MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

For the three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021

ARTEMIS GOLD INC.

Dated May 18, 2022



Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations For the three months ended March 31, 2022

1. GENERAL

This management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") is management's interpretation of the results and financial condition of Artemis Gold Inc. ("Artemis" or the "Company") for the three months ended March 31, 2022, and includes events up to the date of this MD&A. This discussion should be read in conjunction with the Company's unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2022 and the related notes thereto (the "Interim Financial Statements") and other corporate filings of the Company, including the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021 (the "Annual Financial Statements") and its most recently filed Annual Information Form ("AIF"), all of which are available under the Company's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. Unless otherwise specified, all financial information has been derived from the Company's Interim Financial Statements and Annual Financial Statements which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (the "IASB") applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements including International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 34 - Interim Financial Reporting, All dollar figures stated herein are expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise specified. This MD&A contains forward-looking information. Please see the section, "Note Regarding Forward-Looking Information" for a discussion of the risks, uncertainties and assumptions used to develop the Company's forward-looking information.

2. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

All scientific and technical information herein related to the Blackwater Gold Project located in central British Columbia (the "**Blackwater Project**" or "**Blackwater**") has been reviewed and approved by Mr. Jeremy Langford, FAusIMM., who is the Company's Chief Operating Officer and a qualified person for the purposes of National Instrument 43-101 *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects* ("**NI 43-101**"). For additional information regarding the Blackwater Project, please see the Company's news release dated September 13, 2021, as well as the Company's technical report entitled "Blackwater Gold Project, NI 43-101 Technical Report on Updated Feasibility Study" with an effective date of September 10, 2021 (the "Feasibility Study"), both available on the Company's profile at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

3. BACKGROUND

Artemis was incorporated on January 10, 2019, pursuant to the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) and its common shares are traded on the TSX Venture Exchange (the "**TSXV**") under the symbol "ARTG".

Since the acquisition of the Blackwater Project from New Gold Inc. ("**New Gold**") on August 21, 2020 (the "**Blackwater Acquisition**"), the Company's primary focus has been to advance Blackwater to construction.

The Company also holds a 32% equity interest in Velocity Minerals Ltd ("**VLC**"). VLC is in the business of acquiring, exploring, and evaluating mineral resource properties in Bulgaria and its flagship project is the Rozino Project. Velocity's common shares are traded on the TSXV under the symbol "VLC".

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4. HIGHLIGHTS AND KEY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENTS

Corporate highlights since the prior quarter

The Company continued to focus on key optimization and de-risking activities associated with the Blackwater Project through:

- Executing an underwritten commitment letter from Macquarie Bank Limited ("Macquarie") and National Bank of Canada ("National Bank") associated with a \$360 million project loan facility ("PLF" to fund the Blackwater Project. The PLF also allows for an additional \$25 million in capitalized interest and a \$40 million standby cost overrun facility (the "Standby COF");
- Executing an Interim Services Agreement ("ISA") with Sedgman Canada Limited ("Sedgman"), a CIMIC Group Company for an Engineering, Procurement and Construction ("EPC") contract for the construction of the processing facility and associated infrastructure (the "Facilities") for the Blackwater Project;

5. DEVELOPMENT OF BLACKWATER

Key milestones achieved

Since January 1, 2022, the Company has completed the following activities to reduce the project execution risk associated with Blackwater:

(i) Execution of credit-approved Project Loan Facility commitment letter

On February 24, 2022, the Company announced the execution of a credit-approved commitment letter with Macquarie and National Bank to jointly underwrite a \$360 million PLF, to fund a significant component of the estimated construction costs of the Company's Blackwater Project. The PLF also provides for up to \$25 million in capitalized interest and a \$40 million Standby COF. The Standby COF is an addition to the facilities previously announced on April 9, 2021, and represents a further enhancement of these financing facilities to de-risk development in the current economic environment.

The execution of the Commitment Letter represents a strong statement of support of the technical and economic merits of Blackwater by Macquarie and National Bank, and achieves another important milestone towards de-risking the development of Blackwater.

