

Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Financial Condition and Results of Operations

For the years ended May 31, 2015 and May 31, 2014

This management discussion and analysis ("MD&A") has been prepared based on information available to Anaconda Mining Inc. ("Anaconda" or the "Company") as at August 25, 2015. The MD&A of the operating results and financial condition of the Company for the year ended May 31, 2015, should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited financial statements (the "Financial Statements") and the related notes for the year ended May 31, 2015. The Financial Statements have been prepared by management and are in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and all amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted. Other information contained in this document has also been prepared by management and is consistent with the data contained in the Financial Statements. This MD&A contains forward looking statements about expected future events and financial and operating performance of the Company, and that actual events may vary from management's expectations. Additional information relating to the Company can be found on the Company's website at <u>www.anacondamining.com</u> or on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

# **Executive summary**

## General

Anaconda Mining Inc. is incorporated under the laws of Ontario, with its registered head office located at 150 York Street, Suite 410, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 3S5. The Company owns 100% of the Point Rousse Project (formerly named the Pine Cove Project), located on the Ming's Bight Peninsula, which is situated within the larger Baie Verte Mining District on the north central part of Newfoundland (the "Point Rousse Project"). The project has been consistently producing gold since the summer of 2010 after completing an upgrade to its milling infrastructure. Mill throughput is currently approximately 1,050 tonnes per day with a recovery rate of 83-85% at an average grade of 1.8 grams per tonne ("g/t"). The Point Rousse Project includes approximately 660 hectares of original mining rights, containing an open pit mining operation and complete mill infrastructure capable of producing over 16,000 ounces of gold in dore bars annually (the "Pine Cove Mine"). In 2012 and 2013, the Company entered into option agreements to acquire a 100% interest in seven additional exploration properties and staked five other properties. The agreements and staked claims increased the Company's land package of the Point Rousse Project almost ten-fold to 6,346 hectares, controlling significant portions of three gold trends (the Scrape, Goldenville and Deer Cove Trends) totaling over 20 kilometres of strike length and containing several gold deposits and zones.

## Strategy

The Company's strategy at the Point Rousse Project is to double production from the current 15,000 ounces to approximately 30,000 ounces of gold per year. Anaconda expects to develop multiple deposits similar in size and style to the current Pine Cove pit as well as other higher grade deposits. To accomplish the strategy, the Company will attempt to develop two styles of mineralization: (1) More Pine Cove-like pits (i.e. Stog'er Tight) that provide bulk tonnage at roughly 2 g/t to support the base load production at the mill and to extend the life of the project, and (2) High-grade veins like Romeo & Juliet and, Deer Cove, possibly, Goldenville that can be blended with the Pine Cove pit feed (or future Pine Cove-like pits) at a lower incremental cost while increasing the overall head grade.

On a larger scale, the Company's vision is to become a prominent junior gold mining company in North America, initially focusing on Atlantic Canada, with annual production of approximately 100,000 ounces per year via organic and corporate growth. As the only pure play gold producer in the region, the Company feels it is well positioned to lead a consolidation effort in Atlantic Canada. Anaconda has a track record of success, an experienced workforce and a flagship asset, all of which serve as the platform for future growth.



# Highlights for the year ended May 31, 2015

- As at May 31, 2015, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$1,435,160 and net working capital of \$1,902,429.
- The Company sold 15,821 ounces of gold and generated \$22,234,071 in revenue at an average sales price of \$1,405 per ounce.
- The mill processed 1,021 tonnes of ore per operating day.
- The overall recovery in the mill was 84%.
- Mill availability was 92%.
- Cash flow from operations was \$2,861,432.
- Cash cost per ounce sold at the Point Rousse Project was \$1,100 per ounce.
- All-in sustaining cash cost per ounce sold ("AISC") (see Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures), including corporate administration, capital expenditures and exploration costs, was \$1,449 per ounce.
- At the Point Rousse Project, EBITDA was \$4,826,913.
- EBITDA for the year ended May 31, 2015 was \$2,794,648, excluding the impact of Chilean assets and other revenue.
- The write down of Chilean assets was \$2,260,158.
- Adjusted net loss was \$403,303, which excluded the write down of the Chilean assets.
- Purchase of property, mill and equipment was \$1,745,818. Key items included tailing expansion costs of \$897,000; waste dump and pit development of \$164,000; mill automation and upgrades of \$160,000; a compressor of \$107,000; crusher and power upgrades of 79,000; men's dry upgrades of \$59,000; a forklift of \$45,000 and survey equipment of \$38,000.
- Production stripping assets included additions of \$586,725 and depreciation of \$153,421.
- Approximately \$1,745,000 was spent at the Point Rousse Project on exploration. The Company's exploration initiatives included:
  - Diamond drill programs at the Deer Cove, Stog'er Tight and Pine Cove deposits.
  - Trenching at multiple locations within the Point Rousse Project resulting in the discovery of the Argyle zone.
  - Mapping and soil sampling along the Goldenville trend resulting in the identification of new drill targets.

# **Overall performance**

Adjusted net loss for the year ended May 31, 2015 was \$403,303 (adjusted net income of \$4,305,488 for the year ended May 31, 2014) and net loss for the year ended May 31, 2015 was \$2,774,766 (net income of \$4,292,356 for the year ended May 31, 2014). The net loss was negatively impacted by a write down of Chilean assets of \$2,260,158. The Company generated gross margin of \$538,781 for the year ended May 31, 2015 (gross margin of \$2,336,606 for the year ended May 31, 2014). Compared to the similar period in fiscal 2014, gross margin was negatively impacted as a result of higher mining costs of \$2,455,601, milling costs of \$220,069 and increased depletion and depreciation of \$1,317,564. This was partially offset by higher gold sales of \$2,058,745. Cash flow from operations for the year ended May 31, 2015 was \$2,861,432. Cash of approximately \$3.5 million was used in exploration activities and capital expenditures. The Company generated positive EBITDA of \$774,728 for the year ended May 31, 2015 (positive EBITDA of \$7,663,494 for the year ended May 31, 2015 was \$2,794,648 excluding the write down of Chilean assets and other revenues.

# The Point Rousse Project

The Company owns 100% of the Point Rousse Project, which contains five mining leases totaling 1,052 hectares and 28 mining licenses totaling approximately 5,294 hectares not accounted for within the mining leases. The mining leases were optioned from Tenacity Gold Mining Company Ltd. ("Tenacity") and 1512513



Alberta Ltd. ("Alberta"), a subsidiary of Coordinates Capital Corporation ("Coordinates") and Seaside Realty Ltd. ("Seaside"), while the mining licenses were optioned from several different parties including Tenacity, Alberta, Fair Haven Resources Inc. ("Fair Haven"), Herb Froude ("Froude"), and Messrs Alexander Duffitt and Paul Strong ("Duffitt and Strong"). Five of the licenses are owned by Anaconda.

The current operating area of the Point Rousse Project comprises two contiguous mining leases (the "Pine Cove Lease Area") acquired from Tenacity totaling 660 hectares that contains the operating open pit mine, milling and processing plant and equipment and a permitted tailings storage facility. It is subject to two royalty agreements, the first with Tenacity, whereby the Company was required to pay Tenacity a net smelter royalty ("NSR") of 3% of the metal sales from the mining lease to a maximum of \$3 million. The Company has extinguished this obligation as at May 31, 2015. The second is a Net Profits Interest ("NPI") agreement with Royal Gold, Inc. ("Royal") whereby the Company is required to pay Royal a royalty of 7.5% of the net profits, calculated as the gross receipts generated from the claims less all cumulative development and operating expenses. At May 31, 2015, the Company has determined it has approximately \$36 million in expenditures deductible against future receipts.

## **Operations overview**

During the year ended May 31, 2015, the gold sales volume of 15,821 ounces represented a 9% increase over fiscal 2014, largely due to increased mill availability, throughput and recovery. Mill availability increased from 88% to 92%, an additional 14 operating days during fiscal 2015. Ore tonnes processed increased from 304,696 ore tonnes to 343,178, a 13% increase compared to fiscal 2014. Recovery also increased from 83% to 84% year over year. Average sales price for the year ended May 31, 2015 was \$1,405 per ounce compared to \$1,384 per ounce in fiscal 2014. As a result of the higher sales volume, gross revenue for the year ended May 31, 2015 of \$22,234,071 was higher than fiscal 2014 by \$2,058,745 or 10%.

