

NiCAN Limited Management Discussion and Analysis

December 31, 2022

This Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") is an overview of all material information about the operations, liquidity and capital resources of NiCAN Limited (the "Company" or "NiCAN") for the year ended December 31, 2022. The MD&A was prepared as of February 6, 2023 and should be read in conjunction with the annual audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 and the period from incorporation on April 6, 2021 to December 31, 2021, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). The Company's reporting currency is the Canadian dollar, and all monetary amounts in this MD&A are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise stated. References to nickel, copper, cobalt, gold, silver, palladium, and platinum will be shown as Ni, Cu, Co, Au, Aq, Pd, Pt, respectively, and the platinum group metals ("PGM").

NiCAN's common shares are traded on the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSXV") under the symbol "NICN". The Company's registered office is located at 390 Bay Street, Suite 700A, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 2M8. Additional information related to the Company is available on SEDAR at www.nicanltd.com.

COMPANY OVERVIEW

NiCAN is a junior explorer engaged in mineral exploration in Canada. Founded in 2021 by experienced mining executives, its principal business is to acquire and advance a portfolio of high-quality projects in attractive jurisdictions. The Company owns two highly prospective land packages located in Manitoba, Canada. Both projects are located on geologically significant features in jurisdictions where significant mineral discoveries have been made.

2022 HIGHLIGHTS

- **Completed a maiden reconnaissance and confirmation drill program at the Wine property**, testing the Wine occurrence area and additional nearby geophysical targets. Highlights include:
 - Diamond drill hole Wine-22-05 intersected three distinct zones of mineralization including 27.3 metres at an average grade of 2.01% Ni, 1.81% Cu (2.61% nickel equivalent "NiEq"), 0.09% Co, 0.20 g/t Au and 0.28 g/t Pd from 43.0.
 - Diamond drill hole Wine-22-02 intersected four zones of mineralization including 2.8 metres at an average grade of 1.87% Ni, 0.64% Cu (2.08% NiEq), 0.08% Co and 0.46 g/t Pd from 45.8 to 48.6 metres.
 - Diamond drill hole Wine-22-06 intersected a new, near surface, mineralized zone including 9.8 metres at an average grade of 2.09% Cu, 1.23% Ni (1.92% NiEq), 0.051% Co, 0.33 g/t Au, 0.016 g/t Pt and 0.12 g/t Pd from 7.4 metres to 17.1 metres.
 - Diamond drill hole Wine-22-03 intersected 8.6 metres at an average grade of 1.01% Cu, 1.89% Ni (2.22% NiEq), 0.10% Co, and 0.46g/t PGM from 66.6 to 75.4 metres and 1.8 metres at an average grade of 3.64% Cu, 0.33% Ni (1.53% NiEq), 0.01% Co and 0.81g/t PGM from 79.5 to 81.3 metres.
 - Diamond drill hole Wine-22-09 intersected 7.0 metres at an average grade of 1.57% Cu, 0.54% Ni (1.07% NiEq), 0.59% Co and 0.24g/t PGM from 21.0 to 28.0 metres.
- NiCAN and 1287390 BC Ltd. ("1287390") completed an amalgamation on July 26, 2022, as described below (the "RTO Transaction"), with the shareholders of each company receiving one common share in the capital of the Resulting Issuer for each share held at the time of the RTO Transaction, after 1287390 had consolidated its shares as described below.