Highlights of the PLF

Key terms of the PLF include the following:

• <u>Facility Amount</u> - \$360 million, plus up to \$25 million for capitalized interest prior to Project completion, plus a Standby COF in the amount of \$40 million. The Company may cancel the Standby COF once Project development reaches completion.

• <u>Interest Rate</u> – Canadian Dealer Offered Rate ("**CDOR**"), plus a margin of 4.5% pre-project completion, reducing to 4.0% post-completion. Any amounts drawn on the Standby COF will carry the above pricing plus an additional 2%.

• <u>Fees</u> – Customary Upfront and standby fees for a facility of this nature.

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• <u>Repayment and Maturity</u> – Principal and capitalized interest is expected to be repayable in quarterly installments over six years, with reduced repayments during the period when the Company expects to undertake its expansion of the Project from phase 1 to phase 2. The PLF can be prepaid at any time without penalty.

• <u>Liquidity</u> – Minimum required proceeds of \$10 million, debt service reserve of principal and interest owing in the upcoming quarter.

• <u>Hedging</u> - A hedging program is expected to be put in place following the execution of a definitive credit agreement pending certain conditions being met. In order to limit the Company's exposure to lower gold prices early in the mine life including during pay-back and in support of overall project economics, the extent of the hedge program may range from 185,000 gold ounces (at a hedge price of C\$2,632 per gold ounce) to 250,000 gold ounces (at a hedge price of C\$2,369 per gold ounce).

Closing of the PLF will be subject to completion of final due diligence, definitive documentation and other typical conditions precedent for a financing of this nature.

(ii) Execution of an ISA for the EPC contract for the Facilities for the Blackwater Project

On May 2, 2022, the Company announced it had made an award for the EPC scope of works for the engineering, procurement, construction and commissioning of the processing plant and associated infrastructure at the Company's Blackwater project Sedgman.

The award amount of approximately \$312 million is consistent with the prescribed budget for the process plant and selected infrastructure scope of works in the 2021 Feasibility Study technical report entitled "Blackwater Gold Project NI 43-101 Technical Report on Updated Feasibility Study "dated September 10, 2021 ("**FS**").

The EPC contract is expected to be executed by June 30, 2022. The EPC contract will be supported by performance security including bank letters of credit which will underwrite the financial performance and obligations of the contractor under the contract.

While the parties finalize the definitive EPC contract, in order to maintain the project schedule, an interim services agreement has been agreed, the scope of which includes but is not limited to, the following activities:

- Derisking by way of:
 - Procurement and pricing of long lead equipment;
 - Potential advance procurement of certain raw materials for fabricators;
 - Detailed engineering work commencing in Q2 2022; and
 - Progression of quantification of structural steel/platework and piping areas of the estimate.
- Optimization through refined scope changes.

The project schedule supporting the award to Sedgman includes the following assumptions:

- Construction mobilization and major works preparations commence in Fall 2022 with process plant bulk earthworks scheduled to be completed prior to the start of major works;
- Commissioning activities of the process facility to commence in Q1 2024; and
- First gold pour expected in the first half of 2024.

The above dates are consistent with the dates stated in the Company's press release dated March 30, 2022.

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The final EPC contract terms will provide for potential cost adjustments of certain components of construction representing approximately less than 15% of the total contract amount, including the potential for cost adjustments from further quantity definition. Standard adjustments, including, currency exchange rates for certain equipment purchases also apply, and further optimization of the processing plant with final engineering will occur.

Artemis is also considering awarding additional construction packages under an EPC agreement type structure to further enhance the risk management of the total capital expenditure for Blackwater.

When combined with the EPC for the Power Transmission Line announced on August 18, 2021, the percentage of the estimated total capex for Blackwater under EPC is on track to target ~60% of the initial Stage 1 development capital in a lump sum EPC type arrangement by Q3 2022.

Sedgman Canada Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary company of Sedgman Pty Limited, a CIMIC Group company. CIMIC Group (ASX:CIM) is an engineering-led construction, mining, services and public private partnerships leader working across the lifecycle of assets, infrastructure and resources projects. CIMIC's mission is to generate sustainable shareholder returns by delivering innovative and competitive solutions for clients and safe, fulfilling careers for its people. With a history since 1899, and around 29,000 people in around 20 countries, CIMIC strives to be known for principles of Integrity, Accountability, Innovation and Delivery, underpinned by Safety. CIMIC is a member of the Dow Jones Sustainability Australia Index and FTSE4Good.

