-audit services as described in the Company's Audit Committee Charter attached as Schedule "A" to this Information Circular.

#### EXTERNAL AUDITOR SERVICE FEES

In the following table, "Audit Fees" are fees billed by the Company's external auditors for services provided in auditing the Company's annual financial statements for the subject year. "Audit-related Fees" are fees not included in audit fees that are billed by the auditors for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of the Company's financial statements. "Tax Fees" are billed by the auditors for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning. "All Other Fees" are fees billed by the auditors for products and services not included in the foregoing categories.

The fees paid by the Company to its auditors in each of the last two financial years, by category, are as follows:

Auditor	Financial Year	Audit	Audit-related	Tax	All Other
	Ending Dec 31	Fees <sup>(1)</sup>	Fees <sup>(2)</sup>	Fees <sup>(3)</sup>	Fees <sup>(4)</sup>
Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton	2023	\$60,727	Nil	\$3,600	\$0
LaBonte LLP <sup>(5)</sup>	2022	\$42,512	Nil	\$3,600	\$0

NOTES:

<sup>(1)</sup> The aggregate audit fees billed.

<sup>(2)</sup> The aggregate fees billed for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of the Company's financial statements that are not included under the heading "Audit Fees".

<sup>(3)</sup> The aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning.

- (4) The aggregate fees billed for products and services other than as set out under the headings "Audit Fees", "Audit Related Fees" and "Tax Fees".
- <sup>(5)</sup> Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton LaBonte LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, was appointed as the Company's auditor February 8, 2017.

# **SECTION 6 - CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

GENERAL

National Instrument 58-101 - Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices ("**NI 58-101**") provides guidelines on corporate governance disclosure for venture issuers as set out in Form 58-101F2 and requires full and complete annual disclosure of a listed company's systems of corporate governance with reference to National Policy 58-201 – Corporate Governance Guidelines (the "**Guidelines**"). Where a company's corporate governance system differs from the Guidelines, each difference and the reason for the difference is required to be disclosed. The Company's approach to corporate governance is provided below.

Corporate governance relates to the activities of the Board, the members of which are elected by and are accountable to the shareholders and takes into account the role of the individual members of management who are appointed by the Board and who are charged with the day-to-day management of the Company. The Board is committed to sound corporate governance practices that are both in the interest of its Shareholders and contribute to effective and efficient decision making. The Guidelines establishes corporate governance guidelines that apply to all public companies. The Company has reviewed its own corporate governance practices in light of these Guidelines. In certain cases, the Company's practices comply with the Guidelines; however, the Board considers that some of the Guidelines are not suitable for the Company at its current stage of development and therefore these Guidelines have not been adopted. NI 58-101 mandates disclosure of corporate governance practices for Venture Issuers in Form 58-101F2, which disclosure is set out below.

#### **COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

All six proposed nominees for election as a director at the 2025 Annual General and Special Meeting are current directors of the Company. Form 58-101F1 suggests that the board of directors of every listed company should be constituted with a majority of individuals who qualify as "independent" directors under NI 52-110, which provides that a director is independent if he or she has no direct or indirect "material relationship" with the Company. "Material relationship" is defined as a relationship that could, in the view of the company's board of directors, be reasonably expected to interfere with the exercise of a director's independent judgment.

As at the date of this Information Circular, the board consisted of six (6) directors. Of the proposed nominees, Marc Levy, who also serves the Company as Chairman and CEO, and Allan Larmour, who served as interim CEO of the Company from June 7, 2017 to September 21, 2020 are "inside" or management directors and, as such, are considered not to be "independent". Charles Ross, Nikolas Perrault, Sergei Diakov and Mijael Thiele are considered by the Board to be "independent", within the meaning of NI 52-110. In assessing Form 58-101F2 and making the foregoing determinations, the circumstances of each director have been examined in relation to a number of factors. It is the objective of the Company to continue to have a majority of independent Board members and enhance the quality of the Company's corporate governance.

The Chair of the Board is Marc Levy. The independent directors exercise their responsibilities for independent oversight of management and are provided with leadership through their positions on the Board.