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- Completed a non-brokered private placement, in connection with the RTO Transaction, of 14,483,446 common shares for aggregate gross proceeds of \$6,108,676, consisting of 8,177,500 non-flow-through common shares at a price of \$0.40 per share, and 6,305,946 flow-through common shares at a price of \$0.45 per share.
- Completed listing of NiCAN common shares on the TSXV on August 3, 2022, under the symbol "NICN", completing another major milestone for the Company.
- Doubled land position at the Pipy project, along the Thompson Nickel Belt, as announced on September 6, 2022. The newly acquired ground, Pipy North, comprises 11.84 km² of permissive stratigraphy over a folded strike length of 6 km, similar to that which hosts the world-class Thompson T1 and T3 deposits, located 28 km to the southwest.
- Added the Pipy West land package to the Pipy project. NiCAN acquired an additional seven claims in the Thompson Nickel Belt in the fourth quarter of 2022. The new ground adds 14.60 km² to NiCAN's land position in the Thompson area for a total of 39.10 km².
- Identified multiple drill targets on the Wine nickel property. As announced on November 14, 2022, the
 Company conducted a Versatile Time Domain Electromagnetic ("VTEM") survey, which was designed to
 accurately define the location and depth of conductive sources with a nickel mineralization signature.
 Preliminary interpretations indicate there is a distinct VTEM response to the Wine Occurrence, which
 had not been recognized in historical airborne surveys. NiCAN plans to complete a follow up drilling
 program to test these targets in the first half of 2023.

REVERSE TAKEOVER ACQUISITION

On July 26, 2022, the Company and 1287390 completed the RTO Transaction pursuant to an amalgamation agreement dated March 3, 2022, and amended on June 29, 2022, and July 19, 2022. Prior to completion of the amalgamation, 1287390 completed a 1:0.728 reverse split of its existing outstanding common shares (the "Consolidated Shares"). Subsequently, each common share of NiCAN and each Consolidated Share of 1287390 were exchanged for one common share in the amalgamated entity (the "Resulting Issuer"). Upon completion of the RTO Transaction, the Company issued 3,106,132 common shares to the shareholders of 1287390 for a total consideration of \$1,310,000.

Concurrent Offering

On March 30, 2022, in connection with the RTO Transaction, the Company issued 14,483,446 subscription receipts, consisting of: (i) 8,177,500 non-flow-through subscription receipts at a price of \$0.40 each, and (ii) 6,305,946 flow-through subscription receipts at a price of \$0.45 each, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$6,108,676 (collectively, the "Offering"). On completion of the RTO Transaction on July 26, 2022, the subscription receipts were exchanged for 8,177,500 common shares and 6,305,946 flow-through common shares, respectively.

A flow-through premium liability of \$0.05 per share, \$315,297 in total, was recorded for the flow-through shares (Note 7 in the Financial Statements). In addition, the Company paid \$348,737 in cash finders' fees



and 843,823 finder's warrants in connection with the Offering, with each finder's warrant exercisable to acquire one common share of the Company at a price of \$0.40 for a period of twelve months following the closing of the Offering.

On July 18, 2022, 1287390 completed a non-brokered private placement of 51,324 common shares of the Resulting Issuer at a price of \$0.42 per share for total proceeds of \$21,643.

REPORT ON OPERATIONS

The Company's Properties as of December 31, 2022 include:

Project Area	Claims	Area (ha)		
r roject Area	Decembe	December 31, 2022		
Wine Property	24	5,666		
Pipy Property	20 ¹	3,913		
Total	44	9,579		

¹ The transfer of seven of these claims remains pending at the date of this MD&A.

The following is a breakdown of expenditures during the year ended December 31, 2022:

Amounts in \$	Wine	Pipy	Total
Airborne geophysics	\$ 153,634	5 –	\$ 153,634
Assays	24,208	-	24,208
Camp supplies and field expenses	48,759	2,416	51,175
Claim staking and maintenance	-	52,000	52,000
Consulting	151,964	70,200	222,164
Drilling	708,282	-	708,282
Field transportation	474,373	_	474,373
Government grants	(50,000)	_	(50,000)
Ground geophysics	133,743	_	133,743
Line cutting	5,000	_	5,000
Property acquisitions	100,000	100,000	200,000
Total Property Expenditures, December 31, 2022	\$ 1,749,963	\$ 224,616	\$ 1,974,579

Wine Property

The Wine property, comprised of 24 mineral claims totaling 5,666 hectares, is located in northwestern Manitoba, in the eastern Flin Flon-Snow Lake greenstone belt on the southern flank of the internal zone of the Trans Hudson Orogen. The Company staked 22 of the 24 claims in 2021 and acquired the additional two claims from W.S. Ferreira Limited ("Ferreira") through a Mineral Property Acquisition Agreement dated May 7, 2021. Consideration for the claims acquired from Ferreira was comprised of the following:

- Initial cash payment of \$50,000 (paid) and the issuance of 1,000,000 shares at a deemed issue price of \$0.05 per share (issued);
- Second cash payment of \$100,000 paid on May 7, 2022, one year from the date of the agreement; and

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 A 2% net smelter royalty, with an option to repurchase 50% (1%) of the royalty for \$1,000,000 at any time and an option to repurchase an additional 50% (0.5%) of the remaining royalty for \$1,000,000 at any time.

The Wine property is underlain by arc-affinity volcanic rocks and successor arc plutonic rocks affected by the West Reed-North Star shear zone ("WRNS"). The WRNS represents a deep seated, regional shear zone running north-northeast along the west shore of Reed Lake. The rocks underlying the Wine property are prospective for the development of a number of mineral deposits. The potential for the development of magmatic-hosted copper-nickel deposits is demonstrated by the discovery of the Wine copper-nickel ("Cu-Ni") occurrence in the northern portion of the project area. Similar mafic intrusive lithologies underly a significant proportion of the property. The geological setting is also permissive for the formation of Volcanogenic massive sulphide ("VMS"), reef-type ("PGM") and orogenic gold deposit types.

Historical exploration on the Wine property focused initially on VMS mineralization following significant discoveries elsewhere in the Snow Lake area. The nickel potential was not recognized until 1984, when Hudson Bay Exploration and Development discovered Cu-Ni mineralization at the Wine Property. Subsequent drilling campaigns identified a broad zone of Cu-Ni mineralization over a relatively short strike length, with most of the drilling focused on the area of the original discovery. Significant drill intersections include drill hole EEL346 (12.0 metres at an average grade of 1.67% Ni and 1.52% Cu) and RAD07-01 (20.4 metres at an average grade of 2.27% Cu, 1.30% Ni, 0.05% Co, 0.319 g/t Au and 0.402 g/t PGM). Surface outcrop observations in the area suggest that the mineralization bears a component of structural control.

With the acquisition of the Wine property, the Company initially focused on obtaining and reprocessing historical surface, drill and existing magnetic survey data in order to compile a complete data set to commence planning for future drill programs. The Company also completed a UAV supported, high-definition, aeromagnetic survey with a 50-metre line spacing in the third quarter of 2021. During the fourth quarter of 2021, the Company received permits to carry out approximately 2,000 metres of diamond drilling, which was completed in the first half of 2022,

During the twelve months ended December 31, 2022, NiCAN completed an extensive exploration program at the Wine property. This included a downhole electromagnetic ("EM") survey on two historical drill holes along with a ground time domain electromagnetic ("TDEM") survey in the region of the historic Wine occurrence. Following this, the Company commenced its first reconnaissance drilling program at Wine including 17 diamond drill holes, for a total of 1,692 metres, with ten holes testing the Wine occurrence area and seven holes testing prioritized geophysical targets.

Following completion of the drill program, downhole TDEM surveys were completed on several holes at the Wine Occurrence. A VTEM survey was completed to more accurately define the location and depth of conductive sources that have a nickel mineralization signature. Preliminary interpretations indicate there is a distinct VTEM response to the Wine Occurrence, which had not been recognized in historical airborne surveys. Multiple new targets have been identified and will be drill tested in early 2023.

The Company received the remaining \$50,000 related to the \$100,000 grant from the Manitoba Mineral Development Fund provided in 2021 to support the Wine exploration program.

