

**Form 51-102F1**  
**Interim Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A")**  
**for**  
**Strongbow Exploration Inc. ("Strongbow" or the "Company")**

**Containing Information up to and including September 27, 2013**

**Description of Business**

Strongbow Exploration Inc. (the "Company") is a Canadian mineral exploration company focused on exploring prospective gold properties in the Carolina slate belt of the southeastern United States, nickel/copper properties within the Snowbird Tectonic Zone in northern Saskatchewan and the Northwest Territories and gold and copper properties in British Columbia. The Company also continues to review and evaluate new gold and base metal opportunities in North America. Shares of the Company trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol SBW.

The following discussion and analysis of the Company's financial condition and results of operations for the six months ended July 31, 2013, should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Company for the years ended January 31, 2013 and January 31, 2012, together with the notes thereto, and the condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the six months ended July 31, 2013. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

Unless otherwise noted, all currency amounts are stated in Canadian dollars.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

This MD&A may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Canadian securities legislation and the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this MD&A and the Company does not intend, and does not assume any obligation, to update these forward-looking statements, except as required by law.

Forward-looking statements relate to future events or future performance and reflect management's expectations or beliefs regarding future events and include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to sources of and anticipated financing requirements, the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, the Company's ability to maintain its exploration and evaluation assets on good standing, the estimation of mineral reserves and resources, the realization of mineral reserve estimates, the timing and amount of estimated future production, costs of production, capital expenditures, success of mining operations, environmental risks, unanticipated reclamation expenses, title disputes or claims and limitations on insurance coverage.

These forward-looking statements include, among others, statements with respect to the Company's objectives for the ensuing year, our medium and long-term goals, and strategies to achieve those objectives and goals, as well as statements with respect to our beliefs, plans, objectives, expectations, anticipations, estimates and intentions. The words "may," "could," "should," "would," "suspect," "outlook," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," and words and expressions of similar import are intended to identify forward-looking statements. In particular, statements regarding the Company's future operations, future exploration and development activities or other development plans and estimated future financing requirements contain forward-looking statements.

All forward-looking statements and information are based on the Company's current beliefs as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to the Company concerning anticipated financial performance, business prospects, strategies, regulatory developments, development plans, exploration and development activities and commitments. Although management considers these assumptions to be reasonable based on information currently available to it, they may prove to be incorrect.

By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, and risks exist that predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution readers not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause the

actual results to differ materially from the beliefs, plans, objectives, expectations, anticipations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements.

These factors include, but are not limited to, developments in world financial and commodity markets, risks relating to fluctuations in the Canadian dollar and other currencies relative to the US dollar, changes in exploration plans due to exploration results and changing budget priorities of the Company or its joint venture partners, changes in project parameters as plans continue to be refined; possible variations in ore reserves, grade or recovery rates; accidents, labour disputes and other risks of the mining industry; delays in obtaining governmental approvals or financing, the effects of competition in the markets in which the Company operates, the impact of changes in the laws and regulations regulating mining exploration and development, judicial or regulatory judgments and legal proceedings, operational and infrastructure risks and the additional risks described in the Company's most recently filed Annual Information Form, and the Company's anticipation of and success in managing the foregoing risks. The Company cautions that the foregoing list of factors that may affect future results is not exhaustive. When relying on our forward-looking statements to make decisions with respect to the Company, investors and others should carefully consider the foregoing factors and other uncertainties and potential events. The Company does not undertake to update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time by the Company or on the Company's behalf, except as required by law.

A summary of the exploration activities for the Company follows, as well as a description of other corporate activities. These summaries include some discussion of management's future exploration plans. The reader is cautioned that actual results, performance or achievements may be materially different from those implied or expressed in these statements. The Company's exploration programs are subject to change from time to time, based on the analysis of results and changing corporate priorities, exploration targets and funding considerations.

### **Exploration Update**

Unless otherwise stated below, the Company's gold and base metal exploration activities are conducted under the supervision of David Gale, P.Geo.(BC), P.Geo.(NT/NU), Vice-President of Exploration for the Company and a "Qualified Person" under National Instrument ("NI") 43-101.