The following table summarizes the key operating metrics for the years ended May 31, 2015 and 2014:

OPERATING STATISTICS:	For the year	For the year ended		
	May 31	May 31		
	2015	2014		
Mill				
Operating days	336	322		
Availability	92%	88%		
Dry tonnes processed	343,178	304,696		
Tonnes per 24-hour period	1,021	946		
Grade (grams per tonne)	1.72	1.83		
Overall mill recovery	84%	83%		
Gold sales volume (troy oz.)	15,821	14,577		
Mine				
Operating days	250	245		
Ore production (tonnes)	321,532	296,235		
Waste production (tonnes)	1,762,312	1,623,461		
Total production (tonnes)	2,083,844	1,919,696		
Waste: Ore ratio	5.5	5.5		



## Milling operations

The mill operated for 336 days during fiscal 2015 and processed 343,178 dry tonnes of ore resulting in an average run rate of 1,021 tonnes per operating day. Tonnes processed in fiscal 2015 was a 13% increase from fiscal 2014. Mill availability was 92%, 4% higher than fiscal 2014. Recovery also increased from 83% in fiscal 2014 to 84% in fiscal 2015.

During fiscal 2015, many initiatives were completed which contributed to increased availability and throughput. In the second quarter of fiscal 2015, a preventative mill maintenance program was started, which included a liner and lifter change and repairs to the thickener tank, cyclone feed pump and flotation air compressor. On the crushing plant, the crusher enclosure was completed to mitigate previous winter weather effects and conveyor belts were vulcanized. These changes resulted in processing run rates above 1,000 tonnes per day which were consistently maintained through the remainder of fiscal 2015. In the third quarter, the Company improved its approach to crushing ore, introduced new reagents to control dust, prevent freezing and managed well the overall impact of winter weather at the crusher and on stockpiles. In the fourth quarter, further efficiencies were gained with the installation of a new cyclone feed pump motor which removed a previous bottleneck from the circuit and extensive work was carried out to optimize the circulating load in the grinding circuit. In fiscal 2016, the focus on mill operations will be increasing recovery and improving operating consistency through a mill automation project.

For the three months ended	August 31	November 30	February 28	May 31
	2014	2014	2015	2015
Mill				
Operating days	87	81	83	85
Availability	95%	88%	92%	92%
Dry tonnes processed	83,782	85,515	87,386	86,495
Tonnes per 24-hour period	963	1,056	1,053	1,018
Grade (grams per tonne)	1.80	1.60	1.84	1.65
Overall mill recovery	84%	85%	83%	86%
Gold sales volume (troy oz.)	3,933	3,431	4,508	3,949

The following table summarizes the key mill operating statistics by quarter for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2015:

## **Mining operations**

The mine operated for 250 days in fiscal 2015 and produced 321,532 tonnes of ore and 1,762,312 tonnes of waste. The mining group completed several initiatives including expanding the tailings storage facility and improving mining methods. Ore solids and the block model were updated for the Pine Cove deposit and pit mapping tools were used to provide more accurate mine planning and ore identification. Blast movement monitoring technology and a GPS system installed on the excavator have maximized grade and reduced dilution from 20% to less than 10%. In fiscal 2016, mining operations will focus on continuing to open up Phase III in the Pine Cove pit to gain access to new areas of ore and will focus on constructing the North Pit Dump to reduce truck haul distance.



The following table summarizes by quarter the key mine operating statistics for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2015:

For the three months ended	August 31 2014	November 30		May 31
Mine	2014	2014	2015	2015
Operating days	64	63	59	64
Ore production (tonnes)	89,239	77,489	81,459	73,345
Waste production (tonnes)	492,040	457,387	370,209	442,676
Total production (tonnes)	581,279	534,876	451,668	516,021
Waste: Ore ratio	5.5	5.9	4.5	6.0

## **Option Agreements**

On May 7, 2012, the Company entered into a five-year property option agreement (the "Tenacity Agreement") with Tenacity to acquire a 100%-undivided interest in 4 mineral exploration licenses (the "**Tenacity Property**") totaling 63 claims or approximately 1,575 hectares contiguous to the Pine Cove Lease Area. The Tenacity Agreement requires the Company to pay to Tenacity \$25,000 at closing (paid), an additional \$275,000 in cash payments over the option period (of which \$125,000 has been paid) and incur \$750,000 in expenditures over the life of the option. At the Company's option, 50% of the cash payments can be settled with the issuance of common shares; with value determined based on a weighted average of the 30 trading days preceding payment. The Tenacity Agreement also entitles Tenacity to a NSR of 3% when the average price of gold is less than US\$2,000 per ounce for the calendar quarter or at 4% when the average price of gold is more than US\$2,000 per ounce for the calendar quarter, with a cap on the NSR of \$3 million.

On July 19, 2012, the Company entered into a five-year property option agreement (the "Fair Haven Agreement") with Fair Haven to acquire a 100%-undivided interest in 11 exploration licenses (the "**Fair Haven Property**") totaling 71 claims or approximately 1,804 hectares near its Pine Cove Mine. The Fair Haven Property runs adjacent to the optioned Tenacity Property. The Fair Haven Agreement requires the Company to pay to Fair Haven \$10,000 at closing (paid) and to fund expenditures over the life of the option to a minimum of \$750,000. The Fair Haven Agreement also entitles Fair Haven to an NSR of 2% to an aggregate sum of \$3 million; following this, and after 200,000 ounces of gold has been sold from the Fair Haven Property, Fair Haven is then entitled to a 1% NSR.

On November 13, 2012, the Company entered into a five-year property option agreement (the "Froude Agreement") with Froude to acquire a 100%-undivided interest in 1 exploration license (the "**Froude Property**") totaling 11 claims or approximately 275 hectares near its Pine Cove Mine. The Froude Property is contiguous and now inclusive in the Point Rousse Project. The Froude Agreement requires the Company to pay to Froude \$10,000 on January 1, 2013 (paid) and to fund expenditures over the life of the option to a minimum of \$125,000. The Froude Agreement also entitles Froude to an NSR of 3% to an aggregate sum of \$3 million; following this, and after 200,000 ounces of gold has been sold from the Froude Property, Froude is then entitled to a 1% NSR.

On November 19, 2012, the Company entered into a five-year property option agreement (the "DS Agreement") with Duffitt and Strong to acquire a 100%-undivided interest in 2 exploration licenses (the "**Duffitt and Strong Property**") totaling 7 claims or approximately 175 hectares near its Pine Cove Mine. The Duffitt and Strong Property is contiguous with and now inclusive in the Point Rousse Project. The DS Agreement requires the Company to pay to Duffitt and Strong \$20,000 at closing (paid) and to fund expenditures over the life of the option to a minimum of \$125,000. The DS Agreement also entitles Duffitt and Strong to an NSR of 3% to an aggregate sum of \$3 million; following this, and after 200,000 ounces of gold has been sold from the Duffitt and Strong Strong Property, Duffitt and Strong is then entitled to a 1% NSR.



On November 13, 2013, the Company entered into a three-year property option agreement (the "Deer Cove Agreement") with Alberta to acquire a 100%-undivided interest in one mining lease, a surface lease and three exploration licenses (the "**Deer Cove Property**") totaling 48 claims or approximately 1,200 hectares contiguous to the Point Rousse Project. The Deer Cove Agreement requires the Company to pay to Alberta \$25,000 at closing (paid), an additional \$175,000 in cash payments over the option period (of which \$25,000 has been paid) and incur \$500,000 in expenditures over the life of the option. The Deer Cove Agreement also entitles Alberta to an NSR of 3%. The Company has the right to buy back 1.8% of the NSR for \$1 million.

On November 13, 2013, the Company entered into a three-year property option agreement (the "Stog'er Tight Agreement") with Alberta to acquire a 100%-undivided interest in one mining lease and one surface lease (the "**Stog'er Tight Property**") totaling approximately 35 hectares contiguous to the Point Rousse Project. The Stog'er Tight Agreement requires the Company to pay to Alberta \$25,000 at closing (paid), an additional \$175,000 in cash payments over the option period (of which \$25,000 has been paid) and incur \$500,000 in expenditures over the life of the option. The Stog'er Tight Agreement also entitles Alberta to an NSR of 3%. The Company has the right to buy back 1.8% of the NSR for \$1 million.

On August 4, 2015, the Company entered into an option agreement with Seaside to acquire a 100% undivided interest in one mining lease (the "**Corkscrew Property**"), totaling 346 hectares contiguous with the Point Rousse Project and is required to make aggregate payments to Seaside of \$75,000 (\$25,000 paid at closing) over a two-year period. Any future gold production from Corkscrew will be subject to a 2% net smelter royalty, capped at \$2,000,000.

# Exploration

The Company is pursuing a strategy to leverage the existing infrastructure at the Point Rousse Project by exploring and developing its mineral licenses and mining leases in search of two general mineralization styles: Pine Cove-like, quartz-carbonate-pyrite hosted (2+ g/t) mineralization (baseload production sources) and higher grade (5+ g/t) quartz vein ± carbonate ± pyrite mineralization. The Company is working on expanding the current Pine Cove pit resource and bringing the Stog'er Tight deposit into production to extend the life of the Point Rousse Project beyond its current three plus years. Anaconda is also exploring and delineating potentially higher-grade deposits such as Romeo & Juliet to blend with relatively lower grade Pine Cove and Stog'er Tight ore. With the high grade "layer" and a marginal increase to throughput, the Company expects to increase annual production to approximately 30,000 ounces. The Company envisions creating an operating complex on the Ming's Bight Peninsula with multiple pits and trucking the ore back to the Pine Cove mill.

