# AMERICAS SILVER CORPORATION
# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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# Forward-Looking Statements

Statements contained or incorporated by reference in this Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") that are not current or historical factual statements may constitute forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this MD&A that address activities, events or developments that the Company expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including without limitation, statements regarding any objectives, expectations, intentions, plans, results, levels of activity, goals or achievements, estimates of mineral reserves and resources, the realization of mineral reserve estimates, the San Rafael prefeasibility study, impairment of mining interests and non-producing properties, the timing and amount of estimated future production, production guidance, costs of production, capital expenditures, costs and timing of development, success of exploration activities, permitting timelines, government regulation of mining operations, environmental risks, the going concern assumption, and the timing and possible outcomes of pending litigation, negotiations or regulatory investigations, including, the final determination of the boundaries of the concessions encompassing the El Cajón deposit are or involve forward-looking statements. Although forward-looking statements contained in this MD&A are based on what management considers to be reasonable assumptions based on information currently available to it, there can be no assurances that actual events, performance or results will be consistent with these forward looking statements, and management's assumptions may prove to be incorrect. Generally, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "anticipates", "assumes", "believes", "budget", "could", "estimates", "expects", "forecasts", "guidance", "indicates", "intends", "likely", "may", "objective", "outlook", "plans", "potential", "predicts", "scheduled", "should", "target", "trends", "will", or "would" or the negative or other variations of these words or other comparable words or phrases. This MD&A, including those set out under "Risk Factors" in this MD&A and any documents incorporated herein by reference, contain forward-looking statements including, but not limited to those relating to the Company. All such forward-looking statements are subject to important risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These statements are forward-looking because they are based on current expectations, estimates and assumptions. It is important to know that: (i) unless otherwise indicated, forward-looking statements in this MD&A including any documents incorporated herein by reference describe expectations as at the date hereof; (ii) actual results and events could differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements in this MD&A, including the documents incorporated herein by reference, if known or unknown risks affect the respective businesses of the Company, or if their estimates or assumptions turn out to be inaccurate. As a result, the Company cannot guarantee that the results or events expressed or implied in any forward-looking statement will materialize, and accordingly, you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements; and (iii) the Company disclaims any intention and assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement even if new information becomes available, as a result of future events or for any other reason, except in accordance with applicable Canadian securities laws. The Company has made a number of assumptions in making forward-looking statements in this MD&A including any documents incorporated herein by reference.

# Cautionary Note to Investors in the United States Regarding Resources and Reserves

Information concerning the mineral properties of the Company has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Canadian securities laws, which differ in material respects from the requirements of U.S. securities laws applicable to U.S. companies subject to the reporting and disclosure requirements of the U.S. Securities Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Under SEC standards, mineralization may not be classified as a "reserve" unless the determination has been made that the mineralization could be economically and legally produced or extracted at the time of the reserve determination, and the SEC does not recognize the reporting of mineral deposits which do not meet the SEC Industry Guide definition of "Reserve". In accordance with Canadian National Instrument 43-101 - Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101"), the terms "mineral reserve", "proven mineral reserve", "probable mineral reserve", "mineral resource", "measured mineral resource", "indicated mineral resource" and "inferred

mineral resource" used in this MD&A are defined in the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (the "CIM") Definition Standards for Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves adopted by the CIM Council on December 11, 2005. While the terms "mineral resource", "measured mineral resource", "indicated mineral resource" and "inferred mineral resource" are recognized and required by the NI 43-101, the SEC does not recognize them. Shareholders who are U.S. persons are cautioned that, except for that portion of the mineral resources classified as mineral reserves, mineral resources do not have demonstrated economic value. Inferred mineral resources have a high degree of uncertainty as to their existence as to whether they can be economically or legally mined. Under Canadian securities laws, estimates of inferred mineral resources may not form the basis of an economic analysis. It cannot be assumed that all or any part of an inferred mineral resource will ever be upgraded to a higher category. Therefore, shareholders who are U.S. persons are cautioned not to assume that all or any part of an inferred mineral resource exists, that it can be economically or legally mined, or that it will ever be upgraded to a higher category. Likewise, shareholders who are U.S. persons are cautioned not to assume that all or any part of measured or indicated mineral resources will ever be upgraded to mineral reserves.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

This MD&A of the results of operations, liquidity and capital resources of Americas Silver Corporation (formerly Scorpio Mining Corporation ("Scorpio")) ("Americas Silver" or the "Company") constitutes management's review of the Company's financial and operating performance for the year ended December 31, 2015, including the Company's financial condition and future prospects. Except as otherwise noted, this discussion is dated March 30, 2016 and should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. The audited consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. The Company prepared its latest financial statements in U.S. dollars and all amounts in this MD&A are expressed in U.S. dollars, unless otherwise stated. These documents along with additional information relating to the Company including the Company's most recent Annual Information Form are available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and on the Company's website at www.americassilvercorp.com.

In this report, the management of the Company presents operating highlights for the year ended December 31, 2015 compared to the year ended December 31, 2014 as well as comments on plans for the future. Throughout this MD&A, references to silver equivalent ounces produced are based on metal prices of $17 per ounce silver, $0.95 per pound zinc, $0.90 per pound lead, and $2.90 per pound copper for fiscal 2015, and $20 per ounce silver, $0.90 per pound zinc, $0.95 per pound lead, and $3.00 per pound copper for fiscal 2014, except as otherwise noted.

Securities regulators encourage companies to disclose forward-looking information to help investors understand a company's future prospects. This discussion contains statements about the Company's future financial condition, results of operations and business. See the cover page of this report for more information on forward-looking statements.

The Company was incorporated under the Canada Business Corporations Act on May 12, 1998 and conducts mining exploration, development and production in the Americas. The merger of the Company and U.S. Silver & Gold Inc. ("U.S. Silver") was completed on December 23, 2014 pursuant to a plan of arrangement under the Business Corporations Act (Ontario). The merger was accounted for as a business combination in accordance with IFRS 3, Business Combinations. Scorpio Mining was considered the acquirer of U.S. Silver for accounting purposes. As a result, the consolidated financial statements include U.S. Silver's results subsequent to December 23, 2014 only. All comparative information in this MD&A and the consolidated financial statements omit any U.S. Silver results pre-December 23, 2014 or prior period comparatives, unless otherwise stated.

# Overview

The Company has operations in two of the world's leading silver camps: the Cosalá Operations in Sinaloa, Mexico and the Galena Complex in Idaho, USA.

In Sinaloa, Mexico, the Company operates the 100%-owned producing Nuestra Señora silver-zinc-copper-lead mine located in the Cosalá District. The Company declared commercial production in January 2009 following development of the Nuestra Señora Mine and commissioning of the Los Braceros processing facility. The Cosalá area land holdings also host several other known deposits and prospects including the San Rafael zinc-lead-silver project, the past-producing La Verde silver-copper mine and the El Cajón silver-copper deposit ("El Cajón Project"), which was put on care and maintenance in January 2015. These properties are located in close proximity to the Los Braceros processing plant. The Company is a significant concession holder in the Cosalá District, with holdings of approximately 25,657 hectares ("ha"), containing numerous mineral concessions including previously producing mines.

In Idaho, USA, the Company operates the 100%-owned producing Galena Complex acquired through the business combination with U.S. Silver. The Galena Complex's primary assets are the operating Galena Mine, the Coeur Mine, and the contiguous Caladay development project in the Coeur d'Alene Mining District of northern Idaho. The Galena Complex has recorded production of over 230 million ounces of silver along with associated by-product metals of copper and lead over a modern production history of more than sixty years. The Coeur Mine and Caladay development project have been put on care and maintenance pending an improvement in the silver price.

The Company's mission is to profitably expand its precious metals production through the development of its own projects and consolidation of complimentary projects. The Company's current strategy is focused on extending the mine life of its current assets profitably and on developing the San Rafael Project when metal prices recover. Exploration will continue on prospective targets with an emphasis on the Cosalá District and silver-lead areas at the Galena Complex.

The Company's management and Board of Directors (the "Board") are comprised of senior mining executives who have extensive experience identifying, acquiring, developing, financing, and operating precious metals deposits globally. The head office of the Company is located at 145 King Street West, Suite 2870, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5H 1J8. The Company is a reporting issuer in the jurisdictions of Ontario, British Columbia, Alberta, and Quebec, and is listed on the TSX trading under the symbol "USA" and "USAPF" on the OTCQX.

# Recent Developments and Operational Discussion

On December 23, 2014, the Company announced the closing of the combination of Americas Silver and U.S. Silver by way of a plan of arrangement. The resulting consolidated company is a growth-oriented silver producer with Americas Silver's producing Cosalá Operations in Sinaloa, Mexico and U.S. Silver's producing Galena Complex in Idaho, United States. The merger created a leading, junior silver producer in the Americas while removing redundant costs in a lower silver price environment. Additional information can be obtained from the Management Information Circular available on the Company's website and on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

## *Consolidated Operations*

Fiscal 2015 was a challenging year for the Company and the silver industry in general. The continuing decrease in both silver and base metal prices had a strong impact on the Company's consolidated cash flow. The consolidated realized silver price of $15.60/oz. in fiscal 2015 represented an 18% decrease from calendar 2014 when the consolidated realized silver price was $18.98/oz. The consolidated realized base metal prices during fiscal 2015 ($0.87/lbs. zinc, $0.80/lbs. lead, and $2.54/lbs. copper) decreased by approximately 10-17% from calendar 2014 ($0.97/lbs. zinc, $0.94/lbs. lead, and $3.06/lbs. copper).

Management reacted to this decrease by continuing to reduce operating, exploration and capital spending with positive results seen in decreased consolidated by-product cash costs and consolidated all-in sustaining costs during the fiscal year. The El Cajón Project was placed on care and maintenance in January 2015 in light of a boundary issue and prevailing metal prices. The halt in development resulted in a staffing reduction of approximately 90 jobs representing almost 25% of the workforce at the Cosalá Operations over the first quarter of 2015. Capital spending was reduced by 28% in order to conserve cash until metal prices recovered. However, the San Rafael project was advanced in the development pipeline as the Company's next producing mine in the area. The Company also extended its existing debt in June 2015 and raised over $2.5 million through a combination of equity and debt in order to supplement its cash position and defer scheduled repayments when the silver and base metal prices decreased precariously in the second half of the year.

Additionally, the Company experienced a clutch failure at the Galena Shaft of the Galena Complex in early Q2-2015. Management quickly implemented an alternative hoisting solution which was in an advanced stage of preparation in anticipation of scheduled hoist motor maintenance. Shaft capacity was reduced until mid-September when all levels of the mine regained full capacity. Despite this situation and reduced metal prices, fiscal 2015 strategic objectives were achieved in production targets, lower operating costs and improved productivity at both the Cosalá Operations and Galena Complex. Increased silver equivalent production, reduced spending and productivity gains have partially offset the significant decrease in precious and base metal prices during the period.

In fiscal 2016, the Company's Management initiated changes to its operations and corporate cost structures in order to further reduce costs in the current low commodity price environment. The Company announced a reduction in its workforce at the corporate office as well as both the Galena and Cosalá operations with a total reduction of approximately 90 staff. There was a change of its Chief Operating Officer and Mexico Country Manager at its Cosalá Operations as part of the workforce rationalization. The Company was also able to negotiate substantial savings in its smelter agreements and is targeting other areas of the operations for further cost improvements by such measures as the integration of departments, deferral of equipment purchases and elimination of discretionary expenses. The Galena Complex is expecting to increase lead production by approximately 10M lbs. in fiscal 2016 after having transitioned to the production of silver-lead ore. Precious and base metal prices have increased early in fiscal 2016 providing additional cash flow for the operations in addition to the devaluation of the Mexican peso relative to the U.S. dollar. With these and other changes, Management is expecting all-in sustaining costs to be $11.75-12.75 per ounce, a reduction of 25-30% over fiscal 2015 all-in sustaining costs per ounce.