Pipy Property

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The Pipy property, consisting of Pipy South, Pipy North and Pipy West, covers over 3,913 hectares in northeastern Manitoba on the northern extent of the Thompson Nickel Belt (the "TNB"). The TNB is a 150-kilometre-long nickel metallotect extending from Phanerozoic cover in the south to the north of the city of Thompson, Manitoba. The TNB consists of Proterozoic sedimentary and volcanic rocks deposited unconformably on Archean basement. Nickel deposits hosted by the TNB reflect the confluence of Proterozoic sulphur-rich sedimentary rocks comprising the Ospwagan Group and ultramafic intrusive rocks. Several sedimentary sequences overlay the Ospwagan Group, including terrestrial and shallow water conglomerate and sandstone comprising the Grass River Group and sediments of the Kisseynew Basin.

In 2021, the Company staked five claims and acquired three claims from Ferreira through a Mineral Property Acquisition Agreement dated May 7, 2021. Consideration for the claims acquired from Ferreira was comprised of the following:

- Initial cash payment of \$50,000 (paid) and the issuance of 1,000,000 shares at a deemed issue price of \$0.05 per share (issued);
- Second cash payment of \$100,000 paid on May 7, 2022, one year from the date of the agreement; and
- A 2% net smelter royalty, with an option to repurchase 50% (1%) of the royalty for \$1,000,000 at any time and an option to repurchase an additional 50% (0.5%) of the remaining royalty for \$1,000,000 at any time.

In 2022, NiCAN significantly increased its footprint in the TNB by staking five Pipy North claims and seven Pipy West claims (the transfer of seven of these staked claims remains pending at the date of this MD&A).

The Pipy property is underlain by a tightly folded sequence of Archean basement orthogneisses and Ospwagan Group supracrustal rocks. The distribution of Ospwagan Group supracrustal rocks delineated by their geophysical response and local diamond drill confirmation define a tight fold interference geometry. Critical to the prospectivity of the property, drilling by INCO, Dunlop, Falconbridge, and others has identified a sequence of Ospwagan Group, Pipe Formation sulphide facies iron formation and sulphidic sediments in close proximity to ultramafic intrusive rocks. The understanding of the genesis of Ni-Cu deposits hosted by the TNB has evolved significantly since most historical exploration of the Pipy property took place. Geophysics will play a critical role in the development of targets for diamond drilling due to the thick glacial cover over the area.

Historical drilling at Pipy has intersected sulphides in the sediments and ultramafic intrusions and although assays were never released, the drill logs note visible nickel sulphides in several holes. The historical holes with logged nickel sulphides and the new structural interpretation will be critical in planning the upcoming drill program. Particular attention will be paid to fold closures where sulphides may be structurally remobilized and concentrated. At least five prospective fold closures have been identified.

To date, the Company has focused primarily on obtaining and reprocessing historical data, including all assessment data and existing airborne geophysical data. Additionally, the Company completed a UAV supported, high-definition, aeromagnetic survey at a 50-metre line spacing during the third quarter of 2021 on the Pipy South Claims. NiCAN subsequently updated the interpretation of the geology based on the newly acquired geophysical data, increasing the understanding of the Pipy property.



REVIEW OF FINANCIAL RESULTS

The following is a summary of results from the Company's financial statements:

	December 31,	December 31,
For the period ended	2022	2021
Loss and comprehensive loss	\$ (3,803,374)	\$ (1,275,202)
Basic and diluted loss per share	(0.06)	(0.03)

	December 31,	December 31,
As at	2022	2021
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,608,703	\$ 2,201,254
Total assets	4,735,012	2,332,837
Share capital	9,085,882	2,532,563
Deficit	(5,073,124)	(1,275,202)

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company incurred a loss of \$3,803,374, primarily arising from exploration costs (\$1,974,579) incurred during the year, mostly due to drilling (\$708,282), helicopter support (\$474,373), exploration consulting fees (\$222,164), and the final payments for the Wine and Pipy projects (\$200,000). The Company also incurred \$1,352,608 in transaction costs related to completing the RTO Transaction, including the \$1,310,000 purchase cost for 1287390. These were offset by the premium flow-through recovery amount of \$746,481 as the exploration costs incurred reduced the liability associated with flow-through shares issued in 2021 and 2022.

QUARTERLY RESULTS

The following selected financial information is a summary of the recently completed quarters up to December 31, 2022.