Consistent with this strategy, in the year ended May 31, 2015, the Company has made the following advances in exploration:

- Diamond drill programs at the Deer Cove, Stog'er Tight and Pine Cove deposits to outline and upgrade resources.
- Trenching at multiple locations within the Point Rousse Project, resulting in the discovery of the Argyle zone.
- Mapping and soil sampling along the Goldenville trend resulted in the identification of new drill targets.

During the course of Anaconda's exploration and development efforts, three primary gold trends have been identified within the Point Rousse Project area, with a cumulative prospective strike length of approximately 20 kilometres. The Company's recent exploration work, combined with historical results, has brought more clarity, understanding and confidence to the Company's geological interpretations and models. The Company believes it has the potential to discover and develop multiple deposits on the Ming's Bight Peninsula. As a result, Anaconda believes that the Point Rousse Project area could double production and continue for 10 years or more. Exploration and development efforts during the past nine months have focused entirely on implementing



this strategy by focusing on extending the baseload production centered on Pine Cove and Stog'er Tight, as well as evaluating a potential high-grade gold source at Romeo & Juliet and advancing grass roots projects at Goldenville and Argyle.

Below is a brief overview of the gold trends on the Ming's Bight Peninsula and Anaconda's exploration efforts within them with specific reference to the Pine Cove and Stog'er Tight deposits.

## The Scrape Trend

The Scrape Trend consists of a belt of highly prospective rocks approximately 7 kilometres long and approximately 1 to 2 kilometres wide. It begins southwest of the Pine Cove mine site and continues eastward to the community of Ming's Bight. The Scrape Trend includes the Pine Cove, Stog'er Tight and Romeo & Juliet deposits, the Anaroc and Animal Pond prospects and a new discovery referred to as the Argyle zone. These gold occurrences align with a fault delineated by a topographic lineament coincident with an airbourne EM conductor. The Scrape Trend hosts both baseload and high-grade styles of mineralization.

#### The Pine Cove Deposit

The purpose of the drill programs at Pine Cove was to ultimately achieve the following three goals; to increase total resources/reserves, which will extend the Pine Cove mine life, to reduce the stripping ratio by outlining near surface mineral resources/reserves, and to reduce the haul distance of waste-rock material by placing a waste storage facility near the northern margin of the pit design. The drill program identified shallow mineralization within the Pine Cove Pond and Northwestern Extension areas and continuity of the main deposit down dip, immediately adjacent to current mineral reserves. Further north, around the proposed waste rock storage area, two holes intersected several broad zones of low-grade mineralization at depths in excess of 200 metres. Recently, geological mapping and five diamond drill holes confirmed the presence and geometry of mineralization within the Northwestern Extension zone and brought clarity and understanding of the geological setting and prospectivity of the geological structures hosting the Northwestern Extension. The drill results also sterilized the area beneath the new North Pit Waste Dump to allow a reduction in haul distance for waste rock. The results of mapping and drilling will be further used to modify the current resource model and a new estimate will be calculated with the aim of bringing more resources into the mine plan.

#### The Stog'er Tight Deposit

Development work at the Stog'er Tight deposit included drilling, stripping of the reclaimed historical mining surface and geological mapping. The goals of the drill program were; to intersect shallow mineralization, to intersect down-dip mineralization in areas where gold is anticipated, but not previously intersected, and to verify historical drilling programs by twinning existing drill holes in anticipation of publishing an NI 43-101 compliant resource. The results from the drill program were positive (see press release dated December 16, 2014) and will be used to assess the current resource and ultimately the feasibility of advancing the Stog'er Tight deposit to production. Stripping of the historical mining surface exposed the deposit at surface and allowed detailed mapping and investigation of geological controls on mineralization. This surface was then channel sampled, with results published on July 29, 2015.

## The Argyle Zone

With the goal of discovering another source of baseload production along the Scrape Trend, Anaconda conducted a trenching program in the fall of 2014 to follow up on anomalous gold-in-soil values, which resulted in the discovery of the Argyle zone. The new discovery is located approximately 5 kilometres from the Pine Cove mill and consists of two areas of mineralization located approximately 200 metres apart (see press release dated January 8, 2015). The Argyle zone is a significant discovery because it extends the length of the Scrape Trend and demonstrates that new discoveries can be made near the Pine Cove mill using the Company's geological understanding and exploration model. The Company plans to conduct geophysical and geological mapping to test the surface extent of the Argyle zone prior to drilling.



# The Goldenville Trend

The Goldenville Trend is an 8-kilometre long trend of highly prospective rocks centered on an iron stone unit referred to as the Goldenville Horizon. The Company believes the trend to be highly prospective because the trend is thought to contain ironstone hosted gold deposits. This is a well-established geological model and the region is known to host these deposits. The Goldenville Trend has numerous gold prospects including four small, historical, hand-dug shafts, which were developed to mine visible gold. Anaconda is exploring the Goldenville Trend for high-grade deposits on the order of approximately 250,000 ounces of gold at 5 g/t or more (based on similar deposits and historical production within the region). If the Company is successful, it will have a longstanding high-grade feed source for the Pine Cove mill to layer on top of the baseload production from other sources like Pine Cove or Stog'er Tight.

In the past six months, Anaconda has conducted geological mapping, prospecting and soil sampling along the eastern portion of the Goldenville Trend, specifically concentrating on the historical workings. Geological mapping identified several veins adjacent to the Goldenville horizon that should intersect the horizon at depth. The intersection of quartz-carbonate veins and the ironstone is a key target for mineralization within ironstone hosted gold deposits. To better delineate potential deposits exposed at surface, the Company conducted a detailed soil sampling program and identified several zones with anomalous gold-in-soil values, which are coincident with quartz veins. These samples have recently been analysed, with final results indicating several key targets for follow up work, including trenching and potentially drilling.

## The Deer Cove Trend

The Deer Cove Trend is located in the northern part of the Ming's Bight Peninsula and consists of a belt of prospective rocks approximately 3.5 kilometres in strike length. It is associated with the Deer Cove thrust fault and includes the Deer Cove deposit as well as various other showings and prospects.

Historical drill results suggested that the Deer Cove deposit could be a source of high-grade feed for the Pine Cove mill. In the summer of 2014, Anaconda carried out a drill program on the Deer Cove deposit to better outline the distribution of high-grade gold within the vein and to test the vein down-dip. The program consisted of 2,090 metres of diamond drilling in 20 holes (see press release dated February 27, 2015). The results indicate that the deposit does continue at depth but that the high-grade portion of the deposit was not present to the depths tested.

## Completed and anticipated fiscal 2016 exploration work

In June of fiscal 2016, the Company conducted stripping at the Stog'er Tight deposit to expose its surface expression and outline the past pit configuration, channel sampled the deposit and is planning a bulk sample. Anaconda will continue to pursue its strategy of leveraging the existing infrastructure at the Point Rousse Project by exploring and developing its mineral licenses and mining leases in search of the two general mineralization styles. The Company is attempting to demonstrate a minimum of 10 years of baseload production as well as develop a high-grade deposit to layer with the baseload. Work in fiscal 2016 will thus focus on three key deposits: Pine Cove, Stog'er Tight and Romeo & Juliet. The goal at the Pine Cove deposit is to outline at least three more years of production by focusing on the Northwest Extension and Pine Cove Pond areas. The goal at the Stog'er Tight deposit is to outline and begin development of at least five years of production, focusing initially on the extension of known mineralization as well as testing the strike and dip extents of other mineralized zones such as the Gabbro zone. The goal at Romeo & Juliet is to demonstrate the presence of five years of high-grade ore.

The above technical information was confirmed and/or reviewed by Paul McNeill, P. Geo., VP Exploration, qualified person under NI 43-101.



# Results of operations

### For the year ended May 31, 2015

### Revenue

For the year ended May 31, 2015, the Company generated \$22,234,071 in revenue at an average sales price of \$1,405 per ounce. Revenue and gold ounces sold increased 10% and 9% respectively from the same period in fiscal 2014, largely due to a 13% increase in ore tonnes processed from 304,696 ore tonnes to 343,178 ore tonnes.

#### Cost of sales and gross margin

For the year ended May 31, 2015, cost of sales was \$21,695,290 yielding a gross margin of \$538,781 compared to fiscal 2014, which generated a cost of sales of \$17,838,720, yielding a gross margin of \$2,336,606. The difference in cost of sales between the year ended May 31, 2015 and fiscal 2014 is attributed to higher mining costs of \$2,455,601, milling costs of \$220,069 and increased depletion and depreciation of \$1,317,564. Mining costs increased approximately \$1,212,000 due to increased drilling and blasting costs and longer hauling distances and \$940,000 from inventory adjustments. Higher milling costs are a result of increased crusher operations, maintenance and labour expenses. Depletion and depreciation increased due to a change in reserve base and capital asset additions during the year ended May 31, 2015.