The Company announced a maiden reserve at the San Rafael deposit based on the results of the prefeasibility study (see "Mineral Reserve and Mineral Resource Estimate") on March 30, 2016. A summary of the study is available in the Company's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2015. San Rafael is part of the Cosalá Operations. It is a zinc-silver-lead-copper deposit located approximately 8km north of the Los Braceros process plant. Mine Development Associates was commissioned to complete a prefeasibility study on the deposit in Q2-2015, however completion of the study was delayed due to metal price volatility in the second half of 2015. This study considers an underground operation focused on the Main Zone with processing at the existing Los Braceros facility producing zinc and lead concentrates. Permits are in place to allow the commencement of mine development subject to Board approval and project financing. The project is expected to produce 5.5Moz silver, 254M lbs. zinc and 97M lbs. lead over a reserve life of over 5.5 years with a pre-tax net present value of $25M at a 5% discount rate and an IRR of 27% Full details of the prefeasibility study will be disclosed through a Technical Report to be issued by April 30, 2016.

| | Fiscal Year Ended December 31 | |
|---|---|---|
| | **2015** | **2014** [1] |
| Revenues ($ M) | $ 53.5 | $ 31.5 |
| Silver Produced (oz) | 2,652,026 | 1,206,603 |
| Zinc Produced (lbs) | 11,647,962 | 12,625,526 |
| Lead Produced (lbs) | 22,905,826 | 6,489,087 |
| Copper Produced (lbs) | 2,054,896 | 1,197,934 |
| Total Silver Equivalent Produced (oz) [2] | 4,866,145 | 2,262,673 |
| Cash Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz) [3] | $12.75 | $11.31 |
| All-In Sustaining Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz) [3] | $17.16 | $22.68 |
| Net Loss ($ M) | $ (19.4) | $ (78.7) |
| Comprehensive Loss ($ M) | $ (23.7) | $ (79.1) |

1 Production from Galena Complex operations included since December 23, 2014.
2 Throughout this MD&A, references to silver equivalent ounces produced are based on prices of $17 per ounce silver, $0.95 per pound zinc, $0.90 per pound lead, and $2.90 per pound copper for fiscal 2015, and $20 per ounce silver, $0.90 per pound zinc, $0.95 per pound lead, and $3.00 per pound copper for fiscal 2014.
3 Refer to "Non-IFRS Measures: Cash Cost per Ounce and All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce" section in this MD&A.

During 2015, the Company produced 4,866,145 silver equivalent ounces, including 2,652,026 ounces of silver, at a by-product cash cost of $12.75/oz. silver and all-in sustaining cost of $17.16/oz. silver. These results compare to 2,262,673 silver equivalent ounces, including 1,206,603 ounces of silver, at a by-product cash cost of $11.31/oz. silver and all-in sustaining cost of $22.68/oz. silver during 2014, a 115%, 120%, and 13% increase in production of silver equivalent ounces and silver ounces, and by-product cash cost, respectively, and a 24% decrease in all-in sustaining cost. These results specifically exclude the one-time costs related to the El Cajón Project suspension and the related workforce reduction, among other things.

The consolidated operations above include U.S. Silver results from December 23, 2014. If U.S. Silver had been consolidated from January 1, 2014, the Company would have produced 4,367,649 silver equivalent ounces, including 2,799,404 ounces of silver, at a by-product cash cost of $13.83/oz. silver and all-in sustaining cost of $21.15/oz. silver during 2014. When these results are compared to 2015 results, there would have been a 11% increase in production of silver equivalent ounces, and a 5%, 8%, and 19% decrease in production of silver ounces, by-product cash cost, and all-in sustaining cost, respectively.

The Company recorded a net loss of $19.4 million for the year ended 2015 compared to net loss of $78.7 million for the year ended 2014. The decrease in net loss was primarily attributable to lower impairment of mining interests, lower depletion and amortization, higher foreign exchange gain, and lower income tax expense, partially offset by lower net revenue on commodity sales, higher care and maintenance costs, higher corporate general and administrative expenses, higher exploration costs, and higher interest and financing expenses. These variances are further discussed in the following sections.

Effective June 30, 2015, the Company amended the terms of its existing C$8.5 million credit agreement with Royal Capital Management Corporation and certain lenders, originally executed on August 7, 2013. The amendment extends the maturity from August 2016 to December 2017 and beginning January 2017, the notes will be redeemed in monthly increments of C$0.5 million, with the balance due and payable on maturity. The Company also amended the terms of the 17,850,000 warrants originally granted in connection with the credit agreement, by extending the expiry date from August 2018 to August 2020 and lowering the exercise price from C$0.40 to C$0.28 per share.

On August 26, 2015, the Company completed a private placement of 11,027,555 units at a price of C$0.18 per unit for aggregate gross proceeds of approximately C$2.0 million. Each unit consisted of one common share and one half of one common share purchase warrant where each whole warrant is exercisable for one common share at an exercise price of C$0.25 for a period of three years.

On November 10, 2015, the Company closed a subordinated, secured credit agreement with a certain lender for a principal amount of $1.0 million for a term of one year, at an interest rate of 12% per annum, payable on a monthly basis beginning in the sixth month following closing. In connection with the closing of the credit agreement, the Company issued 3,693,333 warrants to the lender where each warrant is exercisable for one common share at an exercise price of C$0.25 for a period of three years.

On February 11, 2016, the Company closed a subordinated, secured credit agreement with its two existing lenders for a principal amount of $2.9 million for a term of one year, at an interest rate of 10% per annum, payable on a quarterly basis in cash or shares at the option of the lenders. In connection with the closing of the credit agreement, the Company issued 30,000,000 warrants divided between the lenders where each warrant is exercisable for one common share at an exercise price of C$0.10 for a period of three years, and adjusted the exercise price of 24,321,111 existing warrants already held by the lenders to C$0.10 with all other terms remaining unchanged.

## *Cosalá Operations*

Subsequent to the merger, the new Board and management team took decisive action from its assessment of current operations and brownfield expansion opportunities at the Cosalá District:

- The El Cajón Project was put on care and maintenance pending an improvement in silver prices;
- The workforce at the Cosalá Operations was reduced by approximately 25%;
- The San Rafael Project was brought forward in the development pipeline; and
- An evaluation of highest potential exploration targets was completed.

During the first half of fiscal 2015, the cost structure of the Cosalá Operations benefited from further productivity improvements, implementation of systematic cost controls, and a reduction in the workforce. Production was slightly better than expected despite the workforce reductions and falling metals prices.

| | Fiscal Year Ended December 31 | |
|---|---|---|
| | **2015** | **2014** |
| Tonnes Milled | 506,148 | 536,336 |
| Silver Grade (g/t) | 86 | 82 |
| Zinc Grade (%) | 1.36 | 1.44 |
| Lead Grade (%) | 0.61 | 0.78 |
| Copper Grade (%) | 0.26 | 0.20 |
| Silver Recovery (%) | 83.4 | 82.9 |
| Zinc Recovery (%) | 79.6 | 78.6 |
| Lead Recovery (%) | 80.7 | 72.4 |
| Copper Recovery (%) | 60.6 | 50.4 |
| Silver Produced (oz) | 1,162,290 | 1,177,639 |
| Zinc Produced (lbs) | 11,647,962 | 12,625,526 |
| Lead Produced (lbs) | 5,469,155 | 6,298,897 |
| Copper Produced (lbs) | 1,750,143 | 1,190,947 |
| Total Silver Equivalent Produced (oz) | 2,401,303 | 2,223,627 |
| Silver Sold (oz) | 1,159,112 | 1,171,540 |
| Zinc Sold (lbs) | 11,267,595 | 12,743,155 |
| Lead Sold (lbs) | 5,602,810 | 6,162,566 |
| Copper Sold (lbs) | 1,731,286 | 1,177,387 |
| Realized Silver Price ($/oz) | $15.61 | $18.85 |
| Realized Zinc Price ($/lb) | $0.87 | $0.97 |
| Realized Lead Price ($/lb) | $0.80 | $0.92 |
| Realized Copper Price ($/lb) | $2.54 | $3.03 |
| Cash Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz)[1] | $10.80 | $11.12 |
| All-In Sustaining Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz)[1] | $14.89 | $22.67 |

[1] Refer to "Non-IFRS Measures: Cash Cost per Ounce and All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce" section in this MD&A.

The Cosalá Operations processed 506,148 tonnes of ore at an average grade of 86 g/t of silver to produce 1,162,290 ounces of silver at a by-product cash cost of $10.80/oz. silver and all-in sustaining cost of $14.89/oz. silver during 2015, compared to 536,336 tonnes of ore at an average grade of 82 g/t of silver to produce 1,177,639 ounces of silver at a by-product cash cost of $11.12/oz. silver and all-in sustaining cost of $22.67/oz. silver during 2014, a 6% and 1% decrease in tonnes of ore milled and ounces of silver produced, respectively, and a 3% and 34% decrease in by-product cash cost per ounce and all-in sustaining cost per ounce, respectively. Silver recovery to concentrate was 83.4% in 2015 (2014 – 82.9%).

The by-product cash cost of $10.80/oz. silver for fiscal 2015 was lower than the by-product cash cost of $11.12/oz. silver for fiscal 2014 primarily due to staffing reductions resulting from the suspension of the El Cajón Project earlier in Q1-2015. The all-in sustaining cost of $14.89/oz. silver for fiscal 2015 was lower than the all-in sustaining cost of $22.67/oz. silver for fiscal 2014 primarily due to capital spending reductions resulting from the suspension of the El Cajón Project. Production of silver equivalent ounces has increased by 8% in fiscal 2015 when compared to fiscal 2014 due to higher silver and copper head grades and overall average recoveries for all metals.

The realized silver price of $15.61/oz. for 2015 (2014 – $18.85/oz.) is comparable to the London silver spot price average of $15.68/oz. for 2015 (2014 – $19.08/oz.). The realized silver price declined by 17% from $18.85/oz. during 2014 to $15.61/oz. during 2015 due to the drop in silver prices.

In 2014, the Company identified discrepancies between registered data and mapped information relative to the boundaries of the concessions encompassing the Company's El Cajón Project resource online. As

a result, there may be a significant change to the boundaries of concessions from what the Company had historically believed them to be. This issue is pending final resolution from Dirección General de Regulación Minera ("DGRM"), the Mexican government bureau responsible for administering mining concessions. The Company's review of available information indicates a potential reduction of total resources at the El Cajón Project of 40% to 50%.

Consequently, the El Cajón Project was placed on care and maintenance in January 2015 due to the boundary issue and prevailing metal prices. The halt in development resulted in a gradual staffing reduction of approximately 90 positions representing almost 25% of the workforce at the Cosalá Operations over the first quarter of 2015. Prior to suspension, metallurgical performance was confirmed through a milling campaign which processed approximately 7,700 tonnes of development muck. With considerable underground infrastructure already in place, the Project could be reactivated on short notice pending an improvement in economic conditions.

## *Galena Complex*

Since early 2013, the current Americas Silver Management significantly transformed operations at the Galena Complex in response to the decline in precious metals prices. The focus of the transformation was to maintain positive cash flow from operations in the current volatile metals price environment. The foundation for this transformation was accomplished by mining higher silver equivalent grade ore at higher tonnage with a reduced workforce. Mine management has been focused on the identification, development and production of sustainable, multi-year, lower cost production by mining the highest value per tonne of ore, regardless of silver content, for the lowest possible operating cost.

By the end of 2014, U.S. Silver completed the transition of its production from one based predominantly on silver-copper ore to silver-lead ore. The Galena Mine's silver-lead ore resources offer overall higher silver equivalent grades and lower mining costs as these mining areas are typically wider and may allow for a greater contribution from mechanized mining in the future. This focus led to lower near-term production in 2014 in order to develop the infrastructure for accessing silver-lead resources in 2015 and beyond.

| | **Fiscal Year 2015** | **Fiscal Year 2014** [1] | **Calendar Year 2014** [1] |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tonnes Milled | 151,469 | 2,706 | 144,773 |
| Silver Grade (g/t) | 324 | 349 | 365 |
| Lead Grade (%)[3] | 6.89 | 6.26 | 5.75 |
| Copper Grade (%)[3] | 0.58 | 0.28 | 0.42 |
| Silver Recovery (%) | 94.5 | 95.4 | 95.5 |
| Lead Recovery (%) | 90.5 | 90.3 | 91.7 |
| Copper Recovery (%) | 96.7 | 97.5 | 95.9 |
| Silver Produced (oz) | 1,489,736 | 28,964 | 1,621,765 |
| Lead Produced (lbs) | 17,436,671 | 190,190 | 9,143,751 |
| Copper Produced (lbs) | 304,753 | 6,987 | 586,190 |
| Total Silver Equivalent Produced (oz) | 2,464,841 | 39,046 | 2,144,022 |
| Silver Sold (oz) | 1,523,287 | 9,824 | 1,658,272 |
| Lead Sold (lbs) | 17,250,666 | 178,047 | 8,992,826 |
| Copper Sold (lbs) | 323,722 | - | 632,618 |
| Realized Silver Price ($/oz) | $15.60 | $16.28 | $19.08 |
| Realized Lead Price ($/lb) | $0.80 | $0.83 | $0.95 |
| Realized Copper Price ($/lb) | $2.57 | - | $3.11 |
| Cash Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz)[2] | $14.27 | $19.18 | $15.79 |
| All-In Sustaining Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz)[2] | $18.92 | $22.91 | $20.04 |

[1] Production from Galena Complex operations are included since December 23, 2014. Values for calendar year 2014 are presented for information purposes only.
[2] Refer to "Non-IFRS Measures: Cash Cost per Ounce and All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce" section in this MD&A.
[3] Lead and copper grades only refer to grades in silver-lead and silver-copper ores, respectively.

