

# CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

# FOR THE THREE AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023 AND 2022

# **INTERNATIONAL LITHIUM CORP. CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

The last two years have been transformational for International Lithium Corp., both in respect of the Company's finances and the scale of its projects in Ontario, Canada and, expected soon, in Zimbabwe.

The Company published Maiden Resource Estimates ("MRE") for its lithium and rubidium project at Raleigh Lake, Ontario, in March 2023, and expects to publish a Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA") later in 2023.

The Company is building a very strong platform for future growth. The Board, which is closely aligned with shareholders, having invested significantly in the Company's equity, has clear strategic objectives for the period ahead. We remain focused on further enhancing shareholder value and building world-class assets.

Highlights are as follows:

- Finances:
  - The Company maintained its financial strength despite the investment in exploration at the Raleigh Lake project. Cash in the bank at the end of June 2023 plus marketable securities plus the first Mavis Lake milestone payment receivable was CAD\$5.96m; and
  - In 2023 several warrants are expiring, and it is projected that, depending on the stock price, the exercise of these could raise an additional CAD\$2m of cash.
- Market Entry:
  - The Company plans on entering the Zimbabwe market in 2023 with several significant projects already identified. We will make announcements at the appropriate time.

# • Claims and exploration rights acquisition:

- No further claims were acquired in Canada in 2023, but as previously reported
  - Raleigh Lake, Ontario we increased our 100% owned claims from 3,000 hectares at the beginning of 2021 to 48,500 hectares at the end of 2022; and
  - Wolf Ridge, Ontario option was acquired in 2022 on 100% of 5,700 hectares of claims.

# • Progress on Exploration and Resource Estimates:

- Raleigh Lake, Ontario
  - Over CAD\$5m has now been invested in the Raleigh Lake project, of which CAD\$0.2m received in Government funding
  - Around 10,000 metres of drilling were completed in 2022 at Raleigh Lake, Ontario
  - Zone 1 at Raleigh Lake (totalling about 600 hectares) delivered an MRE in March 2023, with separate resources declared for lithium and rubidium.
  - Zone 1 at Raleigh Lake is expected to deliver a PEA later in 2023, again with separate economics for the lithium and rubidium resources.

# • Projects disposed of:

The Company's 49% stake in the 2,600-hectare Mavis Lake project in Ontario was sold in January 2022 to Critical Resources for AUD\$0.75m plus shares with deemed value of AUD\$0.75m plus possible upside of up to AUD\$ 1.5m (CAD\$ 1.33m) based on resources declared. In June 2023, the first resource milestone payment was met and the AUD\$ 0.75m was billed, with payment received in August 2023.

Name	Future Ownership percentage if options Current exercised or Area Ownership work carried be Location (Hectares) Percentage out		Ownership percentage if options Current exercised or Area Ownership work carried		ame Location		Operator or JV Partner	Minerals of primary focus
Raleigh Lake	Ontario	48,500	100%	100%	ILC	Li, Rb		
Avalonia	Ireland	29,200	45%	21%	Ganfeng Lithium	Li		
Wolf Ridge	Ontario	5,700	0%	100%	ILC	Li		
Mavis Lake	Lake Ontario 2,600 0% 0% (carries an ex earn-in paymo of CAD \$0.71		(carries an extra earn-in payment of CAD \$0.7M if resource targets	Critical Resources Ltd (ASX:CRR)	Li			
Forgan Lake & Lucky Lake	Ontario	< 500	0%	0% (1.5% Net Smelter Royalty)	Ultra Lithium Inc. (TSX.V:ULT)	Li		

The Company's interests in various projects now consist of the following, and in addition, the Company continues to seek other opportunities:

The Company's primary strategic objectives are:

- the Raleigh Lake lithium and rubidium project in Canada, and in Zone 1, taking this beyond the MRE to the Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA") stage in 2023 while also exploring other parts of the claims there; and
- the signing of our first project in Zimbabwe.

The last two years have seen considerable swings in the lithium market. Two years ago, the lithium price was around US\$10,000 per metric tonne for 99.2% lithium carbonate. Then it rose to US\$80,000 at the end of 2022. On August 11, 2023 it was US\$ 32,268 after a low in April 2023 of US\$19,500. This is volatile even by the standard of commodities.

The price of rubidium, our other important commodity, has been relatively steady by comparison. Today the price of >99% rubidium carbonate stands at US\$1,157 per kg, which is 35x higher than the current price of lithium. This, together with the size of our rubidium resource revealed by the MRE, is very significant for the Company, assuming that the market for rubidium products is large enough. The rubidium market is a key issue for us to focus on as we bring Raleigh Lake to PEA later this year and then in a future year to a feasibility study.

We have noted the moves in 2023 to nationalise lithium assets in Chile and previous moves in Mexico. We do not have and have not been looking for exposure in either of these countries, so our policy in this respect has been sound. Moreover, since the sale of our stake in the Mariana project in Argentina in 2021, we have had no exposure to Latin America.