During the six months ended July 31, 2013, the Company continued to evaluate its exploration properties including the Midway project in the Carolina slate belt of the southeastern United States, as well as the Snowbird and Nickel King nickel-copper properties in the Northwest Territories and Saskatchewan, and the Shovelnose gold and copper-gold properties in British Columbia (currently under option to Westhaven Ventures Inc.).

### **Carolina Slate Belt Gold Properties – Southeastern USA**

During the six months ended July 31, 2013, the Company continued to evaluate its interests within the Carolina slate belt ("CSB") in the southeastern United States. The CSB is host to a number of past producing mines including Rio Tinto's Ridgeway mine which had total gold production of approximately 1.5 million ounces between 1988 and 1998. The Company's Midway gold project (described below) is located between and along strike from Romarco Mineral's Haile gold mine and the past producing Brewer gold mine. Measured and indicated resources reported by Romarco for the Haile gold mine consist of 4 million ounces gold with additional inferred resources of 0.8 million ounces gold, and the deposit is currently in the mine permitting stage.

Exploration field work was not carried out on the Midway project during the six months ended July 31, 2013. While management has a clear plan for advancing its evaluation of the properties based on the exploration results received to date, further field work is dependent on positive movement with respect to Romarco's mine permit applications at the Haile gold mine and more positive market conditions to enable the Company to finance further gold exploration programs.

The Company's exploration activities in the southeastern United States are conducted through Palmetto State Gold, Inc. ("Palmetto"). Palmetto is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, incorporated in South Carolina, USA.

### **Midway Project – South Carolina, USA (Au)**

The Midway project consists of prospective properties within the Haile-Brewer gold trend, which extends for over 15 kilometres between the past-producing Haile and Brewer gold mines, where gold mineralization is hosted within the volcanic and sedimentary rocks of the CSB. Most of the Midway properties are covered by extensive coastal

plain sand deposits, and, as a result, comparably little past exploration work has been conducted in this area. Importantly, at the Haile gold mine, Romarco has discovered significant gold mineralization beneath the coastal plain sands, confirming the potential of the CSB to host additional high grade gold mineralization beneath the sand cover along strike from the Haile gold mine.

Exploration work completed to date by the Company has relied heavily on geochemical survey techniques intended to identify targets under the coastal plain sands. This geochemical work has been supplemented by airborne and ground geophysical surveys, mapping and limited drilling. Results from this exploration work, combined with interpretations of the structural geology of the Haile-Brewer gold trend has helped to better define the exploration targets identified to date. In particular, this work has refined the expected location of important stratigraphic contacts between volcanic and sedimentary rock units within the Midway project. These volcanic-sedimentary contacts represent an important first order control on gold mineralization at the adjacent Haile gold mine and will be the target of the next phase of drilling at the property when exploration funding is in place.

Terms of the option agreements covering the Midway project include certain annual cash payments to the underlying private landowners. During the period ended July 31, 2013, the Company amended one option agreement to extend the option period and reduce cash payments during the period through to June 2014. The Company currently retains 21 option agreements covering approximately 2,100 acres with an annual 2013 holding cost of US\$47,100 (Paid), representing a reduction of over 80% of the original cash payments required during 2013 to keep the option agreements in good standing. The next option payments are due in January 2014 and total up to US\$189,612 to keep all property option agreements in good standing. The retained properties represent the core of the Midway project and the areas believed to host the greatest potential for discovery of a gold deposit similar to the adjacent Haile gold mine deposits. Please see Note 7 of the consolidated financial statements for the six months ended July 31, 2013 for more details regarding the Company's option payments for the Midway project properties and Note 1 for information on the going concern assumption. Upon exercising each of the options, the Company will either purchase each subject property or enter into a long term mining lease. The properties will be subject to a gross overriding royalty to the current land owners.

#### Ridgeway project – South Carolina, USA (Au)

The Company's Ridgeway project consisted of prospective properties located within four kilometres along strike from the past producing Ridgeway gold mine.

