# TRIBECA RESOURCES CORPORATION

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

This discussion and analysis of financial position and results of operation is prepared as at August 28, 2023 and should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements and the accompanying notes for the six months ended June 30, 2023 of Tribeca Resources Corporation ("Tribeca" or " the Company"). The following disclosure and associated consolidated financial statements are presented in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). Except as otherwise disclosed, all figures contained herein are expressed in Canadian dollars.

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Historical results of operations and trends that may be inferred from this MD&A may not necessarily indicate future results from operations. In particular, the current state of the global securities markets may cause significant reductions in the price of the Company's securities and render it difficult or impossible for the Company to raise the funds necessary to continue operations.

All of the Company's public disclosure filings, including a National Instrument 43-101 - Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101") Technical Report filed on October 24, 2022, the Filing Statement, material change reports, press releases and other information, may be accessed on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u> or on the Company's website at <u>http://tribecaresources.com</u> and readers are urged to review these materials.

# **Company Overview**

On October 26 2022 Hansa Resources Limited ("Hansa") changed its name to Tribeca Resources Corporation in connection with the closing of a recapitalization (the "Recapitalization") with Tribeca Resources Ltd., now renamed Tribeca Resources Holdings Ltd. ("TRL"). The Company is a reporting issuer in British Columbia and Alberta and trades on the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSXV") under the symbol "TRBC". The Company is a junior resource company engaged in the acquisition and exploration of unproven mineral interests. The Company's principal office is located at #1305 - 1090 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia.

On July 8, 2021, TRL, Tribeca Resources Chile SpA, Bluerock Resources SpA and its shareholders entered into a letter agreement with Hansa setting out the principal terms of the Recapitalization. On June 29, 2022, TRL, its

shareholders and Hansa entered into a definitive agreement. On October 26, 2022, Hansa and TRL completed the Recapitalization and Hansa acquired 100% of the issued and outstanding common shares in the capital of TRL in exchange for 37,603,932 common shares in the capital of Hansa (the "Hansa Common Shares"). Hansa also issued 300,000 Hansa Common Shares, at a fair value of \$77,000, as a finder's fee to a party at arms-length. Upon closing of the Recapitalization, 1,250,000 Hansa share purchase warrants and 800,000 Hansa share options remained outstanding. Upon closing, the former shareholders of TRL owned approximately 72.47% of the common shares of the Company resulting in the TRL shareholders acquiring control of the Company.

The Recapitalization has been accounted for as a continuation of the financial statements of TRL, together with the deemed issuance of shares to the shares held by the former shareholders of Hansa and a recapitalization of TRL.

During July and August 2023, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of 10,029,887 units at \$0.33 per unit, for total proceeds of \$3,309,863. Each unit comprised one common share and one-half of a share purchase warrant. Each whole warrant entitles the holder to purchase one additional common share at a price of \$0.55 per share for a period of two years from the date of issuance.

The Company's Annual General Meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2023. The Distribution of Notices has been completed.

# Directors and Officers

As of the date of this MD&A the Company's directors and officers are as follows:

Dr. Paul Gow	- Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Director
Mr. Thomas Schmidt	- President and Director
Mr. Nick DeMare	- Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") and Director
Ms. Lisa Riley	- Director
Ms. Tara Gilfillan	- Director
Mr. Luis Albano Tondo	- Director

# La Higuera IOCG Property

# Property Ownership

Ownership of the La Higuera IOCG Property (as defined herein) was consolidated by TRL over the period 2017 to 2020 by two outright acquisitions for 100% ownership, and two 100% purchase option agreements, as follows:

- (i) Caballo Blanco: 100% ownership of the Caballo Blanco licences from a private Chilean entity in 2015, for a payment of US \$43,750 and a 1% NSR royalty.
- (ii) Gaby-Totito: purchase option for 100% of the Gaby-Totito licences in 2019 for consideration of a US \$100,000 upfront payment, staged exploration levy payments (5% of exploration expenditures during the option period up to a cumulative total of US \$500,000) and a US \$2,000,000 payment to exercise the option (the "Gaby-Totito Option").
- (iii) Don Baucha: purchase option for 100% of the Don Baucha licences in 2019 for consideration of US \$225,000 over three years which has now been fully paid and the option exercised.
- (iv) Benja & Blanco: 100% ownership of the Benja & Blanco licences from a TSXV-listed entity in 2020 in return for a 1% NSR royalty.