#### Administrative expenses

Corporate administration expenses consist of consulting/professional fees, corporate salaries/benefits, office and general expenses, travel and regulatory related costs. For the year ended May 31, 2015, administrative expenses totaled \$2,032,265 compared to \$1,909,310 for in fiscal 2014 and were higher primarily due to an increase in labour cost.

## Other revenues and expenses

Other revenues from the Company's Chilean iron ore assets for the year ended May 31, 2015 were \$240,238, consisting of royalty revenue of \$260,952, accretion income and other expenses. Revenues of \$4,265,630 in fiscal 2014 consisted of a milestone payment of US\$1 million in September 2013 received, recognition of an additional US\$2 million milestone payment (which was written down in the second quarter of 2015) and royalty and sales price payments of \$1,004,253, along with interest accretion and exchange gains.

During fiscal 2015, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$2,260,158 upon completion of its assessment of the carrying value of the milestone and royalty payment receivable and investment in Compania Portuaria Tal Tal S.A.

#### Net loss

Net loss for the year ended May 31, 2015 was \$2,774,766 compared with net income of \$4,292,356 for the year ended May 31, 2014. Net income decreased primarily as a result of a write down of Chilean assets of \$2,260,158, and an increase in mining costs of \$2,455,601, milling costs of \$220,069, increased depletion and depreciation of \$1,317,564 and a decrease in other revenue of \$4,025,392. This was slightly offset by higher gold sales of \$2,058,745 and an increase in deferred tax recovery of \$915,000. Adjusted net loss for fiscal 2015 was \$403,303, which excluded the write down of Chilean assets of \$2,260,158. Adjusted net income for the year ended May 31, 2014 was \$4,305,488.

#### **Exploration and evaluation assets**

For the year ended May 31, 2015, the Company spent approximately \$1,745,000 at the Point Rousse Project on exploration activities.



### For the three months ended May 31, 2015

#### Revenue

For the three months ended May 31, 2015 (the "Quarter"), the Company generated \$5,657,526 in revenue at an average sales price of \$1,433 per ounce. Revenue and gold ounces sold increased by 7% and 4% respectively from fiscal 2014, largely due to increased mill availability and throughput. Mill availability increased from 89% to 92%, an additional 3 operating days for the Quarter year over year. Ore tonnes processed increased from 81,569 ore tonnes to 86,495, a 6% increase compared to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014. This was slightly offset by a decrease in grade from 1.80 g/t for the three months ended May 31, 2014 to 1.65 g/t for the Quarter.

#### Cost of sales and gross margin

For the Quarter, cost of sales was \$5,426,482 yielding a gross margin of \$231,044 compared to the same period in fiscal 2014, which generated a cost of sales of \$4,499,297, yielding gross margin of \$779,590. The difference in cost of sales for the Quarter and the same period in fiscal 2014 is attributed to an increase in mining costs of \$1,231,147 and depletion and depreciation of \$239,449. This was slightly offset by a decrease in mill costs of \$384,984. Mining costs increased due to a rise in mine production to open up access to Phase III of the pit and meet ore supply demand from the mill. Depletion and depreciation increased due to a change in reserve base and capital asset additions during fiscal 2015. Mill expenses decreased due to lower contract labour, crusher and reagent expenses.

#### Administrative expenses

Corporate administration expenses consist of consulting/professional fees, corporate salaries/benefits, office and general expenses, travel and regulatory related costs. For the Quarter, administrative expenses totaled \$581,139 compared to \$410,962 for the same period in fiscal 2014 and was higher primarily due to an increase in labour cost.

#### Other revenues and expenses

Other expenses for the Quarter were \$36,509 to record accounting and legal costs associated with the Company's Chilean iron ore assets. Revenues of \$441,722 in the same period in fiscal 2014 consisted of royalty payments of \$216,588 related to two shipments of iron ore, sales price payments of \$275,675, accretion income and a foreign exchange loss.

#### Net income

Net income for the Quarter was \$685,340 compared with net income of \$1,330,258 for the three months ended May 31, 2014. The decrease of net income is largely due to an increase in mining costs of \$1,231,147, depletion and depreciation of \$239,449 and a decrease in other revenue of \$478,231. This was slightly offset by an increase in sales of \$378,639, a decrease in mill costs of \$384,984 and an increase in future tax recovery of \$491,210.

#### **Exploration and evaluation assets**

For the Quarter, the Company spent approximately \$294,000 at the Point Rousse Project on exploration drill programs at Pine Cove and Stog'er Tight.



# Summary of quarterly results

	May 31 2015	February 28 2015	November 30 2014	August 31 2014
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total assets	27,721,558	27,214,596	27,306,850	29,856,648
Long-term liabilities	1,353,797	1,344,202	1,334,900	1,324,655
Shareholders' equity	23,395,221	22,691,978	22,786,279	25,905,375
Total revenues	5,657,526	6,266,754	4,798,179	5,511,612
Net income (loss)	685,340	(114,122)	(3,170,174)	(175,810)
Net income (loss) per share - basic <sup>1</sup>	0.004	(0.001)	(0.018)	(0.001)
Net income (loss) per share - fully-diluted <sup>1</sup>	0.004	(0.001)	(0.018)	(0.001)

	May 31	February 28	November 30	August 31
	2014	2014	2013	2013
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total assets	30,398,299	29,503,316	29,330,570	25,932,341
Long-term liabilities	1,285,506	1,652,498	1,644,300	1,302,310
Shareholders' equity	26,033,066	24,674,221	24,923,252	22,245,411
Total revenues	5,278,887	3,865,210	5,299,446	5,731,783
Net income	1,330,258	(281,136)	2,646,938	596,296
Net income per share - basic	0.007	(0.002)	0.015	0.003
Net income per share - fully-diuted	0.007	(0.002)	0.015	0.003

<sup>1</sup> In periods of loss, net loss per share basic and fully-diluted are the same, as inclusion of options and/or warrants would be anti-dilutive.

Net loss for the three months ended November 30, 2014 includes write down of Chilean assets of \$2,260,158.

# Liquidity, working capital and capital resources

As at May 31, 2015, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$1,435,160 (May 31, 2014 - \$2,754,225) and net working capital of \$1,902,429 (May 31, 2014 - \$5,066,477), an accumulated deficit of \$10,836,688 (May 31, 2014 - \$8,741,753) and positive cash flow from operations for the year ended May 31, 2015 of \$2,861,432 (year ended May 31, 2014 - \$5,315,742).

The Company's sources of cash during the years were sales of gold production from its Point Rousse Project and milestone and royalty revenue from its Chilean iron ore assets. The Company's primary uses of cash include cash costs of gold production, capital expenditures and exploration costs. Anaconda's ability to continue to grow its business is dependent on its ability to continue to generate cash from its primary sources in excess of its primary uses.

## **Operating activities**

During the year ended May 31, 2015, the Company generated cash flow from operations of \$2,861,432. Trade and other receivables increased by \$58,120, HST recoverable decreased by \$111,446, prepaid expenses and deposits decreased by \$213,403, inventory balances increased by \$350,150 as a result of increases in stockpile ore, parts and raw materials, and trade and other payables decreased by \$28,706.



# Investing activities

Changes to investing activities during the year ended May 31, 2015 were:

- Additions to property, mill and equipment of \$1,745,818, including tailing expansion costs, waste dump and pit development, mill automation and upgrades, a compressor, crusher and power upgrades, men's dry upgrades, a forklift and survey equipment;
- Additions to exploration and evaluation assets of \$1,745,058 related to exploration programs;
- Additions to production stripping assets of \$586,725; and
- A reduction of restricted cash of \$2,726.

## **Financing activities**

The Company entered into a capital lease in the amount of \$38,000, of which \$8,791 was repaid during the year ended May 31, 2015. The Company repaid bank loans in the amount of \$7,725 and government loans in the amount of \$89,106 during the year ended May 31, 2015.

As at May 31, 2015, the capital structure of the Company consisted primarily of all the components of shareholders' equity, a capital lease and bank issued loans. To adjust or maintain its capital structure, the Company may adjust the amount of any of its debt through repayment, or may enter into new credit facilities or issue new common shares.

The Company has payment requirements against outstanding accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$2,954,190 as at May 31, 2015. In addition, the Company has a bank loan and a capital lease. The government loan was fully repaid on December 1, 2014.