The strategic outlook for lithium and battery metals remains very strong over the next few years as the world is set on moving away from hydrocarbons and investing heavily in alternative energy. Particularly for our Canadian projects, but also for what we are looking to build in Zimbabwe, we are well placed in the increasing wish by the USA and Canada and Europe to secure critical resources, which certainly includes lithium, and to secure them in a way that does not substitute dependence on Russia for oil and gas with dependence on China for lithium and battery metals. As well as lithium, we have considerable upside at Raleigh Lake from our rubidium, which is also on the USA critical metals list. Having delivered the MRE on a small part of our Raleigh Lake claims, Raleigh Lake still looks to be a very promising and strategic project. In addition to the Raleigh Lake project, we hope to acquire a critical mass of the exploration assets required to realise our vision this year. Our hope and plan is that both Raleigh Lake and our future Zimbabwe projects will increasingly be seen to have considerable value in their own right. Additionally, we remain a well-funded company for what we are trying to achieve in the next year or more.

I thank our board and team for their ongoing good work including involvement in new initiatives. I would also like to thank our shareholders, advisors and partners for their support and assistance.

Our Board members own 26% of the Company's equity, all bought over six years with their own money. Assuming that warrants (all of which have resulted from being attached to fundraisings) and stock options are exercised, that percentage could rise to over 30%. The Board is, therefore, very much aligned with shareholders on wanting to make the company much more valuable.

We look forward to a very exciting next year which can create considerable shareholder value in the absence of a severe market downturn.

John Wisbey Chairman and CEO August 17, 2023

# NOTICE OF NO AUDITOR REVIEW OF CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Under National Instrument 51-102, Part 4, subsection 4.3 (3) (a), if an auditor has not performed a review of the condensed interim financial statements, they must be accompanied by a notice indicating that an auditor has not reviewed the financial statements.

The accompanying unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the Company's management.

The Company's independent auditor has not performed a review of these financial statements in accordance with standards established by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada for a review of interim financial statements by an entity's auditor

# INTERNATIONAL LITHIUM CORP. CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

AS AT,

	Notes		Unaudited June 30, 2023	Audited December31, 2022
ASSETS				
Current				
Cash		\$	4,961,724 \$	\$ 6,079,566
Receivables	3		705,706	167,941
Marketable securities	5		333,388	374,094
Loan receivable	4		282,212	274,719
Prepaid expenses			55,815	212,014
			6,338,845	7,108,334
Advances	8		470,601	428,574
Equipment	6		2,831	3,905
Equity investment	7		2,808,005	2,218,445
Exploration and evaluation assets	8		4,947,660	4,756,549
		\$	14,567,942 \$	\$ 14,515,807
JABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		\$	14,567,942 \$	<u>\$ 14,515,807</u>
-		\$	14,567,942 \$	
<b>IABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b> <b>Current</b> Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	9&11	\$ \$	14,567,942 S 240,710 S	
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Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Shareholders' Equity			240,710 \$ 240,710	\$ <u>147,262</u> 147,262
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Shareholders' Equity Share capital	12		240,710 \$ 240,710 19,200,195	\$ <u>147,262</u> 147,262 19,192,695
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Shareholders' Equity Share capital Equity reserves	12		240,710 \$ 240,710 19,200,195 4,966,991	<u>\$ 147,262</u> <u>147,262</u> 19,192,695 4,711,989
Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Shareholders' Equity Share capital Equity reserves Accumulated other comprehensive loss	12		240,710 \$ 240,710 19,200,195 4,966,991 (166,585)	\$ 147,262 147,262 19,192,695 4,711,989 (159,565)

Approved and authorized by the Board on August 17, 2023.

*"John Wisbey"* Director *"Maurice Brooks"* Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# INTERNATIONAL LITHIUM CORP.

CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

FOR THE THREE MONTHS AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30 2023 AND 2022,

		Th	ree months	ende	ed June 30,	ŝ	Six months	end	ed June 30,
	Notes		2023		2022		2023		2022
OPERATING EXPENSES									
Consulting fees	11	\$	207,650	\$	138,818	\$	400,121	\$	402,288
Depreciation	6		537		-		1,074		-
Directors' fees	11		236,306		52,467		405,756		334,731
Foreign exchange (gain) loss			68,849		(214,596)		72,867		(107,050)
Interest and bank charges	10		1,741		100,914		3,330		896,507
Professional fees			77,302		95,414		117,046		137,091
Property investigation			29,286		-		29,286		,
Office and miscellaneous			15,779		19,512		45,459		42,219
Shareholder communications			55,930		44,116		92,822		120,919
Share-based payments	11 & 12		,		146,465		255,002		291,321
Transfer agent and filing fees			27,387		22,644		37,319		56,982
Travel and Promotion			23,867		6,851		66,912		6,851
Total operating expenses			(744,634)		(412,605)	_(	1,526,994)	_(	2,181,859)
Loss on equity investment	7		(29,577)		(5,346)		(42,578)		(9,763)
Gain / (Loss) on marketable securities	5		(52,317)		(166,135)		(40,707)		1,078,491
Interest income	4		6,602		-		13,276		-
Project milestone payment income	8		661,050		-		661,050		
Gain on sale of exploration and evaluation asset	8				150,000			_	1,268,348
			585,758		(21,481)		591,041		2,337,076
Income (loss) for the period			(158,876)		(434,086)		(935,953)		155,217
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)									
Items that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss									
Foreign currency translation	7		(48,043)		(57,439)		(7,020)		(137,655)
Comprehensive income (loss) for the period		\$	(206,919)	\$	(491,525)	\$	(942,973)	\$	17,562
Income (loss) per common share									
Basic		\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.00
Diluted		\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.00
Weighted average number of common									
shares outstanding – basic and diluted		24	48,520,654	24	48,204,945	24	48,491,284	24	45,979,469