Management was delegated the responsibility for meeting defined corporate objectives, implementing approved strategic and operating plans, carrying on the Company's business in the ordinary course, managing cash flow, evaluating new business opportunities, recruiting staff, and complying with applicable regulatory requirements. The Board facilitates its independent supervision over management through meetings of the Board and by reviewing and approving long-term strategic, business and capital plans, material contracts and business transactions, and all debt and equityfinancing transactions. Through its audit committee, the Board examines the effectiveness of the Company's internal control processes and management information systems. The Board as a whole reviews executive compensation and recommends stock option grants accordingly.

#### MANDATE OF THE BOARD

The Board is elected by and accountable to the shareholders of the Company. The mandate of the Board is to continually govern the Company and to protect and enhance the assets of the Company in the long-term best interests of the Shareholders. The Board will annually assess and approve a strategic plan which takes into account, among other things, the opportunities and the identification of the principal risks of the issuer's business, and ensuring the implementation of appropriate systems to manage these risks.

#### DIRECTORSHIPS IN OTHER PUBLIC COMPANIES

Certain board nominees are also directors of other reporting issuers (or equivalent) in a jurisdiction or a foreign jurisdiction as follows:

Name of Director	Other reporting issuer (or equivalent in a foreign jurisdiction) <sup>(1)</sup>
Allan Larmour	Tisdale Clean Energy Corp., Avarone Metals Inc., Gama Explorations Inc.
Sergei Diakov	BCM Resources Corporation
Charles Ross	Goldex Resources Corporation, Tearlach Resources Limited, Four Nines Gold Inc.
Mijael Thiele	None.
Nikolas Perrault	None.
Marc Levy	Avarone Metals Inc.

#### NOTES:

(1) Information not being within our knowledge has been furnished by the respective person or has been obtained from insider reports filed by respective person and available through the Internet at the Canadian System for Electronic Disclosure by Insiders (<u>www.sedi.ca</u>).

#### **ORIENTATION AND CONTINUING EDUCATION**

New directors are briefed on strategic plans, short, medium and long term corporate objectives, business risks and mitigation strategies, corporate governance guidelines and existing company policies. However, there is no formal orientation for new members of the Board, and this is considered to be appropriate, given the Company's size and current level of operations. However, if the growth of the Company's operations warrants it, it is likely that a formal orientation process will be implemented.

The skills and knowledge of the Board of Directors as a whole is such that no formal continuing education process is currently deemed required. The Board is comprised of individuals with varying backgrounds, who have, both collectively and individually, extensive experience in running and managing public companies. Board members are encouraged to communicate with management, auditors and consultants to keep themselves current with industry trends and developments and changes in legislation, with management's assistance. Board members have full access to the Company's records. Reference is made to the table under the heading "Election of Directors" for a description of the current principal occupations of the members of the Company's Board.

#### ETHICAL BUSINESS CONDUCT

The Board has determined that the fiduciary duties placed on individual directors by the Company's governing corporate legislation, common law and the restrictions placed by applicable corporate legislation on an individual director's participation in decisions of the Board in which the director has an interest are sufficient to ensure that the Board operates independently of management and in the best interests of the Company. Furthermore, the Board promotes fair dealing with all its stakeholders and requires compliance with the laws of each jurisdiction in which the Company operates.

The Board of Directors is also required to comply with the conflict of interest provisions of the Act and relevant securities regulation in order to ensure that directors exercise independent judgment in considering transactions and agreements in respect of which a director officer has a material interest. Any interested director is required to declare the nature and extent of his interest and is not entitled to vote on any matter that is the subject of the conflict of interest.

#### **NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS**

The Directors of the Company are elected at each annual general meeting and hold office until the next annual general meeting or until their successors are appointed. The Board as a whole determines new nominees to the Board of Directors, although a formal process has not been adopted. The nominees are generally the result of recruitment efforts by the individual Board members, including both formal and informal discussions among Board members and the President and CEO. The current size of the Board is such that the entire Board takes responsibility for selecting new directors and assessing current directors. Proposed directors' credentials are reviewed and discussed amongst the members of the Board prior to the proposed director's nomination.