# Remuneration of key management and transactions with related parties

Key management personnel include the members of the Board of Directors, the President/CEO and the CFO. Compensation of key management personnel (including directors) was as follows:

For the year ended May 31	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Salaries and short term benefits <sup>1</sup>	759,414	727,450
Share based payments <sup>2</sup>	92,104	178,264
	851,518	905,714

<sup>1</sup> Includes salary, management bonus, benefits and directors' fees

<sup>2</sup> Includes share based payments vested during the period

For the year ended May 31, 2015, Raven Hill Partners Inc. ("Raven Hill') charged Anaconda a total of \$nil in respect of corporate administration and accounting services provided by employees of Raven Hill and \$nil in rent for the Company's head office (\$22,500,and \$157,500 respectively for the year ended May 31, 2014). Raven Hill is beneficially owned by Lewis Lawrick and Dustin Angelo, directors of the Company.

As at May 31, 2015, included in trade and other payables is \$46,000 (May 31, 2014 - \$44,500) of amounts due for directors' fees.

# Capital management and off statement of financial position transactions

The Company's capital structure is adjusted based on management and the Board of Directors' decision to fund expenditures, outside of operating cash flow, with the issuance of debt or equity such that it may complete the acquisition, exploration and development of properties for the mining of minerals that are economically



recoverable. The Board of Directors does not establish quantitative return on capital criteria, but rather relies on the expertise of management and other professionals to sustain future development of the business.

The Company would supplement its Point Rousse Project cash flow and raise funds externally as and when required to finance obligations or complete projects. There is no assurance that the Company will be able to raise additional funds on reasonable terms. The sources of future funds available to Anaconda are cash flow from operations, the exercise of outstanding stock options, the sale of equity capital of the Company, the issuance of further loans and/or debentures or the sale by Anaconda of an interest in any of its properties in whole or in part. The ability of the Company to arrange such financing in the future will depend in part upon the prevailing capital market conditions as well as the business performance of the Company. There can be no assurance that Anaconda will be successful in its efforts to arrange additional financing, if needed, on terms satisfactory to the Company.

Management reviews its capital management approach on an ongoing basis and believes that this approach, given the relative size of the Company, is reasonable. There were no changes in the Company's approach to capital management during the year ended May 31, 2015. The Company is not subject to externally-imposed capital restrictions.

# Critical accounting policies and estimates

#### Significant accounting judgments and estimates

The preparation of these Financial Statements requires management to make judgements 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 revenues and expenses during the reporting period. On an ongoing basis, management evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management uses historical experience and various other factors it believes to be reasonable under the given circumstances as the basis for its judgements and estimates. Actual outcomes may differ from these estimates under different assumptions and conditions. The most significant estimates relate to asset retirement obligations, the useful lives of property, mill and equipment, profitability of future operations as impacting realization of tax losses, life of Pine Cove Mine and other potential mines in the Point Rousse Project as impacting depletion expense, recoverability of property, mill and equipment and exploration and evaluation assets and the valuation of share-based payments. The most significant judgements relate to recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities, assessment of the going concern assumption and the determination of the economic viability of a project.

#### Estimated recoverable reserves and resources

The information relating to the geological data on the size, depth and shape of the ore body requires complex geological judgments to interpret the data. Cost estimates are based on feasibility study estimates or operating history. Estimates are prepared by appropriately qualified persons, but will be affected by forecasted commodity prices, inflation rates, exchange rates, capital and production costs and recoveries amongst other factors. Changes in reserve and resource estimates may impact the carrying value of property, plant and equipment, goodwill, reclamation and remediation obligations, recognition of deferred tax amounts and depreciation, depletion and amortization.

#### Share-based payment transactions

Employees (including directors and senior executives) of the Company receive a portion of their remuneration in the form of share-based payment transactions, whereby employees render services as consideration for equity instruments ("equity-settled transactions").



In situations where equity instruments are issued and some or all of the goods or services received by the entity, as consideration, cannot be specifically identified, they are measured at fair value of the share-based payment.

### Equity-settled transactions

The costs of equity-settled transactions with employees are measured by reference to the fair value at the date on which they are granted.

The costs of equity-settled transactions are recognized, together with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled, ending on the date on which the relevant employees become fully entitled to the award ("the vesting date"). The cumulative expense is recognized for equity-settled transactions at each reporting date until the vesting date reflects the Company's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The profit or loss charge or credit for a period represents the movement in cumulative expense recognized as at the beginning and at the end of that period and the corresponding amount is represented in share option reserve.

No expense is recognized for awards that do not ultimately vest, except for awards where vesting is conditional upon a market condition, which are treated as vesting irrespective of whether or not the market condition is satisfied provided that all other performance and/or service conditions are satisfied.

Where the terms of an equity-settled award are modified, the minimum expense recognized is the expense as if the terms had not been modified. An additional expense is recognized for any modification which increases the total fair value of the share-based payment arrangement, or is otherwise beneficial to the employee as measured at the date of modification.

The dilutive effect of outstanding options is reflected as additional dilution in the computation of earnings per share.

#### Impairment of long-lived assets

Management periodically reviews the carrying value of mineral properties and deferred exploration costs to consider whether there are any conditions that may indicate impairment. Where estimates of future cash flows are available, a reduction in the carrying value is recorded to the extent that the net book value of the investment exceeds the estimated fair value which is normally the discounted value of future cash flows. Where estimates of future cash flows are not available and where other conditions suggest impairment, management assesses if carrying value can be recovered, and provided for impairment if so indicated, by reducing the carrying value of the property to its estimated fair value.

The carrying amounts of plant and equipment are also reviewed for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. If there are indicators of impairment, an exercise is undertaken to determine whether the carrying values are in excess of their recoverable amount. The assessment requires the use of estimates and assumptions such as, but not limited to, long-term gold prices, discount rates, cash costs of production and capital expenditures.as well as the Cash Generating Unit ("CGU") definition. It is possible that the actual fair value could be significantly different from those assumptions, and changes in these assumptions will affect the recoverable amount of the mining interests. In the absence of any mitigating valuation factors, the Company's failure to achieve its valuation assumptions or declines in the fair values of its CGU or other assets may, over time, result in impairment charges causing the Company to record material losses.

The Company considers both external and internal sources of information in assessing whether there are any indications that mining interests are impaired. External sources of information the Company considers include changes in the market, economic and legal environment in which the Company operates that are not within its



control and affect the recoverable amount of mining interests. Internal sources of information the Company considers include the manner in which mining properties and plant and equipment are being used or are expected to be used and indications of economic performance of the assets.

### Depletion and amortization

Property and mill are recorded at cost and amortized using the "units-of-production" basis and the calculated amounts will be charged to the income statement over the useful life of the mine.

Production stripping costs are recorded at cost when mining activities yield a strip ratio above the life of mine strip ratio and are amortized on a "units-of-mine-production" when mining activities yield a strip ratio below the life of mine strip ratio.

Office furniture, fixtures and equipment and leasehold improvements are recorded at cost and are amortized on a declining-balance basis at a rate of 20% per year.

#### Financial instruments

All financial assets and liabilities are initially recognized at fair value. In subsequent periods, financial assets and liabilities which are held for trading are recorded at fair value with gains and losses recognized in net income; financial assets which are loans and receivables or held to maturity are recorded at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method and gains and losses recognized in net income; financial assets which are available for sale are recorded at fair value with gains and losses recognized (net of applicable taxes) in other comprehensive income; financial liabilities that are not held for trading are recorded at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method and recognized in net income.

Financial instruments require disclosure about inputs to fair value measurements within fair value measurement hierarchy as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3: Inputs for the assets or liabilities that are not based on observable market data.

#### Fair value

The Company has designated its cash and cash equivalents as fair value through profit and loss, which are measured at fair value. The Company's other financial assets have been classified for accounting purposes as available-for-sale, which are measured at fair value. Trade and other receivables, due from related parties and prepaid expenses and deposits are classified for accounting purposes as loans and receivables, which are measured at amortized cost which equals fair value. Trade and other payables are classified for accounting purposes as other financial liabilities, which are measured at amortized cost, which also equals fair value. Fair values of trade and other receivables, prepaid expenses and deposits, due to and from related parties and trade and other payables are determined from transaction values, which were derived from observable market inputs. Fair values of other financial assets are based on Level 1 measurements and the remaining financial instruments are based on Level 2 measurements.

As at May 31, 2015, the carrying and fair value amounts of the Company's financial instruments are approximately equivalent due to the relatively short periods to maturity of these investments.

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on relevant market information and information about financial instruments. These estimates are subject to and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment, therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.



# Dividends

The Company has neither declared nor paid any dividends on its common shares. The Company intends to retain its earnings, if any, to finance growth and expand its operation and does not anticipate paying any dividends on its common shares in the foreseeable future.

# **Risks and uncertainties**

Readers should consider carefully the following risks and other information included in the Company's historical consolidated financial statements and related notes. The risks below are not the only ones facing the Company. Additional risk factors may be found in the Company's other public filings on *SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>*. As well, risks not currently known to the Company, or that the Company currently deems immaterial, may also impair the Company's operations. If any of the following risks actually occur, the Company's business, financial condition and operating results could be adversely affected. As a result, the trading price of the Company's outstanding shares could decline and investors could lose part or all of their investment.