The only outstanding acquisition payment on the La Higuera IOCG Property is a US \$2,000,000 payment required by March 2024 to exercise the Gaby-Totito Option. The Company also makes annual exploration levy payments equal to 5% of expenditure incurred on the Gaby-Totito property during the option period to the Gaby-Totito property owner, capped at US \$500,000.

Please refer to the Company's technical report titled, "Independent NI 43-101 Technical Report on the La Higuera IOCG Project" dated effective August 19, 2022 and prepared by Dr. Scott Jobin-Bevans, available on SEDAR <u>www.sedar.com</u>, for further details on the La Higuera IOCG Project.

#### Property Description

The property consists of 41 mining and three exploration licences for 4,147 hectares, located in the Coquimbo Region of northern Chile, 40km north of the city of La Serena (the "La Higuera IOCG Property"). A total of 3,325 hectares are owned 100% by Tribeca, with the remainder the subject of a purchase option agreement.

The La Higuera IOCG Property is located towards the southern end of the Chilean Coastal Iron-Oxide Copper- Gold ("IOCG") Belt, one of the four major IOCG belts globally, and which hosts exploration by numerous junior to midtier copper explorers, developers and miners. Chile is the world's largest copper producer, having produced 5,200,000 metric tons of copper in 2022.

The La Higuera IOCG Property is hosted within Jurassic to Cretaceous-age intrusive and volcanic rocks that form part of the Coastal Cordillera. The La Higuera IOCG Property is located within and adjacent to the Atacama Fault System, a long-lived system of faults that extends for approximately 1,000 km in northern Chile and is associated with the major copper-gold deposits of the Coastal IOCG Belt. Prominent examples of these deposits include the Candelaria, Mantoverde, Dominga and Santo Domingo deposits. As well as copper and gold, the development plans for the Dominga and Santo Domingo deposits also include production of iron  $\pm$  cobalt.

The broader La Higuera district has a rich history of small-scale 19<sup>th</sup> century mining, with high grade copper and gold ores mined from underground workings and either smelted locally or exported to smelters abroad. The historic La Higuera mining center, which is surrounded by the properties, continues to support sporadic small scale open-pit mining.

Modern exploration efforts on the La Higuera IOCG Property were completed between 2000 and 2013 by Latin American Copper ("LAC"), Peregrine Minerals ("Peregrine") and Azul Ventures ("Azul"). Two key IOCG systems, Chirsposo and Gaby, were identified on the La Higuera IOCG Property through 6,823m of drilling by LAC and Peregrine.

The best historic intersections were:

- 82m @ 0.35% Cu and 19.2% Fe from 64m (CAB0006) under shallow gravel cover at the Chirsposo target, by LAC in 2000; and
- 285m @ 0.40% Cu, 0.08 g/t Au and 23.5% Fe from 100m (LH-RC-07) at the Gaby prospect by Peregrine in 2005.

Mineralization from the Chirsposo and Gaby targets is broadly similar and comprises a pyrite-chalcopyrite assemblage with associated quartz-magnetite-epidote alteration, overprinting intense amphibole-albite-scapolite-magnetite-pyrite-chalcopyrite alteration, locally with early biotite-magnetite alteration. Mineralization may be present as veins, disseminated, or within breccia zones.

Both the Chirsposo and Gaby targets, as well as many of the surrounding licences, were covered with ground magnetic surveying (at 50-100m line spacing) and 100m pole-dipole Induced Polarization ("IP") surveying at 400m line spacing by Peregrine and Azul, providing additional coincident magnetic-IP-chargeability drill targets, with several under interpreted thin gravel cover (<30m thickness).

In 2006, Peregrine completed a short program of metallurgical test work on two iron-rich (between 40-48% Fe) composites of drill core from the Gaby target, to investigate the potential to recover copper, gold, iron and cobalt. The copper head grades of the composites were 0.75% Cu and 0.1% Cu. The work indicated a copper and gold recovery of 85% and 65%, respectively, at a P80 of 139 microns, with recoveries improving to 90% and 75% at a P80 of 87 microns. Magnetic separation test work on the rougher copper tailing at the fine grind produced a 69.4% Fe concentrate. In addition, a pyrite concentrate was floated from the rougher copper tailing, which had a 0.4% Co content with 50% recovery.

The La Higuera IOCG Property is considered to be prospective for the discovery and development of copper-gold  $(\pm iron \pm cobalt)$  deposits of the IOCG style.