The Board monitors but does not formally assess the performance of individual Board members or committee members or their contributions. The Board does not, at present, have a formal process in place for assessing the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, its committees or individual directors, but will consider implementing one in the future should circumstances warrant. Based on the Company's size, its stage of development and the limited number of individuals on the Board, the Board considers a formal assessment process to be inappropriate at this time. The Board plans to continue evaluating its own effectiveness on an *ad hoc* basis.

#### COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Company does not currently pay its directors any remuneration for acting as directors and the only compensation for acting as directors received by non-management directors is through the grant of incentive stock options. At present, the Board is satisfied that the current Board compensation arrangements adequately reflect the responsibilities and risks involved in being an effective director of the Company. The number of options to be granted to any director or officer is determined by the Board as a whole, thereby providing the independent directors with significant input into compensation decisions. Stock options to be granted to "management" directors. Given the current size and limited scope of operations of the Company, the Board does not believe that a formal compensation committee is required. At such time as, in the opinion of the Board, the size and activities of the Company and the number of management employees warrants it, the Board will consider it necessary to appoint a formal compensation committee. See Section 4 - Statement of Executive Compensation - Director and NEO Compensation.

#### COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Company currently has an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee, and Corporate Governance Committee. Presently, the members of the Audit Committee are Allan Larmour (Chair), Charles Ross, and Nikolas Perrault. The members of the Compensation Committee Charles Ross (Chair), Nikolas Perrault and Allan Larmour. The members of the Corporate Governance Committee are Nikolas Perrault (Chair), Allan Larmour, and Charles Ross.

#### ASSESSMENTS

The board has not, as yet, established procedures to formally review the contributions of individual directors. At this point, the directors believe that the board's current size facilitates informal discussion

and evaluation of members' contributions within that framework.

# **SECTION 7 - OTHER INFORMATION**

#### INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

As at the date of this Circular, there was no indebtedness outstanding with any current or former Director, executive officer or employee of the Company or its subsidiaries which is owing to the Company or its subsidiaries, or which is owing to another entity which indebtedness is the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Company or its subsidiaries, entered into in connection with a purchase of securities or otherwise.

No individual who is, or at any time during the most recently completed financial year was, a Director or executive officer of the Company, no proposed nominee for election as a Director of the Company and no associate of such persons:

- (i) is or at any time since the beginning of the most recently completed financial year has been, indebted to the Company or its subsidiaries; or
- (ii) is indebted to another entity, which indebtedness is, or at any time since the beginning of the most recently completed financial year has been, the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Company or its subsidiaries, in relation to a securities purchase program or other program.

#### INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

Other than as set forth in this Information Circular, no person who has been a director or executive officer of the Company at any time since the beginning of the last financial year, ended **December 31**, **2023**, nor any proposed nominee for election as a director of the Company, nor any associate or affiliate of any of the foregoing, has any material interest, directly or indirectly, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon other than the election of directors or the appointment of auditors.

#### PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

#### **Rectification of Failure to Comply with Company Act**

Shareholder approval is requested authorizing the Company to make application to the Supreme Court of British Columbia pursuant to Section 229 of the *Business Corporations Act*, British Columbia, for rectification of any omissions, defects, errors or irregularities that have occurred in the conduct of the business or affairs of the Company including the failure of the Company to hold an annual general meeting during the 2023 calendar year and to distribute interim and annual financial statements. Shareholder approval of this resolution will assist the Company in obtaining the necessary order from the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to approve the following ordinary resolution (the "**Rectification Resolution**"), which must be approved by at least a majority of the votes cast by Shareholders represented in person or by proxy at the Meeting who vote in respect of the Rectification Resolution:

#### "BE IT RESOLVED, AS AN ORDINARY RESOLUTION, THAT:

- 1. the Company be and is hereby authorized to make application pursuant to Section 229 of the *Business Corporations Act* to the Supreme Court of British Columbia for rectification of any omissions, defects, errors or irregularities that have occurred in the conduct of the business or affairs of the Company, including the failure of the Company to hold an annual general meeting for the financial year ending December 31, 2023 and distribute interim and annual financial statements;
- 2. any director or officer of the Company be and is hereby authorized to prepare, execute on behalf of the Company, as required, and file any and all documents necessary to make the application to the Supreme Court of British Columbia and to take any and all such other actions and complete and execute any and all such other documents as may be required to carry out the intent and purpose of these resolutions; and
- 3. the board of directors of the Company is hereby authorized, at any time in its sole discretion, to determine whether or not to proceed with this resolution without further approval, ratification or confirmation by the shareholders."