	Three months ended Dec 31, 2022	Three months ended Sept 30, 2022	Three months ended Jun 30, 2022		Three months ended Dec 31, 2021	Three months ended Sep 30, 2021	From incorporation to Jun 30, 2021
Comprehensive loss	\$ (211,776)	\$ (2,077,602)	\$ (677,922)	\$ (836,074)	\$ (507,610)	\$ (343,390)	\$ (424,202)
Basic and diluted loss per share	(0.00)	(0.03)	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)

The Company's expenses fluctuate from period to period primarily due to marketing or exploration activity during the period and, therefore, lack some degree of comparability. Exploration activity will vary depending on the availability of funding, primarily sourced from equity financing, and whether the Company has expenditure commitments on claims to maintain them in good standing.

During the period ended June 30, 2021, the loss arose primarily from exploration activities (\$382,189), which includes the acquisition cost for both the Wine and Pipy Properties. For the three months ended September 30, 2021, the Company incurred an additional (\$284,780) in exploration costs, primarily from the UAV magnetic survey completed (\$185,676) and helicopter support (\$59,390). During the fourth quarter of 2021, the Company granted 2,500,000 stock options, incurring share-based compensation expense of (\$194,312).



The Company also completed additional claim staking and line cutting at the Wine Project (\$47,551), including helicopter support costs of (\$52,650), in preparation for the winter drill program as well as commencing an electromagnetic survey at Wine (\$33,154).

During the year ended December 31, 2022, NiCAN completed its first drill program at Wine, a helicopter supported program with 17 diamond drill holes, incurring \$708,282 in drilling costs along with \$467,173 in helicopter support costs. The Company also completed downhole EM geophysical surveys on two historical holes with significant intercepts. On July 26, 2022, the Company completed the RTO Transaction and the subsequent TSXV listing of NiCAN, incurring \$1,352,608 of acquisition costs and an additional \$416,023 of legal costs.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Cash	\$ 4,608,703	\$ 2,201,254
Total current assets	4,735,012	2,332,837
Total current liabilities	365,758	875,712
Total equity	4,369,254	1,457,125

The Company has forecast its cash requirements for the next year and believes it has sufficient cash resources and liquidity to support ongoing sustaining costs. At present, the Company's operations do not generate cash flow and its financial success is dependent on management's ability to discover and develop economically viable mineral deposits and to raise money to support the discovery and development of such mineral deposits. The mineral exploration process can take many years and is subject to factors that are beyond the Company's control. The Company has successfully completed the RTO Transaction as well as the concurrent financing for \$6,108,676, providing additional access to capital in the public markets. To continue advancing exploration, the Company may need to raise additional funds in the future, however there is no assurance that new funding will be available at the times required or desired by the Company. Factors that affect the availability of financing include the progress and results of ongoing exploration at the Company's mineral properties, the state of debt and equity markets, and investor perceptions and expectations of the global markets, mining, and the base metals sector in particular.

As of December 31, 2022, the Company had a net working capital of \$4,369,254, which is sufficient to satisfy current liabilities and support existing and planned exploration activities throughout the year. Also, with the completion of the TSXV listing on July 26, 2022, the Company has improved access to capital markets and additional options for equity financing to support ongoing exploration programs.

OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA

Authorized: an unlimited number of common shares without par value	Common shares issued and outstanding	Stock Options	Warrants
Outstanding as at February 6, 2023, the date of this report	69,398,902	3,000,000	843,823

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FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company's activities potentially expose it to a variety of financial risks, including liquidity risk, interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk, and commodity price risk.

Credit Risk

The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to its accounts receivable. Accounts receivable consists of sales taxes due from the Federal Government of Canada. The Company has no significant concentration of credit risk arising from its operations. Management believes that the credit risk concentration with respect to financial instruments included in other assets is low.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations when they become due. As at December 31, 2022, the Company had working capital (current assets less current liabilities) of \$4,369,254, sufficient to support ongoing operations.