#### Phase 1 Drilling Program (Tribeca Resources)

Tribeca's initial (Phase 1) drilling program at the La Higuera IOCG Project was completed between November 11, 2022 and February 17, 2023, and comprised drilling nine drill holes for 2,778m in total (1,020m reverse circulation and 1,758m of HQ diamond drill core). The drilling was completed at two targets. Seven drill holes were completed at the Gaby target, and two drill holes at the Chirsposo target (Table 3).

Significant mineralization was intersected at the Gaby target with the discovery of a copper-gold IOCG system. Results were published in news releases dated January 30,2023, February 23, 2023, and April 3, 2023. The significant intersections are summarized in Table 1. The drilling has identified an interpreted 130m-wide NNW-trending subvertical mineralized envelope. It has now been intersected in four drill holes (RCH-LH-07, GBY001, GBY006 and GBY007) on four drill sections over a 650m strike length. Together with thinner, but consistent intersections in historical drilling on the southern end of the zone (RCH-LH-03, RCH-LH-09 and RCH-LH-11) this provides a known strike length of 1 km (Figure 2). The mineralization is typically present from the base of thin gravel cover, which ranges in thickness from 0 to 76m.

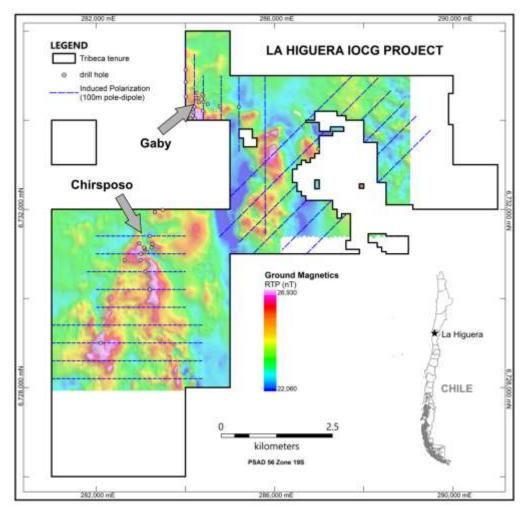


Figure 1. Location of the Gaby and Chirsposo targets within the La Higuera IOCG Project outline.

HoleID		From (m)	To (m)	Downhole Interval (m)	Cu (%)	Au (g/t)	Co (ppm)
GBY001		52	320	268	0.66	0.14	330
incl.		52	170	118	0.61	0.13	122
incl.		178	204	26	0.34	0.08	260
incl.		230	320	90	1.02	0.23	681
	incl.	312	320	8	6.37	1.65	1789
GBY001		326	350	24	0.23	0.04	409
GBY002		122	136	14	0.27	0.06	53
GBY002		146	160	14	0.42	0.09	43
GBY003		100	114	14	0.21	0.05	43
GBY003		158	172	14	0.29	0.07	106
GBY004		38	132	94	0.34	0.07	76
incl.		38	82	44	0.40	0.08	103
incl.		88	132	44	0.32	0.07	48
GBY005		270	290	20	0.42	0.09	320
GBY005		330	342	12	0.20	0.05	339
GBY005		394	404	10	0.24	0.05	291
GBY006		76	262.7	186.7	0.27	0.05	240
incl.		122	178	56	0.35	0.07	271
incl.		190	224	34	0.28	0.06	362
incl.		228	254	26	0.51	0.10	312
GBY007		88	352	264	0.31	0.06	142
incl.		96	140	44	0.52	0.10	151
incl.		144	170	26	0.32	0.07	119
incl.		184	220	36	0.39	0.08	131
incl.		232	250	18	0.28	0.05	75
incl.		272	298	26	0.34	0.07	175

Table 1. Summary of significant intersections from the Phase 1 drill programat the Gaby IOCG discovery.

Note: Apart from the summary intersections (highlighted in bold) and the high-grade zone in GBY001 (312-320m) the grade intersections are calculated over intervals >0.2% Cu with maximum internal dilution of 10m @ 0.05% Cu and a minimum interval width of 10m.