Next Steps

Over the next 12 months, the Company will be focused on the following activities:

- Executing the EPC contract for the Facilities;
- Executing an ISA for the EPC activities associated with the 135-kilometer long 230kV electricity transmission line and High Voltage substation;
- Continuing engagement with First Nations who may be impacted by the Project;
- Finalization of the definitive credit agreement for the PLF;
- Finalizing the master lease agreement associated with the Blackwater mining fleet;
- Executing binding agreements for the supply of a primary and ancillary mining fleet for the Blackwater Project, as well as the supply of associated parts, components and services for the mining fleet;
- Placing orders for long lead construction items, mining and ancillary fleet;
- Receiving the BC Mines Act Permit and other authorizations in order to commence Project construction; and
- Commencement of major construction activities shortly following receipt of the BC Mines Act Permit in the Fall of 2022.

6. DISCUSSION OF OPERATIONS

The following information has been derived from the Interim Financial Statements for the three months ended March 31, 2022 ("**Q1 2022**") and March 31, 2021 ("**Q1 2021**") and should be read in conjunction with the Company's Interim Financial Statements, which are available on <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

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	Q1 2022	Q1 2021
Operating expenses		
Depreciation	94,753	73,984
Management fees and wages	1,207,410	742,549
Investor relations and corporate development	91,975	96,677
Office, insurance and general	245,707	189,671
Professional fees	169,635	249,350
Share-based payments	1,471,408	1,036,908
Transfer agent and regulatory	12,812	57,291
Loss from operations	(3,293,700)	(2,446,430)
Other (expense) income		
Accretion expense on lease liability	(18,277)	(21,623)
Accretion expense on asset retirement obligation	(19,568)	(22,239)
Equity loss from investment in associate	(236,876)	(143,164)
Fair value adjustment on convertible debenture	-	(795 <i>,</i> 646)
Fair value adjustment on warrants	(644,119)	(206,439)
Interest income	218,472	119,319
Net loss	(3,994,068)	(3,516,222)
Other comprehensive (loss) gain, net of tax		
Items that will not be reclassified to net loss		
Gains (loss) on marketable securities	262,316	(267,260)
Comprehensive loss	(3,731,752)	(3,783,482)
Loss per common share		
Basic and diluted	(0.03)	(0.03)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	(0.00)	(0.00)
Basic and diluted	153,991,034	124,258,084

The following includes an analysis of significant factors that impacted period-to-period variations:

Management fees and wages

Management fees and wages increased by \$464,861 in Q1 2022 compared to Q1 2021, predominantly due to additional hires made to support the increasing scope of development activities associated with Blackwater.

Office, insurance and general

Office, insurance and general expenses were \$56,036 higher during Q1 2022, reflecting the costs of expanding and operating the corporate head office in Vancouver as the scope of the Company's focus expanded towards the development of the Blackwater Project.

Professional fees

Professional fees decreased by \$79,715 for Q1 2022 compared to Q1 2021. The decrease was predominantly due to the fact that during Q1 2021 the Company incurred residual regulatory compliance costs associated with

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the Blackwater acquisition, as well as fees associated with the preparation of the Company's base shelf prospectus.

Share-based payments

Stock-based compensation increased by \$434,500 in Q1 2022 compared to Q1 2021, primarily due to the expansion of the management team of the Company subsequent to the completion of the Blackwater acquisition.

Changes associated with investment in VLC

	Investment in associate \$	Convertible debenture \$	Warrants \$	Total \$
Balance, January 1, 2021	9,479,754	10,976,994	2,699,462	23,156,210
Conversion of debenture	10,181,348	(10,181,348)	-	-
Fair value change for the year	-	(795,646)	(2,055,343)	(2,850,989)
Equity loss on investment in associate	(701,729)	-	-	(701,729)
Balance, December 31, 2021	18,959,373	-	644,119	19,603,492
Fair value change in the period	-	-	(644,119)	(644,119)
Equity loss on investment in associate	(236,876)	-	-	(236,876)
Balance, March 31, 2022	18,722,497	-	-	18,722,497

The investment in VLC is comprised of:

Equity loss on investment in associate

The Company applies equity accounting to the investment in the common shares of VLC as the Company has significant influence over VLC due to the Company's share ownership and representation on VLC's Board of Directors. As a result, the common shares were recognized at cost, with the carrying amount of the investment increasing or decreasing at each reporting period to recognize the Company's share of the profit or loss of VLC for the particular period.

