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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF MAPLE GOLD MINES LTD. (An Exploration Stage Company)

FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Dated: November 20, 2018

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HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018 AND THE PERIOD UP TO NOVEMBER 20, 2018

Exploration highlights

- On November 14, 2018, the Company announced the completion and results of the 2018 summer mapping program, see section 1.2.2 for further details.
- On October 11, 2018, the Company announced that it is currently completing a first pass regional mapping and sampling program in the outcrop-rich central third of the Douay Gold Project to generate additional greenfield targets, while also working to integrate all of the new drill data from the 2018 campaign into updated sections, plans and 3D models.
- The Company announced the following drill results from the 2018 winter drill program, see specific press releases for full details of the results, including drill maps.

Date of Press	Target Area	Drill	Highlights
Release		Hole(s)	
July 26, 2018	NW Zone and	DO-18-241	12m of 1.78g/t Au uncapped, 3.6m of 1.12g/t Au and 1m
	Nika Zone		of 6.72g/t Au. This drill hole confirmed the eastern
			continuity of gold mineralization from DO-18-218 (see
			May 14, 2018 press release)
July 9, 2018	Eastern Porphyry	DO-18-247	21m of 3.49g/t Au including 6m of 9.32g/t Au, both
	Zone		uncapped
		DO-18-254	27.5m of 1.25g/t Au including 2.1m of 5.36g/t Au
June 26, 2018	Western Porphyry	DO-18-229	12m of 1.90g/t Au uncapped; 8.5m of 3.80g/t Au and 5.5m
	Zone		of 1.94g/t Au
June 11, 2018	Nika Zone	DO-18-227	5m of 2.32g/t Au
	NW Zone	DO-18-223	3m of 1.58g/t Au
May 14, 2018	Nika Zone	DO-18-218	50m of 1.77g/t Au uncut
May 2, 2018	Central Porphyry	DO-18-216	52m of 3.53g/t Au uncut including 21m of 7.87g/t Au
	Zone		uncapped within a broader lower grade interval of 158.2m
			of 1.25g/t Au uncut
April 23, 2018	Nika Zone	DO-18-217	104m of 0.44g/t Au, including 17m of 1.08g/t Au

- On March 29, 2018, the Company announced the filing of a National Instrument 43-101 Technical Report for the updated Mineral Resource Estimate at the Douay Gold Project. The Technical Report is dated March 15, 2018 with an effective date of February 9, 2018. The Technical Report was completed by Micon International Limited and includes an Indicated Mineral Resource Estimate of 479,000 ounces of gold in 9,383,000 tonnes at an average gold grade of 1.59 g/t Au (0.45 g/t gold cut-off grade) and an Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate of 2,759,000 ounces of gold in 84,152,000 tonnes at an average gold grade of 1.02 g/t Au (0.45 g/t gold cut-off grade). The updated estimate included additional drilling and assays from work completed during 2017 with updated block model wireframes, modified search ellipses and modified geologic interpretations, all of which targeted a more refined and constrained model.
- On March 14, 2018, March 8, 2018, February 27, 2018, January 29, 2018 and January 18, 2018 the Company announced updates with respect to the winter drilling program including updates on the NE syenite target, receipt of permits for drilling, additional drilling contracts and commencement of the first drill-hole.
- On January 10, 2018, the Company provided an exploration update with respect to the re-logging of over 18,000m from selected higher-grade sections, completion of the 75 people camp and signing of first drilling contract.

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Corporate highlights

- On June 20, 2018, the Company announced that it was in the process of implementing cost-cutting measures given the current market conditions. See section 1.6 and 1.7 Financial position, liquidity and capital resources for further details.
- On June 1, 2018, the Company announced the closing of a non-brokered flow through private placement for aggregate proceeds of \$2,499,990 through the issuance of 8,333,300 common shares at a price of \$0.30 per share. In connection with the private placement, the Company paid finders fees of \$119,999 and issued 399,998 broker warrants with a strike price of \$0.35 and an expiry date of December 1, 2019.
- On April 12, 2018, the Company announced the closing of a non-brokered private placement for aggregate proceeds of \$3,950,000 through the issuance of 16,458,334 common shares at a price of \$0.24 per share. In connection with the private placement, the Company paid administrative fees of \$187,000 to certain participants. The Company intends on using the net proceeds from the private placement to continue advancing the Douay Gold Project and for general corporate purposes.

Readers are cautioned that this Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") contains "forward-looking statements" and that actual events may vary from management's expectations. Readers are encouraged to read the cautionary note below regarding such forward-looking statements.

1.1.1 Date

This MD&A of Maple Gold Mines Ltd. (the "Company" or "Maple Gold") has been prepared by management to assist the reader to assess material changes in the financial condition and results of operations of the Company as at September 30, 2018 and for the three and nine months then ended. This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the condensed interim financial statements of the Company and related notes thereto as at and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. The condensed interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 34, "Interim Financial Reporting" using accounting policies consistent with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). The accounting policies followed in these condensed interim financial statements are the same as those applied in the Company's most recent audited annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017. All financial information has been prepared in accordance with IFRS and all dollar amounts presented are Canadian dollars unless otherwise stated.