Terms of the Ridgeway area property agreements were similar to the agreements at the Midway project, including certain annual cash payments and, upon exercising an option, the Company could either purchase the subject property or enter into a long term mining lease. The properties would have been subject to a gross overriding royalty to the current land owners. During the six months ended July 31, 2013, eight option agreements covering approximately 345 acres were relinquished and the Company wrote off accumulated exploration and acquisition expenditures of \$300,359; the annual option payment on a ninth property was not made on September 15, 2013. Accordingly, the Company retains no further interest in the Ridgeway project properties.

#### Snowbird Nickel Project Properties – Northwest Territories & Saskatchewan

The Company's nickel exploration strategy is focused on investigating the potential of the southern Snowbird Tectonic Zone ("STZ") to host magmatic Ni-Cu-Co deposits. The STZ is a major crustal scale structure that can be traced for over 2,800 km from the Rocky Mountains in southern Alberta to Hudson Bay in Nunavut and represents an underexplored region prospective for magmatic nickel sulphide deposits. Exploration work completed by the Company has confirmed that numerous mafic-ultramafic intrusions are located along the STZ. Some of these intrusions are known to host nickel-copper sulphide mineralization, including the Company's Nickel King deposit, Northwest Territories. Other magmatic nickel deposits located along the STZ include the past producing Rankin Inlet Nickel Mine and the Ferguson Lake Ni-Cu-Co-PGE deposit in Nunavut, as well as the Axis Lake and the Company's Nickel Lake occurrences in Saskatchewan.

The Company's nickel project properties incorporate approximately 28,115 ha of mineral claims and mining leases located along a 150 km strike length of the southern STZ, straddling the Saskatchewan-Northwest Territories border. These properties include the Nickel King project area, as well as the Dumas, Heel, Breynat and Opescal Lake project areas. The Company maintains a 100% interest in each of the properties.

The Company's principal nickel property is the 7,642 ha Nickel King project located approximately 135 km northeast of Stony Rapids, Saskatchewan. The project hosts the Nickel King Ni-Cu-Co sulphide deposit where mineralization is hosted within two stacked, south dipping norite sills and has been traced over a strike length exceeding 2,600 m. Initial metallurgical studies indicate the deposit is amenable to traditional processing techniques and capable of producing a final concentrate with grades of 16.5% Ni, 4.2% Cu and 0.74% Co at recoveries of 78.4% (Ni), 89.1% (Cu) and 63.5% (Co). The deposit hosts a resource prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 guidelines of 11.11 million tonnes grading 0.4% Ni, 0.10% Cu and 0.018% Co in the indicated category and 33.06 million tonnes grading 0.36% Ni, 0.09% Cu and 0.018% Co in the inferred category. In an effort to quantify the potential to increase the size of the Nickel King deposit, the Company estimates that a target for future exploration ("TFFE") of between 10 and 27 million tonnes occupies gaps within the resource estimate prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 guidelines where there is insufficient drilling to classify an inferred resource. The reader is cautioned that this estimate of a TFFE is conceptual in nature, that there has been insufficient exploration to define a resource in these areas of the Nickel King deposit and that it is uncertain whether additional exploration drilling will be successful in delineating a mineral resource in these areas. The June 2, 2010 NI 43-101 technical report on the Nickel King project, authored by PEG Mining Consultants, is available for viewing under the Company's profile at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) or can be downloaded from the Company's website at [www.strongbowexploration.com](http://www.strongbowexploration.com).

The Company wrote off accumulated expenditures of \$8.6 million during the year-ended January 31, 2013 due to limited exploration activities over the preceding three fiscal years; it is the Company's intention to retain its interest in the underlying mineral claims and mining leases for the Nickel King Project by making annual payments of \$5,883.