## Financial risks

Credit risk is the risk of loss associated with a counter-party's inability to fulfill its payment obligations. The credit risk is primarily attributable to cash, trade and other receivables, HST recoverable, and prepaid expenses and deposits. Cash is held with a tier-1 Canadian chartered bank and as such management believes the risk of loss to be minimal.

Trade and accounts receivable may also consist of amounts due from the Company's metals merchant regarding processed gold and silver enroute to the merchant. Management believes the credit risk associated with the financial instruments contained in trade and accounts receivable is minimal.

Financial instruments included in due from related parties include reimbursement of office costs and rent. The credit risk associated with these financial instruments is limited to the carrying value of \$11,995 at May 31, 2015.

## Liquidity risk

As at May 31, 2015, the Company had net working capital of \$1,902,429. The Company maintains operations from the cash flow generated from the Point Rousse Project's operations. If necessary, the Company may seek financing for capital projects or general working capital purposes. As discussed previously, there can be no assurance that Anaconda will be successful in its efforts to arrange additional financing on terms satisfactory to the Company.

At May 31, 2015, the carrying value and fair value amounts of the Company's financial instruments are approximately equal.

## Market risk

Market risk is the risk of loss that may arise from changes in market factors such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates, commodity prices and/or stock market movements (price risk).

#### Interest rate risk

The Company has no interest-bearing assets and only fixed-interest debts. Anaconda invests excess cash, when available, in a cashable money market account. Anaconda periodically monitors the investments it makes and is satisfied with the creditworthiness of its cash investments.



## Foreign currency risk

The Company's functional currency is the Canadian dollar. The Company sells its gold production and transacts business using the Canadian dollar.

There are some operational and other expenses incurred by the Company which are received/paid in US dollars. The assets and liabilities of the Company are recorded in Canadian dollars. As a result, fluctuations in the US dollar against the Canadian dollar could result in material fluctuations in the financial results of the Company.

## Price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity prices. Commodity price risk is the potential adverse impact on earnings and economic value due to commodity price movements and volatilities. The Company closely monitors commodity prices as it relates to minerals (and specifically, gold) to determine the appropriate course of action to be taken by the Company. The Company is further exposed to price risk as it enters into non-hedged forward sales contracts, from time to time.

#### **Derivatives – mineral properties**

The Company retains and/or has obligations related to certain carried interest rights and net smelter royalties, the value of which is derived from future events and commodity prices. These rights are derivative instruments. However, the mineral property interests to which they relate are not sufficiently developed to reasonably determine a value.

### Capital requirements

The Company may not have a source of funds to continue current operations or to engage in additional exploration and development which may be necessary to develop its properties, other than the exercise of stock options and further financings. No assurance can be given that the Company will be successful in obtaining the required financing on acceptable terms, if at all.

# **Requirement of additional financing**

The exploration and development of the Company's properties, including continuing exploration and development projects, the construction of mining facilities, the commencement of new mining operations and the continuation of ongoing mining operations may require substantial additional financing. Failure to obtain sufficient financing will result in a delay or indefinite postponement of exploration, development or production on any or all of the Company's properties or even the loss of a property interest. Sources of funds now available to the Company are limited.

Additional financing may not be available when needed or, even if available, the terms of such financing might not be favourable to the Company and might involve substantial dilution to existing shareholders or sale or other dispositions of an interest in any of the Company's assets or properties. Failure to raise capital when needed would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

## **Risks factors of the business**

The Company's operations will be subject to all of the hazards and risks normally incidental to exploring, developing and exploiting natural resources. Some of these risks include:

- Environmental hazards;
- Industrial accidents;
- Labour disputes;
- Unusual or unexpected geologic formations or other geological or grade problems;
- Unanticipated changes in metallurgical characteristics and recovery;
- Unanticipated ground or water conditions, cave-ins, pit wall failures, flooding or rock bursts;



- Periodic interruptions due to bad or hazardous weather conditions and other acts of God; and
- Unfavourable operating conditions.

Any of these risks and hazards could adversely affect the Company's exploration or mining activities, resulting in:

- An increase in the cost of exploration, development or production to a point where it is no longer economically feasible to continue;
- A project being unfeasible to continue;
- The Company writing down the carrying value of one or more properties or mines;
- Delays or a stoppage in the exploration, development or production of its projects;
- Damage to, or destruction of, mineral properties or processing facilities; and/or
- Personal injury, death and/or legal liability.

Any of these results may have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations and future cash flows.

## Mining industry risks

The exploration for, and development of, mineral deposits involves a high degree of risk. Few properties that are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. Substantial expenses may be required to locate and establish ore reserves, develop metallurgical processes and construct mining and processing facilities at a particular site. It is impossible to ensure that the exploration programs planned by the Company or its joint venture partners will result in a profitable commercial mining operation. Whether a mineral deposit will be commercially viable depends on a number of factors, some of which are: the particular attributes of the deposit, such as size, grade and proximity to infrastructure; metal prices, which are inherently cyclical and cannot be predicted with certainty, and; government regulations, including regulations relating to prices, taxes, royalties, land tenure, land use, importing and exporting of minerals and environmental protection. As a result, it is possible that actual costs and economic returns will differ significantly from those currently estimated for these projects.

In addition, it is also not unusual in mining operations to experience unexpected problems both during the startup and during ongoing operations. To the extent that unexpected problems occur affecting the production in the future, the Company's revenues may be reduced, costs may increase and the Company's profitability and ability to continue its mining operation may be adversely affected.

## Environmental risks and hazards

All phases of the Company's operations are subject to environmental regulation in the jurisdictions in which it operates. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner which will require stricter standards and enforcement, increased fines and penalties for non-compliance, more stringent environmental assessments of proposed projects and a heightened degree of responsibility for companies and their officers, directors and employees. There is no assurance that existing or future environmental regulation will not materially adversely affect the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. Environmental hazards may exist on the properties on which the Company holds interests which are unknown to the Company at present and which have been caused by previous or existing owners or operators of the properties. Government approvals and permits are currently, or may in the future be, required in connection with the Company's operations. To the extent such approvals are required and not obtained, the Company may be curtailed or prohibited from proceeding with planned exploration, development or production of mineral properties.

Failure to comply with applicable laws, regulations and permitting requirements may result in enforcement actions thereunder, including orders issued by regulatory or judicial authorities causing operations to cease or be curtailed, and may include corrective measures requiring capital expenditures, installation of additional equipment, or remedial actions. Parties engaged in mining operations, including the Company, may be required



to compensate those suffering loss or damage by reason of the mining activities and may have civil or criminal fines or penalties imposed for violations of applicable laws or regulations. Amendments to current laws, regulations and permits governing operations and activities of mining companies, or more stringent implementation thereof, could have a material adverse impact on the Company and cause increases in exploration expenses, capital expenditures or production costs, reduction in levels of production at producing properties, or abandonment or delays in development of new mining properties.

## Governmental regulation of the mining industry

The mining and mineral exploration activities of the Company are subject to various laws governing prospecting, development, production, taxes, labour standards, employment and occupational health, mine safety, use of water, toxic substances and waste disposal, environmental and other matters. These activities are also subject to various laws and regulations relating to protection of the environment. Although the Company believes that its mining and mineral exploration activities are currently carried out in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations, no assurance can be given that new rules and regulations will not be enacted or that existing rules and regulations will not be applied in a manner that could limit or curtail production or development. Amendments to current laws and regulations governing the operations and activities of the Company or more stringent implementation thereof could have a material adverse effect on the business, financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

## **Title matters**

The acquisition of title to mineral properties is a very detailed and time-consuming process. Title to, and the area of, mineral concessions may be disputed. Although the Company believes it has taken reasonable measures to ensure proper title to its properties, there is no guarantee that title to any of its properties will not be challenged or impaired. Third parties may have valid claims underlying portions of the Company's interests.

#### Licenses and permits

The operations of the Company may require licenses and permits from various governmental authorities. Obtaining necessary permits and licenses can be a complex, time consuming process and the Company cannot be certain that it will be able to obtain necessary permits on acceptable terms in a timely manner or at all. The costs and delays associated with obtaining necessary permits and complying with these permits and applicable laws and regulations could stop, delay or restrict the Company from proceeding with the development of an exploration project or the development and operation of a mine. Any failure to comply with applicable laws and regulations or permits could result in interruption or closure of exploration, development or mining operations, or fines, penalties or other liabilities. The Company could also lose its mining concessions under the terms of its existing agreements.