This MD&A was reviewed, approved and authorized for issuance by the Company's Board of Directors on November 20, 2018 and the effective date of this MD&A is November 20, 2018.

1.1.2 Forward-looking statements

This MD&A may contain "forward-looking information" or "forward-looking statements" (collectively, "forward-looking statements") which reflect the Company's current expectations regarding the future results of operations, performance and achievements of the Company. Forward-looking statements in this MD&A include but are not limited to, statements with respect to the Company's opinions and beliefs, financial position, business strategy, budgets, mineral resource estimates, ongoing or future development and exploration opportunities and projects, drilling, re-logging, geochemical and geological modeling plans, data from sampling programs, references to potential higher grades, assay results, expanded mineralized zones, ground surveys, the remote spectral geology project, top-of-bedrock sampling data, publication of updated mineral resource estimates, classification of mineral resources, and plans and objectives of management for properties and operations.

The Company has tried, wherever possible, to identify these forward-looking statements by, among other things, using words such as "anticipate", "believe", "estimate", "expect", "budget", or variations of such words and phrases or state that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will be taken", "occur" or "be achieved".

The forward-looking statements reflect the current beliefs of the management of the Company, and are based on currently available information. Accordingly, these statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, as well as assumptions by management, which could cause the actual results, performance, or achievements of the Company to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these statements. These uncertainties are factors that include but are not limited to risks related to general economic conditions; actual results of current exploration activities and unanticipated reclamation expenses; fluctuations in prices of gold and other commodities; fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates;

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increases in market prices of mining consumables; possible variations in mineral resources, grade or recovery rates; accidents, labour disputes, title disputes, claims and limitations on insurance coverage and other risks of the mining industry; delays in obtaining governmental approvals or financing; changes in national and local government regulation of mining operations, tax rules and regulations, and political and economic developments in Canada; as well as other factors. Additional information relating to the Company and its operations is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and on the Company's web site at www.maplegoldmines.com.

The Company's management reviews periodically information reflected in forward-looking statements. The Company has and continues to disclose in its MD&A and other publicly filed documents, changes to material factors or assumptions underlying the forward-looking statements and to the validity of the statements themselves, in the period the changes occur. Historical results of operations and trends that may be inferred from the following discussions and analysis may not necessarily indicate future results from operations.

The forward-looking statements contained in this MD&A are expressly qualified by this cautionary statement. Maple Gold does not undertake any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

Readers should refer to the risks discussed in the Company's MD&A for the year ended December 31, 2017 and subsequent continuous disclosure filings with the Canadian Securities Administrators available at www.sedar.com.

1.2.1 Description of business

Maple Gold is an exploration company focused on the exploration of its sole mineral property, the Douay Gold Project located in Quebec.

The Company was incorporated under the Ontario Business Corporations Act on June 3, 2010 and was continued under the Canada Business Corporations Act by articles of continuance dated June 22, 2011. The Company is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol MGM, on the OTCQB in the US under the symbol MGMLF and on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, Germany under the symbol M3G. The registered office of the Company is 250 Place d'Youville, 2e etage, Montreal, Quebec, H2Y 2B6.



1.2.2 Douay Gold Project ("Douay")

*Contained gold from resource estimate at 0.45 g/t cut-off grade. Please refer to press release dated February 14, 2018 Figure 1 – regional map showing the location of the Douay Project and past and current mineral operations.

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Douay is located approximately 55 km southwest of Matagami and 130 km north of Amos, Quebec by road. It is accessible by an all season paved Provincial Highway (#109), which is the major North-South regional highway linking the towns of Amos (Val-d'Or region) and Matagami (James Bay region), and which cuts across the property. Utilities are available on site including hydro-electricity provided directly from Hydro-Quebec's power grid to the Company's on-site substation. Currently, there is a 75-person exploration camp on the property with drill core logging, sawing, sampling and storage facilities.

Douay consists of 706 claims covering approximately 377 km². Douay now covers a 55 km segment of the Casa Berardi Deformation Zone ("CBDZ"), one of several metalliferous "breaks", in the Abitibi Belt of northern Quebec.

Ownership

The Company holds a 100% interest in 674 mostly contiguous claims totalling approximately 365 km² and a 75% interest (the remaining 25% interest is held by SOQUEM) in 32 contiguous claims totalling approximately 12 km². SOQUEM participated pro-rata in the 2018 drill program for the joint venture area.

There is a 1% NSR Royalty owned by Cambior Inc. (now controlled by IAMGOLD) which covers the Northwest and West Zone claims (not to be confused with the separate Douay West Zone), with 37 claims in total subject to the NSR.