As at March 31, 2022, the Company held 50,701,138 common shares of VLC (or 32% of VLC's issued and outstanding common shares) with a fair market value of \$14,703,330 (December 31, 2021 - 50,701,138 VLC shares at a fair value of \$15,717,353).

Fair value adjustment on warrants

On March 14, 2022, the Company's (then) remaining 9,300,000 warrants in VLC expired unexercised.

7. SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS

The following information is derived from the Company's Interim Financial Statements prepared in accordance with IFRS applicable to interim financial reporting including IAS 34 – *Interim Financial Reporting*. For quarterly periods other than those ended December 31, the information below should be read in conjunction with the Company's Interim Consolidated Financial Statements for each of the past quarters.

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	Q1 2022	Q4 2021	Q3 2021	Q2 2021
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue	-	-	-	-
Net loss	(3,994,068)	(4,219,443)	(2,705,433)	(3,269,654)
Basic loss per share	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.02)	(0.02)
Diluted loss per share	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.02)	(0.02)
Cash dividend declared per share	-	-	-	-
	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue	-	-	-	-
Net (loss) income	(3,516,222)	(953,204)	(2,237,147)	3,882,635
Basic (loss) income per share	(0.03)	(0.01)	(0.03)	0.08
Diluted (loss) income per share	(0.03)	(0.01)	(0.03)	0.06
Cash dividend declared per share	-	-	-	-

The Company is focused on the development of the Blackwater Project and does not yet generate any revenue. It is the Company's policy to capitalize all mine development expenses incurred and as such the changes in net income from one period to another depend largely on corporate and administrative expenditure, non-cash fair value adjustments, equity accounting associated with the Company's interest in VLC as well as non-cash deferred income tax expenses and recoveries which are offset by any interest income accrued in the period.

The Company's common shares commenced trading on the TSXV on October 2, 2019. Since Q3 2019, corporate and administrative expenditure remained relatively consistent until the acquisition of Blackwater in Q3 2020. Concurrent with the acquisition of Blackwater, the Company commenced with building up its human resources, resulting in increased management fees and wages from primarily Q3 2020 onwards.

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In addition to the foregoing, the predominant reason for fluctuations in net (loss) income from one quarter to another were the following changes in fair value adjustments to the Company's convertible debt and warrants held in VLC as well as stock-based compensation associated with the expansion of the management team towards the development of the Project:

	Q1 2022	Q4 2021	Q3 2021	Q2 2021
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Stock based compensation	(1,471,408)	(1,402,154)	(993,967)	(1,146,297)
Fair value adjustment on convertible debt	-	-	-	-
Fair value adjustment on warrants	(644,119)	(1,084,393)	(77,835)	(686,676)
	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Stock based compensation	(1,036,908)	(999,186)	(503,451)	(257,551)
Fair value adjustment on convertible debt	(795,646)	1,044,477	(612,693)	3,605,547
Fair value adjustment on warrants	(206,439)	384,333	(379,366)	1,732,688

8. LIQUIDITY, CAPITAL RESOURCES, CASH FLOWS AND SELECTED ANNUAL INFORMATION

Liquidity

As a development-stage company, Artemis does not have revenues and is expected to incur operating losses for the foreseeable future.