### **British Columbia Gold and Gold-Copper Properties**

#### **Shovelnose Property (Au-Ag)**

The Company's Shovelnose gold property is located approximately 175 km east of Vancouver and 30 km south of Merritt along the Coquihalla Highway, which crosses the northwestern corner of the property. The property covers prospective stratigraphy in the southern portion of the Spences Bridge Gold Belt. Gold mineralization, in the form of a series of massive to colloform banded quartz veins and local vein breccia zones, has been identified at several locations within the property, including the Line 6 and Mik showings, where the veins are hosted within moderately to strongly altered felsic volcanic rocks. Anomalous gold mineralization has also been identified at the Tower zone, associated with a broad interval of pyrite and silica alteration within the same silica altered felsic tuff unit that hosts the gold-bearing quartz veins at the Mik showing, located 450 m to the west.

Exploration of the property is conducted under a January 2011 option agreement with Westhaven Ventures Inc. ("Westhaven") under which Westhaven can earn up to a 70% interest in the property. To date, Westhaven has completed soil geochemical surveys, diamond drilling and staking programs on the property.

During the period ended July 31, 2013, Westhaven announced the completion of a field program of IP ground geophysics and 1,043 m of diamond drilling. The main purpose of the program is to follow up on the positive drill results from drill hole 12-04 which tested the Tower Creek Valley target area and returned 50.42m grading 0.54 g/t Au and 4.77 g/t Ag. The 10 hole, 2013 program intersected similarly anomalous gold over similar widths, approximately 80m to the south to drill hole 12-04, including 27 m grading 0.35 g/t gold and 3.21 g/t silver from drill hole SN13-06. To date, Westhaven has completed 2,427m of drilling in 20 holes testing three target areas of the property.

Under the terms of the option agreement, Westhaven can earn an initial 51% interest in the property by: i) incurring \$1.5 million in exploration expenditures over a three year period and ii) issuing a total of 300,000 common shares to the Company including 100,000 common shares within 5 business days of Exchange approval of the option agreement (300,000 common shares received including 100,000 common shares received during the period ended July 31, 2013). Within twelve months of having earned its 51% interest in the property, Westhaven will have the option to earn an additional 19% interest (bringing its total property interest to 70%) by: i) issuing an additional 500,000 shares to the Company, and ii) incurring an additional \$1.5 million in exploration expenditures. Westhaven and the Company are related by virtue of a common director.

## Results of Operations

The Company's principal business activity is the acquisition and exploration of mineral properties in the United States and Canada. The Company currently has mineral property interests in the southeastern United States and the Canadian provinces of British Columbia, Saskatchewan, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

During the six months ended July 31, 2013 (the "**Current Period**"), the Company recorded a loss of \$411,466 (\$0.00 loss per share) as compared to a loss of \$537,895 (\$0.01 loss per share) for the six months ended July 31, 2012 (the "**Comparative Period**"). Comprehensive loss for the Current Period totaled \$371,403 as compared to \$881,218 in the Comparative Period. The main reason for the smaller loss in the Current Period is a significant decrease in the Company's activity levels, including efforts by management to reduce administrative expenses in an effort to preserve capital.

A decrease in salaries and benefits (Current Period - \$30,532; Comparative Period - \$115,296) had the largest impact on administrative expenses in the Current Period, as the Company reduced its full-time employees from seven to one. A decrease in share-based compensation, a non-cash expense, (Current Period - \$Nil; Comparative Period - \$81,205) also contributed to lower administrative expenses in the Current Period, primarily because the Company did not issue stock options during the Current Period. Advertising and promotion (Current Period - \$22,008; Comparative Period - \$57,157), depreciation (Current Period - \$2,923; Comparative Period - \$3,282), generative exploration costs (Current Period - \$13,843; Comparative Period - \$36,285), insurance (Current Period - \$16,791; Comparative Period - \$23,523), office, miscellaneous and rent (Current Period - \$20,588; Comparative Period - \$47,054), regulatory and filing fees (Current Period - \$9,052; Comparative Period - \$14,961) and professional fees (Current Period - \$10,798; Comparative Period - \$37,977) all decreased during the Current Period as part of the cost reduction efforts of management. The Company recorded an increase in accretion, a non-cash expense, (Current Period - \$552; Comparative Period - \$Nil), related to an asset retirement obligation for the Nickel King property. Total administrative expenses were \$127,087 in the Current Period (Comparative Period - \$416,740).