Figure 2 – Douay Project ownership map

Mineral resources

Mineral resources at Douay currently extend along a 6.1km corridor characterized by the presence of a large, alkalic intrusivehydrothermal system emplaced into a sequence consisting predominantly of basalts, with lesser gabbroic and volcaniclastic /pyroclastic intervals. While the entire current resource averages just over 1 g/t Au, there are multiple areas of higher grade gold mineralization, mainly hosted in pyritic mafic rocks with lesser injections of syenitic intrusions, but also within the intrusive complex itself. There is significant potential to discover additional gold mineralization within and beyond this corridor, both along strike and down-plunge of existing zones, as well as in entirely new zones, as has been demonstrated by the results of the 2018 winter drilling program. On February 14, 2018, the Company reported an updated resource estimate (see press release dated February 14, 2018). As per the updated estimate, this corridor now hosts Indicated Mineral Resources totalling

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0.479 million ounces of gold (9.38 Mt @ 1.59 g/t Au) in addition to Inferred Mineral Resources totalling 2.759 million ounces of gold (84.15Mt @1.02 g/t Au), both using a 0.45 g/t Au cut-off (Micon 2018). This independent Technical Report was completed by Micon International Limited ("Micon"), titled "NI 43-101 F1 Technical Report, Mineral Resource Estimate for the Douay Gold Project, Douay Township, Quebec, Canada" dated March 15, 2018, filed under Maple Gold's profile at <u>www.sedar.com</u>, with an effective date of February 9, 2018).

The 2018 mineral resource is listed in the table below:

Mineralized Zone	Category	Metric Tonnes	Average Gold Grade (g/t)	Contained Gold (oz)
Dorphyry(DOP)	Indicated	5,690,000	1.01	185,000
Porphyry (POR)	Inferred	68,910,000	0.97	2,142,000
Douby Mast (DW)	Indicated	3,693,000	2.47	294,000
Douay West (DW)	Inferred	2,932,000	1.39	131,000
531 Zone (531)	Inferred	4,998,000	1.33	214,000
Main Zone (MZ)	Inferred	1,849,000	1.43	85,000
Zone 10 (MZ10)	Inferred	1,864,000	1.14	68,000
North-West (NW)	Inferred	828,000	1.80	48,000
Zone 20 (MZ20)	Inferred	1,685,000	0.69	38,000
Central Zone (CZ)	Inferred	1,086,000	0.96	33,000
Grand Total I	ndicated	9,383,000	1.59	479,000
Grand Total	Inferred	84,152,000	1.02	2,759,000

Table 1 - Pit Constrained Mineral Resource Estimate for the Douay project at 0.45 g/t Au Cut-off by Zone as of February 9,2018 taken from the NI 43-101 Technical Report prepared by Micon (2018).

The majority of the gold resources defined to-date at Douay are hosted within or near often porphyritic syenitic intrusions that have been emplaced with the broad CBDZ. This style of gold mineralization belongs to a relatively recently defined class of intrusive-related gold ("IRGS") deposits in the Abitibi, which includes Malartic, Young-Davidson and Beattie. The largest zone within the Douay intrusive-hydrothermal system, is the Porphyry Zone (5.7Mt @1.01 g/t Au Indicated and 68.9 Mt @ 0.97 g/t Au Inferred; Micon, 2018), which represents a large bulk mining target. Additional gold mineralization at Douay, generally of higher grade, is also hosted by altered mafic volcanics with lesser syenitic injections, occurring in zones such as Douay West (3.69 Mt @ 2.47 g/t Au Indicated and a further 2.93Mt @1.39 g/t Au inferred; Micon, 2018). In addition, unrelated base metal mineralization possibly of volcanogenic massive sulphide ("VMS") type also occurs on the property.

Several parts of the current Douay property remain relatively under-explored, despite its location along a major regional structure. These greenfields areas are considered to have potential not only for VMS and IRGS styles of mineralization, but also for orogenic style of gold mineralization (i.e. typically gold-quartz vein-related) such as occurs at the nearby Casa Berardi and Sleeping Giant mines. Some of these greenfields areas were tested during the winter 2018 winter drill program, with 57 shallow "Top-of-Bedrock" RC holes and 12 diamond drill holes.

The Company continues with its exploration plans to leverage both the brownfields and greenfields potential at Douay. A thorough review and analysis of all existing geological, geochemical and geophysical data is continuing, which combined with generation of new data from re-logging and sampling, as well as from the winter 2018 drilling programs, is being used to produce a comprehensive exploration strategy and diamond drilling plan through to mid 2019.

2018 Exploration program at the Douay Gold Project

The 2018 winter drill program was initiated on January 16, 2018 with a single drill rig testing the highest priority of the remaining approximately 55 permitted sites. Four additional permits were requested for a further 99 diamond drill and 100 RC drilling sites; these permits were received between February 16 and 28, 2018. With these permits in hand, the drill program was ramped up to a full complement of 8 diamond drills and 1 RC drill. The program was completed on May 2, 2018, with a total of 21,122 metres of diamond drilling in 52 holes, including 2,869 metres (7 holes) drilled in the NE Syenite greenfields target

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area, and a further 1,991 metres (5 holes) on other greenfields targets west of the resource area. A single RC rig was also active on the western and central part of the property; drilling 1,484 metres (57 short holes). The total drilling for the 2018 winter drill program was 22,606 metres of which 29% was on greenfields targets and 71% within and surrounding the resource area.