The Galena Complex mined 151,469 tonnes of ore at an average grade of 324 g/t of silver to produce 1,489,736 ounces of silver at a by-product cash cost of $14.27/oz. silver and all-in sustaining cost of $18.92/oz. silver during 2015, compared to 144,773 tonnes of ore at an average grade of 365 g/t of silver to produce 1,621,765 ounces of silver at a by-product cash cost of $15.79/oz. silver and all-in sustaining cost of $20.04/oz. silver during calendar 2014, a 5% increase in tonnes of ore milled, and a 8%, 10%, and 6% decrease in ounces of silver produced, by-product cash cost per ounce, and all-in sustaining cost per ounce, respectively. Tonnage was negatively impacted more than expected by scheduled maintenance to the Galena shaft hoist motor compounded by a hoist clutch failure. Production of lead during 2015 increased 91% as compared to calendar 2014 as the mine has transitioned to a predominately silver-lead mine as previously discussed. Approximately 16% of the ore tonnage was processed through the Coeur mill (calendar 2014 – 36%).

The by-product cash cost of $14.27/oz. silver for fiscal 2015 was lower than the by-product cash cost of $15.79/oz. silver for calendar 2014, and all-in sustaining cost of $18.92/oz. silver for fiscal 2015 was lower than all-in sustaining cost of $20.04/oz. silver for calendar 2014. Despite lower silver grades and hoist issues in the second and third quarters, cash costs in fiscal 2015 declined as direct mining costs (i.e. labour, supplies, utilities, etc.) continued to fall month-to-month on a silver produced per tonne basis, while increasing by-product credits from the increased production of lead, and capital spending reductions. Repairs to the Galena hoist were completed in mid-September and normal operation resumed.

The Company continued to shift production at the Galena Complex to the exploitation of silver-lead ore. As a result, the year's last shipment of copper concentrate occurred in October and no shipments are planned in 2016. The most important contributors to this successful transition are the Upper Country Silver-Lead ("UCSL") area and 5200-5500 Level. Both areas are near existing mine infrastructure and have very good potential for resource growth and conversion.

The UCSL generally refers to silver-lead mineralization found between the 2400 and 3400 Levels. This area of the mine is currently producing 40% of the ore tonnage from the 2400, 3000 and 3400 Levels. Ongoing development on the 2800 Level is expected to add production over the course of 2016.

The 5200-5500 Level generally refers to silver-lead mineralization hosted by the 175 and 185 Veins but the definition continues to evolve. Access to these veins is primarily from the 5200 Level with more recent development providing access to the 175 Vein from the 4900 Level. Diamond drilling in 2015 successfully extended the principal mineralized veins in both vertical directions and identified or extended other high grade veins such as the 164 and 168 Veins. During the year the Company was able to increase the number of production faces in order to improve productivity and operating flexibility.

Despite the decision to emphasize silver-lead production, silver-copper ore remains an important part of the Galena Complex reserve and future mine plan. The Company monitors trends in metal prices and periodically re-evaluates the optimum mix of ore production for the Galena Complex. Mining of silver-copper ore can be ramped up on relatively short notice.

Realized silver prices at $15.60/oz. for 2015 (calendar 2014 – $19.08/oz.) is comparable to the London silver spot price average of $15.68/oz. for 2015 (2014 – $19.08/oz.). The realized silver price declined by 18% from $19.08/oz. during calendar 2014 to $15.60/oz. during 2015 due to the drop in silver prices.

## *Mineral Reserve and Resource Estimate*

The Company has updated its Mineral Reserve and Mineral Resource Estimate as of December 31, 2015. Details are contained in the Company's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31,

2015. The Company was able to replace its mined reserves in 2015, increasing proven and probable reserves from 22M oz. of silver to 31M oz. of silver due to the maiden reserve estimate for the San Rafael Project. Measured and indicated resources decreased slightly from 58M oz. silver to 50M oz. of silver due to the same reason.

The change in the Cosalá estimates was largely due to the conversion of the San Rafael estimate from measured and indicated to proven and probable. A maiden reserve of 3.2Mt containing 303Mlbs Zn, 127Mlbs Pb and 11.4M oz. Ag will be declared. The 13.8M oz. decrease in M&I contained silver is the result of resource conversion, additional drilling and a change in metal price assumptions. No new data went into the related 120 Zone resource model though there was a 1.7Moz decrease in Indicated and Inferred contained silver due to the change in metal price assumptions.

At the Galena Complex, reserves decreased by 3.1Moz Ag due primarily to depletion and the downgrading of certain silver-copper stopes to non-reserve M&I resource (3.0Moz Ag) offset by the net addition of silver-lead reserves (0.9Moz Ag). The decision to downgrade certain silver-copper reserves was taken where the economic value of the block could no longer be supported (i.e. drilling, poor ground conditions, change in development requirements). M&I resources increased by 6.6Moz Ag due to the shift in silver-copper reserves as well as silver-lead additions through exploration. Exploration also added 1.2M oz. silver to the inferred category.

## *Guidance*

The Company's guidance for 2016 is production of 2.5 – 3.0 million silver ounces and 5.0 – 5.6 million silver equivalent ounces[1] at cash costs of $9.00 – $10.00 per ounce and all-in sustaining costs of $11.75 – $12.75 per ounce.

[1] Silver equivalent figures and silver cost guidance for 2016 are based on prices of $14.50 per ounce silver, $0.75 per pound zinc, $0.80 per pound lead, and $2.00 per pound copper.

# Exploration Update

### Cosalá Operations Exploration Update

*Nuestra Señora*

A modest diamond drilling program totalling approximately 2,800 metres began in the third quarter at Nuestra Señora to increase resources and mine life. The main area for this work was done to define material suitable for mining and processing in late 2016 and beyond. Drilling totalling 2,743 metres was highlighted by an intersection of 6.09 metres of 268 g/t Ag, 0.82% Cu, 0.84% Pb, and 1.47% Zn in Drill hole NS3L-15-04. All intervals of interest are shown below:

| Hole | From | To | L (m) | Ag g/t | Cu % | Pb% | Zn % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| NS3L15-04 | 160.15 | 166.24 | 6.09 | 268.13 | 0.82 | 0.84 | 1.47 |
| NS13L15-77 | 70.25 | 75.25 | 5 | 140.96 | 0.51 | 0.4 | 2.87 |
| NS13L15-78 | 66.4 | 69.8 | 3.4 | 89.47 | 0.41 | 0.14 | 0.45 |
| NS13L15-79 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 255.47 | 0.04 | 0.38 | 0.11 |
| NS13L15-81 | 50.6 | 53.5 | 2.9 | 114.38 | 0.51 | 0.22 | 1.13 |
| NS13L15-81 | 65.8 | 70.15 | 4.35 | 645.92 | 5.25 | 2.23 | 13.08 |
| NS13L15-84 | 43.95 | 47.15 | 3.2 | 273 | 1.23 | 0.89 | 4.91 |
| NS13L16-87 | 51.1 | 54.56 | 3.46 | 122.48 | 0.33 | 0.53 | 2.6 |

Note: True thickness varies between 60% - 75% of drilled thickness.

The drill hole intersections confirm the existence of mineralization below Level 13 of the mine and extends mineralization 60 metres below current workings. Modelling is ongoing to evaluate deepening the ramp to access this material.

Geological mapping was carried out on surface near the Nuestra Señora mine as well as other areas to the south. A previously unknown area of mineralized breccia was discovered and hand trenching was completed to allow sampling. Permitting will begin following the conclusion of discussions with the surface owner to allow drill access. The extent of the projected skarn mineralization south of mine has been examined and sampled. This is also subject to permitting efforts.

*Regional Mapping*

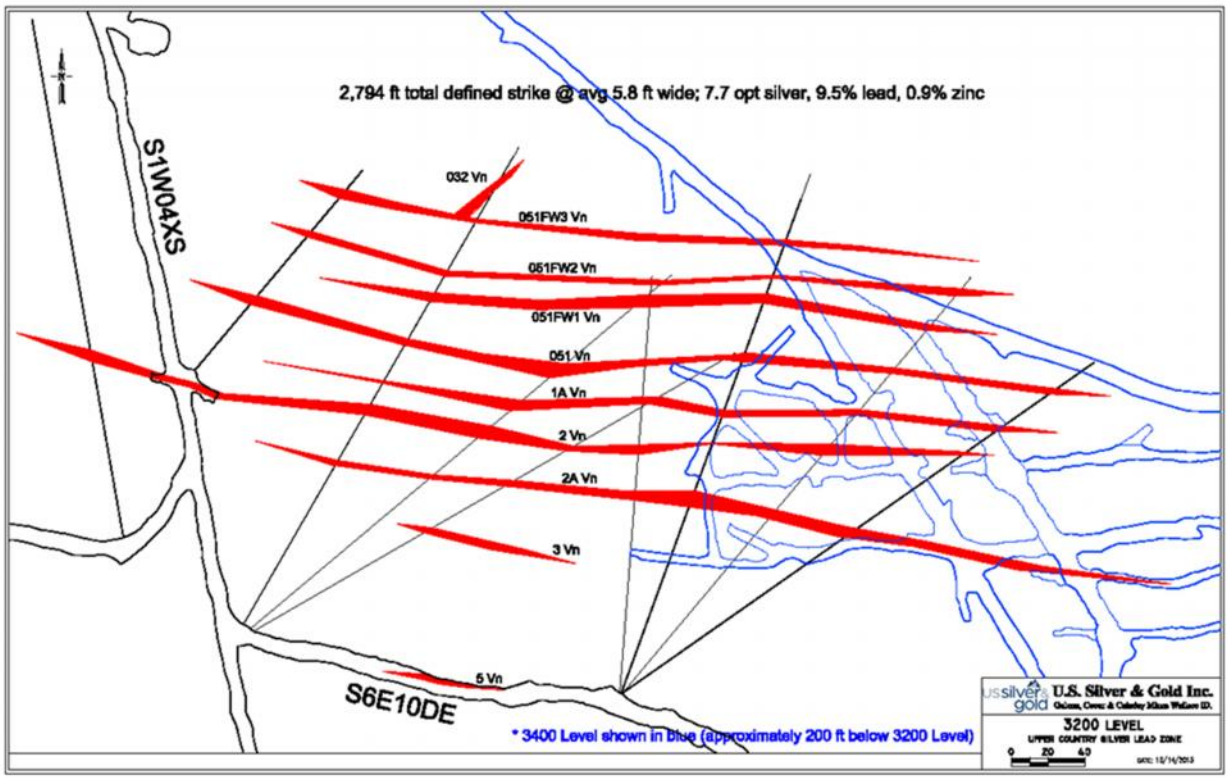
Regional work has identified areas of past artisanal activity including a newly identified area known as La Blanca/Purisima where underground mapping and channel sampling has identified mineralization remaining in the old workings. The area is located approximately 5km west of the San Rafael/El Cajón deposits and approximately 8km north of the processing plant and is accessible by road. Several mine openings have been rehabilitated and are now accessible by vehicle. There are indications of mineralization, including underground workings over a distance of 2,000 metres. Work undertaken in the area includes mapping, underground sampling of existing workings and soil geochemistry to outline the surface trace of the mineralization.

*San Rafael*

Additional surface mapping and data compilation has been completed at San Rafael. An area of suspected massive sulphide mineralization discovered south of the known San Rafael ore body has been sampled by trenching with the recovery of sulphide mineralization.