Interest Rate Risk

The Company does not currently have any outstanding variable interest-bearing loans and, therefore, the Company is not exposed to interest rate risk through fluctuation in the prime interest rate.

Commodity price risk

The Company is exposed to price risk with respect to commodity prices. Metal prices fluctuate daily and are affected by numerous factors outside of the Company's control, including, but not limited to, the perception of market participants about the price and future price prospects for nickel, changes in manufacturing and construction activity as well as other industrial demands, levels of worldwide production, and forward sales by producers and speculators.

Fair value

Financial instruments measured at fair value are classified into one of three levels in the fair value hierarchy according to the relative reliability of the inputs used to estimate the fair values. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities; and
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 Inputs that are not based on observable market data.

The fair value of the Company's accounts receivables and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximates their carrying value because of the short-term nature of the financial instruments. The Company's cash is measured at fair value using Level 1 inputs.

CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

In the normal course of business, the Company enters contracts that give rise to commitments for future minimum payments. The following table summarizes the remaining contractual maturities of the Company's

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financial liabilities and commitments as at December 31, 2022, shown in contractual undiscounted cashflows:

	Within 1 year	2 to 3 years	Total
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	70,735	-	70,735
Flow-through expenditure requirements	2,655,193	-	2,655,193
Total	2,725,928		2,725,928

Both the Wine and Pipy Properties are subject to net smelter royalty arrangements, which create contractual obligations if either of these properties is brought into production. Additionally, to maintain the Company's properties in good standing order, the Company is required to make certain mineral claims payments on an annual basis.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There are no subsequent events.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The key management personnel include those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling the activities of the Company as a whole. The Company has determined that key management personnel consist of executive and non-executive members of the Company's Board of Directors and corporate officers.

	December 31,	December 31,	
	2022	2021	
Management fees	\$ 387,667	\$ 111,950	
Directors fees	177,693	32,250	
Share-based compensation	65,652	151,563	
TOTAL	\$ 631,012	\$ 298,763	

OUTLOOK

In 2022, the Company completed the first drill program at the Wine Property and will use the information from the results to build a model for future exploration programs at the property. The Company also completed an airborne VTEM survey. This survey will build on data obtained from the previously flown aeromagnetic survey and is expected to define additional targets that are both conductive and have a subtle magnetic signature indicative of pyrrhotite. The VTEM data has been received and interpreted, select targets have been modelled for subsequent drill testing. A drill program is planned for the first quarter of 2023.

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Additionally, the Company will continue to compile data on both properties to further refine future drill targeting, and to evaluate the addition of strategic land positions within the respective property areas to broaden the exploration program.

The Company continues to evaluate additional nickel projects, focusing on areas in stable jurisdictions, preferably in the North American region.

At the Pipy South property, over 2,000-metre drill program is planned for 2023 to test several targets defined from the detailed aeromagnetic survey flown in 2021 and the compilation of past geophysical work and diamond drilling. All drill holes will subsequently be probed with downhole TDEM. At the Pipy North property, an airborne geophysical survey is planned to test the favourable Pipe Formation stratigraphy, interpreted to underlie the property, for nickel mineralization. Targets generated from this survey will be prioritized for subsequent drill testing.

With the completion of the RTO Transaction on July 26, 2022, the Company has sufficient funding to support plans for advancing both nickel properties in Manitoba as well as continue to pursue opportunities in the nickel sector to identify and acquire additional interests.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of the Company's interim financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities; the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities; as well as the reported expenses during the reporting period. Such estimates and assumptions affect the determination of the carrying value and the recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets and the inputs used in calculating the fair value of share-based payment expense. Management re-evaluates its estimates and assumptions on an ongoing basis; however, due to the nature of estimates, actual amounts could differ from its estimates. The most critical accounting estimates upon which the Company depends are those requiring estimates of reserves and resources, future recoverability of assets, and assumptions around future commodity prices.

Significant, Recently Adopted Accounting Policies and Accounting Standards Issued but Not Yet Applied

The Company's significant account policies and accounting standards issued but not yet applied are described in Note 3 and Note 4 of the financial statements for year ended December 31, 2022.

DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

The Company's certifying officers are responsible for ensuring that processes are in place to provide them with sufficient knowledge to support the representations they are making in their certificates regarding the absence of misrepresentations and fair disclosure of financial information. Investors should be aware that inherent limitation on the ability of certifying officers of a venture issuer to design and implement on a cost-effective basis disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting, as defined in National Instrument 52-109, may result in additional risks to the quality, reliability, transparency and timeliness of interim and annual filings and other reports provided under securities legislation.

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RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

In conducting its business, the Company faces a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond its ability to control or predict. Because of these risks and uncertainties, actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements, and investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. Readers are advised to study and consider risk factors stressed below. The following are identified as main risk factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those stated in any forward-looking statements made by, or on behalf of, the Company.

COVID 19 and Other Outbreaks of Communicable Diseases

Our business could be adversely impacted by the effects of the coronavirus or other epidemics. The extent to which COVID-19 impacts our business, including our operations and the market for our securities, will depend on future developments, which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted at this time, and include the duration, severity and scope of the outbreak and the actions taken to contain or treat the outbreak. In particular, the continued spread of COVID-19 globally could materially and adversely impact our business including without limitation, employee health, workforce productivity, supply chain impacts, increased insurance premiums, limitations on travel, the availability of industry experts and personnel, restrictions to our drill program and/or the timing to process drill core samples and other metallurgical testing, requiring a partial or full suspension of tailings re-processing operations and exploration programs for an indefinite amount of time and other factors that will depend on future developments beyond our control, which may have a material and adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

There can be no assurance that the Company's personnel will not be impacted by these pandemic diseases and ultimately see its workforce productivity reduced or incur increased medical costs / insurance premiums as a result of these health risks.

In addition, a significant outbreak of COVID-19 or other communicable disease could result in a widespread global health crisis that could adversely affect global economies and financial markets resulting in an economic downturn that could have an adverse effect on the demand for precious metals, our ability to raise capital, and our future prospects.

Liquidity Concerns and Future Financings

The Company will require significant capital and operating expenditures in connection with the development of its properties. There can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in obtaining required financing as and when needed. Volatile markets may make it difficult or impossible for the Company to obtain debt financing or equity financing on favorable terms, if at all. Failure to obtain additional financing on a timely basis may cause the Company to postpone or slow down its development plans, forfeit rights in some or all of its properties or reduce or terminate some or all of its activities.

Nature of Mining, Mineral Exploration and Development Projects

Mining operations generally involve a high degree of risk. The Company's operations are subject to the hazards and risks normally encountered in mineral exploration, development and production, including environmental hazards, explosions, unusual or unexpected geological formations or pressures and periodic interruptions in both production and transportation due to inclement or hazardous weather conditions. Such risks could result in damage to, or destruction of, mineral properties or producing facilities, personal injury, environmental damage, delays in mining, monetary losses and possible legal liability.

Mineral exploration is highly speculative in nature. There is no assurance that exploration efforts will be successful. Even when mineralization is discovered, it may take several years until production is possible, during which time the economic feasibility of production may change. Substantial expenditures are required to establish proven and probable mineral reserves through drilling. Because of these uncertainties, no assurance can be given that exploration programs

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will result in the establishment or expansion of mineral resources or mineral reserves. There is no certainty that the expenditures made by the Company towards the search and evaluation of mineral deposits will result in discoveries or development of commercial quantities of ore.

No Revenues

To date the Company has recorded no revenues from exploration operations and the Company has not commenced commercial production or development on any property. There can be no assurance that significant losses will not occur in the near future or that the Company will be profitable in the future. The Company's operating expenses and capital expenditures may increase in subsequent years in relation to the engagement of consultants, personnel and equipment associated with advancing exploration, development and commercial production of the Company's properties. The Company expects to continue to incur losses for the foreseeable future. The development of the Company's properties will require the commitment of substantial resources to conduct time-consuming exploration. There can be no assurance that the Company will generate any revenues or achieve profitability.