Historical Drill-Core Re-logging & Assaying Program

The Company is very fortunate to have more than 220,000 metres of historical drill core (not including the 2018 drilling program) archived onsite, covering all of the drill programs back to the initial discovery by Inco Gold in 1976. The Company's exploration team has re-logged much of this historical core over the past two years, significantly simplifying the geological model and improving understanding of controls on gold and, to a lesser extent, base metal mineralization. Ongoing re-logging, as required, is an important step that will provide valuable targeting information for future exploration and drilling campaigns. Re-assaying will continue during 2018, where required, to better support the current block model.

Results from the 2018 winter drilling program have permitted identification of mineralization vectors and to substantively improve geological modelling of the Douay Mineral Resources.



Figure 3 – 2018 Drill plan on LIDAR base map, including areas for summer mapping

Planned Geophysical Program

The current Douay project is partly covered by both airborne magnetic and EM surveys that provide a solid basis for interpretation of stratigraphic and structural trends, as well as the potential for detection of gold and base metal mineralization associated with conductive and magnetic features. Limited ground geophysical surveys may be completed in several different areas of the property in winter 2019, from the 2018 results, in order to allow better definition of drill targets for 2020.

Top-of-Bedrock RC Drill Program

Much of the company's prospective ground over the CBDZ is covered by post-mineral glacial deposits, so that conventional soil sampling is ineffective at targeting bedrock anomalies. The Company's technical committee previously recommended a property-scale reverse circulation drilling or similar top-of-bedrock sampling program in areas with no outcrop and little historical drilling, to provide critically important geochemical data, including characterization of lithologies, alteration and mineralization, for exploration vectoring and targeting. Part of this work was completed with one specialized RC drill rig, 1,484 metres (57 short holes).

The results of this program are encouraging, with at least five significant gold-in-till anomalies, three of which may define a single 600m wide NNW-trending dispersion train with a source area coincident with, or extending NNW of the eastern projection of the Estrades horizon (past production at the Estrades mine was 0.18Mt averaging 12.9% Zn, 1.1% Cu, 6.4 g/t Au, and

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172.3ppm Ag). Bedrock geochemistry anomalies from the same program generally coincide with probable source areas for the gold-in-till anomalies.

Diamond Drill Program

The majority of the Company's existing exploration funds are budgeted for drilling. Drilling is best conducted during the winter season to avoid costly helicopter-support necessary for drilling on unfrozen ground. Following review and analysis of the extensive geological, geochemical and geophysical datasets available to the geological team, on January 16, 2018 the Company commenced a revised and refocused diamond drilling campaign to test both greenfields and brownfields (including infill and step-out) targets and this program was completed on May 2, 2018.

2018 Summer Mapping Program

The objectives of the completed 2018 summer mapping program were to identify target areas for follow-up, be they alkaline intrusive-related gold, orogenic gold or VMS, all of which occur along the CBDZ. A total 334 rock samples were collected and analysed by ALS Laboratory Group for Au + 48 elements that allow not only to determine the geographic distribution of trace metal anomalies, but also to help discriminate between the different rock types present on the property. The area is underlain by mafic volcanic rocks and related intrusive rocks of the Cartwright Group, with breaks in mafic volcanic activity marked by intermediate to felsic rocks and graphitic sedimentary rocks and cherts. The latter not only form structural markers that can readily be detected geophysically, but also by themselves are targets for mineralization.

Results show a few modest gold anomalies up to 0.1 g/t Au, as well as characteristic pathfinder elements association such as Ce, K, La, Na, P, Sr and W characteristic of the intrusive-related alkaline systems, and S, Sn, Zn, Cu and Mn with variable Na that may reflect a VMS-type system. The spatial distribution of these anomalies provides us with a number of targets for follow-up, initially geophysical, then if warranted, drilling. The strongest Zn anomaly (0.11%) is associated with an interflow graphitic sedimentary/chert horizon that has a known geophysical expression at depths of less than about 150m. Follow-up work is required.

2018 Summer Geological Modelling

Historical and 2018 drill data has been used to create a 3D geological model as well as updated cross sections. In addition, new longitudinal sections and level plans were also created, to allow for more precise targeting for the upcoming winter 2019 drill program. This modelling work, which includes an updated 0.1 g/t Au wireframe, as well as a higher grade 2 g/t Au wireframe within it, our current structural model and additional geological elements, will feed into the resource estimate update that is to begin shortly. Results show a number of new high priority drill targets within the resource area, including gaps in drilling in high priority areas, extensions of known zones as well as peripheral mineralized zones that have not received much attention to date.

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1.2.3 Overall program analysis

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, the Company incurred exploration and evaluation expenses as detailed in the table below:

	Three month Septemb		Nine months Septembe				
	2018	2017	2018	2017			
	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Acquisition	_	_	_	357,500			
Camp set up, camp costs and field supplies	95,065	31,564	1,435,153	451,929			
Drilling and core assaying	111,408	688,599	3,437,062	4,588,190			
Equipment rental and fuel	46,035	_	231,511	_			
Engineering	_	60,111	35,109	105,771			
Environmental	_	57,745	8,667	94,513			
Geology	18,620	313,002	163,091	446,347			
Geophysics	_	7,960	_	115,206			
Licences and permits	8,566	998	35,704	58,281			
Other exploration support costs	23,810	102,358	113,927	130,094			
Salaries and benefits	156,767	35,019	1,078,223	113,846			
Share-based payments	(35,415)	10,792	18,240	71,592			
	424,856	1,308,148	6,556,687	6,533,269			
Recoveries from JV partner	(14,933)	—	(382,192)	_			
Mineral exploration tax credits	_	(163,445)	(401,833)	(163,445)			
	409,923	1,144,703	5,772,662	6,369,824			
Opening accumulated expenses	44,508,338	35,678,722	39,145,599	30,617,046			
Closing accumulated expenses	44,918,261	36,986,870	44,918,261	36,986,870			