The Company's net assets and working capital position were as follows:

	As at March 31, 2022 \$	As at December 31, 2021 \$
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	119,834,588	131,359,116
Other current assets	784,700	1,772,236
Current assets	120,619,288	133,131,352
Restricted cash	824,300	824,300
Other non-current assets	348,951,852	335,835,779
TOTAL ASSETS	470,395,440	469,791,431
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Current liabilities	7,814,324	5,430,523
Non-current liabilities	44,795,565	45,033,673
TOTAL LIABILITIES	52,609,889	50,464,196
NET ASSETS	417,785,551	419,327,235
WORKING CAPITAL	112,804,964	127,700,829

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	< 1 year	years	years	> 5 years	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Accounts payable and accrued liabilites	7,450,746	-	-	-	7,450,746
Lease liability	363,578	747,640	190,951	-	1,302,168
Other variable consideration payable	-	-	-	84,000,000	84,000,000
Asset retirement obligation	-	-	-	11,637,000	11,637,000

As of March 31, 2022, the Company had the following undiscounted obligations:

As at the date of this report, the Company expects that its working capital position provides sufficient resources available to meet its contractual obligations for the ensuing 12 months. Having said this, in order for the Company to meet such obligations and undertake its discretionary spending related to further development of the Blackwater Project, it will need to (and the Company intends to) fund such planned expenditures by obtaining financing from the exercise of warrants, through additional equity financing and/or through debt financing, as well as streaming arrangements. Management is confident financing will be available at terms agreeable to the Company, however there can be no assurance that the Company will secure the funding required for such elective initiatives.

The Company has not paid any dividends and management does not expect that this will change in the near future.

Working capital is held almost entirely in cash and cash equivalents, significantly reducing any liquidity risk of financial instruments held by the Company.

	For the three	For the three
	Three months ended	months ended
	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021
	\$	\$
Net cash used in operating activities	(1,485,170)	(1,146,079)
Net cash used in investing activities	(5,769,164)	(8,295,381)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(4,270,194)	15,213
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(11,524,528)	(9,426,247)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	131,359,116	51,846,826
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	119,834,588	42,420,579
Restricted cash, ending	824,300	570,800
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, ending	120,658,888	42,991,379

Cash Flows

Cash flows from operating activities

Net cash used in operating activities increased by \$339,091 in Q1 2022 compared to Q1 2021, reflecting the expanding operating costs associated with the corporate head office in Vancouver as the scope of the Company's focus expanded towards the development of the Blackwater Project.

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Cash flows from investing activities

Cash used in investing activities decreased by \$2,526,217 in Q1 2022 compared to Q1 2021. This was predominantly the result of \$1,383,413 proceeds received from the sale of marketable securities and an increase in interest received. In addition, cash expenditure associated with the ongoing development activities at Blackwater was lower than in Q1 2021, which included the costs of the Company's 2021 grade control drilling program.

Cash flows from financing activities

Cash used in financing activities increased by \$4,285,407 in Q1 2022 compared to Q1 2021, which was primarily due to the payment of fees associated with securing the various forms of financing for the Project.

Use of Proceeds

The following table includes a comparison of actual use of proceeds to previous disclosures made by the Company during the quarter ended March 31, 2022:

	Intended use of proceeds \$	Actual use of proceeds \$
Net proceeds from private placements completed on July 7, 2020 and September 2, 2020	170,479,846	
Net proceeds from the Bought Deal Offering on May 19, 2021 and the Non-Brokered Offering on May 25, 2021	164,962,716	
Total net proceeds	335,442,562	
Acquisition of Blackwater	140,000,000	140,000,000
Payment of consideration payable to New Gold	50,000,000	50,000,000
Advancing development of Blackwater and general working capital	145,442,562	53,909,256
Remaining in treasury	-	91,533,306
Total net proceeds		335,442,562

The \$50 million consideration payable to New Gold was paid on August 23, 2021. The balance of the proceeds remaining in treasury is intended to be applied towards (i) ongoing permitting costs (ii) costs associated with detailed engineering (iii) financing costs (iv) pre-development and development expenditures as contemplated in the Company's Feasibility Study, including the costs associated with mobilizing the EPC contractors, placing orders for longer-lead construction items, commencing earthworks and development of offsite infrastructure including road access and power supply to the Blackwater site, as well as (v) costs associated with partnering with First Nations groups and (vi) general corporate purposes.

9. TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN RELATED PARTIES

The Company transacts with key management personnel, who have authority and responsibility to plan, direct and control the activities of the Company and receive compensation for services rendered in that capacity. Amounts paid to related parties were incurred in the normal course of business and on an arm's length basis. Salaries, benefits, consulting fees and director's fees are recorded on a historical cost basis while share-based compensation is measured at the fair value of the instruments issued, with the expense recognized over the relevant vesting periods.

