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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-Q**

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the quarterly period ended **March 31, 2010**

TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number: **1-08733**

**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION**

(Exact name of small business issuer as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)

**85-0212139**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**One West Wetmore Road, Suite 203**

**Tucson, Arizona**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**85705**

(Zip Code)

**(520) 292-0266**

Issuer's telephone number

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the past 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, non-accelerated filer, and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes [ ] No [X]

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State the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common equity, as of the latest practicable date. **110,520,915 shares of common stock as of March 31, 2010.**

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**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION**

**Quarterly Report On Form 10-Q  
For The Quarterly Period Ended  
March 31, 2010**

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**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements in this quarterly report include, among others, statements regarding our capital needs, business plans and expectations. Such forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties regarding our ability to restructure our existing secured credit facility, the market price of copper, availability of funds, government regulations, permitting, common share prices, operating costs, capital costs, outcomes of ore reserve development, recoveries and other factors. Forward-looking statements are made, without limitation, in relation to operating plans, property exploration and development, availability of funds, environmental reclamation, operating costs and permit acquisition. Any statements contained herein that are not statements of historical facts may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may", "will", "should", "expect", "plan", "intend", "anticipate", "believe", "estimate", "predict", "potential" or "continue" terms or other comparable terminology. Actual events or results may differ materially. In evaluating these statements, you should consider various factors, including the risks outlined in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, and, from time to time, in other reports that we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). These factors may cause our actual results to differ materially from any forward-looking statement. Given these uncertainties, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements.

**PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION****Item 1. Financial Statements**

The following unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements of Nord Resources Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiary Cochise Aggregates and Materials, Inc. (sometimes collectively referred to as we, us or our Company) are included in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q:

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It is the opinion of management the interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 include all adjustments necessary in order to ensure that the condensed consolidated financial statements are not misleading. These condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to present fairly the financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Except where noted, these interim condensed consolidated financial statements follow the same accounting policies and methods of their application as our Company's audited annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2009. All adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. These interim condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with our Company's audited annual consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009.

**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  
**MARCH 31, 2010 AND DECEMBER 31, 2009**

	March 31, 2010 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2009
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 425,423	\$ 1,298,138
Accounts receivable	105,980	781,393
Inventories	13,105,998	15,685,103
Prepaid expenses and other	117,219	71,778
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>13,754,620</b>	<b>17,836,412</b>
Property and Equipment, at cost:		
Property and equipment	47,279,592	47,227,963
Less accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization	(5,360,988)	(4,358,804)
<b>Net Property and Equipment</b>	<b>41,918,604</b>	<b>42,869,159</b>
Other Assets:		
Restricted marketable securities	686,476	686,476
Stockpiles and ore on leach pads	9,951,926	-
Debt issuance costs, net of accumulated amortization	751,554	813,483
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<b>11,389,956</b>	<b>1,499,959</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 67,063,180</b>	<b>\$ 62,205,530</b>

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

**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
MARCH 31, 2010 AND DECEMBER 31, 2009  
(Continued)**

	March 31, 2010 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2009
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 10,930,971	\$ 7,952,694
Accrued expenses	2,364,216	1,900,720
Current portion of deferred revenue	264,900	306,117
Current maturities of accrued interest	584,311	185,802
Current maturities of long-term debt	8,950,492	7,160,394
Current maturities of derivative contracts	9,000,646	7,967,695
Current maturities of capital lease obligation	15,808	15,808
Long-term derivative contracts accelerated due to default	4,740,763	-
Long-term debt accelerated due to default	14,307,333	-
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>51,159,440</b>	<b>25,489,230</b>
<b>Long-Term Liabilities:</b>		
Derivative contracts, less current maturities	-	5,101,263
Long-term debt, less current maturities	-	16,097,432
Capital lease obligation, less current maturities	23,923	27,087
Deferred revenue, less current portion	4,553,863	4,544,567
Accrued reclamation costs	159,710	157,580
Other	875,596	884,987
<b>Total Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<b>5,613,092</b>	<b>26,812,916</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>56,772,532</b>	<b>52,302,146</b>
<b>Commitments and contingencies</b>		
<b>Stockholders Equity:</b>		
Common stock: \$.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized, 110,520,915 and 110,435,586 shares issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively	1,105,209	1,104,356
Additional paid in capital	121,538,838	121,488,765
Accumulated deficit	(98,611,989)	(99,620,778)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(13,741,410)	(13,068,959)
<b>Total Stockholders Equity</b>	<b>10,290,648</b>	<b>9,903,384</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholders Equity</b>	<b>\$ 67,063,180</b>	<b>\$ 62,205,530</b>