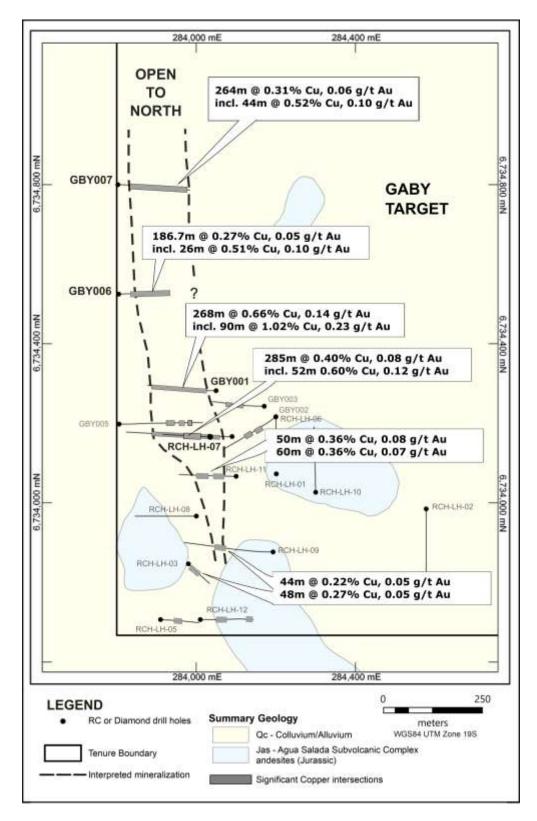


Figure 2: Location of drill holes completed to date at the Gaby target and the interpreted outline of the north to NNW-trending mineralization.

Two drill holes were completed at the Chirsposo target, approximately 3km to the southwest of the Gaby discovery, for a total of 524m. These holes were designed to test the interpreted southeast-dipping geometry of the controlling shear zones and explore potential down-dip extensions of mineralization encountered in historical holes CAB0006 and CB-01 (which returned notable intervals including 82 meters at 0.35% Cu from 64 meters in CAB0006 and 54 meters at 0.38% Cu, 0.09 g/t Au, including 10 meters at 0.97% Cu, 0.20 g/t Au from 122 meters in CB-01).

CHS001 intersected pyrite-chalcopyrite mineralization throughout much of the hole, but did not return any significant intersections greater than 0.2% copper.

CHS002 encountered 4 meters of gravel cover before intersecting porphyritic andesite with strong magnetiteamphibole-scapolite alteration. This section exhibited more intense pyrite-chalcopyrite mineralization, with localized sulphide content reaching 15% in thin intervals. The hole intersected significant thicknesses of 0.2-0.3% Cu. The summary interval in the hole was 167m @ 0.21% Cu, 0.06 g/t Au from 56m downhole depth, including one 12m interval of 0.91% Cu and 0.24 g/t Au (Table 2). Importantly, this higher-grade interval may correlate with a similar interval of high-grade mineralization in CB-01 130m along strike to the southwest (Figure 3).

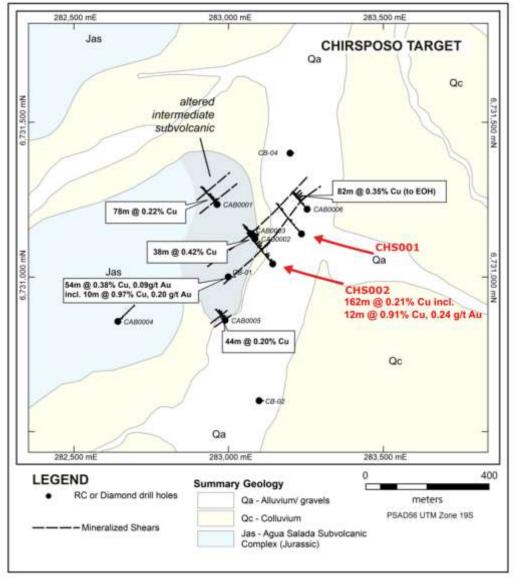


Figure 3. Location of the two drill holes (CHS001 and CHS002) completed at the Chirsposo target.

HoleID	From	То	Downhole Interval	Cu (%)	Au (g/t)	Co (ppm)	CuEq (%)
CHS002	56	223	167	0.21	0.06	84	0.24
incl	56	78	22	0.26	0.07	31	0.28
incl	118	130	12	0.91	0.24	512	1.05
incl	198	214	16	0.24	0.07	72	0.27

 Table 2. Significant intersections from drill hole CHS002 at the Chirsposo target.

 No significant intersections were present in drill hole CHS001.

Note: Apart from the summary intersection (from 56-223m in CHS002) the grade intersections are calculated for intervals >0.2% Cu with maximum internal dilution of 10m @ 0.05% Cu and a minimum interval width of 10m. CuEq (%) grades have been calculated using recoveries from metallurgical test work undertaken in 2006 on drill core from the project, which are 90% for copper, 65% for gold and 50% for cobalt. Metal prices utilised were US\$3.74/lb copper, US\$2,019.90/oz gold and US\$15.84/lb cobalt (based on 12 May 2023 closing spot prices).