1.2.4 Qualified persons and technical disclosures

The scientific and technical data contained in this MD&A was reviewed and prepared under the supervision of Fred Speidel, M.Sc., P. Geo., Vice-President Exploration, of Maple Gold. Mr. Speidel is a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects. Mr. Speidel has verified the data related to the exploration information disclosed in this MD&A through his direct participation in the work.

Certain scientific and technical information with respect to the Douay Gold Project contained in this MD&A has been taken from the technical report entitled "NI 43-101 F1 Technical Report Mineral Resource Estimate For The Douay Gold Project, Douay Township, Quebec, Canada" with an effective date of February 9, 2018 (the "Technical Report") authored by William J. Lewis, B.Sc., P.Geo., Richard M. Gowans, B.Sc. P.Eng. and Antoine Yassa, P.Geo. A copy of the Technical Report is available on the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com. Detailed descriptions, results and analysis of Maple Gold's data verification, drilling, QA/QC programs, and mineral resource estimation methodology can be found in the Technical Report.

Cautionary Note to United States Investors concerning Estimates of Measured, Indicated and Inferred Resource Estimates

This disclosure has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Canadian provincial securities laws which differ from the requirements of U.S. securities laws. Unless otherwise indicated, all mineral resource estimates included in this disclosure have been prepared in accordance with Canadian National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101") and the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum classification systems. NI 43-101 is a rule developed by the Canadian Securities Administrators that establishes standards for all public disclosure an issuer makes of scientific and technical information concerning mineral projects. These standards differ significantly from the requirements of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), and resource estimates disclosed may not be comparable to similar information disclosed by U.S. companies.

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In addition, this disclosure uses the terms "measured and indicated resources" and "inferred resources" to comply with the reporting standards in Canada. The Company advises United States investors that while those terms are recognized and required by Canadian regulations, the SEC does not recognize them. United States investors are cautioned not to assume that any part or all of the mineral deposits in these categories will ever be converted into mineral reserves. Further, "inferred resources" have a great amount of uncertainty as to their existence and as to whether they can be mined legally or economically. Therefore, United States investors are also cautioned not to assume that all or any part of the "inferred resources" exist. In accordance with Canadian securities laws, estimates of "inferred resources" cannot form the basis of feasibility or other economic studies. It cannot be assumed that all or any part of "measured and indicated resources" or "inferred resources" will ever be upgraded to a higher category or are economically or legally mineable. In addition, disclosure of "contained ounces" is permitted disclosure under Canadian securities laws; however, the SEC only permits issuers to report mineralization as in place tonnage and grade without reference to unit measures.

1.3 Selected annual information

Not required for an interim MD&A.

1.4 Results of operations

Three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

During the three months ended September 30, 2018, the Company reported a loss for the period of \$765,230 and loss per share of \$0.00 compared to a loss of \$2,164,290 and loss per share of \$0.01, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The \$1,399,060 or 65% decrease in loss for the period was driven by a \$734,780 or 64% decrease in exploration and evaluation expenses (see section 1.2.3) and a \$996,705 or 67% decrease in general and administrative expenses.

The reduction in exploration and evaluation expenses was mainly due to a decrease in drilling and core assaying of \$577,191 partially offset by a \$121,748 increase in salaries and benefits which are higher due to the Company no longer using (since August 2017) external contractors to manage the Company's exploration activities. Camp costs and supplies increased by \$63,501 – the Company installed a new 75-man camp in the fourth quarter of 2017 and first quarter of 2018 which increased the Company's ongoing costs to maintain the camp, however, the new camp allows the Company to extend the time-window of its drilling campaigns in addition to increasing drill manpower.

General and administrative expenditures decreased significantly during the three months ended September 30, 2018 as a direct response to the cost reduction programs that management implemented effective July 1, 2018. Salaries and benefits decreased by \$372,894 or 78% compared to the same period in the previous year due to both salary decreases and optimization of the administration work processes. Professional fees decreased by \$135,879 or 69% due to lower activity levels with legal and tax service providers during the three months ended September 30, 2018. Travel, marketing and investor relations and business development expenditures decreased compared to the same period of 2017 due to the impact of the cost reduction programs.

During the three months ended September 30, 2018, the Company granted nil stock options to directors, officers, employees and others versus 1,800,000 in the comparative period in the prior year. Share-based compensation expense decreased by \$349,810 during the three months ended September 30, 2018 compared to the prior year period due to the amortization of option grants with higher fair values that were granted during the year ended December 31, 2017. In addition, there was a \$118,677 reversal of stock based compensation expense recorded during the three months ended September 30, 2018 in related to the cancellation of 1,941,250 unvested stock options. The weighted average grant date fair value of options, granted during the three months ended September 30, 2017 was \$0.27.