During the Current Period, the Company wrote-off accumulated acquisition and exploration expenses of \$300,359, related to nine property option agreements for the Ridgeway, South Carolina properties. In the Comparative Period the Company wrote-off \$113,952, mostly related to the Plitz and Mons Creek properties in BC. Other factors that affected the Company's loss for the Current Period included less interest income (Current Period - \$21; Comparative Period - \$393), a foreign exchange loss (Current Period - \$376; Comparative Period - \$7,596) mineral exploration tax credits received (Current Period - \$1,200; Comparative Period - \$Nil) and a gain on the sale of investments (Current Period - \$15,135; Comparative Period - \$Nil).

Total assets decreased to \$3,339,636 as at July 31, 2013 as compared to total assets of \$3,766,525 as at January 31, 2013. Exploration and evaluation asset costs, capitalized as assets, decreased to \$3,072,663 as at July 31, 2013 from \$3,345,945 as at January 31, 2013. The Company reduced its capitalized exploration costs by a total of \$300,359 (July 31, 2012 - \$113,952), consisting primarily of write-offs of mineral properties. A summary of the Company's capitalized exploration expenditures can be found below.

	January 31, 2013	Expended During The Period	Write-off of Costs and Recoveries	July 31, 2013
<b>Gold and Base Metal Properties, British Columbia</b>				
Exploration costs	\$ 51,405	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51,405
Acquisition costs	44,467	-	-	44,467
Geological and assays	66,942	-	-	66,942
Office and salaries	<u>452,023</u>	<u>4,020</u>	-	<u>456,043</u>
	<u>614,837</u>	<u>4,020</u>	-	<u>618,857</u>
<b>Gold and Base Metal Properties, USA</b>				
Exploration costs	992,014	2,361	(44,423)	949,952
Acquisition costs	832,166	2,614	(162,112)	672,668
Geological and assays	152,172	-	(15,611)	136,561
Office and salaries	<u>754,756</u>	<u>18,082</u>	<u>(78,213)</u>	<u>694,625</u>
	<u>2,731,108</u>	<u>23,057</u>	<u>(300,359)</u>	<u>2,453,806</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,345,945</b>	<b>\$ 27,077</b>	<b>\$ (300,359)</b>	<b>\$ 3,072,663</b>

Title to mineral properties involves certain inherent risks due to the difficulties of determining the validity of certain claims as well as the potential for problems arising from the frequently ambiguous conveyancing history characteristic of many mineral properties. The Company has investigated title to all of its mineral properties and, to the best of its knowledge, title to all of its properties is in good standing.

### **Summary of Quarterly Results**

The following table sets out selected unaudited quarterly financial information of Strongbow Exploration Inc. and is derived from the Company's unaudited quarterly financial statements prepared by management. The Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with IFRS and are expressed in Canadian dollars.

Quarter Ending	Interest Income	Loss from Continued Operation and Net Income (Loss)	Basic Loss per share <sup>(1)</sup> from Loss	Fully Diluted Loss per share <sup>(1)</sup> - from Net Income (Loss)
July 31, 2013	\$ 21	\$ (235,448)	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.00)
April 30, 2013	\$ -	\$ (176,018)	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.00)
January 31, 2013	\$ 182	\$ (11,169,207)	\$ (0.13)	\$ (0.13)
October 31, 2012	\$ 207	\$ (181,301)	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.00)
July 31, 2012	\$ 174	\$ (307,247)	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.00)
April 30, 2012	\$ 219	\$ (230,648)	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.00)
January 31, 2012	\$ (1,858)	\$ (252,126)	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.00)
October 31, 2011	\$ 3,165	\$ (713,658)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.01)

(1) Based on the treasury share method for calculating diluted earnings.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Working capital as at July 31, 2013 was \$143,353 as compared to \$195,279 at January 31, 2013. Cash decreased by \$34,206 in the Current Period (Comparative Period – increased by \$458,650) to \$133,289 as at July 31, 2013 (Comparative Period - \$644,859). Net cash used in operations during the Current Period was \$106,767 (Comparative Period - \$341,839). The most significant changes in non-cash working capital items during the Current Period included a decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$55,848 and a decrease of \$45,926 in receivables. Prepaid expenses decreased by \$25,615.