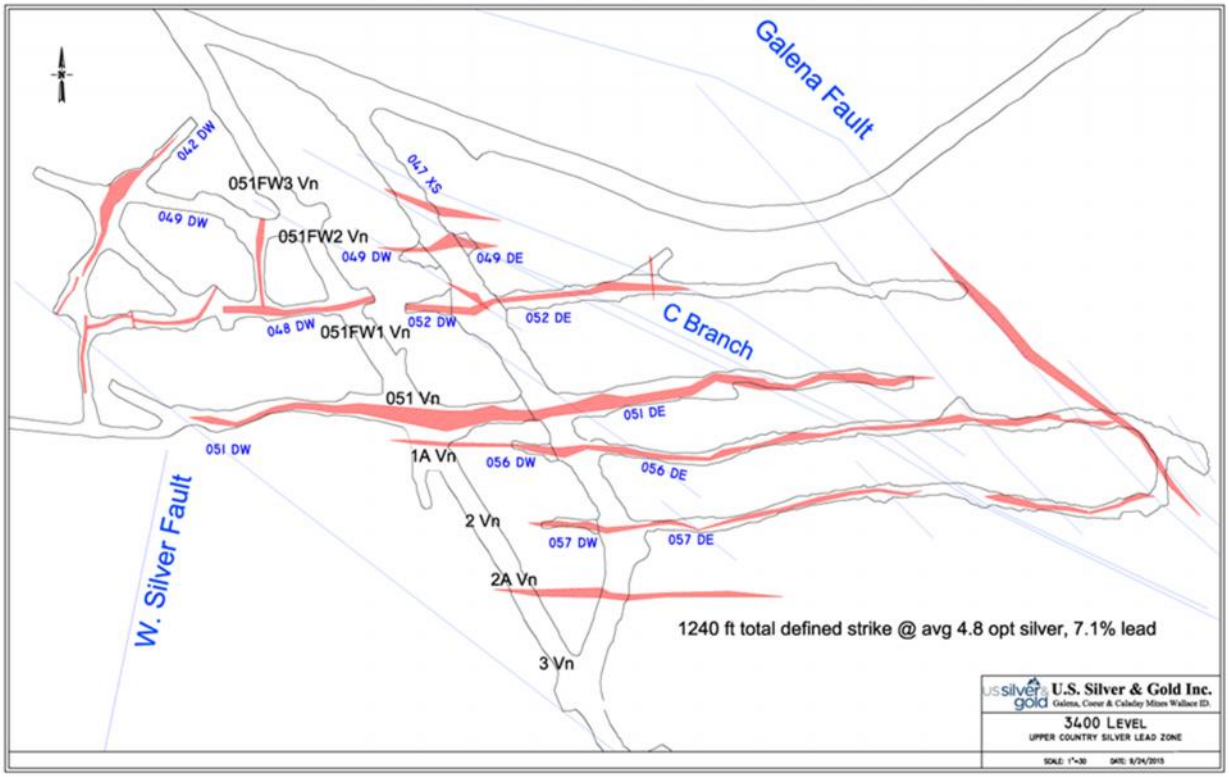
**Galena Complex Exploration Update**

The Company drilled 1,316 metres underground at the Galena Complex in the fourth quarter of 2015 and a total of 8,223 metres for the year. A portion of this drilling was completed to advance block modeling of a series of veins in the Upper Country Silver-Lead Zone. Geologists have advanced their understanding of high-grade, silver-lead veins in the 2800 to 3700 Level area. Nine of these veins have been delineated by recent drilling on the 3200 Level and several are now either in production or advancing toward a development decision.




Upper Country Veins – 3200 Level

The silver-lead veins in the Galena Complex underwent limited historical development prior to the mine's decades-long focus on silver-copper ore. As a result, only a small amount of production mining took place and the resource was left readily available via established development and infrastructure. Meaningful production from five veins on the 3400 Level area began in early 2015 and is progressing.




Developed Veins UCSL Area – 3400 Level

Drilling on the 4300 Level has focused on the Polaris Fault Zone. The continuity and extent of the mineralization encountered is being evaluated.

New reserve and resource updates have been completed by mine staff based on results to the end of 2015 and can be found in the Company's Annual Information Form dated March 30, 2016 from the Company's website at www.americassilvercorp.com and on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Mr. Jim Atkinson, Vice President, Exploration and a 'qualified person' under NI 43-101 guidelines ("Qualified Person"), has approved the applicable contents of this section.

## Results of Operations

*Analysis of the year ended December 31, 2015 vs. the year ended December 31, 2014*

The Company recorded a net loss of $19.4 million for the year ended 2015 compared to net loss of $78.7 million for the year ended 2014. The decrease in net loss was primarily attributable to lower impairment of mining interests ($51.8 million), lower depletion and amortization ($2.5 million), higher foreign exchange gain ($1.3 million), and lower income tax expense ($13.4 million), partially offset by lower net revenue on commodity sales ($4.5 million), higher care and maintenance costs ($2.0 million), higher corporate general and administrative expenses ($0.7 million), higher exploration costs ($1.4 million), and higher interest and financing expenses ($1.3 million), each of which are described in more detail below:

***Revenues*** increased by $22.0 million from $31.5 million for the year ended 2014 to $53.5 million for the year ended 2015. The increase is primarily due to $30.4 million in revenues generated from the Galena Complex during the year offset by $8.2 million decrease in revenues from the Cosalá Operations due to lower average realized metal prices for the years involved.

***Cost of Sales*** increased by $26.5 million from $26.1 million for the year ended 2014 to $52.6 million for the year ended 2015. The increase is primarily due to $30.4 million in cost of sales incurred from the Galena Complex during the year offset by $3.6 million decrease in cost of sales from the Cosalá Operations due to decrease in direct mining costs on a per silver ounce basis during the year.

***Depletion and amortization*** decreased by $2.5 million from $11.0 million for the year ended 2014 to $8.5 million for the year ended 2015. The decrease is primarily due to the write down in carrying value of mining interests from the Cosalá Operations as at December 31, 2014.

***Care and maintenance costs*** of $2.0 million was incurred during the year ended 2015 primarily due to severance expenses and ongoing care and maintenance costs resulting from the suspension of the El Cajón Project.

***Corporate general and administrative expenses*** increased by $0.7 million from $5.4 million for the year ended 2014 to $6.1 million for the year ended 2015. The increase is primarily due to higher salaries, professional fees, and office and general expenses as the former U.S. Silver and Scorpio corporate groups were consolidated into the Americas Silver management team. Though an increase from the former Scorpio expenses, this amount is a reduction of the combined corporate expenses of the predecessor companies and was necessary to manage and integrate the operations of the predecessor companies. These expenses are expected to decrease quarter-over-quarter into 2016.

***Exploration costs*** of $1.4 million incurred during the year ended 2015 primarily due to exploration projects at the Cosalá Operations and Galena Complex conducted during the year as opposed to previously capitalized at the Cosalá Operations during the year ended 2014.

***Interest and financing expenses*** increased by $1.3 million for the year ended 2015 primarily due to interest expense and financing costs incurred from the Company's outstanding credit facilities.

***Foreign exchange gain*** increased by $1.3 million for the year ended 2015 primarily due to realized foreign exchange gains transacted from the Cosalá Operations during the year.

***Impairment of mining interests*** of $53.3 million was recognized during the year ended 2014 primarily due to indicators of impairment from the continuing decrease in metals prices, the limited remaining mine life of Nuestra Señora and the care and maintenance of El Cajón Project.

***Income tax expense*** decreased by $13.4 million from a $12.7 million expense for the year ended 2014 to a $0.7 million recovery for the year ended 2015. The decrease is primarily due to recognizing valuation allowance against Mexican non-capital losses carried forward during the prior year which may be used to reduce future taxable income.

***Actuarial loss*** of $3.9 million was recognized in other comprehensive loss during the year ended 2015 primarily due to adoption of new mortality assumptions released by the Society of Actuaries during the period, and a change in the discount rate from 4.75% in the prior year to 4.00% in the current year. The actuarial loss is applied against post-employment benefit obligations from the Galena Complex and does not impact the Company's net loss.

*Analysis of the three months ended December 31, 2015 vs. the three months ended December 31, 2014*

The Company recorded a net loss of $7.3 million for the three months ended December 31, 2015 compared to net loss of $73.5 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014. The decrease in net loss was primarily attributable to lower impairment of mining interests ($51.8 million), lower depletion and amortization ($1.1 million), lower corporate general and administrative expenses ($1.2 million), and lower income tax expense ($13.8 million), partially offset by lower net revenue on commodity sales ($1.9 million), each of which are described in more detail below:

***Revenues*** increased by $4.6 million from $6.8 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014 to $11.4 million for the three months ended December 31, 2015. The increase is primarily due to $7.4 million in revenues generated from the Galena Complex during the period offset by $2.6 million decrease in revenues from the Cosalá Operations due to lower average realized metal prices for the periods involved.

***Cost of Sales*** increased by $6.4 million from $6.9 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014 to $13.3 million for the three months ended December 31, 2015. The increase is primarily due to a $8.2 million in cost of sales incurred from the Galena Complex during the period offset by a $1.9 million decrease in cost of sales from the Cosalá Operations due to decreased direct mining costs during the period.

***Depletion and amortization*** decreased by $1.1 million from $3.1 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014 to $2.0 million for the three months ended December 31, 2015. The decrease is primarily due to the write down in carrying value of mining interests from the Cosalá Operations as at December 31, 2014.

***Corporate general and administrative expenses*** decreased by $1.2 million from $2.5 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014 to $1.3 million for the three months ended December 31, 2015. The decrease is primarily due to acquisition costs on the U.S. Silver merger incurred during the prior period.

***Impairment of mining interests*** of $53.3 million was recognized during the three months ended December 31, 2014 primarily due to indicators of impairment from the continuing decrease in metals prices, the limited remaining mine life of Nuestra Señora and the care and maintenance of El Cajón Project.

***Income tax expense*** decreased by $13.8 million from $14.1 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014 to $0.3 million for the three months ended December 31, 2015. The decrease is primarily due to recognizing valuation allowance against Mexican non-capital losses carried forward during the prior period which may be used to reduce future taxable income.

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# Selected Annual Financial Information

| Fiscal Year Ended December 31 | 2015 | 2014 [1] | 2013 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Revenues ($ M) | $ 53.5 | $ 31.5 | $ 30.2 |
| Net Loss ($ M) | (19.4) | (78.7) | (8.9) |
| Comprehensive Loss ($ M) | (23.7) | (79.1) | (9.8) |
| | | | |
| Net Loss per Common Share - Basic and Diluted | $ (0.06) | $ (0.39) | $ (0.04) |
| | | | |
| Silver Produced (oz) | 2,652,026 | 1,206,603 | 969,025 |
| Zinc Produced (lbs) | 11,647,962 | 12,625,526 | 14,535,952 |
| Lead Produced (lbs) | 22,905,826 | 6,489,087 | 6,762,344 |
| Copper Produced (lbs) | 2,054,896 | 1,197,934 | 1,312,472 |
| Cash Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz) [2] | $12.75 | $11.31 | $12.55 |
| All-In Sustaining Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz) [2] | $17.16 | $22.68 | $22.54 |
| | | | |
| Cash ($ M) | $ 1.3 | $ 15.2 | $ 15.4 |
| Receivables ($ M) | 4.5 | 6.8 | 9.3 |
| Inventories (Concentrates and Supplies) ($ M) | 8.8 | 12.4 | 8.5 |
| | | | |
| Property, Plant and Equipment ($ M) | $ 80.9 | $ 81.3 | $ 92.5 |
| | | | |
| Current Assets ($ M) | $ 15.8 | $ 36.9 | $ 36.3 |
| Current Liabilities ($ M) | 10.3 | 15.8 | 2.6 |
| Working Capital ($ M) | 5.5 | 21.1 | 33.7 |
| | | | |
| Total Assets ($ M) | $ 96.9 | $ 118.6 | $ 139.8 |
| Total Liabilities ($ M) | 32.0 | 33.2 | 4.4 |
| Total Equity ($ M) | 64.9 | 85.4 | 135.4 |

[1] Production from Galena Complex operations included since December 23, 2014.
[2] Refer to "Non-IFRS Measures: Cash Cost per Ounce and All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce" section in this MD&A.

# Summary of Quarterly Results

The following table presents a summary of the consolidated operating results for each of the most recent eight quarters ending with December 31, 2015.

| | Q4 2015 | Q3 2015 | Q2 2015 | Q1 2015 | Q4 2014 [1] | Q3 2014 | Q2 2014 | Q1 2014 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Revenues ($ M) | $ 11.5 | $ 12.8 | $ 15.3 | $ 13.9 | $ 6.8 | $ 7.7 | $ 8.8 | $ 8.2 |
| Net Loss ($ M) | (7.2) | (4.8) | (1.5) | (5.9) | (73.5) | (2.3) | (1.8) | (1.1) |
| Comprehensive Loss ($ M) | (11.5) | (4.5) | (1.6) | (6.1) | (72.9) | (3.5) | (1.2) | (1.5) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Silver Produced (oz) | 599,677 | 682,715 | 661,393 | 708,241 | 318,137 | 277,796 | 316,722 | 293,948 |
| Zinc Produced (lbs) | 3,075,468 | 2,626,541 | 2,692,214 | 3,253,739 | 3,329,584 | 2,830,816 | 3,478,500 | 2,986,626 |
| Lead Produced (lbs) | 7,067,802 | 6,572,325 | 4,618,754 | 4,646,945 | 1,771,927 | 2,130,746 | 1,388,750 | 1,197,664 |
| Copper Produced (lbs) | 321,616 | 546,666 | 541,691 | 644,923 | 339,144 | 274,213 | 256,913 | 327,664 |
| Cash Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz) [2] | $14.38 | $12.01 | $12.35 | $12.46 | $11.60 | $9.25 | $10.62 | $13.71 |
| All-In Sustaining Cost/Ag Oz Produced ($/oz) [2] | $18.45 | $16.47 | $16.70 | $17.15 | $24.67 | $21.96 | $22.92 | $20.94 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Current Assets (qtr. end) ($ M) | $ 15.8 | $ 19.3 | $ 23.5 | $ 26.9 | $ 36.9 | $ 29.7 | $ 33.6 | $ 35.7 |
| Current Liabilities (qtr. end) ($ M) | 10.3 | 8.3 | 8.2 | 12.6 | 15.8 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 3.4 |
| Working Capital (qtr. end) ($ M) | 5.5 | 11.0 | 15.3 | 14.3 | 21.1 | 25.3 | 29.5 | 32.3 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total Assets (qtr. end) ($ M) | $ 96.9 | $ 102.0 | $ 105.6 | $ 108.2 | $ 118.6 | $ 135.7 | $ 138.7 | $ 139.3 |
| Total Liabilities (qtr. end) ($ M) | 32.0 | 25.8 | 26.4 | 28.7 | 33.2 | 6.3 | 5.9 | 5.2 |
| Total Equity (qtr. end) ($ M) | 64.9 | 76.2 | 79.2 | 79.5 | 85.4 | 129.4 | 132.8 | 134.1 |

[1] Production from Galena Complex operations included since December 23, 2014.
[2] Refer to "Non-IFRS Measures: Cash Cost per Ounce and All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce" section in this MD&A.