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## **INTERNATIONAL LITHIUM CORP.** CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian Dollars) FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,

	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Income (loss) for the period	\$ (935,953)	\$ 155,217
Items not affecting cash:		
Accrued interest expense	-	893,313
Accrued interest income	(13,276)	-
Depreciation	1,074	-
Foreign exchange	5,783	-
Loss on equity investment	42,578	9,763
Gain on sale of exploration and evaluation assets	-	(1,268,348)
Project milestone payment income	(661,050)	-
Share-based payments	255,002	291,321
Realized gain on marketable securities	-	(1,144,401)
Unrealized loss on marketable securities	40,706	65,910
Changes in non-cash working capital items:		
Receivables	123,285	(301,721)
Prepaid expenses	156,199	(304,665)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	 (95,540)	 101,314
Net change from operating activities	 (1,081,192)	 (1,502,297)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Exploration and evaluation expenditures	(114,623)	(1,782,580)
Sale of Marketable Securities	-	2,253,658
Proceeds from sale of exploration and evaluation asset	-	838,035
Advances	(42,027)	-
Grants received	140,000	-
Property option payments made	 (20,000)	 (10,000)
Net change from investing activities	 (36,650)	 1,299,103
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Warrants exercised	-	218,378
Loans repaid	-	(708,550)
Interest paid	 <u> </u>	 (81,458)
Net change from financing activities	 <u> </u>	 (571,630)
Change in cash for the period	(1,117,842)	(774,824)
Cash, beginning of period	 6,079,566	 10,961,936
Cash, end of period	\$ 4,961,724	\$ 10,187,112

Supplemental disclosure with respect to cash flows (Note 13)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# INTERNATIONAL LITHIUM CORP. CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

_	Share	capital	_			
	Number	Amount	Equity reserves	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	Deficit	Total
Balance at December 31, 2021	235,857,043	\$ 17,722,596	\$ 5,002,996	\$ (172,712)	\$ (8,131,465)	\$ 14,421,415
,				\$ (172,712)	\$ (8,131,403)	
Warrants exercised	12,504,545	1,460,099	(786,735)	-	-	673,364
Shares issued for property acquisition	100,000	10,000				10,000
Share based payments	-	-	291,321	-	-	291,321
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(137,655)	-	(137,655)
Income for the period	-	-	-	-	155,217	155,217
Balance at June 30, 2022	248,461,588	\$ 19,192,695	\$ 4,507,582	\$ (310,367)	\$ (7,976,248)	\$ 15,413,662
Balance at December 31, 2022	248,461,588	19,192,695	4,711,989	(159,565)	(9,376,574)	14,368,545
Shares issued for property acquisition	125,000	7,500	-	-	-	7,500
Equity gain on carried interest	-	-	-	-	639,158	639,158
Share based payments	-	-	255,002	-	-	255,002
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	(7,020)	-	(7,020)
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	(935,953)	(935,953)
Balance at June 30, 2023	248,586,588	\$ 19,200,195	\$ 4,966,991	\$ (166,585)	\$ (9,673,369)	\$ 14,327,232

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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## 1. NATURE AND CONTINUANCE OF OPERATIONS

International Lithium Corp. (the "Company") was incorporated under the Business Corporations Act, British Columbia on March 26, 2009 and is considered to be in the exploration stage with respect to its mineral properties. The Company's records office address is 550 Burrard Street, Suite 1008, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 2B5 and head office address is 789 West Pender Street, Suite 1120, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 1H2. The Company is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange and trades under the stock symbol "ILC".

The Company is in the process of exploring and investing in mineral properties located in Canada and Ireland and has not yet determined whether the properties contain reserves that are economically recoverable. The recoverability of the amounts shown for exploration and evaluation assets is dependent upon the existence of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain necessary financing to complete the development of those reserves and upon future profitable production.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared by management on a going concern basis which assumes that the Company will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business for the foreseeable future. The Company has incurred ongoing losses and expects to incur further losses in the development of its business. The continuing operations of the Company are dependent upon its ability to continue to raise adequate financing and to commence profitable operations in the future and repay its liabilities arising from normal business operations as they become due.

The Company estimates that it has adequate resources for the next twelve months. The following table provides information regarding the Company's working capital and accumulated deficit as at June 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022.

	June 30, 2023	December 31, 2022
Working capital Accumulated deficit	\$ 6,098,135 \$ (9,673,369)	

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### **Statement of Compliance**

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements, including comparatives, have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34 'Interim Financial Reporting' ("IAS 34") using accounting policies consistent with the International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and Interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC").

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022.

## **Basis of Presentation**

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments measured at fair value. In addition, these financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting except for cash flow information.

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the functional currency of the Company.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (cont'd...)

#### Consolidation

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its controlled subsidiaries. Control exists when the Company has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. The financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated. The Company's subsidiaries are as follows:

	Country of Incorporation	Ownership
International Lithium UK Ltd.	United Kingdom	100%
International Lithium Canada Ltd.	Canada	100%

The financial statements of a subsidiary are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. When the Company ceases to control a subsidiary, assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests of the subsidiary are derecognized at their carrying amounts at the date when control is lost. Investment retained in the former subsidiary is recognized at its fair value and any gain or loss resulting from deconsolidation is recorded through profit or loss.