Table 3. Details of the drill collars from the Phase 1 drill program. Collar coordinates provided using datum/projection WGS84 Zone 19S.

HoleID	Easting	Northing	Elevation	Azimuth	Dip	Total Depth
GBY001	284050	6734282	451	270	-60	376.8
GBY002	284200	6734216	450	235	-60	348
GBY003	284171	6734243	450	270	-60	260.45
GBY004	284032	6734167	450	270	-60	202.7
GBY005	283806	6734198	452	90	-60	408.95
GBY006	283805	6734525	446	90	-60	291.05
GBY007	283803	6734800	476	90	-60	365.85
CHS001	283036	6730806	473	318	-60	251.25
CHS002	282943	6730709	477	318	-60	272.35

Geophysical Gravity and Ground Magnetic Surveying Programs

In addition to the Phase 1 drilling activities, the Company completed two geophysical programs. Ground magnetic data was collected in early December 2022, which provided higher resolution (50m line spacing) in the northern Gaby area (Figure 4A) and included some extension surveying to add to the historical ground magnetic data held for the broader project area. An image of the new merged project-wide ground magnetic dataset was provided in a news release dated January 30, 2023.

A gravity survey was completed over parts of the La Higuera IOCG Project with the objective of mapping the distribution of the iron oxide alteration (magnetite and hematite) under extensive gravel cover in the district. The gravity data complements the ground magnetic and IP data in mapping the distribution of iron oxide alteration that is commonly associated with the IOCG style of copper-gold deposit. The gravity survey was completed with stations on a 200m grid with infill down to 100m in selected areas. A strong gravity anomaly of approximately 1 mGal intensity was identified at the Gaby discovery 400m to the east of drill hole GBY007 (Figure 4B), which is coincident with a small copper showing on sporadic outcrop. This provides an additional exploration target.

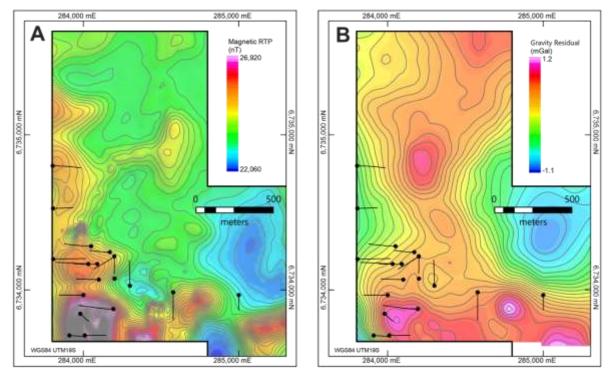


Figure 4. Geophysical images from the Gaby discovery: A: reduced-to-pole ("RTP") ground magnetic data, and B: gravity (bouguer) residual data. Contour intervals of 200nT and 0.1mGal for the magnetic and gravity data, respectively. The black outline is the mineral licence boundary, and the drilling to date, including by the previous operator, is shown.

# Gaby Extension IP Surveying

The Phase 1 drilling program by Tribeca indicated the historic IP surveying, particularly the resulting chargeability data, was providing a good indicator of the presence of sulphide mineralization. However, the historic IP surveying by Peregrine in 2004-2008 at the Gaby target had been focused on the southern half of the target. An IP survey was completed by Tribeca, with results reported on 27 July 2023, to provide additional coverage over the northern Gaby area, including over the residual gravity anomaly identified in the gravity surveying of November 2022.

The IP survey comprised two lines, for 4.4 line-kilometres, located approximately 650 metres apart (Figure 5). The survey lines were configured in a NNE orientation (025°), slightly oblique to the north-south lines historically surveyed in the area, in order to avoid additional infrastructure (a road upgrade and new transmission powerline) erected in the area since the original surveying in 2004-2008.

The survey used a 100m pole-dipole array and utilized a n=1 to 20 configuration that nominally represents a greater depth penetration than previous surveying at the target in 2004-2008, which utilized a n=1 to 6 configuration. The survey was undertaken by the same contractor that completed the original survey.