During the three months ended September 30, 2018, the Company recorded other income of \$104,568 related to the amortization of the flow-through share premium liability of \$583,331 recognized in connection with the Company's June 1, 2018 private placement (see section 1.6/1.7). As of September 30, 2018, approximately \$871,095 of eligible exploration expenditures has been incurred, of which \$778,410 has been paid. For comparison, the amortization of flow-through share

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liability during the three months ended September 30, 2017 was \$470,615 and related to a flow-through share premium liability of \$1,475,434 recognized at September 30, 2017 in relation to a flow-through share private placement.

Nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company reported a loss for the period of \$6,867,294 and loss per share of \$0.03 compared to a loss for the period of \$9,013,065 and loss per share of \$0.06, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The \$2,145,771 decrease in loss for the period was driven by the amortization of flow-through share premium of \$1,678,690, a decrease in exploration and evaluation expenses by \$597,161 and a decrease in general and administrative expenses by \$208,736.

Exploration and evaluation expenses before JV partner recoveries and METC increased by \$23,418 during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to the same period in the previous year. There were increases in camp costs and supplies of \$983,224, salaries and benefits of \$964,377 and equipment rental and fuel of \$231,511 offset by decreases in drilling and core assaying of \$1,151,128 and other activities. Salaries and benefits have increased due to the Company no longer using (since August 2017) external contractors to manage the Company's exploration activities. Previously contractors' costs to manage the drilling program were part of the total costs of drilling and core assaying. Camp costs and supplies increased following the Company installing a new 75-man camp in the fourth quarter of 2017 and first quarter of 2018. This increased the Company's ongoing costs to maintain the camp; however, the new camp allows the Company to extend the time-window of its drilling campaigns in addition to increasing drill manpower.

Exploration and evaluation expenses during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 were offset by JV partner recoveries of \$382,192 and mineral exploration tax credits of \$401,833, which were all received as at the date of this MD&A.

General and administrative expenditures decreased by \$208,736 during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to the same period in 2017. The main drivers of this decrease were the decrease in share-based payments, professional fees and salaries and benefits, which is directly in line with the cost reduction programs that management implemented effective July 1, 2018. The decrease in these expenses was partly offset by an increase in office and general, directors' fees, travel, marketing and investor relations and business development. The Company moved into its new Toronto office in June 2017 leading to higher rental costs and in December 2017 the Company opened a Vancouver office. The Company has entered into sub-lease agreements for portions of its office space in Toronto and Vancouver and rental expense has started to decrease.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company granted 450,000 stock options to directors, officers, employees and others versus 5,575,000 in the comparative period in the prior year. Share-based compensation expense decreased by \$400,939 during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to the prior year period due to the amortization of option grants with higher fair values that were granted during the year ended December 31, 2017. The weighted average grant date fair value of options granted in the nine months ended September 30, 2018 was \$0.15 (2017 - \$0.27).

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company recorded income of \$1,678,690 related to the amortization of flow-through premium, of which:

- \$1,475,434 related to the full amortization of the flow-through share premium liability recognized in connection with the Company's June and July 2017 private placements, and
- \$203,256 related to the to the amortization of the flow-through share premium liability of \$583,331 recognized in connection with the Company's June 1, 2018 private placement (see section 1.6/1.7).

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1.5 Summary of quarterly results

	Se	otember 30 2018		June 30 2018	March 31 2018	D	ecember 31 2017	Se	eptember 30 2017		June 30 2017		March 31 2017	D	ecember 31 2016
Exploration and evaluation General and administrative Finance (income) and other (income) Finance expense	\$	409,923 482,058 (23,175) 992	\$	1,364,184 1,179,679 (15,804) 4,039	\$ 3,998,555 1,148,096 (18,830) 939	\$	2,158,728 1,536,123 (16,570) 1,136	\$	1,144,705 1,478,761 (7,785) 1,015	\$	2,328,564 1,008,109 (2,540) 1,214	\$	2,896,556 531,698 (4,199) 815	\$	833,356 497,017 (90) 906
Amortization of flow-through share premium		(104,568)		(98,688)	(1,475,434)		(395,415)		(452,406)		(18,209)				-
Loss on disposition of property and equipment		-		-	15,328		-		-		-		-		-
Loss on sale of marketable securities				-	-		-		-		-		106,767		-
Loss for the period		765,230		2,433,410	 3,668,654		3,284,002		2,164,290		3,317,138		3,531,637		1,331,189
Other comprehensive (income) loss Total comprehensive loss	\$	- 765,230	\$	- 2,433,410	\$ - 3,668,654	\$	3,284,002	\$	2,164,290	\$	3,317,138	\$	(208,918) 3,322,719	\$	5,400 1,336,589
Basic and diluted loss per common share	\$	0.00	\$	0.01	\$ 0.02	\$	0.02	\$	0.01	\$	0.02	\$	0.02	\$	0.01
Weighted average number of common shares	2	08,468,772	2	200,801,670	182,975,267	1	81,689,784	1	176,119,288	1	44,165,470	1	33,335,441	1	06,692,531

The changes in the Company's financial results on a quarter-by-quarter basis are due primarily to fluctuations in the level of activity of Company's exploration programs and administration. The Company is a mineral exploration company and does not earn any revenue. The Company's current mineral property portfolio consists of the Douay exploration-stage project in Quebec, Canada.