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Related party transactions for the three months ended March 31, 2021, included compensation paid to the Company's directors (Messrs. David Black, Bill Armstrong, Ryan Beedie, Mss. Elise Rees and Lisa Ethans and Dr. Janis Shandro), as well as the Company's Chief Executive Officer (Mr. Steven Dean), Chief Financial Officer (Mr. Chris Batalha) and Chief Operating Officer (Mr. Jeremy Langford).

Compensation awarded to related parties for the three months ended March 31, 2022, and March 31, 2021, was:

	Q1 2022	Q1 2021
	\$	\$
Salaries and benefits	209,489	277,860
Consulting fees	150,000	143,750
Director fees	135,500	81,250
Share-based payments	1,170,099	976,997
	1,665,088	1,479,857

As at March 31, 2022, the Company did not owe any unpaid salaries, benefits and consulting fees to the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer (as at March 31, 2021 - \$Nil).

As at March 31, 2022, the Company did not owe any unpaid fees to Directors (as at March 31, 2021 - \$Nil).

10. OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company had no off-balance sheet arrangements as at March 31, 2022, or as at the date hereof.

11. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

a) Subsequent to March 31, 2022 the Company issued 60,000 common shares in various tranches pursuant to warrant exercises for gross proceeds of \$64,800.

OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA

The authorized capital of Artemis consists of an unlimited number of common shares. As of the date of this report, there were 154,111,145 common shares outstanding, 30,900,465 warrants outstanding and 9,051,500 options outstanding. Each whole warrant entitles the holder to purchase one additional common share of the Company at a price of \$1.08 per until August 27, 2024.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

Capital includes all components of shareholders' equity. The Company's objective in managing capital is to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, to maintain a flexible capital structure which optimizes cost of capital at acceptable risk and to provide reasonable returns to shareholders. The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments in light of changes in economic conditions, foreign exchange rates and the risk characteristics of the Company's assets. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may issue new shares, or sell assets to improve working capital. The Company has no other externally imposed capital requirements. In order for the Company to meet its obligations and undertake its intended discretionary spending related to further development of the Blackwater Project, it may choose to fund such expenditures by obtaining financing through additional equity financing, or through debt financing or a combination thereof.

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FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Company's risk management framework.

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, interest receivables and deposits, and the investment in VLC warrants which are designated as fair value through profit and loss. The Company's marketable securities are designated as fair value through other comprehensive income and loss. The Company's financial instruments also include accounts payable and consideration payable, which are measured at amortised cost.

Fair value measurements

A three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements exists based upon the significance of inputs used in making fair value measurements:

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

As at March 31, 2022, the carrying value of the Company's cash and cash equivalents, receivables, as well as accounts payable approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature, while the Company's investments in marketable securities and warrants in VLC are carried at fair value. The carrying value of consideration payable and other variable consideration payable are considered to approximate their fair value. The fair value. The fair value of the Company's equity investment in VLC is disclosed in Note 4 to the Interim Financial Statements.

Fair value is based on available public market information or, when such information is not available, estimated using present value techniques and assumptions concerning the amount and timing of future cash flows and discount rates which factor in the appropriate credit risk. The fair value of the Company's investment in the VLC warrants, as well as consideration payable and other variable consideration payable, are categorized as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy as observable market data for these instruments are not available.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Accounting standards adopted January 1, 2022

Effective January 1, 2022, the Company adopted amendments to IAS 16 - Property, Plant and Equipment ("**IAS** 16") as issued by the IASB. The amendments to IAS 16 prohibit deducting from the cost of an item of mineral property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognizes the proceeds from selling such items, and the cost of producing those items, in profit or loss. The amendments to IAS 16 did not have any impact on the Company's historical financial statements or the current-period results.

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RISK FACTORS

The Company's business, operations and future prospects are subject to significant risks. For details of these risks, refer to the risk factors set forth in the Company's most recently filed AIF, which can be found under the Company's corporate profile on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>. Management is not aware of any significant changes to the risks identified in the Company's most recently filed AIF nor has the Company's mitigation of those risks changed significantly during the quarter ended March 31, 2022. These risks, and the risk factors disclosed below, could materially affect the Company's business, operations, prospects and share price and could cause actual events to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements relating to the Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to the Company or that the Company currently considers immaterial may also impair the business, operations, prospects and share price of the Company. If any of the risks actually occur, the business of the Company may be harmed, and its financial condition and results of operations may suffer significantly.