# Line 750E

- Line 750E hosts an 800m long +20 mV/V chargeability anomaly, peaking at 26 mV/V in the inverted data. The resistivity inversion indicates a resistive basement in this zone, beneath a highly conductive horizontal layer that represents the gravel cover and weathered top of basement.
- Importantly, this line indicates that the 20 mV/V chargeable anomalism defined in the historical surveying continues to the north. The two drillholes that have pierced this cross-section (GBY006 and GBY007) are on the flank of and within the southern portion of the anomaly, with both intersecting significant copper-gold mineralization.
- This chargeability anomaly represents a strong drill target and given the NNE orientation of the survey line there is also potential that the mineralization may also expand, or trend, towards the east off the current north-south zone drilled to date.

# Line 1400E

- Line 1400E hosts a strong coincident chargeability and low resistivity anomaly at its southern end. The geometry of the anomaly suggests a potentially north-dipping low resistivity zone. Drilling in the two holes to the west, 30-60m off-section, encountered intervals of copper mineralization towards the end of the holes (e.g. 22m @ 0.15% Cu in RCH-LH-12 and 14m @ 0.24% Cu in RCH-LH-10). These coincident chargeability and low resistivity anomalies represent a new drill target well east of Tribeca's drilling to date.
- The northern end of Line 1400E hosts a chargeability anomaly of 17-19 mV/V amplitude (Figure 3), evident over approximately 450m length of the line. It is not known if this is related to the highly chargeable zone in the northern end of Line 750E.

Together the two new lines of IP data provide strong encouragement for the extension of mineralization to the north of current drilling and provide an additional target to the east of the main Gaby trend.

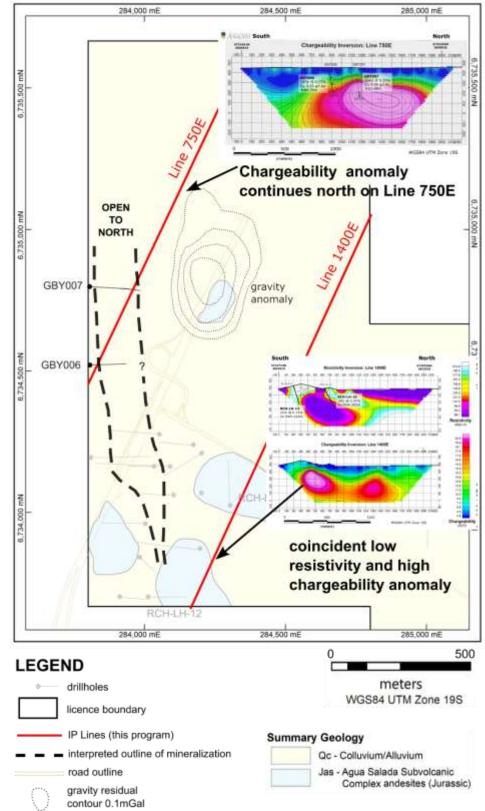


Figure 5. Location of the IP lines surveyed in this program (750E and 1400E).

# Outlook

Following the closing of the \$3,300,000 private placement, the Company is preparing for Phase 2 drilling at the La Higuera Project.

Commencing in the fourth quarter of 2023 the Company plans to undertake a 4,000 to 5,000 metre diamond drill program focusing on the Gaby IOCG discovery. The proposed program will consist of: extension drilling to the north of known mineralization at Gaby; completion of several drill holes to help understand the geometry of the mineralization; and testing of additional geophysical targets adjacent to the discovery.

The Company continues to assess business development opportunities in the wider Chilean Costal IOCG Belt.

# **Qualified Person**

All scientific and technical information in this MD&A has been prepared by, or approved by, Dr. Paul Gow, who is the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Company. He is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (MAIG), a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy ("MAusIMM") and a qualified person for the purposes of NI 43-101. Dr. Gow has not verified any of the information regarding any of the properties or projects referred to herein other than the La Higuera IOCG Project. Mineralization on any other properties referred to herein is not necessarily indicative of mineralization on the La Higuera IOCG Project.

# Selected Financial Data

The Recapitalization has been accounted for as a continuation of the financial statements of TRL, together with the deemed issuance of shares held by the former shareholders of Hansa, and a recapitalization of TRL. All comparative financial figures are those of TRL.

The following selected financial information is derived from the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Company prepared in accordance with IFRS.