#### Significant accounting judgments and estimates

The preparation of these condensed interim consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgments and estimates and form assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. On an ongoing basis, management evaluates its judgments and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities and expenses. Management uses historical experience and various other factors it believes to be reasonable under the given circumstances as the basis for its judgments and estimates. Actual outcomes may differ from these estimates.

The most significant judgments relate to the functional currency of the Company and significant influence over associates.

## Functional currency

Judgment is involved in the assessment of the functional currency of the Company, its equity investment, and its subsidiaries.

#### Significant influence over associates

Management deems the Company to have significant influence over an associate when the Company is able to influence the financial and operating decisions of the associate. The Company has determined that its investment in Blackstairs Lithium Limited is an investment in associate.

The most significant estimates relate to the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities, calculation of share-based payments, and recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets.

## Deferred tax assets and liabilities

The determination of deferred income tax assets or liabilities requires subjective assumptions regarding future income tax rates and the likelihood of utilizing tax carry forwards. Changes in these assumptions could significantly affect the recorded amounts, and therefore do not necessarily provide certainty as to their recorded values.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (cont'd...)

#### Significant accounting judgments and estimates (cont'd...)

#### Share-based payments

Share-based payments, as measured with respect to stock options granted and re-priced, have been estimated by reference to the Black-Scholes pricing model in discussion with auditors; a detailed discussion of management's estimates with respect to the pricing model is found in Note 12. Management are reviewing whether the Black-Scholes model is in fact the most appropriate model for contingent options (e.g. options or warrants whose latest exercise date could be accelerated for various reasons) and will be reviewing the appropriate model to use during 2023.

#### Recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets

Recorded costs of exploration and evaluation assets and deferred exploration and evaluation costs are not intended to reflect present or future values of these properties. The recorded costs are subject to measurement uncertainty and it is reasonably possible, based on existing knowledge, that change in future conditions could require a material change in the recognized amount. Management is required, at each reporting date, to review its exploration and evaluation assets for signs of impairment. This is a highly subjective process taking into consideration exploration results, metal prices, economics, financing prospects and sale or option prospects. Management makes these judgements based on information available, but there is no certainty that a property is or is not impaired. Although the Company has taken steps to verify title to mineral properties in which it has an interest, these procedures do not guarantee the Company's title. Such properties may be subject to prior agreements or transfers and title may be affected by undetected defects.

#### **3. RECEIVABLES**

As at June 30, 2023, receivables are comprised of project milestone payment receivable of \$661,050 (AU\$750,000) and input tax credits of \$44,656 (December 31, 2022 – input tax credits of \$167,941).

#### 4. LOAN RECEIVABLE

On November 2, 2022, the Company entered into a loan agreement with a director and officer of the Company. The Company advanced US\$200,000 (\$270,340) for a term of six months. The loan is unsecured and bears interest at the rate of 10% per annum.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company recorded \$6,674 and \$13,276 interest income on the loan (2022 – \$nil and \$nil). As at June 30, 2023, the carrying value of the loan receivable is US\$213,151 (\$282,212). (*Note 11*)

## 5. MARKETABLE SECURITIES

During the period ended June 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022, marketable securities consisted of shares of a publicly traded company, Critical Resources Limited ("Critical Resources"). The Critical Resources shares were received as part of the Asset Purchase Agreement for the Mavis Lake Lithium Project (*Note 8*). Marketable securities are measured at fair value by reference to quoted stock prices on established exchanges.

## 5. MARKETABLE SECURITIES (cont'd...)

The following transactions occurred during the period:

	Period June 30		Year ended December 31, 2022		
	Shares		Shares		
Critical Resources shares					
Opening balance	9,460,498 \$	374,094	-	\$ -	
Received from Mavis Lake asset purchase agreement	-	-	34,000,000	1,536,885	
Sale of marketable securities	-	-	(24,539,502)	(2,253,648)	
Realized gain	-	-	_	1,144,401	
Unrealized gain (loss)	-	(40,706)	-	(53,544)	
Ending balance	9,460,498 \$	333,388	9,460,498	\$ 374,094	

## 6. EQUIPMENT

Computer hardware	nardware Cost		
Balance as at December 31, 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ <u>-</u> 3,905
Additions	5,386	(1,481)	
Balance as at December 31, 2022	5,386	(1,481)	3,905
Additions		(1,074)	(1,074)
Balance as at June 30, 2023	\$ 5,386	\$ (2,555)	\$ 2,831

## 7. EQUITY INVESTMENT

#### Avalonia Lithium Joint Venture

The Avalonia Lithium Project is comprised of certain licenses in the Carlow and Wicklow counties, Ireland. The exploration rights for the project are held by Blackstairs Lithium Limited ("BLL"), a company owned jointly by the Company and GFL.

BLL is recognized as an equity investment of the Company. The management committee of the joint venture is comprised of one representative of each of the Company and GFL. Voting is proportionate to each party's participating interest which is, as at June 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022, 55% to GFL and 45% to the Company.

In order to earn an additional 24% interest in the Avalonia Lithium Project, GFL must incur \$10,000,000 in exploration expenditures or produce a bankable feasibility study within 10 years of the effective date of the agreement (extended to 12 years). The Company will have a carried interest through to the completion of these exploration expenditures.