The operations of the Company are speculative due to the high-risk nature of its business which is the exploration of mineral properties. For details of these risks, refer to the risk factors set forth in the Company's most recently filed AIF, which can be found under the Company's corporate profile on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>. Management is not aware of any significant changes to the risks identified in the Company's most recently filed AIF nor has the Company's mitigation of those risks changed significantly during the quarter ended March 31, 2022. The risks refer to herein are not the only risks and uncertainties that Artemis faces. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to the Company or that the Company currently considers immaterial may also impair its business operations. These risk factors could materially affect the Company's future operating results and could cause actual events to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements relating to the Company.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURE FOR VENTURE ISSUERS WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT REVENUE

Additional disclosure concerning Artemis' general and administrative expenses and exploration, evaluation and development expenses are provided in the Company's statement of income and comprehensive income contained in its Annual Financial Statements and Interim Financial Statements, which are all available on Artemis' website and its profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This MD&A contains "forward-looking statements" (also referred to as "forward-looking information") within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this MD&A that address activities, events or developments that Artemis expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including, without limitation, statements about the future exploration, development and construction activities; sources, and proposed uses, of funds; capital and operating cost estimates; NPV, IRR and other economic estimates in respect of the economics of the Blackwater Project; expectations regarding the construction, operation and expansion of the Blackwater Project; expectations regarding the ability to raise capital for future activities, including the Company's expectations with respect to financing the construction of the Blackwater Project; expectations relating to the PLF; expectations relating to the continued engagement and negotiation with First Nations; the timing and receipt of certain approvals, and other such matters are forward-looking statements. When used in this MD&A, the words "estimate", "plan", "anticipate", "expect", "intend", "target', "believe" and similar expressions are intended to identify forwardlooking statements. Forward-looking information and statements are based on the then current expectations,

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beliefs, assumptions, estimates and forecasts about Artemis' business and the industry and markets in which it operates.

Forward-looking information and statements are made based upon certain assumptions and other important factors that could cause the actual results, performances or achievements of Artemis to be materially different from future results, performances or achievements expressed or implied by such information or statements. Such information and statements are based on numerous assumptions including, among others, the accuracy of the economic benefits as forecasted by the Feasibility Study, the expected economic impact on British Columbia stemming from construction and operating activities of the Blackwater Project, the expected value-added and jobs stemming from the construction and operation of the Blackwater Project, the ability to fast-track certain construction initiatives at the Blackwater Project, the timing of awarding of the EPC contract, that the results of planned exploration, development and construction activities, that general business and economic conditions will not change in a material adverse manner, that financing will be available if and when needed on reasonable terms (including that the Company will be able to conclude a project loan facility for the Blackwater Project in the manner and on the timelines currently anticipated) and that third party contractors, equipment, supplies and governmental and other approvals required to conduct Artemis' planned exploration activities will be available on reasonable terms and in a timely manner.

Forward-looking information and statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Artemis to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among others, the risk that the estimates (including economic and cost estimates) set out in the Feasibility Study will prove incorrect, or the plans, forecasts, expectations and assumptions otherwise set out in the Feasibility Study are inaccurate or unrealized; risks related to the development and construction of the Blackwater Project; risks related to the negative operating cash flow and dependence on third party financing, including that the Company will be unsuccessful in executing a project loan facility for the Blackwater Project in the manner or on the timeline currently anticipated; the uncertainty of additional financing; the limited operating history of Artemis; the lack of known mineral resources or reserves; the influence of a large shareholder; alternate sources of energy; aboriginal title and consultation issues; risks related to exploration activities generally; reliance upon key management and other personnel; title to properties; uninsurable risks; conflicts of interest; permits and licences; environmental and other regulatory requirements; political regulatory risks; competition; and the volatility of share prices, all as more particularly described in the "Risk Factors" above. Although Artemis has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.