Although the Company had positive working capital of \$143,353 as at July 31, 2013, the Company will require additional financing to maintain its existing property option agreements in the United States, to conduct further exploration programs on its properties and for future working capital. The Company's cash totaled \$133,289 as at July 31, 2013. The fair value of the Company's marketable securities and investment totaled \$11,000 and \$78,078 respectively as at July 31, 2013. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to sell either the marketable securities or investments when required to finance its activities.

During the period ended July 31, 2013, the Company has undertaken certain measures to reduce its administrative expenses. For short-term working capital during the period ended July 31, 2013, the Company sold 340,000 common shares of North Arrow for gross proceeds of \$100,135. With significantly reduced administrative expenses, the Company expects to be able to continue in a "care and maintenance" state for approximately twelve months. However, without additional financing for general working capital and to maintain its current landholdings, the Company may not be able to maintain the minimum listing requirements of the TSX-Venture Exchange beyond fiscal 2014.

With the reductions in administrative expenses described above, the Company's most significant fixed costs relate to the costs associated with maintaining a TSX-V listing. The Company's has no minimum commitment for premises; leased exploration equipment commitments are \$8,109 annually until January 31, 2016 (all lease commitments terminate May 31, 2017). Please see the "Commitments" section below for further details. In addition, to keep its Midway project properties in good standing, the Company must make cash option payments to the landowners of up

to US\$322,000 annually over the next four years; the property payments due in January 2014 total US\$189,612. Failure to make these option payments or to renegotiate the terms of these option agreements could result in the loss of the Company's right to further explore or acquire these properties. During the year ended January 31, 2013 and up to the current date, the Company's Management successfully re-negotiated the terms of many of the Midway property option agreements to allow the Company to defer the cash option payments due in 2013 for at least two years. The Company did not make its cash option payments, payable in September 2013, for the remaining Ridgeway project properties and accordingly, wrote-off capitalized acquisition and exploration costs of \$300,359.

The Company actively manages its landholdings in an effort to keep landholdings with the greatest exploration potential in good standing for as long as possible. The Company's management regularly reviews its cash position against future plans and makes decisions regarding these plans accordingly. The Company has sufficient financial resources to keep its Midway and Nickel King landholdings and the majority of its non-material landholdings in good standing through to the end of calendar 2013 however, without additional financing or further re-negotiation of the terms of the option agreements for the Midway properties, it is probable that the Company will not be able to maintain its current land position in the Carolinas beyond calendar 2013. With respect to the Company's Nickel King project, the current mining leases allow the Company to maintain the Nickel King Main Zone deposit through to November 2028 at an annual cost of \$5,883 per year. Therefore, despite the January 31, 2013 write down of capitalized exploration expenditures relating to Nickel King, the mining leases can be maintained at a low annual cost and the Nickel King deposit remains an asset within the Company's project portfolio.

The Company's financial statements have been prepared on the basis that the Company will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business rather than through a process of forced liquidation. However, the Company has sustained substantial losses from operations since inception and has no current source of revenue. Continued operations of the Company are dependent on the Company's ability to complete equity financings or generate profitable operations in the future. The Company's financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue in existence. Financing opportunities for companies with early-stage exploration projects are limited at the present time and failure to re-finance the Company in 2013 would result in the need to wind-down existing activities.

The Company's primary investing activity is the acquisition and exploration of mineral properties. During the Current Period, the Company spent \$27,574 (Comparative Period - \$383,313) to acquire and explore its exploration and evaluation asset interests and recorded a recovery to its capitalized exploration costs totalling \$Nil (Comparative Period - \$25,000), which relates to the receipt of a cash option payment during the Comparative Period. The Company's exploration activities during the Current Period were minimal but focused on its gold properties in the United States.