The form of the Rectification Resolution set forth above is subject to such amendments as management of the Company may propose at the Meeting, but which do not materially affect the substance of the Rectification Resolution.

# Management of the Company recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of the Rectification Resolution at the Meeting.

#### INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

Applicable securities legislation defines "*informed person*" to mean any of the following: (a) a director or executive officer of a reporting issuer; (b) a director or officer of a person or company that is itselfan informed person or subsidiary of a reporting issuer; (c) any person or company who beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, voting securities of a reporting issuer or who exercises control or direction over voting securities of a reporting issuer or a combination of both carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to all outstanding voting securities of the reporting issuer other than voting securities held by the person or company as underwriter in the course of a distribution; and (d) a reporting issuer that has purchased, redeemed or otherwise acquired any of its securities, for so longas it holds any of its securities Except as otherwise disclosed herein, no informed persons had (or has) any interest in any transaction with the Company since the commencement of our most recently completed financial year ended **December 31, 2023**, or in any proposed transaction, that has materially affected the Company or is likely to do so.

#### **MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS**

Other than as disclosed herein, there are no management functions of the Company or its subsidiaries which are to any substantial degree performed by a person or company other than the directors or executive officers (or private companies controlled by them, either directly or indirectly) of the Company.

#### CEASE TRADE ORDERS, BANKRUPTCIES, PENALTIES OR SANCTIONS

For purposes of the disclosure in this section, an "order" means a cease trade order, an order similar to a cease trade order, or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, in each case that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days; and for purposes of item (a)(i) below, specifically includes a management cease trade order which applies to directors or executive officers of a relevant company that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days whether or not the proposed director was named in the order.

Except as disclosed herein, none of the proposed directors, including any personal holding company of a proposed director:

- (a) is, as at the date of the Circular, or has been, within 10 years before the date of the Circular, a director, chief executive officer ("CEO") or chief financial officer ("CFO") of any company (including the Company) that:
  - was the subject, while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as director, CEO or CFO of such company, of a cease trade or similar order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days; or
  - (ii) was subject to a cease trade or similar order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days, that was issued after the proposed director ceased to be a director, CEO or CFO but which resulted from an event that occurred while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as director, CEO or CFO of such company; or
- (b) is, as at the date of this Circular, or has been within 10 years before the date of the Circular, a director or executive officer of any company (including the Company) that, while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets; or
- (c) has, within the 10 years before the date of this Circular, become bankrupt, made aproposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of the proposed director; or
- (d) has been subject to any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority; or
- (e) has been subject to any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable securityholder in deciding whether to vote for a proposed director.

#### Additional Information

Financial information about the Company is included in the Company's financial statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for the financial year ended **December 31, 2023**, which have been electronically filed with regulators and are available through the Internet on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>. Copies may be obtained without charge upon request to the Company at Suite 2501, 550 Burrard Street, Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 2B5. You may also access the Company's public disclosure documents through the Internet on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

#### DIRECTOR APPROVAL

The contents of this Circular and the sending thereof to the shareholders have been approved by the Directors of the Company.