Once GFL has incurred a total of \$10,000,000 in exploration expenditures within the agreed timeframe, or once a positive feasibility study has been produced, the Company's participating interest will be reduced to 21% without incurring additional costs. A participating interest that is subsequently diluted to less than 10% will be converted to a 1% net smelter royalty ("NSR").

# 7. EQUITY INVESTMENT (cont'd...)

#### Avalonia Lithium Joint Venture (cont'd...)

The Company accounts for its interest in BLL on an equity basis. As at June 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022, the Company holds a 45% interest in BLL. The functional currency of BLL is the Euro. Supplementary financial information regarding the Company's investment in BLL is presented below, after adjustments to align accounting policies to those of the Company and to translate to Canadian dollars in accordance with the Company's accounting policies.

## Blackstairs Lithium Limited

		June 30, 2023	De	ecember 31, 2022
Current assets Non-current assets Current liabilities Net assets	\$	1,083,331 5,319,690 (163,011) 6,240,010	\$	178,753 4,882,495 (131,369) 4,929,879
The Company's share of the net assets – 45% (2022 - 45%)	\$	2,808,005	\$	2,218,445
	-	Period ended une 30, 2023	-	Period ended une 30, 2022
Loss for the period Other comprehensive income (loss) – foreign currency translation Total comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(94,619) (15,600) (110,218)	\$	(21,696) (305,899) (327,595)
The Company's share of comprehensive income (loss) – 45% (2022 - 45%)	\$	(49,598)	\$	(147,418)
Investment in associate – Blackstairs Lithium Limited	-	Period ended June 30, 2023	-	ear ended nber 31, 2022
Balance, beginning of period Equity gain on carried interest Loss on equity investment Equity – other comprehensive income (loss)	\$	2,218,445 639,158 (42,578) (7,020)	\$	2,148,623 86,267 (29,592) 13,147
Ending balance, investment in associate – Blackstairs Lithium Limited	\$	2,808,005	\$	2,218,445

# 8. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

	Mavis Lak Fairserv Proj	ice	Raleigh Lake Project	Wolf Ridge Project	Total
Exploration and Evaluation Assets					
Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 1,106,5	76 5	\$ 821,736	\$ -	\$ 1,928,312
Exploration expenditures Option payments made Option payments received Government grant received	(1,106,57	- /6) 	3,881,795	 93,018 20,000 -	3,974,813 20,000 (1,106,576) (60,000)
Balance, December 31, 2022		-	4,643,531	113,018	4,756,549
Exploration expenditures Option payments made Government grant received		- - 	303,611 (140,000)	 27,500	303,611 27,500 (140,000)
Balance, June 30, 2023	\$	- 5	\$ 4,807,142	\$ 140,518	\$ 4,947,660

Deferred exploration costs were as follows:

	R	aleigh Lake Project	Wolf Ridge Project	Total
Period ended June 30, 2023				
Assays and laboratory	\$	43,401	\$ -	\$ 43,401
Exploration expense		19,836	-	19,836
Geology and geophysics		240,374	 -	 240,374
Total	\$	303,611	\$ -	\$ 303,611
	R	aleigh Lake Project	Wolf Ridge Project	Total
Year ended December 31, 2022				
Assays and laboratory	\$	150,410	\$ -	\$ 150,410
Drilling		2,183,535	-	2,183,535
Exploration expense		207,977	-	207,977
Geology and geophysics		1,263,581	85,668	1,349,249
Staking fees		16,600	7,350	23,950
Travel and accommodation		59,692	 <u> </u>	 59,692
Total	\$	3,881,795	\$ 93,018	\$ 3,974,813

## 8. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (cont'd...)

#### Title to mineral property interests

Title to mineral property interests involves certain inherent risks due to the difficulties of determining the validity of certain claims as well as the potential for problems arising from the frequently ambiguous conveyancing history characteristic of many mineral claims. The Company has investigated title to all of its mineral properties and, to the best of its knowledge, title to all of its interests are in good standing. However, this should not be construed as a guarantee of title. The concessions may be subject to prior claims, agreements or transfers and rights of ownership may be affected by undetected defects. As of June 30, 2023, USD\$361,125 (\$470,601) (December 31, 2022 - USD\$330,250 (\$428,574)) were advanced to a consultant for the application and acquisition of mineral claims in Africa. A subsidiary will be set up locally to hold such mineral claims and conduct exploration activities in Africa.

## Raleigh Lake Lithium and Rubidium Project (Ontario)

The Raleigh Lake Project is wholly owned by the Company and consists of a total of 48,500 hectares of mineral claims in the Kenora Mining District of Ontario, Canada. It is the Company's most strategic project in Canada. A Maiden Resource Estimate was declared in March 2023.

## Mavis Lake Lithium Project (Ontario)

This project has now been sold, although as at the date hereof a second milestone payment of AU\$ 750,000 creates possible further upside for the Company.

As at December 31, 2021, the Mavis Lake Lithium Project (or "Mavis Lake - Fairservice") was 49%-owned by the Company and 51% owned by Essential Metals. The project consists of a package of certain unpatented mining claims (the Mavis Lake claims) and certain patented mining leases (the Fairservice property) located in Dryden, Ontario, Canada.