Licenses and Permits, Laws and Regulations

The Company's exploration and development activities, including mine, mill, road, rail and other transportation facilities, require permits and approvals from various government authorities and are subject to extensive federal, provincial, state and local laws and regulations governing prospecting, development, production, exports, taxes, labour standards, occupational health and safety, mine safety, government consultation obligations, environmental protection and remediation and other matters. Such laws and regulations are subject to change, can become more stringent and compliance can therefore become more costly. In addition, the Company may be required to compensate those suffering loss or damage by reason of its activities. There can be no guarantee that the Company will be able to maintain or obtain all necessary licenses, permits and approvals that may be required to explore and develop its properties, commence construction or operation of mining facilities.

Mineral Commodity Prices

The value of the Company's properties 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 result of operations.

Environmental

The Company's activities are subject to extensive federal, provincial state and local laws and regulations governing environmental protection and employee health and safety. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner that is creating stricter standards, while enforcement, fines and penalties for non-compliance are also increasingly stringent. The cost of compliance with changes in governmental regulations has the potential to reduce the value of its properties. Further, any failure by the Company to comply fully with all applicable laws and regulations could have significant adverse effects on the Company, including the suspension or cessation of operations.

Title to Properties

The acquisition of title to resource properties is a very detailed and time-consuming process. The Company holds its interest in certain of its properties through mining claims. Title to, and the area of, the mining claims may be disputed. There is no guarantee that such title will not be challenged or impaired. There may be challenges to the title of the properties in which the Company may have an interest, which, if successful, could result in the loss or reduction of the Company's interest in the properties.

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Uninsured Risks

The Company maintains insurance to cover normal business risks. In the course of exploration and development of mineral properties, certain risks, and in particular, unexpected or unusual geological operating conditions including explosions, rock bursts, cave-ins, fire and earthquakes may occur. It is not always possible to fully insure against such risks as a result of high premiums or other reasons. Should such liabilities arise, they could result in significant liabilities to the Company and increase costs of projects.

Competition

NiCAN competes with many other mining companies that have substantially greater resources than the Company. Such competition may result in the Company being unable to acquire desired properties, recruit or retain qualified employees or acquire the capital necessary to fund its operations and develop its properties. The Company's inability to compete with other mining companies for these resources would have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operation and business.

Dependence on Outside Parties

The Company has relied upon consultants, engineers and others and intends to rely on these parties for development, construction and operating expertise. Substantial expenditures are required to establish mineral reserves through drilling, to carry out environmental and social impact assessments, to develop processes to extract the commodity from the ore. If such parties' work is deficient or negligent or is not completed in a timely manner, it could have a material adverse effect on NiCAN.

Conflicts of Interest

Certain of the Company's directors and officers serve or may agree to serve as directors or officers of other companies and, to the extent that such other companies may participate in ventures in which the Company may participate, the directors of the Company may have a conflict of interest in negotiating and concluding terms respecting such participation.

FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION

This MD&A provides management's analysis of NiCAN's historical financial and operating results and provides estimates of the Company's future financial and operating performance based on information currently available. Actual results will vary from estimates and the variances may be significant. Readers should be aware that historical results are not necessarily indicative of future performance.

Certain information set forth in this MD&A, including management's assessment of the Company's plans and operations, contains forward-looking information. By their nature, forward-looking information is subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, some of which are beyond the Company's control, including the impact of general economic conditions, industry conditions, volatility of commodity prices, currency fluctuations, imprecision of reserve and resource estimates, environmental risks, competition from other industry participants, the lack of availability of qualified personnel or management, stock market volatility and ability to access sufficient capital from internal and external sources. Readers are cautioned that the assumptions used in the preparation of such information, although considered reasonable at the time of preparation, may prove to be inaccurate and, as such, undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking information. NiCAN's actual results, performance or achievement could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements and, accordingly, no assurance can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking information will transpire or occur or, if any of them do so, what benefits NiCAN will derive there from. NiCAN disclaims any intention or obligation to

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