During the Comparative Period, the Company received proceeds of \$1,157,000 from the issuance of capital stock; no financings were completed during the Current Period.

In March 2012, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of 8,900,000 units at a price of \$0.13 per unit, for gross proceeds of \$1,157,000. Each unit consisted of one common share and one common share purchase warrant. The warrants expired without exercise on September 9, 2013.

As at September 27, 2013, the Company had 4,900,000 outstanding stock options with exercise prices that range from \$0.17 to \$0.55, which if exercised, would increase the Company's available cash by approximately \$1.55 million. However, none of these stock options are presently "in-the-money" as the Company's share price is less than the exercise price. These stock options expire between July 2014 and April 2016.

Actual funding requirements may vary from those planned due to a number of factors, including results from exploration activities and the Company's ability to raise additional funds at favourable terms. Equity financings at the Company's stage of development are very challenging in the current economic environment, and result in dilution to existing shareholders. Dilution to existing shareholders from an equity financing increases as the share price decreases. In addition, market volatility and economic uncertainties have the potential to make future financing challenging. The Company's ability to generate cash is very much affected by the current market conditions, its share price and third party interest in its assets. In previous years, the Company was able to sell or option its non-core assets, or sell common shares received for these non-core assets, as one means to finance its operations and to further exploration on its mineral property interests; it is unlikely that the Company will be able to finance its operations in this manner given the current market challenges. The Company has no credit facilities that can be used for ongoing operations because it has no operating cash flow.

### **Risks and Uncertainties**

The Company's financial condition and future prospects are significantly affected by overall economic conditions. The Company has no source of operating revenue and relies on equity financings and, in recent years, the sale of marketable securities acquired from exploration option and purchase and sale agreements to finance its operations and in particular, to further exploration on its properties. Liquidity risk is the most significant risk faced by the Company at the present time, given its early stage of development.

The current low interest rate environment means that interest income cannot materially offset the Company's general and administrative expenses. Historically, the majority of the Company's expenses have been denominated in Canadian Dollars, so its exposure to foreign exchange risk was limited. The Company's foreign exchange exposure has increased with the acquisition of mineral properties in the United States.

The Company has no exposure to asset-backed commercial paper through its short-term investments, which are invested in chartered bank-issued BA's or BDN's or GICs to minimize, to the extent possible, the Company's credit risk. The majority of the Company's receivables consist of sales tax receivables due from the federal government, receivables from companies with which the Company has exploration agreements or options and receivables from related parties. The maximum amount of the Company's exposure to credit risk with respect to its receivables is the carrying value of those receivables as at the financial position date.

The Company's management actively monitors its cash flows and is making decisions and plans for 2013 accordingly. The Company's material mineral properties are all in good standing, however the Company will need to raise additional funds to keep those properties in good standing beyond 2013. The Company regularly reviews its landholdings with a view to reducing or consolidating those landholdings to focus on specific areas of interest and exploration potential.

The Company has no long-term debt and, as of the report date, the Company has positive working capital, which will be used to maintain the Company's material exploration properties in good standing for as long as possible and for a reduced level of corporate and administrative expenses. Failure to secure additional financing could ultimately result in the loss of the Company's properties and the removal of the Company from the TSXV for failure to meet minimum listing standards.

### **Outstanding Share Data**

The Company's authorized capital is unlimited common shares without par value. As at September 27, 2013, there were 91,077,163 common shares issued and outstanding.

As September 27, 2013, the Company had the following options outstanding:

	Number of Shares	Exercise Price	Number Vested	Expiry Date
<b>Options</b>	1,525,000	\$ 0.17	1,525,000	July 26, 2014
	1,735,000	0.20	1,735,000	September 23, 2015
	70,000	0.42	70,000	December 22, 2015
	1,570,000	0.55	1,570,000	April 29, 2016

A total of 9,081,200 warrants exercisable at \$0.20 per warrant expired without exercise on September 9, 2013.