1.6 and 1.7 Financial position, liquidity and capital resources

	S	September 30				
		2018				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,428,162	\$	5,095,140		
Current assets		3,989,753		6,736,118		
Total assets		4,216,288		7,002,726		
Current liabilities		1,625,745		3,758,061		
Non-current liabilities		189,777		126,974		

As at September 30, 2018, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$2,428,162 (December 31, 2017 - \$5,905,140) and working capital of \$2,364,008 (December 31, 2017 - \$2,978,057). Current liabilities that are to be settled in cash as at September 30, 2018 include accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$864,423 of which approximately \$252,000 have been incurred in connection with the work program at Douay.

The Company has received METC payments from Revenue Quebec with respect to the 2011 to 2014 tax years and these tax years are currently under audit by Revenue Quebec. Revenue Quebec has disallowed certain amounts that the Company believes are claimable qualifying expenditures. The Company intends to defend its filing positions and the Company has filed notice of objections with Revenue Quebec's Appeals Division for each of the years 2011 to 2014.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, Revenue Quebec completed its audit of the 2015 METC filing with minor changes applied to the payment previously received and the Company has accepted the notice of assessment issued. The 2016 METC filing was audited in advance of any payment being made by Revenue Quebec. A notice of assessment has been issued by Revenue Quebec, and accepted by the Company, with a receivable due from Revenue Quebec of \$390,023. The

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Company received \$66,559 of the 2016 METC during the three month ended September 30, 2018 and the remaining \$323,464 was received subsequent to September 30, 2018.

The 2017 METC claim is approximately \$2,157,000. In October 2018, Revenu Quebec commenced an audit of this METC claim. The Company anticipates receiving the 2017 METC after completion of the audit in 2019.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company used net cash of \$1,451,680 and \$9,735,067 in operating activities compared to \$2,013,086 and \$9,129,703 during the comparative period of the prior year.

The Company used net cash of \$nil and \$31,269 in investing activities during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, on property and equipment additions. For comparison, the Company used \$56,800 during the three months ended September 30, 2017 on property and equipment additions and generated net cash inflow of \$82,935 during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 from the proceeds on sale of marketable securities of \$215,551 offset by \$132,616 spent on property and equipment additions.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company generated net proceeds of \$nil and \$6,289,358, respectively, from financing activities through the issuance of shares pursuant to private placements and on the exercise of options and warrants compared to generating net proceeds of \$2,908,024 and \$11,851,578 in the comparative periods of the prior year through the issuance of shares pursuant to private placements and on the exercise of warrants.

On April 11, 2018, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement for aggregate proceeds of \$3,950,000 through the issuance of 16,458,334 common shares at a price of \$0.24 per share. In connection with the private placement, the Company incurred share issuance costs of \$257,991. The Company intends on using the net proceeds from the private placement to continue advancing the Douay Gold Project and for general corporate purposes.

On June 1, 2018, the Company closed a non-brokered flow through private placement of 8,333,300 common shares at a price of \$0.30 per common share for gross proceeds of \$2,499,990. In connection with the private placement, the Company incurred a total of \$133,249 in cash share issuance costs, inclusive of \$119,990 in finder's fees. In addition, 399,998 broker warrants were issued with a strike price of \$0.35 and an expiry date of December 1, 2019. The Company will use the gross proceeds for eligible expenditures on the Douay Gold Project.

Subsequent to September 30, 2018, the Company has received \$282,692 of the outstanding sales taxes receivable balance and expects to receive the remaining outstanding amounts of \$365,043 relating to Q2 and Q3 2018 prior to December 31, 2018.

Effective July 1, 2018, as a response to weaker market conditions in the junior gold sector work processes were realigned resulting in efficiency gains that have allowed the Company to achieve general and administrative overhead reductions, resulting in significant cost savings per month as a commitment to preserve hard dollar capital and ensure the Company remains well-positioned financially. In addition, the Company has looked at and continues to look at other cost reduction programs. The cost reduction programs will be reviewed on a quarterly basis and will take into account the Company's financial position and general market conditions. These cost reduction programs are expected to leave the Company financially well positioned by December 31, 2018 and into 2019.