On October 22, 2021, the Company entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement (the "APA") with Critical Resources Limited ("Critical Resources") granting Critical Resources an option to acquire the Company's whole 49% interest in the Mavis Lake Lithium Project. Critical Resources paid AU\$100,000 for an option period which ended on January 4, 2022. Under the terms of the APA, Critical Resources acquired the Company's interest in Mavis Lake - Fairservice for a consideration comprising of AU\$750,000 cash (received) and 34 million shares of Critical Resources (received). In addition, Critical Resources will make the milestone payments as follows:

- AU\$750,000 on definition of a mineral resource estimate exceeding 5 million tonnes of which at least 50,000 tonnes of lithium oxide (Li2O); and
- A further AU\$750,000 on definition of a resource exceeding 10 million tonnes of which at least 100,000 tonnes of lithium oxide (Li2O) or, in case both milestones are defined at the same time, AU\$1,500,000 in total.

On January 5, 2022, the Company completed the sale of its 49% interest in the Mavis Lake Lithium Project. The Company received AU\$750,000 cash and 34 million shares of Critical Resources valued at AU\$1,666,000 (\$1,536,885). The Company realized a gain on sale of exploration and evaluation asset of \$1,118,348.

During the period ended June 30, 2023, the conditions for the first milestone payment were realized and the Company accrued the project milestone payment income of AU\$750,000 (\$661,050). (Note 17)

Upon exercise of the option by Critical Resources, the Company relinquished its right to 1.5% NSR on the Mavis Lake Lithium Project and Essential Metals relinquished its right to acquire 29% of the project from the Company.

## Forgan Lake Lithium Project (Ontario)

This project has now been sold, although as at the date hereof a 1.5% Net Smelter Royalty creates possible further upside for the Company.

## 8. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS (cont'd...)

The Forgan Lake property consists of certain claims located in the Thunder Bay Mining District in Northwestern Ontario, Canada. In accordance with the terms of the sale and royalty agreement, Ultra Lithium Inc. ("Ultra") was entitled to earn a 100% interest in the Forgan Lake property by spending \$500,000 on exploration expenditures and paying the Company a total of \$191,000 (paid), divided in cash and shares, over the period of three years from the date of underlying sale and royalty agreement.

On April 6, 2022, the Company entered into an amended agreement with Ultra for the sale of Forgan Lake property. Pursuant to the terms of the amendment agreement, Ultra earned 100% interest in the property by paying \$150,000 to the Company in lieu of the requirement of \$500,000 exploration expenditures on the property. The Company retains a 1.5% NSR on the Forgan Lake and Lucky Lake projects. The Company realized a gain on sale of exploration and evaluation asset of \$150,000.

## **Wolf Ridge Project**

On April 20, 2022, the Company entered into an option agreement to acquire 100% interest in the Wolf Ridge Property located in Ontario. In accordance with the terms of the agreement, the Company may earn a 100% interest in the property by spending \$350,000 on exploration expenditures and paying a consideration comprised of \$210,000 cash (\$30,000 paid) and 775,000 shares of the Company (225,000 issued) over the period of four years. The property is subject to NSR as follows:

- i) 1.0% NSR for all minerals that are not Nickel, Copper, Lead, Zinc, Molybdenum, Cobalt, Platinum, Palladium, Gold and Silver (the "Original Royalty"). The Company has a right to purchase at any time the entirety of the 1.0% of the Original Royalty by paying a consideration comprised of \$1,000,000 cash and 225,000 shares of the Company.
- ii) 2.0% NSR for all minerals that are Nickel, Copper, Lead, Zinc, Molybdenum, Cobalt, Platinum, Palladium, Gold and Silver (the "Nickel Royalty"). The Company may purchase at any time 1.0% of the Nickel Royalty (half of the Nickel Royalty) by paying a consideration comprised of \$1,000,000 cash and 225,000 shares of the Company.

# 9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are as follows:

	June 30, 2023	December 31, 2022
Accounts payable (Note 11) Accrued liabilities	\$ 240,710	\$ 109,812 37,450
Total	\$ 240,710	\$ 147,262

All payables and accrued liabilities of the Company fall due within the next 12 months.

# 10. LOANS PAYABLE

Loans payable on September 30, 2023

On January 21, 2021, the Company entered into the Loan Agreements with directors and related parties of the Company to settle certain convertible debentures, accrued fees and interest into non-convertible loans with an aggregate principal of \$1,957,750. The loans (all now repaid) bore interest of 12.5% per annum payable semi-annually and were due on September 30, 2023. The loans were secured by a general security agreement against the Company's assets.

## **10.** LOANS PAYABLE (cont'd...)

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company settled \$100,000 principal of the loans payable on September 30, 2023 in lieu of cash payment upon exercise of 2,000,000 bonus warrants. Consequently, 2,000,000 bonus warrants were subject to their term reduced to January 26, 2022 pursuant to the terms of the Loan Agreements.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company settled \$1,857,750 principal of the loans payable on September 30, 2023. As at June 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022, the face value of the loans payable is \$nil.

Pursuant to the Loan Agreements, the Company issued 39,155,000 bonus share purchase warrants with expiry date of September 30, 2023. Each bonus warrant will entitle the holder to purchase one common share of the Company at an exercise price of \$0.05 per share. The loans may be repaid prior to their maturity without penalty; however, if a loan is reduced or repaid during the first year of its term, a pro rata number of the total bonus warrants will have their term reduced to the later of one year from issuance of the bonus warrants and 30 days from the reduction or repayment of the loan. The fair value of the bonus warrants of \$1,982,001 was calculated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model assuming an expected life of 2.68 years, expected annualized volatility of 101.80%, share price of \$0.075 at grant date, and a risk-free interest rate of 0.21%. The fair value of the bonus warrants to the extent of the face value of the debt was recorded against the face value of the debt. The residual fair value of the bonus warrants of \$24,251 was recorded as interest expense. Using the effective interest rate method, the loans will be accreted up to their face value over the term.