# Liquidity

As of December 31, 2015, the Company's cash totalled $1.3 million, compared to $15.2 million at December 31, 2014. Working capital decreased to $5.5 million at December 31, 2015 from $21.1 million at December 31, 2014, a decrease of $15.6 million. Current liabilities as at December 31, 2015 were $10.3 million which is $5.5 million lower than at December 31, 2014.

The change in cash since December 31, 2014 can be summarized as follows (in millions of U.S. dollars):

| | |
|---|---|
| **Opening cash as at December 31, 2014** | $ 15.2 |
| Cash used in operations | (5.2) |
| Capital expenditures | (10.4) |
| El Cajón care and maintenance costs | (1.5) |
| Other care and maintenance costs | (0.5) |
| Proceeds from credit facility | 1.0 |
| Proceeds from private placement | 1.4 |
| Closure of foreign exchange contracts | (0.4) |
| Decrease in receivables due to timing of shipments | 2.2 |
| Change in inventories during the period | 3.6 |
| Decrease in payables during the period | (4.1) |
| **Closing cash as at December 31, 2015** | $ 1.3 |

Working capital was impacted during the year mainly due to cash used in: the ongoing operations; capital expenditures; the closure of foreign exchange contracts; decrease in payables primarily transaction related to the U.S. Silver transaction; and care and maintenance costs. Care and maintenance costs

during the year were primarily due to the suspension of the El Cajón Project and ongoing project costs are not expected to be significant in future periods.

Effective June 30, 2015, the Company amended the terms of its existing C$8.5 million credit agreement with Royal Capital Management Corporation to extend the maturity from August 2016 to December 2017 and reschedule amortization payments to January 2017 in monthly increments of C$0.5 million, with the balance due and payable on maturity. This amendment shifts the principal repayments of C$2.5 million in 2015 and C$6.0 million in 2016 into fiscal 2017 improving the Company's liquidity in the near term.

On August 26, 2015, the Company completed a private placement of 11,027,555 units at a price of C$0.18 per unit for aggregate gross proceeds of approximately C$2.0 million. Each unit consisted of one common share and one half of one common share purchase warrant where each whole warrant is exercisable for one common share at an exercise price of C$0.25 for a period of three years.

On November 10, 2015, the Company closed a subordinated, secured credit agreement with a certain lender for a principal amount of $1.0 million for a term of one year, at an interest rate of 12% per annum, payable on a monthly basis beginning on the sixth month following closing. Beginning on the sixth month following the date of issue, the notes issued under the credit agreement will be redeemed in monthly increments of $75,000 (including the monthly interest payments) with the balance due and payable on maturity.

On February 11, 2016, the Company closed a subordinated, secured credit agreement with its two existing lenders for a principal amount of $2.9 million for a term of one year, at an interest rate of 10% per annum, payable on a quarterly basis in cash or shares at the option of the lenders with the full balance due on maturity.

The Company operates in a cyclical industry where levels of cash flow have historically been correlated to market prices for commodities. Several material uncertainties, such as the price of commodities and foreign currency exchange rates, cast significant doubt upon the going concern assumption. The Company's cash flow is dependent upon its ability to achieve profitable operations, obtain adequate equity or debt financing, or, alternatively, dispose its non-core properties on an advantageous basis to fund its near term operations, development and exploration plans while meeting production targets at current commodity price levels. Management is continuously evaluating viable financing alternatives to ensure sufficient liquidity including private equity financing, debt instruments, concentrate offtake agreements, sales of non-core assets, and the issuance of equity. Should commodity prices remain at current levels, the Company will require external funding to advance its development projects (such as San Rafael) and to support ongoing operations. Further reductions in staff may be necessary and capital expenditures may also be further reduced in order to address near-term cash flow demands. Additional impairments to the historical carrying value of the Company's mining interests and non-producing properties may also be required if both precious and base metals remain at current levels or decreases further. In the longer term, as the Cosalá Operations and Galena Complex are optimized and if the outlook for the silver price is positive, the Company believes that cash flows will be sufficient to fund ongoing operations.

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash, trade receivables, restricted cash, long-term investments, trade and other payables, credit facilities, and other long-term liabilities. The fair value of these financial instruments approximates their carrying values, unless otherwise noted. The Company is not exposed to significant interest or credit risk arising from financial instruments. The majority of the funds of the Company are held in accounts at major banks in Canada, Mexico and the United States.

The Company's liquidity has been, and will continue to be, impacted by pension funding commitments as required by the terms of the defined benefit pension plans offered to both its hourly and salaried workers (See note 14 in the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and the notes thereto for the years ended December 31, 2015). Although both pension plans are under-funded due to actuarial losses incurred from market conditions, the Company intends to fund to the minimum levels required by

applicable law. The Company currently estimates total annual funding requirements for both Galena Complex pension plans to be approximately $0.7 million per year for each of the next 5 years.

## Capital Resources

The Company's cash flow is dependent on delivery of its concentrates to its ore concentrate to market. The Company's contracts with the concentrate purchasers provide for provisional payments based on timing of concentrate deliveries. The Company has not had any problems collecting payments from smelters in a reliable and timely manner and expects no such difficulties in the foreseeable future. However, this cash flow is dependent on continued mine production which can be subject to interruption for various reasons including fluctuations in metal prices and concentrate shipment difficulties. Additionally, unforeseen cessation in the counterparty's capabilities could severely impact the Company's capital resources.

The Company made capital expenditures of $10.4 million in 2015 and $14.5 million for the same period of 2014, of which $8.5 million was spent towards drilling and underground development costs while $1.9 million was spent on purchase of property, plant and equipment. All of these projects are dependent upon the Company maintaining a strong capital position. The Company plans to continue underground exploration utilizing diamond core drilling.

The following table sets out the Company's contractual obligations as of December 31, 2015:

| | Total | Less than 3 months | 3 months to 1 year | 2-5 years | Over 5 years |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Trade and other payables | $ 9,358 | $ 9,358 | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| Credit facility | 7,141 | - | 1,000 | 6,141 | - |
| Interest on credit facility | 1,369 | 187 | 671 | 511 | - |
| Leases | 855 | 138 | 274 | 443 | - |
| Other long-term liabilities | 1,052 | - | - | 421 | 631 |
| Decommissioning provision | 4,568 | 20 | 96 | 910 | 3,542 |
| Total | $ 24,343 | $ 9,703 | $ 2,041 | $ 8,426 | $ 4,173 |

1 - All leases can be cancelled upon proper notice periods by the Company.

2 - Certain of these estimates are dependent on market conditions and assumed rates of return on assets. Therefore, the estimated obligation of the Company may vary over time.

## Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of the date of this filing, the Company does not have any off-balance sheet arrangements that have, or are reasonably likely to have, a current or future effect on the results of operations or financial condition of the Company including, without limitation, such considerations as liquidity and capital resources that have not previously been discussed.

## Transactions with Related Parties

There were no related party transactions for the year ended December 31, 2015.

## Risk Factors

The business of the Company is subject to a substantial number of risks and uncertainties. In addition to considering the information disclosed in the financial statements and in the other publicly filed documentation regarding the Company available at www.sedar.com, the reader should carefully

consider the following information. Any of these risk elements could have material adverse effects on the business of the Company. **See "Note 7 – Financial Risk Management" of the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2015.**

***Current Global Financial and Economic Conditions***

Current global financial and economic conditions remain fragile following the 2008/2009 financial crisis. Several major international financial institutions and other large, international enterprises either filed for bankruptcy or were actively rescued by governmental intervention at that time and access to public and private capital and financing continues to be challenging. Such factors may impact the Company's ability to obtain financing in the future on favourable terms. Additionally, global economic conditions may cause a long-term decrease in asset values. If such global volatility and market uncertainty continue, the Company's operations and financial condition could be adversely impacted.

***Risks Associated with Market Fluctuations in Commodity Prices***

The majority of the Company's revenue is derived from the sale of silver, copper, zinc and lead contained in concentrates. Fluctuations in the prices of these commodities represent one of the most significant factors affecting the Company's results of operations and profitability. If the Company experiences low silver, copper, zinc, and lead prices, it may result in decreased revenues and decreased net income, or losses, and may negatively affect the Company's business.

The market price for silver, copper, zinc and lead continues to be volatile and is influenced by a number of factors, including, among others, levels of supply and demand, global or regional consumptive patterns, sales by government holders, metal stock levels maintained by producers and others, increased production due to new mine developments, improved mining and production methods, speculative trading activities, inventory carrying costs, availability and costs of metal substitutes, international economic and political conditions, interest rates and the relative exchange rate of the US dollar with other major currencies. The aggregate effect of such factors (all of which are beyond the control of the Company) is impossible to predict with any degree of accuracy, and as such, the Company can provide no assurances that it can effectively manage such factors. In addition, the price of silver, for example, has on occasion been subject to very rapid short-term changes due to speculative activities. Fluctuations in silver and other commodity prices may materially adversely affect the Company's financial performance or results of operations. The world market price of commodities has fluctuated during the last several years. Declining market prices for silver and other metals could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and profitability. If the market price of silver and other commodities falls significantly from its current levels, the operation of the Company's properties may be rendered uneconomic and such operation and exploitation may be suspended or delayed.

In particular, if the price of silver is depressed for a sustained period and net losses accumulate, the Company may be forced to suspend some or all of its mining until the price increases, and record asset impairment write-downs. Any lost revenues, continued or increased net losses, or asset impairment write-downs would adversely affect the Company's results of operations.

***Operational Risks***

Substantial risks are associated with mining and milling operations. The Company's commercial operations are subject to all the usual hazards and risks normally encountered in the exploration, development and production of silver, copper, zinc and lead, including, among other things: unusual and unexpected geologic formations, inclement weather conditions, seismic activity, rock bursts, cave-ins, flooding and other conditions involved in the drilling and removal of material, any of which could result in damage to, or destruction of, mines and other producing facilities, catastrophic damage to property or

loss of life, labour disruptions, equipment failure or failure of retaining dams around tailings disposal areas which may result in environmental pollution and legal liability. The Company will take appropriate precautions as are applicable to similar mining operations and in accordance with general industry standards to help mitigate such risks. However, the Company can provide no assurances that its precautions will actually succeed in mitigating, or even reducing the scope of potential exposure to, such operational risks.

***There can be no Certainty that the Company's Exploration and Development Activities will be Commercially Successful***

Substantial efforts and compliance with regulatory requirements are required to establish mineral reserves through drilling and analysis, to develop metallurgical processes to extract metal and, in the case of development properties, to develop and construct the mining and processing facilities and infrastructure at any site chosen for mining. Shareholders cannot be assured that any reserves or mineralized material acquired or discovered will be in sufficient quantities to justify commercial operations.

***Mineral Reserves and Resources, Development and Production***

The estimation of ore reserves is imprecise and depends upon a number of subjective factors. Estimated ore reserves or production guidance may not be realized in actual production. The Company's operating results may be negatively affected by inaccurate estimates. Reserve estimates are a function of geological and engineering analyses that require the Company to make assumptions about production costs and the market price of silver and other metals. Reserve estimation is based on available data, which may be incomplete, and subject to engineering and geological interpretation, judgment and experience. Market price fluctuations of metals, as well as increased production costs or reduced recovery rates may render ore reserves containing relatively lower grades of mineralization uneconomic and may ultimately result in a restatement of reserves. Moreover, short-term operating factors relating to the ore reserves, such as the need for orderly development of the ore bodies and the processing of new or different ore grades may cause a mining operation to be unprofitable in any particular accounting period. Should the Company encounter mineralization or geologic formations at any of its mines different from those predicted adjustments of reserve estimates might occur, which could alter mining plans. Either of these alternatives may adversely affect the Company's actual production and operating results.