**Dated** at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2025.

#### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Signed: "Marc Levy"

Marc Levy Chief Executive Officer

# SCHEDULE "A"

# NORSEMONT MINING INC. (the "Company")

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

#### Article 1 – Mandate and Responsibilities

The Audit Committee is appointed by the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") to oversee the accounting and financial reporting process of the Company and audits of the financial statements of the Company. The Audit Committee's primary duties and responsibilities are to:

- (a) recommend to the Board the external auditor to be nominated for the purpose of preparing or issuing an auditor's report or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Company;
- (b) recommend to the Board the compensation of the external auditor;
- (c) oversee the work of the external auditor engaged for the purpose of preparing or issuing an auditor's report or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Company, including the resolution of disagreements between management and the external auditor regarding financial reporting;
- (d) pre-approve all non-audit services to be provided to the Company or its subsidiaries by the Company's external auditor;
- (e) review the Company's financial statements, MD&A and annual and interim earnings press releases before the Company publicly discloses this information;
- (f) be satisfied that adequate procedures are in place for the review of all other public disclosure of financial information extracted or derived from the Company's financial statements, and to periodically assess the adequacy of those procedures;
- (g) establish procedures for:
  - (i) the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Company regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters; and
  - (ii) the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Company of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters;
- (h) review and approve the Company's hiring policies regarding partners, employees and former partners and employees of the present and former external auditor of the Company.

The Board and management will ensure that the Audit Committee has adequate funding to fulfill its duties and responsibilities.

#### Article 2 – Pre-Approval of Non-Audit Services

The Audit Committee may delegate to one or more of its members the authority to pre-approve nonaudit services to be provided to the Company or its subsidiaries by the Company's external auditor. The pre-approval of non-audit services must be presented to the Audit Committee at its first scheduled meeting following such pre-approval.

The Audit Committee may satisfy its duty to pre-approve non-audit services by adopting specific policies and procedures for the engagement of the non-audit services, provided the policies and procedures are detailed as to the particular service, the Audit Committee is informed of each non- audit service and the procedures do not include delegation of the Audit Committee's responsibilities to management.

### Article 3 – External Advisors

The Audit Committee has the authority to conduct any investigation appropriate to fulfilling its responsibilities, and it has direct access to the external auditors as well as anyone in the organization. The Audit Committee has the ability to retain, at the Company's expense, special legal, accounting or other consultants or experts it deems necessary in the performance of its duties.

#### Article 4 – External Auditors

The external auditors are ultimately accountable to the Audit Committee and the Board, as representatives of the shareholders. The external auditors will report directly to the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee will:

- (a) review the independence and performance of the external auditors and annually recommend to the Board the nomination of the external auditors or approve any discharge of external auditors when circumstances warrant;
- (b) approve the fees and other significant compensation to be paid to the external auditors;
- (c) on an annual basis, review and discuss with the external auditors all significant relationships they have with the Company that could impair the external auditors' independence;
- (d) review the external auditors' audit plan to see that it is sufficiently detailed and covers any significant areas of concern that the Audit Committee may have;
- (e) before or after the financial statements are issued, discuss certain matters required to be communicated to audit committees in accordance with the standards established by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants;
- (f) consider the external auditors' judgments about the quality and appropriateness of the Company's accounting principles as applied in the Company's financial reporting;
- (g) resolve any disagreements between management and the external auditors regarding financial reporting;
- (h) approve in advance all audit services and any non-prohibited non-audit services to be undertaken by the external auditors for the Company; and
- (i) receive from the external auditors timely reports of:
  - (i) all critical accounting policies and practices to be used;
  - (ii) all alternative treatments of financial information within generally accepted accounting principles that have been discussed with management, ramifications of the use of such alternative disclosures and treatments and the treatment preferred by the external auditors; and

(iii) other material written communications between the external auditors and management.

#### Article 5 – Legal Compliance

On at least an annual basis, the Audit Committee will review with the Company's legal counsel any legal matters that could have a significant impact on the organization's financial statements, the Company's compliance with applicable laws and regulations and inquiries received from regulators or governmental agencies.

# Article 6 - Complaints

Individuals are strongly encouraged to approach a member of the Audit Committee with any complaints or concerns regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters. The Audit Committee will from time to time establish procedures for the submission, receipt and treatment of such complaints and concerns. In all cases the Audit Committee will conduct a prompt, thorough and fair examination, document the situation and, if appropriate, recommend to the Board appropriate corrective action.

To the extent practicable, all complaints will be kept confidential. The Company will not condone any retaliation.