The following table summarizes the Company's loans payable as at June 30, 2023:

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 709,312
Loans settled	(1,857,750)
Interest expense	1,266,710
Interest paid	(118,272)
Balance, June 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022	\$ -

## 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company entered into the following transactions with related parties during the period ended:

Transaction	Relationship	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
IT Support Services	Officer, company controlled by an officer	\$ - \$	15,121
Professional fees	Officer, company controlled by an officer Directors and officers and related	69,000	69,000
Consulting fees	companies	301,610	388,758
Directors' fees	Directors	405,756	334,731
Share-based payments	Directors and officers	 212,176	291,321
		\$ 988,542 \$	1,098,931

During the period ended June 30, 2023, the Company awarded a bonus of \$252,623 to four directors of the Company (2022 - \$225,000 to three directors) recorded as directors' fees.

At June 30, 2023, due to related parties consisted of \$nil to a director (December 31, 2022 - \$7,381 to a director and officer) for expenses and is included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

## 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (cont'd...)

At June 30, 2023, loan receivable with accrued interest of US\$213,151 (\$282,212) was receivable from a director and officer of the Company (December 31, 2022 - US\$203,233 (\$274,719)) (*Note 4*).

#### Commitments - Consulting agreements

The Company entered into consulting agreements with two officers, who are also directors, of the Company for the provision of consulting services at a cost of CHF288,000 and \$132,000 per annum respectively. If either of the agreements are terminated without cause, the Company is required to pay a lump sum equal to twelve months' worth of fees. Should the Company be subject to a change in control and the consultant terminated without cause, the Company must pay an amount equal to the prior twelve months gross pay.

The Company entered into a consulting agreement with an officer and director of the Company for the provision of consulting services at a cost of \$200,000 per annum. If the agreement is terminated without cause, the Company is required to pay the greater of a lump sum equal to twelve months' base compensation and one month's base compensation for each year engaged with the Company. Should the Company be subject to a change in control and the consultant terminated without cause, the Company must pay an amount equal to the prior twelve months gross pay.

## 12. SHARE CAPITAL AND EQUITY RESERVES

#### Authorized share capital

As at June 30, 2023, the authorized share capital of the Company is an unlimited number of common shares without par value. All issued shares, consisting only of common shares, are fully paid.

#### **Issued share capital**

On May 18, 2023, the Company issued 125,000 shares with fair value of \$7,500 pursuant to the Wolf Ridge Property option agreement. (*Note 8*)

On May 18, 2022, the Company issued 100,000 shares with fair value of \$10,000 pursuant to the Wolf Ridge Property option agreement. (Note 8)

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company issued 12,504,545 common shares on the exercise of warrants for gross proceeds of \$673,364, of which, \$218,378 in cash was received and the remainder was applied as loan repayment of \$349,200, settlement of accrued interest of \$10,786 and settlement of account payable of \$95,000.

## Warrants

Warrant transactions are summarized as follows:

	Number of Warrants	Weighted Average Exercise Price	
Balance outstanding and exercisable, December 31, 2021 Warrants issued Warrants exercised	103,325,672 (300,000) (12,504,545)	\$	0.07 0.05 0.05
Balance outstanding and exercisable, December 31, 2022 Warrants expired Warrants exercised	90,521,127 (18,800,000)		0.07 0.10
Balance outstanding and exercisable, June 30, 2023	71,721,127	\$	0.06

# 12. SHARE CAPITAL AND EQUITY RESERVES (cont'd...)

Number of Warrants	Exercise Price	Expiry Date	
37,155,000	\$ 0.05	September 30, 2023	
1,857,875	\$ 0.075	December 31, 2023	
25,121,583	\$ 0.08	February 29, 2024	
7,586,669	\$ 0.08	June 30, 2024	
71,721,127			

At June 30, 2023, warrants were outstanding enabling holders to acquire common shares as follows:

#### **Stock options**

The Company has an incentive stock option plan in place under which it is authorized to grant options to directors, employees and consultants to acquire up to 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares. Under the plan, the exercise price of each option may not be less than the market price of the Company's stock as calculated on the date of grant less the applicable discount. The options can be granted for a maximum term of 10 years and vesting periods are determined by the Board of Directors.

The changes in options were as follows:

	Number of options	E	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Balance outstanding, December 31, 2021 Options expired/cancelled	16,680,000 (4,150,000)	\$	0.11 0.17
Balance outstanding, December 31, 2022 Options granted Options expired/cancelled	12,530,000 5,091,000 (1,930,000)		0.10 0.075 0.02
Balance outstanding, June 30, 2023	15,691,000	\$	0.09
Vested and exercisable	15,691,000	\$	0.09

At June 30, 2023, options were outstanding enabling holders to acquire common shares as follows:

Number of Options	Exercise Price	Expiry Date	
3,945,000	\$ 0.065	May 31, 2024	
6,655,000	\$ 0.12	November 4, 2026	
5,091,000	\$ 0.075	February 9, 2028	
15,691,000			

During the period ended June 30, 2023, the Company recognized a total of \$255,002 (2022 - \$291,321) in share-based compensation for the options vested during the period.