The mineral reserve and resource estimates contained or incorporated are only estimates and no assurance can be given that any particular level of recovery of minerals will be realized or that an identified reserve or resource will qualify as a commercially mineable (or viable) deposit which can be legally and economically exploited. The Company relies on laboratory-based recovery models and historical performance of its processing plant to project estimated ultimate recoveries by ore type at optimal grind sizes. Actual recoveries in a commercial mining operation may exceed or fall short of projected laboratory test results. In addition, the grade of mineralization ultimately mined may differ from the one indicated by the drilling results and the difference may be material. There can be no assurance that minerals recovered in small scale laboratory tests will be duplicated in large scale tests under on-site conditions or in production scale operations and there can be no assurance that historical performance of the process plant will continue in the future. Material changes, inaccuracies or reductions in proven and probable reserves or resource estimates, grades, waste-to-ore ratios or recovery rates could have a materially adverse impact on the Company's future operations, cash flows, earnings, results of operations, financial condition and the economic viability of projects. The estimated proven and probable reserves and resources described herein should not be interpreted as assurances of mine life or of the profitability of future operations.

The Company has engaged internal and expert independent technical consultants to advise it on, among other things, mineral resources and reserves, metallurgy and project engineering. The Company believes

that these experts are competent and that they have carried out their work in accordance with all internationally recognized industry standards. If, however, the work conducted by, and the mineral resource and reserve estimates of these experts are ultimately found to be incorrect or inadequate in any material respect, such events could materially and adversely affect the Company's future operations, cash flows, earnings, results of operations, financial condition and the economic viability of its projects.

The Company's ability to sustain or increase present production levels depends in part on successful exploration and development of new ore bodies and/or expansion of existing mining operations. Mineral exploration, particularly for silver, involves many risks and is frequently unproductive. If mineralization is discovered, it may take a number of years until production is possible, during which time the economic viability of the project may change. Substantial expenditures are required to establish ore reserves, extract metals from ores and, in the case of new properties, to construct mining and processing facilities and infrastructure at any site chosen for mining. The economic feasibility of any development project is based upon, among other things, estimates of the size and grade of ore reserves, proximity to infrastructures and other resources (such as water and power), metallurgical recoveries, production rates and capital and operating costs of such development projects, and metals prices. Development projects are also subject to the completion of positive feasibility studies, issuance of necessary permits and receipt of adequate financing, which may be difficult to obtain on terms reasonably acceptable to the Company.

The Company's future silver, copper, zinc and lead production may decline as a result of an exhaustion of reserves and possible closure of work areas. It is the Company's business strategy to conduct silver exploratory activities at the Company's existing mining operations as well as at new exploratory projects, and to acquire silver mining properties and businesses or reserves that possess mineable ore reserves and are expected to become operational in the near future. However, the Company can provide no assurance that its future silver production will not decline. Accordingly, the Company's revenues from the sale of silver may decline, which may have a material adverse effect on its results of operations.

***Government Regulation and Environmental Compliance***

The Company is subject to significant governmental regulations, and costs and delays related to such regulations may have a material adverse effect on the Company's business.

The Company's mining activities are subject to extensive federal, state, local and foreign laws and regulations governing environmental protection, natural resources, prospecting, development, production, post-closure reclamation, taxes, labour standards and occupational health and safety laws and regulations including mine safety, toxic substances and other matters related to the Company's business. The costs associated with compliance with such laws and regulations could be substantial. Possible future laws and regulations, or more restrictive interpretations of current laws and regulations by governmental authorities could cause additional expense, capital expenditures, restrictions on or suspensions of the Company's operations and delays in the development of the Company's properties. Moreover, governmental authorities and private parties may bring lawsuits based upon damage to property and injury to persons resulting from the environmental, health and safety impacts of the Company's past and current operations, which could lead to the imposition of substantial fines, penalties and other civil and criminal sanctions. Substantial costs and liabilities, including for restoring the environment after the closure of mines, are inherent in the Company's operations. Although the Company believes it is in substantial compliance with applicable laws and regulations, the Company can give no assurance that any such law, regulation, enforcement or private claim will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition or results of operations.

In the United States, some of the Company's mining wastes are currently exempt to a limited extent from the extensive set of federal Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") regulations governing hazardous waste under the *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act* (the "RCRA"). If the EPA

designates these wastes as hazardous under the RCRA, the Company would be required to expend additional amounts on the handling of such wastes and to make significant expenditures to construct hazardous waste disposal facilities. In addition, if any of these wastes causes contamination in or damage to the environment at a mining facility, such facility may be designated as a "Superfund" site under the *Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act* (the "CERCLA"). Under the CERCLA, any owner or operator of a Superfund site since the time of its contamination may be held liable and may be forced to undertake extensive remedial clean-up action or to pay for the government's clean-up efforts. Additional regulations or requirements are also imposed upon the Company's tailings and waste disposal areas in Idaho under the federal *Clean Water Act* (the "CWA"). Airborne emissions are subject to controls under air pollution statutes implementing the *Clean Air Act* in Idaho. Compliance with the CERCLA, the CWA and state environmental laws could entail significant costs, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's operations.

In the context of environmental permits, including the approval of reclamation plans, the Company must comply with standards and regulations, which entail significant costs and can entail significant delays. Such costs and delays could have an adverse impact on the Company's operations.

The Company's mining operations are subject to regulations promulgated by government agencies from time to time. Specifically, the Company's activities at the Galena Complex are subject to regulation by the U.S. Department of Labor's Mine Safety Health Administration and related regulations under applicable legislation and the Company's activities at the Cosalá Operations projects are subject to regulation by SEMARNAT (defined below), the environmental protection agency of Mexico. Such regulations can result in citations and orders which can entail significant costs or production interruptions and have an adverse impact on the Company's operations and profitability. SEMARNAT regulations require that an environmental impact statement, known in Mexico as a MIA, be prepared by a third-party contractor for submittal to SEMARNAT. Studies required to support the MIA include a detailed analysis of the following areas: soil, water, vegetarian, wildlife, cultural resources and socio-economic impacts. The Company must also provide proof of local community support for a project to gain final approval of the MIA.

In the ordinary course of business, the Company is required to obtain or renew governmental permits for the operation and expansion of existing mining operations or for the development, construction and commencement of new mining operations. Obtaining or renewing the necessary governmental permits is a complex and time-consuming process involving numerous jurisdictions, which often involves public hearings and costly undertakings. The duration and success of the Company's efforts to obtain or renew permits are contingent upon many variables not within our control including the interpretation of applicable requirements implemented by the permitting authority. The Company may not be able to obtain or renew permits that are necessary to its operations, or the cost to obtain or renew permits may exceed what the Company believes it can recover from the property once in production. Any unexpected delays or costs associated with the permitting process could delay the development or impede the operation of a mine, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's operations and profitability.

***Some of the Company's Material Properties are Located in Mexico and are Subject to Changes in Political and Economic Conditions and Regulations in that Country***

In the past, Mexico has been subject to political instability, changes and uncertainties, which may cause changes to existing governmental regulations affecting mineral exploration and mining activities. The Company's operations and properties are subject to a variety of governmental regulations including, among others: regulations promulgated by the Mexican Department of Economy – Dirección General de Minas, Mexico's Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources ("SEMARNAT"); the Mexican Mining Law; and the regulations of the Comisión Nacional del Aqua with respect to water rights. Mexican regulators have broad authority to shut down and/or levy fines against facilities that do not comply with

regulations or standards. The Company's mineral exploration and mining activities in Mexico may be adversely affected in varying degrees by changing government regulations relating to the mining industry or shifts in political conditions that increase the costs related to the Company's activities or maintenance of its properties. Operations may also be affected in varying degrees by government regulations with respect to restrictions on production, price controls, export controls, income taxes, and expropriation of property, environmental legislation and mine safety. Mexico's status as a developing country may make it more difficult for the Company to obtain any required financing for its projects. The Mexican Government is conducting a highly publicized crackdown on the drug cartels, resulting in a loss of lives. The operation has been unaffected by the conflict and is unlikely to be in the future. However, if the government's actions lead to civil unrest, the situation could change.

The Company is uncertain if all necessary permits will be maintained on acceptable terms or in a timely manner. Future changes in applicable laws and regulations or changes in their enforcement or regulatory interpretation could negatively impact current or planned exploration and development activities on its Cosalá District properties, or in any other projects that the Company becomes involved with. Any failure to comply with applicable laws and regulations or failure to obtain or maintain permits, even if inadvertent, could result in the interruption of exploration and development operations or material fines, penalties or other liabilities.

***Substantially all of the Company's Assets are Located Outside of Canada, and Impact on Enforcement of Civil Liabilities***

It may be difficult or impossible to enforce judgements obtained in Canadian courts predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of certain provinces against the portion of the Company's management and assets located outside of Canada.

***Employee Recruitment, Retention, Pension Funding and Labour Relations***

Recruiting and retaining qualified personnel is critical to the Company's success. The number of persons skilled in acquisition, exploration and development of mining properties is limited and competition for such persons is intense. As the Company's business activity grows, the Company will require additional key executive, financial, operational, administrative and mining personnel. Although the Company believes that it will be successful in attracting, training and retaining qualified personnel, there can be no assurance of such success. If the Company is not successful in attracting and training qualified personnel, the efficiency of its operations could be affected, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and profitability. The Company strongly depends on the business and technical expertise of its small group of management and key personnel. There is little possibility that this dependence will decrease in the near term. Key man life insurance is not in place on management and key personnel. If the services of the Company's management and key personnel were lost, it could have a material adverse effect on future operations.

The Company may experience labour disputes, work stoppages or other disruptions in production that could adversely affect its operations. The Company also hires some of its employees or consultants in Mexico to assist it in conducting its operations in accordance with Mexican laws. The Company also purchases certain supplies and retains the services of various companies in Mexico to meet its business plans. It may be difficult to find or hire qualified people in the mining industry who are situated in Mexico or to obtain all the necessary services or expertise in Mexico or to conduct operations on its projects at reasonable rates. If qualified people and services or expertise cannot be obtained in Mexico, the Company may need to seek and obtain those services from people located outside Mexico, which will require work permits and compliance with applicable laws and could result in delays and higher costs to the Company to conduct its operations in Mexico.

The declines in the equity markets over the last several years and other financial impacts have affected the Company's costs and liquidity through increased requirements to fund the Company's defined benefit pension plans for its employees. There can be no assurance that financial markets will sufficiently recover in the future with the effect of causing a corresponding reduction in the Company's future pension funding requirements. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that unforeseen changes in pensioner longevity, government regulation or other financial market uncertainties will not cause pension funding requirements to differ from the requirements projected by professional actuaries. The Company intends to continue to fund its pension plan for hourly and salary employees of the Company pursuant to all relevant regulatory requirements.

***Mining Property and Title Risks***

Third parties may dispute the Company's mining claims, which could result in losses affecting the Company's business. The validity of unpatented mining claims, which constitute a significant portion of the Company's property holdings in Idaho, is often uncertain and may be contested. Although the Company has attempted to acquire satisfactory title to undeveloped properties, the Company, in accordance with mining industry practice, does not generally obtain title opinions until a decision is made to develop a property. As a result, some titles, particularly titles to undeveloped properties, may be defective. Defective title to any of the Company's mining claims could result in litigation, insurance claims, and potential losses affecting the Company's business.

The validity of mining or exploration titles or claims, which constitute most of the Company's property holdings, can be uncertain and may be contested. No assurance can be given that applicable governments will not revoke or significantly alter the conditions of the applicable exploration and mining titles or claims and that such exploration and mining titles or claims, will not be challenged or impugned by third parties. The Company has not conducted surveys of all the claims in which it holds direct or indirect interests and therefore, the precise area and location of such claims may be in doubt. The Company's properties may be subject to prior unregistered liens, agreements or transfers, native land claims or undetected title defects.

In light of the DGRM's Resolution, and based on the survey work carried out by the Company's independent contractors and its own personnel since the boundary discrepancy at El Cajón first became known to the Company, there is a strong likelihood of a material change to the positions of the boundaries of the concessions encompassing the Company's El Cajón mineral deposit. When any such variation to the concessions boundaries is finally confirmed by the DGRM, the Company's management expects that it may be necessary to prepare a revised mineral resource estimate based on the confirmed boundaries, which will likely result in a significant reduction of the quantity of estimated mineral resources compared to the Company's estimate disclosed in the Cosalá Technical Report. For further information see **"General Development of the Business – Operations – Three Year History"** of the Company's most recent Annual Information Form.