#### Fluctuations in the market price of mineral commodities

The profitability of the Company's operations will be dependent upon the market price of mineral commodities. Mineral prices fluctuate widely and are affected by numerous factors beyond the control of the Company. The level of interest rates, the rate of inflation, the world supply of mineral commodities and the stability of exchange rates can all cause significant fluctuations in prices. Such external economic factors are in turn influenced by changes in international investment patterns, monetary systems and political developments. The price of mineral commodities has fluctuated widely in recent years, and future price declines could cause commercial production to be impracticable, thereby having a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

Furthermore, reserve calculations and life-of-mine plans using significantly lower metal prices could result in material write-downs of the Company's investment in mining properties and increased amortization, reclamation and closure charges.



In addition to adversely affecting the Company's reserve estimates and its financial condition, declining commodity prices can impact operations by requiring a reassessment of the feasibility of a particular project. Such a reassessment may be the result of a management decision or may be required under financing arrangements related to a particular project. Even if the project is ultimately determined to be economically viable, the need to conduct such a reassessment may cause substantial delays or may interrupt operations until the reassessment can be completed.

### Infrastructure

Exploration, development and operating activities depend on adequate infrastructure, including reliable roads, power sources and water supply. The Company's inability to secure adequate water and power resources, as well as other events outside of its control such as unusual weather, sabotage, government or other interference in the maintenance or provision of such infrastructure, could adversely affect the Company's operations and financial condition.

#### Increase in production costs

Changes in the Company's production costs could have a major impact on its profitability. Its main production expenses are contractor costs, materials, personnel costs and energy. Changes in costs of the Company's mining and processing operations could occur as a result of unforeseen events, including international and local economic and political events, a change in commodity prices, increased costs (including oil, steel and diesel) and scarcity of labour, and could result in changes in profitability or reserve estimates. Many of these factors may be beyond the Company's control.

The Company relies on third party suppliers for a number of raw materials. Any material increase in the cost of raw materials, or the inability by the Company to source third party suppliers for the supply of its raw materials, could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations or financial condition.

## Uncertainty in the estimation of mineral reserves and mineral resources

To extend the lives of its mines and projects, ensure the continued operation of the business and realize its growth strategy, it is essential that the Company continues to realize its existing identified reserves, convert resources into reserves, develop its resource base through the realization of identified mineralized potential, and/or undertake successful exploration or acquire new resources.

The figures for mineral reserves and mineral resources contained in NI 43-101 technical reports and other filings of the Company made on SEDAR at www.sedar.com are estimates only and no assurance can be given that the anticipated tonnages and grades will be achieved, that the indicated level of recovery will be realized or that mineral reserves could be mined or processed profitably. Actual reserves may not conform to geological, metallurgical or other expectations, and the volume and grade of ore recovered may be below the estimated levels. There are numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating mineral reserves and mineral resources, including many factors beyond the Company's control. Such estimation is a subjective process, and the accuracy of any reserve or resource estimate is a function of the quantity and quality of available data and of the assumptions made and judgments used in engineering and geological interpretation. Short-term operating factors relating to the mineral reserves, such as the need for orderly development of the ore bodies or the processing of new or different ore grades, may cause the mining operation to be unprofitable in any particular accounting period. In addition, there can be no assurance that gold recoveries in small-scale laboratory tests will be duplicated in larger scale tests under on-site conditions or during production. Lower market prices, increased production costs, reduced recovery rates and other factors may result in a revision of its reserve estimates from time to time or may render the Company's reserves uneconomic to exploit. Reserve data is not indicative of future results of operations. If the Company's actual mineral reserves and resources are less than current estimates or if the Company fails to develop its resource base through the realization of identified mineralized potential, its results of operations or financial condition may be materially and adversely affected. Evaluation of reserves and resources occurs from time to time and they may change depending on further



geological interpretation, drilling results and metal prices. The category of inferred resource is often the least reliable resource category and is subject to the most variability. The Company regularly evaluates its resources and it often determines the merits of increasing the reliability of its overall resources.

### Uncertainty relating to inferred mineral resources

Inferred mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. Due to the uncertainty, which may attach to inferred mineral resources, there is no assurance that inferred mineral resources will be upgraded to proven and probable mineral reserves as a result of continued exploration.

#### Need for additional reserves

Given that mines have limited lives based on proven and probable reserves, the Company must continually replace and expand its reserves at its gold mines. The life-of-mine estimates included contained in NI 43-101 technical reports and other filings of the Company made on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u> may not be correct. The Company's ability to maintain or increase its annual production of gold will be dependent in significant part on its ability to bring new mines into production and to expand reserves at existing mines.

#### History of profitability

The Company has a history of profitability in the previous three years and has a shareholder deficit of \$10,836,688 as at May 31, 2015. Cash flows generated from the operations of the Point Rousse Project are currently sufficient to fund all of the Company's ongoing working capital requirements, corporate and administrative expenses, debt service, capital expenditure requirements and other contractual obligations. There can be no assurance that the operations of the Company will be profitable in the future. The Company has limited financial resources and may require additional financing to further explore, develop, operate, acquire and retain its property interests and if financing is not available for any reason, the Company may become unable to acquire and retain its mineral concessions and carry out its business.

#### Uninsured risks

The Company does not carry insurance to protect against certain risks. Risks not insured include certain environmental pollution events, earthquake damage, mine flooding or other hazards against which the Company cannot insure or against which the Company may elect not to insure because of high premium costs or other reasons. Failure to have insurance coverage for any one or more of such risks or hazards could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### Competition

The mining industry is intensely competitive in all of its phases and the Company will compete with many companies possessing greater financial and technical resources than itself. Competition in the base and precious metals mining industry is primarily for: mineral rich properties which can be developed and produced economically; the technical expertise to find, develop, and operate such properties; the labour to operate the properties, and; the capital for the purpose of funding such properties. Many competitors not only explore for and mine precious metals, but also conduct refining and marketing operations on a worldwide basis. Such competition may result in the Company being unable to acquire desired properties (due to the auction process involved in property acquisition), to recruit or retain qualified employees or to obtain the capital necessary to fund its operations and develop its properties. Existing or future competition and success in the future. An inability to obtain the capital necessary to fund its operations and develop its properties under the option agreements pursuant to which it holds its interest in the properties. Further, increased competition can result in increased costs and lower prices for metal and minerals produced and reduced profitability. Consequently, the revenues of the Company, its operations and financial condition could be materially adversely affected.



## Instability of political and economic environments

The mining interests of the Company may be affected in varying degrees by political or economic stability. Associated risks include, but are not limited to: terrorism, military repression, extreme fluctuations in currency exchange rates and high rates of inflation. Any change in regulations or shifts in political attitudes are beyond the control of the Company and may materially adversely affect its business, financial condition and results of operations. Operations may also be affected in varying degrees by such factors as government regulations (or changes thereto) with respect to the restrictions on production, export controls, income taxes, expropriation of property, repatriation of profits, land use, environmental legislation, water use, land claims of local people, and mine safety. The effect of these factors cannot be accurately predicted.

The Company has material contingent assets located in Chile and, as such, a substantial portion of the Company's business is exposed to various degrees of political, economic and other risks and uncertainties. Although Chile has a mature and stable political system and enjoys one of the best country risk ratings of the region, there is always the potential for changes in mining policies or shifts in political attitude towards foreign investment in natural resources. Changes, even if minor in nature, may adversely affect the Company's operations.

#### **Repatriation of earnings**

There is no assurance that Chile or any other foreign country in which the Company or its subsidiaries may operate in the future will not impose restrictions on the repatriation of earnings to foreign entities.

### Dependence upon key management personnel and executives

The Company will be dependent upon the continued support and involvement of a number of key management personnel. The loss of the services of one or more of such personnel could have a material adverse effect on the Company. The Company's ability to manage its exploration, development and operating activities and, hence, its success, will depend in large part on the efforts of these individuals. The Company faces intense competition for qualified personnel and there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to attract and retain such personnel.

## Possible conflicts of interest of directors and officers of the Company

Certain directors and officers of the Company also serve as directors, officers and/or advisors of and to other companies involved in natural resource exploration and development. Consequently, there exists the possibility for such directors and officers to be in a position of conflict. The Company expects that any decision made by any of such directors and officers involving the Company will be made in accordance with their duties and obligations to deal fairly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company and its shareholders, but there can be no assurance in this regard. In addition, each of the directors is required to declare and refrain from voting on any matter in which such directors may have a conflict of interest or which are governed by the procedures set forth in the *Business Company's Act* (Ontario) and any other applicable law.

#### Absence of dividends

The Company has never paid a dividend on its shares, and does not expect to do so in the foreseeable future. Any future determination to pay dividends will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Company and will depend upon the capital requirements of the Company, results of operations and such other factors as the Board of Directors considers relevant. Accordingly, it is likely that investors will not receive any return on their investment in the shares other than possible capital gains.