## 12. SHARE CAPITAL AND EQUITY RESERVES (cont'd...)

The following weighted average assumptions were used for the Black-Scholes option-pricing model valuation of stock options granted during the year:

	2023	2022
Risk-free interest rate	3.07%	-
Expected life of options in years	5	-
Expected annualized volatility	93.31%	-
Dividend yield	Nil	-

## 13. SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE WITH RESPECT TO CASH FLOWS

The significant non-cash financing and investing activities during the period ended June 30, 2023 consisted of:

- a) Exploration and evaluation expenditures of \$188,988 in accounts payable.
- b) Shares issued pursuant to property option agreements of \$7,500.

The significant non-cash financing and investing activities during the period ended June 30, 2022 consisted of:

- a) Marketable securities valued at \$1,536,885 received for the sale of the exploration and evaluation asset.
- b) Accrued directors and consulting fees of \$95,000 settled against subscriptions for warrant exercise.
- c) Loans payable of \$359,986 and accrued interest of \$10,786 settled against subscriptions for warrants exercise.
- d) Exploration and evaluation expenditures of \$609,096 in accounts payable.
- e) Shares issued pursuant to property option agreements of \$10,000.

## 14. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company operates in one business segment which is the exploration of mineral properties. The geographic distribution of exploration and evaluation assets is disclosed in Notes 7 and 8.

## 15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Financial instruments**

Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value are classified in the fair value hierarchy according to the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgement and may affect placement within the fair value hierarchy levels. The hierarchy is as follows:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices);
- Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The Company's cash and marketable securities are classified as level 1. The fair value of loan receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximates their carrying value due to the short-term nature of the financial instruments.

#### **Risk management**

In the mining industry there is always a risk over contractual interpretation of royalty rights and obligations, and it is possible that the Company's interpretation of its rights and obligations could be different from other parties' interpretation of them. The Company is exposed to varying degrees of financial instrument related risks:

## 15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (cont'd...)

#### Risk management (cont'd...)

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of potential loss to the Company if the counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to its liquid financial assets including cash and loan receivables. The Company limits its exposure to credit risk on liquid financial assets through maintaining its cash with high-credit quality financial institutions. The loan advanced to a director is approved by the renumeration and audit committees of the board. The Company considers that credit risk with respect to the receivables (*Note 3*) and loans receivable (*Note 4*) is minimal.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk, in particular funding risk, has historically been seen by the Board as a key risk issue. Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not have sufficient liquidity to be able to meet its obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The Company currently has appreciable cash resources and no borrowings outstanding, so does not consider this a major risk at present. The Company will in the medium term endeavor to raise funds from equity or debt financings, sales of mineral assets and other methods as contemplated by management to satisfy its capital requirements and will continue to depend heavily upon these financing and asset disposal activities.

#### Market risk

#### a) Interest rate risk

The Company's exposure to interest rate risk arises from the interest rate impact on cash. The Company's policy is to invest cash at floating rates of interest, in order to maintain liquidity, while achieving a satisfactory return for shareholders. There is minimal risk that the Company would recognize any loss as a result of a decrease in the fair value. The Company has no interest-bearing liabilities with variable interest rate.

## b) Price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity prices, particularly lithium. The lithium price has seen considerable volatility over the past two years. The Company closely monitors commodity prices to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company, especially as an input into economic decisions on whether to invest further in projects. As time goes on and if the Company's lithium resources become reserves and are closer to production, the company may wish to introduce hedging programmes to mitigate its price risk. Quite sophisticated hedging programmes are possible for much more heavily traded commodities such as copper, iron or gold, but there is less liquidity at present in lithium markets, and there may be practical issues for some time with executing such hedging programmes.

#### c) Foreign currency risk

The Company's operations are in Canada and Ireland. The international nature of the Company's operations results in foreign exchange risk as transactions are denominated in foreign currency.

The Company's operating expenses are incurred primarily in Canadian dollars. Exploration programs are in Canadian dollars. Activity in associates occurs in Ireland and is denominated in the Euro. The Company compensates certain consultants and directors is US dollars, Swiss francs, and British pounds. A portion of the Company's cash is reserved in US dollars and marketable securities are denominated in Australian dollars. Consequently, the Company's investments and expenditures are subject to currency transaction risk and currency translation risk. The fluctuation of the Canadian dollar will, consequently, have an impact upon the reported profitability of the Company and may also affect the value of the Company's assets and liabilities. The Company has not entered into any agreements or purchased any instruments to hedge possible currency risks at this time. A 10% change in foreign exchange rates would increase/decrease loss for the period by approximately \$338,000.

## 16. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to pursue the exploration and development of its mineral properties, acquire additional mineral property interests and to maintain a flexible capital structure which optimizes the costs of capital at an acceptable risk. In the management of capital, the Company includes the components of shareholders' equity.

The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares, issue debt, acquire or dispose of assets or adjust the amount of cash.

In order to facilitate the management of its capital requirements, the Company prepares annual expenditure budgets that are updated as necessary depending on various factors, including successful capital deployment and general industry conditions. The annual and updated budgets are approved by the Board of Directors.

The Company currently is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements. There were no changes in the Company's approach to capital management.

#### 17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company received the first milestone payment of AU\$750,000 pursuant to the Asset Purchase Agreement of the Mavis Lake Lithium Project. (*Note 8*)