***Surface Rights and Access***

The Company has reached various agreements for surface access and rights with certain local groups, including Ejidos, for mining exploitation activities, including open pit mining, in the project area of Cosalá Norte. In addition, the Company currently has formal agreements for surface access with all Ejidos on whose land its exploration activities are being performed. These agreements are valid for several years and are regularly reviewed in terms of the appropriate level of compensation for the level of work being carried out. The Nuestra Señora process facility is located on land previously purchased by the Company and is not exposed to disruptions by third party ownership claims.

For future activities the Company will need to negotiate with Ejido and non-Ejido members, as a group and individually, to reach agreements for additional access and surface rights. Negotiations with Ejidos can become time-consuming if demands for compensation become unreasonable. There can be no

guarantee that the Company will be able to negotiate satisfactory agreements with any such existing members for such access and surface rights, and therefore it may be unable to carry out planned mining activities. In addition, in circumstances where access is denied, or no agreement can be reached, the Company may need to rely on the assistance of local officials or the courts in such jurisdiction, the outcomes of which cannot be predicted with any certainty. The inability of the Company to secure surface access or purchase required surface rights could materially and adversely affect the timing, cost or overall ability of the Company to develop any mineral deposits it may locate.

***Competition***

Competition in the mining sector is intense. Mines have limited lives and as a result, the Company may in the future seek to replace and expand its reserves through the acquisition of new properties. In addition, there is a limited supply of desirable mineral lands available in areas where the Company would consider conducting exploration and/or production activities. Because the Company faces strong competition for new properties from other mining companies, some of which have greater financial resources than it does, the Company may be unable to acquire attractive new mining properties on terms that it considers acceptable. Competition in the mining business for limited sources of capital could adversely affect the Company's ability to acquire and develop suitable silver mines, gold mines, silver developmental projects, gold developmental projects, silver producing companies, gold producing companies or properties having significant exploration potential. As a result, there can be no assurance that the Company's acquisition and exploration plans will yield new mineral reserves to replace or expand current mineral reserves.

***Concentrate Sales Risks***

The Company currently sells its concentrates under offtake contracts with a limited number of counterparties. Based on past practice, and the quality of its concentrates, the Company expects to be able to renew these contracts or find alternative purchasers for its concentrates, however there can be no assurance that the existing contracts will be renewed or replaced on reasonable terms.

The Company frequently sells its concentrates on the basis of receiving a sales advance when the concentrates are delivered, with the advance based on market prices of metals at the time of the advance. Final settlement of the sale is then made later, based on prevailing metals prices at that time. In an environment of volatile metal prices, this can lead to negative cash adjustments, with amounts owing to the purchaser, and such amounts could potentially be substantial. In volatile metal markets, the Company may elect to fix the price of a concentrate sale at the time of initial delivery.

***The Company is Subject to Currency Fluctuations that may Adversely Affect the Financial Position of the Company***

One of the Company's primary operations is located in Mexico and many of its expenditures and obligations are denominated in Mexican pesos. The Company maintains its principal office and raises its equity financings in Canada, maintains cash accounts in both U.S. dollars and Canadian dollars and has monetary assets and liabilities in Canadian dollars and Mexican pesos. As such, the Company's results of operations are subject to foreign currency fluctuation risks and such fluctuations may adversely affect the financial position and results of the Company. The Company may, from time to time, employ derivative financial instruments to manage exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

***Financing Risks***

Should financing be sought in the future, there can be no assurances that the Company will be able to obtain adequate funding or that the terms of such financing will be favourable. Failure to obtain additional financing could result in delay or indefinite postponement of further exploration and development of its projects and the possible loss of such properties. The Company has a limited history of earnings, has never paid a dividend, and does not anticipate paying dividends in the near future.

***Risk Associated with Outstanding Debt***

The Company's ability to make scheduled payments of interest and principal on its outstanding indebtedness or refinance its debt obligations depends on its financial and operating performance, which is subject to prevailing economic and competitive conditions and to certain financial, business and other factors beyond its control. There can be no assurance that the Company will generate sufficient cash flow from operating activities to make its scheduled repayments of principal, interest, and any applicable premiums.

The Company may be forced to pursue strategic alternatives such as reduce or delay capital expenditures, sell assets or operations, see additional capital or restructure or refinance its indebtedness. No assurances can be made that the Company would be able to take any of these actions, that these actions would be successful, or that these actions would be permitted under the terms of existing or future debt agreements.

If the Company cannot make scheduled payments on its debt, or comply with its covenants, it will be in default of such indebtedness and, as a result (i) holders of such debt could declare all outstanding principal and interest to be due and payable, (ii) the lenders under the credit facilities could terminate their commitments to lend the Company money, and (iii) the holders of the Company's secured de3bt could realize upon the assets securing the borrowings.

***The Company may Require Significant Capital Expenditures***

Substantial expenditures will be required to maintain, develop and to continue with exploration at the Company properties. In order to explore and develop these projects and properties, the Company may be required to expend significant amounts for, among other things, geological, geochemical and geophysical analysis, drilling, assaying, and, if warranted, mining and infrastructure feasibility studies.

The Company may not benefit from any of these investments if it is unable to identify commercially exploitable mineralized material. If successful in identifying reserves, it will require significant additional capital to construct facilities necessary to extract recoverable metal from those reserves.

The ability of the Company to achieve sufficient cash flows from internal sources and obtain necessary funding depends upon a number of factors, including the state of the worldwide economy and the price of silver, copper, zinc and lead. The Company may not be successful in achieving sufficient cash flows from internal sources and obtaining the required financing for these or other purposes on terms that are favourable to it or at all, in which case its ability to continue operating may be adversely affected. Failure to achieve sufficient cash flows and obtain such additional financing could result in delay or indefinite postponement of further exploration or potential development.

***Risks Associated with the Company's Business Objectives***

The Company's strategy to create shareholder value through the acquisition, exploration, advancement and development of its mineral properties will be subject to substantive risk. While the Company may seek to acquire additional mineral properties that are consistent with its business objectives, there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to identify suitable additional mineral properties or, if it

does identify suitable properties, that it will have sufficient financial resources to acquire such properties or that such properties will be available on terms acceptable to the Company or at all. Any partnership or joint venture agreements with respect to mineral properties that the Company enters into will be subject to the typical risks associated with such agreements, including disagreement on how to develop, operate or finance a property and contractual and legal remedies of the Company's partners in the event of such disagreement.

***Absolute Assurance on Financial Statements***

The Company prepares its financial statements in accordance with accounting policies and methods prescribed by International Financial Reporting Standards. In the preparation of financial statements, management may need to rely upon assumptions, make estimates or use their best judgment in determining the financial condition of the Company. In order to have a reasonable level of assurance that financial transactions are properly authorized, assets are safeguarded against unauthorized or improper use and transactions are properly recorded and reported, the Company has implemented and continues to analyze its internal control systems for financial reporting. Although the Company believes that its financial reports and financial statements are prepared with reasonable safeguards to ensure reliability, the Company cannot provide absolute assurance in that regard.

***Conflicts of Interest***

Certain of the Company's directors and officers also serve as directors and/or officers of other companies involved in natural resource exploration and development, and consequently there exists the possibility for such directors and officers to have interests that conflict with the Company's interests. Situations may arise in connection with potential investments where the other interests of the Company's directors conflict with its interests. As such, conflicts of interest may arise that may influence these persons in evaluating possible acquisitions or in generally acting on the Company's behalf, as they may pursue opportunities that would then be unavailable to the Company. In the event that the Company's directors are subject to conflicts of interest, there may be a material adverse effect on its business.

***Uninsured or Uninsurable Risks***

In the course of exploration, development and production of mineral properties, several risks and, in particular, unexpected or unusual geological or operating conditions, may occur. It is not always possible to fully insure against such risks, and the Company may decide not to take out insurance against such risks as a result of high premiums or other reasons. Should such liabilities arise they could reduce or eliminate any future profitability and result in an increase in costs and a decline in value of the Common Shares.

As of the date of this MD&A, the Company is not insured against environmental risks. Insurance against environmental risks (including potential liability for pollution or other hazards as a result of the disposal of waste products occurring from exploration and production) has not been generally available to companies within the industry. Without such insurance, and if the Company becomes subject to environmental liabilities, the payment of such liabilities would reduce or eliminate its available funds or could exceed the funds the Company has to pay such liabilities and result in bankruptcy. Should the Company be unable to fund fully the remedial cost of an environmental problem, it might be required to enter into interim compliance measures pending completion of the required remedy.

***Tax Considerations***

Corporate profits in Mexico are taxed only by the Federal Government. Previously, there were two federal taxes in Mexico that applied to the Company's operations in Mexico: corporate income tax and

a Flat Rate Business Tax ("IETU"). Mexican corporate income tax was calculated based on gross revenue less deductions for all refining and smelting charges, direct operating costs, all head office general and administrative costs, and depreciation deductions as applicable at a corporate income tax rate in Mexico of 30%. The IETU was a cash-based minimum tax that applies in addition to the corporate income tax. The tax was applicable to the taxpayer's net income from the (i) sale of goods; (ii) performance of independent services; and (iii) lease of goods at the rate of 16.5% during 2008, 17% during 2009, 17.5% during 2010, 2011 and 2013.

In late 2013, a new income Tax Law was enacted in Mexico ("Mexican Tax Reform") which became effective January 1, 2014. Key provisions of the Mexican Tax Reform that may affect the Company consist of:

- New 7.5% mining royalty. This royalty is deductible for tax purposes and is calculated as 7.5% of a royalty base which is computed as taxable revenues (except interest and inflationary adjustments), less allowable deductions for income tax purposes (except interest, inflationary adjustment, depreciation and mining fees), less prospecting and exploration expenses for the year;
- New environmental duty of 0.5% of gross income arising from the sale of gold and silver;
- Corporate income tax rate to remain at 30%, eliminating the scheduled reduction to 29% in 2014 and to 28% in 2015;
- Elimination of the IETU;
- Elimination of the option for depreciation of capital assets on an accelerated basis;
- Elimination of 100% deduction on exploration expenses for locating and quantifying new deposits in pre-operating periods. These exploration costs will be amortized on a straight-line basis over 10 years; and
- Reduction of deductibility for various employee fringe benefits; and imposes a 10% withholding tax on dividends distributed to resident individuals or foreign residents (including foreign corporations). According to the Mexico-Canada tax treaty, this dividend withholding tax rate may be reduced to 5%.

The Company has reviewed the 2014 Tax Reform and is challenging the constitutionality of the 7.5% mining royalty, the 0.5% environmental duty, and other aspects of the Reform. The Company currently believes it is in compliance with the new legislation and there is no guarantee it will be successful in its challenges against the Mexican Government.

The Company believes that, pursuant to Section 7874 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, even though U.S. Silver is organized as an Ontario corporation, U.S. Silver will be treated as a U.S. domestic corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a result, U.S. Silver will be subject to U.S. federal income tax in the same manner as a corporation organized in the U.S. The Company believes that U.S. Silver likely is a United States real property holding corporation, or "USRPHC", as defined for United States federal income tax purposes. If U.S. Silver were classified as a USRPHC, any gain from the sale or other disposition, including a redemption, of its common shares would be subject to U.S. federal income taxation and U.S. Silver would be required to file a United States federal income tax return. In such circumstances, the purchaser of such common shares would be required to withhold from the purchase price an amount equal to 10% of the purchase price and remit such amount to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. In addition, since, as noted above, U.S. Silver is classified as a U.S. domestic corporation, the gross amount of dividends paid by U.S. Silver will be subject to U.S. withholding tax at the current rate of 5% under the Canada-United States Convention with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital. U.S. Silver will only be eligible for foreign tax credits under the Canadian *Income Tax Act* to the extent it has qualifying income from a source in the U.S. in the year any U.S. tax or withholding tax is paid by or on behalf of U.S. Silver in respect of a gain on the sale or other disposition of its common shares or a dividend paid on such shares. Any gain from the sale or other disposition, including a redemption, of the common shares of U.S. Silver and dividends received on such

shares by U.S. Silver will likely not be treated as income sourced in the United States for these purposes.

# Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

## Accounting standards issued but not yet applied

Management is evaluating the impact the adoption of the following new and revised standards and amendments will have on the consolidated financial statements of the Company.