	Fiscal	2023		Fiscal	1 2022		Fiscal	2021
Three Months Ended	Jun. 30 2023 \$	Mar. 31 2023 \$	Dec. 31 2022 \$	Sep. 30 2022 \$	Jun. 30 2022 \$	Mar. 31 2022 \$	Dec. 31 2021 \$	Sep. 30 2021 \$
Operations:								
Revenues	Nil							
Expenses	(360,047)	(687,727)	(775,494)	(56,513)	(61,392)	(85,490)	(72,151)	(36,971)
Other items	(25,997)	10,470	(2,307,981)	121,845	62,545	(40,126)	(86,691)	28,780
Net (loss) income	(386,044)	(677,257)	(3,083,475)	65,332	1,153	(125,616)	(158,842)	(8,191)
Basic and diluted (loss) income per share	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.08)	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	(6.48)	(8.19)
Dividends per share	Nil							
Net (loss) income attributed:								
Shareholders of the Company	(386,044)	(677,257)	(3,083,475)	65,332	1,153	(125,616)	(148,778)	(7,885)
Non-controlling interest	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	(10,064)	(306)
Statement of Financial Position:								
Working capital (deficit)	1,013,524	1,371,057	1,970,036	2,212,125	2,146,793	2,145,640	(129,589)	38,585
Total assets	1,807,551	2,060,683	2,882,841	2,779,112	2,706,895	2,796,058	294,726	307,426
Total long-term liabilities	Nil	(457,446)						

# **Results of Operations**

# Three Months Ended June 30, 2023 Compared to Three Months Ended March 31, 2023

During the three months ended June 30, 2023 ("Q2") the Company reported a net loss of \$386,044 compared to a net loss of \$677,257 for the three months ended March 31, 2023 ("Q1"), a decrease in loss of \$291,213. The decrease was attributed to a reduction in general and administrative expenses of \$327,680, from \$687,727 in Q1 to \$360,047

in Q2, which was partially offset by a \$32,270 increase in foreign exchange loss, from a foreign exchange loss of \$8,366 reported in Q1 compared to a foreign exchange loss of \$40,636 in Q2.

#### Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 Compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2022

During the six months ended June 30, 2023 the Company reported a net loss of \$1,063,301 compared to a net loss of \$124,463 for the six months ended June 30, 2022, an increase in loss of \$938,838. The fluctuation was mainly attributed to an increase in general and administrative expenses of \$900,892 from \$146,882 in the six months ended June 30, 2022 to \$1,047,774 in the six months ended June 30, 2023 and by a foreign exchange fluctuation of \$71,421, from a foreign exchange gain of \$22,419 in the six months ended June 30, 2022 to a foreign exchange loss of \$49,002 in the six months ended June 30, 2023.

Significant fluctuations in general and administrative expenses are listed below. During the six months ended June 30, 2023 the Company:

- (i) incurred \$30,022 (2022 \$17,870) for accounting and administration expenses of which \$25,700 (2022 \$nil) was incurred by Chase Management Ltd. ("Chase"), a private corporation owned by Mr Nick DeMare, and \$4,322 (2022 \$17,870) was incurred by a third party accounting service provider in Chile. See also "Related Party Disclosures";
- (ii) incurred director and officer compensation of \$187,500 (2022 \$nil). The Company commenced monthly compensation to its directors and officers with the closing of the Recapitalization on October 26, 2022. See also "Related Party Disclosures";
- (iii) recorded exploration expenditures of \$603,085 (2022 \$43,955). See also "Exploration Expenditures";
- (iv) incurred \$29,719 (2022 \$63,024) in legal expenses. During the six months ended June 30, 2022 legal services were primarily for due diligence matters related to the Recapitalization; and
- (v) recorded share-based compensation of \$64,211 (2022 \$nil) on recognition for the anticipated vesting of the 1,325,000 share options granted in fiscal 2022.

#### Exploration Expenditures

Exploration expenditures for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and the six months ended June 30, 2022 are as follows:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 \$	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022 \$
Assays	26,454	-
Drilling	109,744	-
Field operations	143,418	-
Geophysics	85,825	-
Other	73,186	10,512
Patents	36,477	30,506
Property management services	14,903	2,937
IVA tax	113,078	
	603,085	43,955

#### **Financing Activities**

During the six months ended June 30, 2023, 250,000 common shares were issued on the exercise of share options for \$62,500.

During the six months ended June 30, 2022 the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of 10,407,190 common shares at a price of US \$0.20 per share for \$2,649,109 (US \$2,081,438).