At September 30, 2018, the Company believes that it has adequate resources to maintain its minimum obligations, including general corporate activities, based on its cash position and ability to pursue additional sources of financing, including equity placements. However, the Company currently has no source of operating cash flow, and has no assurance that additional funding will be available to it for additional exploration programs at its property, or to enable the Company to fulfill its obligations under any applicable agreements. The ability of the Company to continue as a going concern is dependent on its ability to obtain additional sources of financing to successfully explore its property and, ultimately, to achieve profitable operations. Failure to obtain such additional financing could result in delay or indefinite postponement of further exploration of the Company's property and the possible loss of title to such property. As such, there is material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

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Common shares issued

April and June 2018 Private Placements

As noted previously the Company closed two private placements during the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

	Number of common shares	\$
Private placement – common shares	16,458,334	3,950,000
Private placement – flow through shares	8,333,300	2,499,990
Share issuance costs	-	(391,240)
Subtotal	24,791,634	6,058,750
Valuation of warrants issued	-	(13,457)
Flow-through share premium liability	-	(583,331)
	24,791,634	5,461,962

The fair value of the 399,998 warrants was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model to be \$13,457. The following weighted average assumptions were used: expected dividend yield - 0%; expected volatility - 69% which is based on historical volatility; estimated risk-free interest rate – 1.88%; and an expected average life of 1.5 years.

The intended use of the net proceeds of \$6,058,750 is \$558,760 towards general working capital and \$5,499,990 towards eligible exploration expenditures at the Douay Gold Project. As at September 30, 2018 the Company had incurred approximately \$nil of general working capital expenditure and approximately \$3,778,410 of eligible exploration expenditures, including \$778,410 related to flow-through expenditures.

June and July 2017 Private Placements

On June 26, 2017, the Company closed the first tranche of a private placement of 7,536,501 flow-through units at a price of \$0.41 per unit for gross proceeds of \$3,089,965 and 16,400,000 common share units at a price of \$0.25 per unit for gross proceeds of \$4,100,000. On July 14, 2017, the Company closed the final tranche of its private placement of 7,097,649 flow-through units at a price of \$0.41 per unit for gross proceeds of \$2,910,036. Each flow-through unit consisted of one flow-through common share and one share purchase warrant. Each common share unit consisted of one non flow-through common share and one share purchase warrant. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one additional common share of the Company at an exercise price of \$0.40 per share until June 26, 2022 and July 14, 2022, respectively. In connection with the placement, finders' fees of \$186,002 were incurred.

The fair value of the 31,034,150 warrants was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model to be \$4,767,987. The following weighted average assumptions were used: expected dividend yield - 0%; expected volatility - 151% which is based on historical volatility; estimated risk-free interest rate - 1.12%; and an expected average life of 5 years.

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	Number of	\$
	common shares	
Private placement – flow through units	14,634,150	6,000,001
Private placement – common share units	16,400,000	4,100,000
Share issuance costs	-	(259,355)
Subtotal	31,034,150	9,840,646
Valuation of warrants issued	-	(4,767,987)
Flow-through share premium liability	-	(2,341,464)
	31,034,150	2,731,195

The intended use of the net proceeds of \$9,840,646 was \$3,840,645 towards general working capital and \$6,000,001 towards eligible exploration expenditures at the Douay Gold Project. As at September 30, 2018, the Company had used the proceeds as intended.

In the future, the Company will have capital requirements in excess of its currently available resources and will be required to seek additional financing. There can be no assurance that the Company will have sufficient financing to meet its future capital requirements or that additional financing will be available on terms acceptable to the Company in the future.

1.8 Off-balance sheet arrangements

As at September 30, 2018, the Company had no off-balance sheet arrangements.

1.9 Transactions with related parties

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

	Three months ended	September 30, Nine	e months ended S	September 30,
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Salaries and benefits	85,250	165,763	366,750	301,513
Share-based payments	95,978	225,207	408,947	648,345
Termination payments	—	100,000	—	100,000
	181,228	490,970	775,697	1,049,858

1.10 Fourth Quarter

Not applicable.

1.11 Subsequent events

Refer to sections 1.4, 1.6 and 1.7.

1.12 Proposed transactions

None

1.13 Critical accounting estimates

The required disclosure is provided in Note 2 in the notes to the interim financial statements which accompany this MD&A and which are available under the Company's profile at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

1.14 Changes in accounting policies including initial adoption

The required disclosure is provided in Note 2 in the notes to the interim financial statements which accompany this MD&A and which are available under the Company's profile at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

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1.15 Financial instruments and other instruments

As at September 30, 2018, the Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, deposits and accounts payables and accrued liabilities. The fair values of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values due to their short-term to maturity. The Company's financial instruments are exposed to certain financial risks including, credit risk, currency risks, liquidity risk, interest rate risk and capital risk management. Details of each risk are laid out in the notes to the Company's annual audited financial statements. Management has determined that these risks, individually and in aggregate, are immaterial to the Company.

1.16 Other requirements

Additional information relating to the Company may be found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

1.16.1 Capital structure

As at the date of this report, the Company had 208,468,772 common shares, 11,355,000 common shares issuable under stock options and 76,608,534 common shares issuable under share purchase warrants. The fully diluted outstanding share count is 296,432,306.

1.16.2 Disclosure controls and procedures

The Company has disclosure controls and procedures in place to provide reasonable assurance that any information required to be disclosed by the Company under securities legislation is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the applicable time periods and that required information is gathered and communicated to the Company's management so that decisions can be made about the timely disclosure of that information.

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

The Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, believe that any disclosure controls and procedures or internal controls over financial reporting, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, the Company's management cannot provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been prevented or detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgements in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of a simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by unauthorized override of the control. The design of any control system is also based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Accordingly, because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.