(i) Financial instruments

IFRS 9 - *Financial Instruments* - The standard was issued in its final version by the IASB in July 2014 bringing together the classification and measurement, impairment and hedge accounting phases of the IASB's project to replace IAS 39, "Financial instruments: recognition and measurement" ("IAS 39"). The standard retains but simplifies the mixed measurement model and establishes two primary measurement categories for financial assets: amortized cost and fair value. The mandatory effective date of IFRS 9 would be annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018, with early adoption permitted. The Company is assessing the impact of this standard.

(ii) Revenue from contracts with customers

IFRS 15 - *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* - The final standard on revenue from contracts with customers was issued in May 2014 and is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018 for public entities with early adoption permitted. The standard covers principles that an entity shall apply to report useful information to users of financial statements about the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from a contract with a customer. Entities have the option of using either a full retrospective or a modified retrospective approach to adopt the guidance. The Company is assessing the impact of this standard.

(iii) Leases

IFRS 16 - *Leases* - The standard on leases was issued in January 2016 and is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019 for public entities with early adoption permitted, provided IFRS 15 has been applied or is applied at the same date as IFRS 16. The standard requires lessees to recognize assets and liabilities for most leases. The Company is assessing the impact of this standard, along with timing of adoption of IFRS 16.

## Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments and estimates that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The areas which require management to make significant judgments, estimates and assumptions in determining carrying values include, but are not limited to:

(i) Reserves and resources

Proven and probable reserves are the economically mineable parts of the Company's measured and indicated mineral resources. The Company estimates its proven and probable reserves and measured and indicated and inferred mineral resources based on information compiled by appropriately qualified persons. The information relating to the geological data on the size, depth and shape of the ore bodies requires complex geological judgments to interpret the data. The estimation of future cash flows related to

proven and probable reserves is based upon factors such as estimates of foreign exchange rates, commodity prices, future capital requirements and production costs along with geological assumptions and judgments made in estimating the size, grade and recovery of the ore bodies.

Changes in the proven and probable reserves or measured, indicated and inferred mineral resources estimates may impact the carrying value of mining properties and equipment, depletion and amortization, impairment assessments and the timing of decommissioning provisions.

(ii) Depletion and amortization

Mining properties are depleted using the unit-of-production method over a period not to exceed the estimated life of the ore body based on estimated recoverable reserves.

Property, plant and equipment are depreciated, net of residual value over their estimated useful life but do not exceed the related estimated life of the mine based on estimated recoverable mineral reserves.

The calculation of the units of production rate, and therefore the annual depletion and amortization expense, could be materially affected by changes in the underlying estimates. Changes in estimates can be the result of actual future production differing from current forecasts of future production and expansion of mineral reserves through exploration activities.

Significant judgment is involved in the determination of useful life and residual values for the computation of depletion and amortization. No assurance can be given that actual useful lives and residual values will not differ significantly from current assumptions.

(iii) Decommissioning provision

The Company assesses its decommissioning provision on an annual basis or when new material information becomes available. Mining and exploration activities are subject to various laws and regulations governing the protection of the environment. In general, these laws and regulations are continually changing and the Company has made, and intends to make in the future, expenditures to comply with such laws and regulations. Accounting for decommissioning provision requires management to make estimates of the time and future costs the Company will incur to complete the rehabilitation work required to comply with existing laws and regulations at each mining operation. Also, future changes to environmental laws and regulations could increase the extent of rehabilitation work required to be performed by the Company. Increases in future costs could materially impact the amounts charged to operations for decommissioning provision. The provision represents management's best estimate of the present value of the future decommissioning provision. The actual future expenditures may differ from the amounts currently provided.

(iv) Share-based payments

The amount expensed for share-based compensation is based on the application of a recognized option valuation formula, which is highly dependent on, amongst other things, the expected volatility of the Company's registered shares, estimated forfeitures, and the expected life of the options. The Company uses an expected volatility rate for its shares based on past stock trading data, adjusted for future expectations, and actual volatility may be significantly different.

The resulting value calculated is not necessarily the value that the holder of the option could receive in an arm's length transaction, given that there is no market for the options and they are not transferable. It is management's view that the value derived is highly subjective and dependent entirely upon the input assumptions made.

(v) Income taxes

Preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires an estimate of income taxes in each of the jurisdictions in which the Company operates. The process involves an estimate of the Company's current tax exposure and an assessment of temporary differences resulting from differing treatment of items, such as depletion and amortization, for tax and accounting purposes, and when they might reverse.

These differences result in deferred tax assets and liabilities that are included in the Company's consolidated statements of financial position.

An assessment is also made to determine the likelihood that the Company's future tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income. To the extent that recovery is not considered likely, the related tax benefits are not recognized.

Judgment is required to continually assess changing tax interpretations, regulations and legislation, to ensure liabilities are complete and to ensure assets, net of valuation allowances, are realizable. The impact of different interpretations and applications could be material.

(vi) Impairment of mining interests

Mining interests are reviewed and evaluated for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the asset may not be recoverable. Common indicators of impairment in the mining industry include:

- a significant deterioration in expected future commodity prices;
- a significant adverse movement in foreign exchange rates;
- a significant increase in production costs;
- a large cost overrun during the development and construction of a new mine;
- a significant increase in the expected cost of dismantling assets and restoring the site;
- a significant reduction in the mineral content of ore reserves/resources;
- serious mine accidents;
- a significant increase in market interest rates; and
- adverse changes in government regulations and environmental law, including a significant increase in the taxes payable by the mine.

The recovery of amounts recorded for mining interests depends on the Company's interpretation of its interest in the underlying mineral claims based on existing regulations, the ability of the Company to obtain the necessary financing to complete the development, and future profitable production or proceeds from the disposition thereof. Management relies on the life-of-mine plans and comparable market valuations in its assessments of economic recoverability and probability of future economic benefit.

(vii) Purchase price allocation

Business combinations require judgment and estimates to be made at the date of acquisition in relation to identifying the acquirer, determining assets and liability fair values and the allocation of the purchase consideration over the fair value of the assets and liabilities.

In respect of mining company combinations, such as the combination of U.S. Silver in December 2014, excess purchase consideration is typically allocated to the mineral reserves and resources being acquired. The estimate of reserves and resources is subject to assumptions relating to life of the mine and may change when new information becomes available. Changes in reserves and resources as a result of factors such as production costs, recovery rates, grade or reserves or commodity prices could impact depreciation rates, asset carrying values and decommissioning provision. Changes in assumptions over long-term commodity prices, market demand and supply, and economic and regulatory climates could also impact the carrying value of assets, including goodwill.

## Financial Instruments

At December 31, 2014, the Company had foreign exchange derivatives put in place by the Company's previous management to buy 60 million Mexican pesos extendable month to month at an average exchange rate of 13.13 MXP/USD valued at approximately $4.6 million. At September 30, 2015, the Company had settled all outstanding foreign exchange derivatives resulting in a net realized loss of approximately $0.5 million in fiscal 2014 and $0.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 on these contracts.

## Capital Structure

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of common shares, where each common share provides the holder with one vote. As at December 31, 2015, there were 347,225,205 common shares issued and outstanding.

As at March 30, 2016, there were 349,475,205 common shares of the Company issued and outstanding and 27,589,958 options outstanding which are exchangeable in common shares of the Company. The number of common shares issuable on the exercise of warrants is 75,589,031.

## Controls and Procedures

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P") and internal controls over financial reporting ("ICFR"), as those terms are defined in National Instrument 52-109 - Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings ("NI 52-109").

The Company's DC&P are designed to ensure that all important information about the Company, including operating and financial activities, is communicated fully, accurately and in a timely way and that they provide the Company with assurance that the financial reporting is accurate.

ICFR means a process by or under the supervision of the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

As at December 31, 2015, the Company's CEO and CFO have certified that the DC&P are effective and that during the year ended December 31, 2015 the Company did not make any material changes in the ICFR during the last quarter that materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect the Company's ICFR.

The internal controls are not expected to prevent and detect all misstatements due to error or fraud.

## Non-IFRS Measures: Cash Cost per Ounce and All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce

The Company reports cash cost per ounce and all-in sustaining cost per ounce of silver produced, non-IFRS measures, in accordance with measures widely reported in the silver mining industry as a benchmark for performance measurement. Management uses these measures internally to better assess

performance trends and understands that a number of investors, and others who follow the Company's performance, also assess performance in this manner.

These measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with IFRS. These measures do not have any standardized meaning and may differ from methods used by other companies with similar descriptions. The methods do not include depletion, depreciation, exploration or corporate administrative costs and is therefore not directly reconcilable to costs as reported under International Financial Reporting Standards. All-in sustaining cost is the silver mining industry cash cost plus all development, capital expenditures, exploration spending and mine general administrative costs.

*Reconciliation of Consolidated Cash Cost per Ounce*

| | 2015 | 2014 | Calendar 2014 [1] |
|---|---|---|---|
| Direct mining costs ('000) | $ 49,557 | $ 26,047 | $ 55,766 |
| Smelting, refining and royalty expenses ('000) | 14,779 | 7,405 | 12,675 |
| | 64,336 | 33,452 | 68,441 |
| Less by-product credits ('000) | (30,522) | (19,802) | (29,739) |
| Total cash costs ('000) | $ 33,814 | $ 13,650 | $ 38,702 |
| Divided by silver produced (oz) | 2,652,026 | 1,206,603 | 2,799,404 |
| Silver cash costs ($/oz) | $ 12.75 | $ 11.31 | $ 13.83 |

*Reconciliation of Cosalá Operations Cash Cost per Ounce*

| | 2015 | 2014 |
|---|---|---|
| Direct mining costs ('000) | $ 20,181 | $ 25,393 |
| Smelting, refining and royalty expenses ('000) | 8,817 | 7,340 |
| | 28,998 | 32,733 |
| Less by-product credits ('000) | (16,442) | (19,638) |
| Total cash costs ('000) | $ 12,556 | $ 13,095 |
| Divided by silver produced (oz) | 1,162,290 | 1,177,639 |
| Silver cash costs ($/oz) | $ 10.80 | $ 11.12 |

*Reconciliation of Galena Complex Cash Cost per Ounce*

| | 2015 | Since Dec 23 2014 | Calendar 2014 [1] |
|---|---|---|---|
| Direct mining costs ('000) | $ 29,376 | $ 654 | $ 30,373 |
| Smelting, refining and royalty expenses ('000) | 5,962 | 65 | 5,335 |
| | 35,338 | 719 | 35,708 |
| Less by-product credits ('000) | (14,080) | (164) | (10,101) |
| Total cash costs ('000) | $ 21,258 | $ 555 | $ 25,607 |
| Divided by silver produced (oz) | 1,489,736 | 28,964 | 1,621,765 |
| Silver cash costs ($/oz) | $ 14.27 | $ 19.18 | $ 15.79 |

[1] Production from Galena Complex operations are included since December 23, 2014. Values for calendar year 2014 are presented for information purposes only.

*Reconciliation of Consolidated All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce*

| | 2015 | 2014 | Calendar 2014 [1] |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total cash costs ('000) | $ 33,814 | $ 13,650 | $ 38,702 |
| Capital expenditures ('000) | 10,350 | 13,702 | 19,630 |
| Exploration costs ('000) | 1,335 | 12 | 862 |
| Total all-in sustaining costs ('000) | $ 45,499 | $ 27,364 | $ 59,194 |
| Divided by silver produced (oz) | 2,652,026 | 1,206,603 | 2,799,404 |
| Silver all-in sustaining costs ($/oz) | $ 17.16 | $ 22.68 | $ 21.15 |

*Reconciliation of Cosalá Operations All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce*

| | 2015 | 2014 |
|---|---|---|
| Total cash costs ('000) | $ 12,556 | $ 13,095 |
| Capital expenditures ('000) | 4,170 | 13,606 |
| Exploration costs ('000) | 581 | - |
| Total all-in sustaining costs ('000) | $ 17,307 | $ 26,701 |
| Divided by silver produced (oz) | 1,162,290 | 1,177,639 |
| Silver all-in sustaining costs ($/oz) | $ 14.89 | $ 22.67 |

*Reconciliation of Galena Complex All-In Sustaining Cost per Ounce*

| | 2015 | Since Dec 23 2014 | Calendar 2014 [1] |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total cash costs ('000) | $ 21,258 | $ 555 | $ 25,607 |
| Capital expenditures ('000) | 6,180 | 96 | 6,024 |
| Exploration costs ('000) | 754 | 12 | 862 |
| Total all-in sustaining costs ('000) | $ 28,192 | $ 664 | $ 32,493 |
| Divided by silver produced (oz) | 1,489,736 | 28,964 | 1,621,765 |
| Silver all-in sustaining costs ($/oz) | $ 18.92 | $ 22.91 | $ 20.04 |

[1] Production from Galena Complex operations are included since December 23, 2014. Values for calendar year 2014 are presented for information purposes only.