### **Transactions with Related Parties**

The Company entered into the following transactions with related parties (See Note 9 of the consolidated condensed interim financial statements for the period ended July 31, 2013):

- a) Charged rent and technical services of \$8,715 (July 31, 2012 - \$18,752) to North Arrow, a company with two common directors.
- b) Charged administrative and technical services of \$23,404 (July 31, 2012 - \$12,393) to Stornoway Diamond Corporation ("Stornoway"), a company with a common officer.



- c) Paid or accrued administrative and accounting services of \$4,333 (July 31, 2012 - \$17,741) to Stornoway.

Included in receivables are amounts due from North Arrow totaling \$2,508 (January 31, 2013 - \$35,241) for reimbursement of exploration expenditures and shared administrative expenses paid by the Company on North Arrow's behalf.

Included in payables are amounts due to Stornoway totaling \$854 (January 31, 2013 – amounts due from Stornoway - \$5,001) for reimbursement of exploration and administrative costs paid by the Company on Stornoway's behalf.

Key management includes the Company's directors and officers. Compensation awarded to key management during the six months ended July 31, 2013 and 2012 were as follows:

	<b>Six Months Ended July 31, 2013</b>	Six Months Ended July 31, 2012
Salaries and benefits <sup>1</sup>	\$ <b>54,569</b>	\$ 146,797
Total	\$ <b>54,569</b>	\$ 146,797

1 – When key management is working specifically on exploration and evaluation assets their time is capitalized against the exploration and evaluation asset.

### **New Accounting Standards**

#### *IAS 36 – Impairment of assets – disclosure*

This standard has limited scope amendments to disclosure requirements in IAS 36, Impairment of Assets. The extent of the impact of adoption of IAS 36 has not yet been determined by the Company.

#### *IAS 32 – Financial instruments – presentation*

This standard has been amended to clarify requirements for offsetting of financial assets and financial liabilities. The extent of the impact of adoption of IAS 32 has not yet been determined by the Company.

#### *IFRS 9 Financial Instruments – classification and measurement*

This is the first part of a new standard on classification and measurement of financial assets that will replace IAS 39, "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement". IFRS 9 has two measurement categories: amortized cost and fair value. All equity instruments are measured at fair value. A debt instrument is recorded at amortized cost only if the entity is holding it to collect contractual cash flows and the cash flows represent principal and interest. Otherwise it is measured at fair value with changes in fair value through profit or loss. In addition, this new standard has been updated to include guidance on financial liabilities and derecognition of financial instruments. This standard is effective for years beginning on or after January 1, 2015. The extent of the impact of adoption of IFRS 9 has not yet been determined.

#### *IFRS 7 – Financial instruments – disclosure*

This standard has been amended to require additional disclosures on transition from IAS 39 to IFRS 9. The extent of the impact of adoption of IFRS 7 has not yet been determined

### **Commitments**

The Company is committed to minimum future lease payments for office premises and leased office equipment through to May 31, 2017 as follows:

Fiscal year ending January 31, 2015	\$	8,109
Fiscal year ending January 31, 2016	\$	8,109
Fiscal year ending January 31, 2017	\$	3,899
Fiscal year ending January 31, 2018	\$	975

The Company's lease costs may be reduced due to recoveries through sub-leases or cost sharing arrangements.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

Not applicable.

### **Additional Disclosure for Venture Issuers Without Significant Revenue**

Additional disclosure concerning the Company's general and administrative expenses and exploration and evaluation asset costs is provided in the Company's consolidated statement of financial position, statement of changes in equity, statement of loss and comprehensive loss and the mineral properties note contained in its audited consolidated financial statements for the years ended January 31, 2013 and 2012 prepared in accordance with IFRS and its condensed, interim consolidated financial statements for the six months ended July 31, 2013. These statements are available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

### **Additional Information**

Additional information relating to the Company is on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and is available on the Company's website at [www.strongbowexploration.com](http://www.strongbowexploration.com).

### **Approval**

The Board of Directors of the Company has approved the disclosure contained in this interim MD&A. A copy of this interim MD&A will be provided to anyone who requests it.