# **Financial Condition / Capital Resources**

As at June 30, 2023 the Company had working capital of \$790,057. The Company considers it has adequate resources to conduct planned levels of exploration and maintain current levels of corporate administration for the next twelve months. Subsequent to June 30, 2023 the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of 10,029,887 units at \$0.33 per unit, for total proceeds of \$3,309,863. In March 2024 the Company has a property option payment of US \$2,000,000.

The Company's ability to obtain additional financing by way of an equity issuance is dependent upon many external factors and may be difficult to secure or raise when required.

# **Contractual Commitments**

The Company has no contractual commitments.

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

The Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

#### **Proposed Transactions**

The Company has no proposed transactions.

#### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Examples of significant estimates made by management include the determination of mineralized reserves, plant and equipment lives, estimating the fair values of financial instruments, impairment of long-lived assets, reclamation and rehabilitation provisions, valuation allowances for future income tax assets and assumptions used for share-based compensation. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

A detailed summary of the Company's critical accounting estimates and sources of estimation is included in Note 3 to the December 31, 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements.

#### **Changes in Accounting Principles**

There are no changes in accounting policies. A detailed summary of the Company's accounting policies is included in Note 3 to the December 31, 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements.

#### **Related Party Disclosures**

A number of key management personnel, or their related parties, hold positions in other entities that result in them having control or significant influence over the financial or operating policies of those entities. Certain of these entities transacted with the Company during the reporting period. The Company has determined that key management personnel consists of the CEO, the President, and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") of the Company.

#### (a) Transactions with Key Management Personnel

During the six months ended June 30, 2023 and the six months ended June 30, 2022 the Company incurred the following compensation amounts to its key management personnel:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 \$	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022 \$
Mr. Gow - CEO	75,000	-
Mr. Schmidt - President	75,000	-
Mr. DeMare - CFO	15,000	
	165,000	

As at June 30, 2023 \$115,393 (December 31, 2022 - \$45,964) remained unpaid.

#### (b) *Transactions with Other Related Parties*

(i) During the six months ended June 30, 2023 and the six months ended June 30, 2022 the Company incurred the following compensation amounts to its non-executive directors of the Company:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 \$	Six Months Ended June 30, 2022 \$
Ms. Riley	7,500	-
Ms. Gilfillan	7,500	-
Mr. Tondo	7,500	
	22,500	

As at June 30, 2023 \$13,955 (December 31, 2022 - \$2,705) remained unpaid.

(ii) During the six months ended June 30, 2023 the Company incurred a total of \$25,700 (2022 - \$nil) with Chase Management Ltd. ("Chase"), a private corporation owned by Mr. DeMare, for accounting and administrative services provided by Chase personnel, excluding Mr. DeMare, and \$2,010 (2022 - \$nil) for rent. As at June 30, 2023 \$9,670 (December 31, 2022 - \$7,170) remained unpaid.

# **Risks and Uncertainties**

Exploration, development and mining of base and precious metals involves numerous inherent risks resulting from the economic conditions of the various areas of operation. Therefore, the Company is subject to several financial, operational and political risks that could have a significant impact on its profitability and levels of operating cash flows.

Although the Company assesses and minimizes these risks by applying high operating standards, including careful management and planning of its facilities, hiring qualified personnel and developing their skills through training and development programs, these risks cannot be eliminated.

Such risks include, but are not limited to: uncertainty of additional capital; limited operating history; commodity prices; certainty of title; mineral property exploration, development and operating risks; uncertainty in the estimation of mineral resources; negative operating cash flow; government regulation of the mineral exploration and development industry; foreign countries and political risk; environmental risks and hazards; seismic activity may impact the Company's projects; land reclamation requirements; climate change legislation; dependence on key personnel; insured and uninsured risks; social activism against extractive industries; local community relations; competition; legal proceedings and enforceability of judgments; anti-corruption and bribery regulations; conflicts of interest; current global financial conditions; and risks associated with disease outbreaks, including the COVID-19 pandemic.

The foregoing is not an exhaustive list and readers are encouraged to read a more comprehensive list in the Filing Statement available on SEDAR (<u>www.sedar.com</u>).

#### **Outstanding Share Data**

The Company's authorized share capital consists of an unlimited number of common shares without par value and an unlimited number of preferred shares without par value. As at August 28, 2023, there were 62,166,483 outstanding common shares, 6,264,943 warrants outstanding at an exercise prices ranging form \$0.25 to \$0.55 per common share and 1,455,000 share options outstanding with exercise prices ranging from \$0.25 to \$0.26 per common share.