## **Risk of dilution**

Under applicable Canadian law, shareholder approval is not required for the Company to issue shares in a number of circumstances. Moreover, the Company has commitments that could require the issuance of a substantial number of additional shares, in particular options to acquire shares under the stock option plan of the Company. The future business of the Company will require substantial additional financing which will likely



involve the sale of equity capital. The Company can also be expected to issue additional options, warrants and other financial instruments, which may include debt. Future issuances of equity capital may have a substantial dilutive effect on existing shareholders. The Company is not able at this time to predict the future amount of such issuances or dilution.

# Disclosure of outstanding share information

The following table sets forth information concerning the outstanding securities of the Company as at August 25, 2015:

Common shares of no par value	Number
Shares	179,878,963
Options	16,450,000
Fully diluted shares outstanding	196,328,963

# Disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting

Disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that all relevant information is gathered and reported to senior management, including the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") on a timely basis so that appropriate decisions can be made regarding public disclosure. As at May 31, 2015, the Company's management, with the participation of the CEO and CFO, has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as defined in National Instrument 52-109 Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings of the Canadian Securities Administrators and has concluded that such controls and procedures are effective.

# Internal control over financial reporting

Management is responsible for certifying the design of the Company's Internal Control of Financial Reporting ("ICFR") as required by *National Instrument 52-109 – Certification of Disclosure in Issuers Annual and Interim Filings*. The Company's ICFR is intended to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with applicable IFRS. ICFR should include those policies and procedures that establish the following:

- Maintenance of records, in reasonable detail, that accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the Company's assets;
- Reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with applicable IFRS;
- Receipts and expenditures are only being made in accordance with authorizations of management and the Board; and
- Reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized collection, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, ICFR may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. Management, including the CEO and CFO, carried out an assessment of the design of the Company's ICFR using the COSO Internal Control – Integrated Framework and concluded, subject to the inherent limitation noted below, that the Company has sufficient controls to meet the requirements as stated above and that one weakness existed as at May 31, 2015, as disclosed below.



# Segregation of duties

Segregation of duties is a basic, key internal control and one of the most difficult to achieve in a small company. It is used to ensure that errors or irregularities are prevented or detected on a timely basis by employees in the normal course of business. Due to the Company's small size and limited resources, a complete segregation of duties within the Company's accounting group cannot be fully achieved and a material weakness exists. The result is that the Company is highly reliant on the performance of mitigating procedures during the process of closing its financial statements in order to ensure the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects. Management will identify and hire additional accounting resources where cost effective and when required. Where it is not cost effective to obtain additional accounting resources, management will review existing mitigating controls and, if appropriate, implement changes to its internal control processes whereby more effective mitigating controls will be adopted.

The CEO and the CFO have concluded however, that no material misstatements exist in the Company's financial reporting as at May 31, 2015.

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the year ended May 31, 2015.

The Company currently uses COSO Internal Control – Integrated Framework (1992) ("COSO 1992") to design, implement and test internal controls and disclosure controls. During this fiscal year, the Company reviewed the design and implementation of its internal controls and disclosure controls. Top down risk based assessments were utilized to evaluate the risk areas. No changes in internal controls were noted. Our annual validation and testing of controls for operating effectiveness was conducted in the fourth quarter. High-risk controls were tested and validated. No material weaknesses were noted.

In the prior reporting dates, the certificates filed by the CEO and CFO of the Company under National Instrument 52-109 stated the control framework used to design the Company's internal controls over financial reporting was COSO 1992. Anaconda's officers continued to use the COSO 1992 for the Company's internal controls over financial reporting as at May 31, 2015. The Company plans to convert and roll out COSO Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013) ("COSO 2013") by the end of the next fiscal year ended May 31, 2016. A review and update of internal controls will be performed to implement the additional requirements of COSO 2013. Further, the testing and validation regime will be updated in order to assure that along with operating effectiveness, methods will be adopted to provide reasonable assurance that COSO 2013 principles and components are "present and functioning".

# **Reconciliation of Non-GAAP financial measures**

The Company has included certain non-GAAP financial measures in this document. These measures are not defined under IFRS and should not be considered in isolation. The Company believes that these measures, together with measures determined in accordance with IFRS, provide investors with an improved ability to evaluate the underlying performance of the Company. The inclusion of these measures is meant to provide additional information and should not be used as a substitute for performance measures prepared in accordance with IFRS. These measures are not necessarily standard and therefore may not be comparable to other issuers.

Adjusted net earnings measures the performance of the Company, excluding certain impacts which the Company believes are not reflective of the Company's underlying performance for the reporting period, such as the impact of foreign exchange gains and losses, impairment charges, and non-hedge derivative gains and losses. Although some of the items are recurring, the Company believes that they are not reflective of the



underlying operating performance of its current business and are not necessarily indicative of future operating results.

The following table provides a reconciliation of adjusted net earnings for the years ended May 31, 2015 and 2014:

	For the year ended	
	May 31	May 31 2014
	2015	
	\$	\$
Net income (loss)	(2,774,766)	4,292,356
Adjusting items:		
Foreign exchange loss (gain)	(11,927)	(2,599)
Unrealized loss (gain) on forward sales contract derivative	65,800	(39,185)
Write down of Chilean assets	2,260,158	-
Reclamation expense	57,432	54,916
Total adjustments	2,371,463	13,132
Adjusted net earnings (loss)	(403,303)	4,305,488

Cash cost per ounce sold is cost of sales before depreciation divided by gold ounces sold. All-in sustaining cash cost per ounce sold is cash cost, corporate administration, purchase of property, mill and equipment and purchase of exploration and evaluation assets divided by gold ounces sold.

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash cost per ounce sold and all-in sustaining cash cost per ounce sold for the years ended May 31, 2015 and 2014:

	For the year ended	
	May 31	May 31
	2015	2014
Cost of sales	21,695,290	17,838,720
Less: Depletion and depreciation	(4,288,132)	(2,970,568)
Cash operating cost	17,407,158	14,868,152
Corporate administration	2,032,265	1,909,310
Purchase of property, mill and equipment	1,745,818	1,452,627
Purchase of exploration and evaluation assets	1,745,058	900,686
All-in cash cost	22,930,299	19,130,775
Gold ounces sold	15,821	14,577
Cash cost per ounce sold	1,100	1,020
All-in sustaining cash cost per ounce sold	1,449	1,312

EBITDA is earnings before finance expense, foreign exchange loss (gain), unrealized gain on forward sales contract derivative, share based payments, income tax recovery and depreciation and depletion.

Point Rousse Project EBITDA is EBITDA before corporate administration, other revenues and expenses and write down of Chilean assets.



The following table provides a reconciliation of EBITDA for the years ended May 31, 2015 and 2014:

	For th	e year ended
	May 31	May 31
	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Net income (loss)	(2,774,766)	4,292,356
Add back:		
Finance expense	433	272,771
Foreign exchange loss (gain)	(11,927)	(2,599)
Unrealized loss (gain) on forward sales contract derivative	65,800	(39,185)
Share-based payments	136,921	200,583
Income tax expense (recovery)	(929,865)	(31,000)
Depletion and depreciation	4,288,132	2,970,568
EBITDA	774,728	7,663,494
Corporate administration	2,032,265	1,909,310
Other revenues and expenses	(240,238)	(4,265,630)
Write down of Chilean assets	2,260,158	-
Point Rousse Project EBITDA	4,826,913	5,307,174

# Cautionary note regarding forward-looking information

This document contains or refers to forward-looking information. Such forward-looking information includes, among other things, statements regarding targets, estimates and/or assumptions in respect of future production, mine development costs, unit costs, capital costs, timing of commencement of operations and future economic, market and other conditions, and is based on current expectations that involve a number of business risks and uncertainties. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from any forward-looking statement include, but are not limited to: the grade and recovery of ore which is mined varying from estimates; capital and operating costs varying significantly from estimates; inflation; changes in exchange rates; fluctuations in commodity prices; delays in the development of the any project caused by unavailability of equipment, labour or supplies, climatic conditions or otherwise; termination or revision of any debt financing; failure to raise additional funds required to finance the completion of a project; and other factors. Forward-looking statements are subject to significant risks and uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from expected results. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof and the Company assumes no responsibility to update them or revise them to reflect new events or circumstances, except as required by law.

# Additional information and continuous disclosure

This MD&A has been prepared as at August 25, 2015. Additional information on the Company is available through regular filings of press releases, financial statements, and the Company's AIF, on SEDAR (<u>www.sedar.com</u>) and on the Company's web site (<u>www.anacondamining.com</u>).



# Management's responsibility

Management is responsible for all information contained in this MD&A. The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and include amounts based on management's informed judgments and estimates. The financial and operating information included in this MD&A is consistent with that contained in the Financial Statements in all material aspects.

Management maintains internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that financial information is reliable and accurate and assets are safeguarded.

The Company's Board of Directors has reviewed with management and approved the Financial Statements and this MD&A.

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