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





**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
**FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2010 AND 2009**  
**(Unaudited)**

	2010	2009
Net sales	\$ 6,005,314	\$ 1,417,419
Costs applicable to sales (exclusive of depreciation, depletion and amortization shown separately below)	3,360,695	991,662
General and administrative expenses (includes stock based compensation of \$50,926 and \$185,523, respectively)	582,044	783,372
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	396,893	184,409
Income (loss) from operations	1,665,682	(542,024)
Other income (expense):		
Interest expense	(593,719)	(135,423)
Miscellaneous income (expense)	(63,174)	1,332,771
Total other income (expense)	(656,893)	1,197,348
Income before income taxes	1,008,789	655,324
Provision for income taxes	-	-
Net income	\$ 1,008,789	\$ 655,324
Net earnings per basic and diluted share of common stock:		
Weighted average number of basic common shares outstanding	111,170,298	69,773,292
Basic earnings per share of common stock	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01
Weighted average number of diluted common shares outstanding	115,930,964	70,462,737
Diluted earnings per share of common stock	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01

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**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF**  
**CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY**  
**FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2010**  
**(Unaudited)**

	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Com- prehensive Income (loss)	Total Stockholders Equity
Balance at December 31, 2009	110,435,586	\$ 1,104,356	\$ 121,488,765	\$ (99,620,778)	\$ (13,068,959)	\$ 9,903,384
Comprehensive income:						
Net income	-	-	-	1,008,789	-	1,008,789
Unrealized mark to market adjustment of cash flow hedges, net	-	-	-	-	(672,451)	(672,451)
Net realized losses from cash flow hedges	-	-	-	-	(1,922,054)	(1,992,054)
Effective portion of copper hedges transferred to net sales	-	-	-	-	1,886,237	1,886,237
Effective portion of interest rate swap transferred to interest expense	-	-	-	-	105,817	105,817
Comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	336,338
Compensation expense from issuance of stock options	-	-	18,426	-	-	18,426

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Common stock issued for deferred stock units	85,329	853	(853)	-	-	-
Compensation expense from issuance of deferred stock units	-	-	32,500	-	-	32,500

Balance at March 31, 2010      110,520,915 \$ 1,105,209 \$ 121,538,838 \$ (98,611,989) \$ (13,741,410) \$ 10,290,648

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

**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2010 AND 2009**  
**(Unaudited)**

	2010	2009
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 1,008,789	\$ 655,324
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used by operating activities:		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	396,893	184,409
Accretion expense on accrued reclamation costs	2,130	1,854
Amortization of debt issuance costs	62,576	59,943
Issuance of stock options for services rendered	18,426	153,023
Issuance of deferred stock units for services rendered	32,500	32,500
Gain on sale of hedges-effective portion	-	(572,966)
Gain on sale of hedges-ineffective portion	-	(1,261,239)
Proceeds from settlement of effective hedges	-	285,017
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	675,413	313,505
Inventories	3,244,047	(1,418,132)
Stockpiles and ore on leach pads	(9,951,926)	-
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(45,441)	(154,721)
Accounts payable	2,909,496	51,098
Accrued expenses	463,496	298,538
Accrued interest	398,508	-
Deferred revenue	(31,921)	-
Other liabilities	(9,391)	(7,919)
Net Cash Used By Operating Activities	(826,405)	(1,379,766)
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</b>		
Decrease in restricted marketable securities	-	1,533,662
Proceeds from sale of ineffective hedges	-	714,324
Capital expenditures	(42,499)	(7,750,447)
Net Cash Used By Investing Activities	(42,499)	(5,502,461)
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities:</b>		
Debt issuance costs	(647)	(36,303)
Proceeds from exercise of options	-	6,000
Proceeds from sale of royalty interest	-	4,950,000
Principal payments on capital leases	(3,164)	(4,068)
Net Cash Provided (Used) By Financing Activities	(3,811)	4,915,629
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(872,715)	(1,966,598)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period	1,298,138	4,465,245
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$ 425,423	\$ 2,498,647

**Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:**

Cash paid during the period for:

Interest	\$	-	\$	75,480
Income taxes		-		-

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

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**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2010 AND 2009**

(Unaudited)

(Continued)

	2010	2009
Supplemental Disclosure of Non-cash Investing and Financing Activities:		
Warrants issued in connection with debt facilities	\$ -	\$ 100,000
Common stock issued in exchange for deferred stock units	853	790
Mark to market of cash flow hedges	(672,451)	(9,900,914)
Change in property and equipment and construction in progress financed		
by		
accounts payable	68,781	3,387,047
Capitalized interest financed by accrued interest	-	357,660
Gain on sale of copper hedges-effective portion allocated to mine		
development costs	-	(271,897)
Change in depreciation expense allocated to inventory	664,942	-

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

## 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Nord Resources Corporation and Subsidiary (the Company) is a United States based corporation involved in all phases of the mining business including exploration, permitting, developing and operating mining projects. The Company's primary asset is the Johnson Camp Copper Mine (Johnson Camp Mine) located in Arizona. In July 2007, the Company commenced the reactivation of the Johnson Camp Mine. The Company commenced copper cathode production from leaching existing old dumps in January 2008 and commenced mining of new ore upon completion of the reactivation work in January 2009. The Company achieved commercial copper cathode production from newly-mined ore on April 1, 2009 following substantial completion of the testing and development phase.

The accompanying financial information of the Company is prepared in accordance with the rules prescribed for filing condensed interim financial statements and, accordingly, does not include all disclosures that may be necessary for complete financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The disclosures presented are sufficient, in management's opinion, to make the interim information presented not misleading. All adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments which are necessary so as to make the interim information not misleading, have been made. Results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of results of operations that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2010. The Company recommends that this financial information be read in conjunction with the complete consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC).

## 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates the realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. The condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts or the amount and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. Such adjustments could be material.

Nedbank, the Company's senior lender, has declined to extend the forbearance agreement with respect to the scheduled principal and interest payment in the approximate amount of \$2,150,000 that was due on March 31, 2010 under the Company's \$25,000,000 secured term-loan credit facility with Nedbank. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. The Company is now in default of its obligations under the Credit Agreement with Nedbank, and the full amount of the outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest must now be included in the Company's current liabilities, together with any additional amounts payable under the Credit Agreement.

Nedbank Capital has also declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding the Company's failure to make the payment of \$697,869 due on April 6, 2010 under the Copper Hedge Agreement between the parties. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. Accordingly, the Company is in default under the Copper Hedge Agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts must now be brought into current liabilities.

The Company's continuation as a going concern is dependent upon its ability to refinance the obligations under the Credit Agreement with Nedbank and the Copper Hedge Agreement with Nedbank Capital, and on its ability to produce copper to sell at a level where the Company becomes profitable and generates cash flows from operations. The Company's continued existence is dependent upon its ability to achieve its operating plan. If management cannot achieve its operating plan because of sales shortfalls, a reduction in copper prices, or other unfavorable events, the Company may find it necessary to dispose of assets, or undertake other actions as may be appropriate. The Company's ramp up of production since the commencement of commercial production has been slower than originally forecasted, and at this time it does not appear that the targeted full production rate of 25 million pounds of copper per annum will be attained until the Company has transitioned the stacking of ore to the new leach pad, which is scheduled to be put into operation during the first quarter of 2011. The Company expects that, once the new leach pad comes online, copper production will increase to the targeted annual rate during the second quarter of 2011.

The Company is evaluating a variety of alternatives to improve its liquidity.

### **3. ADOPTION OF RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING GUIDANCE**

In June 2009, the FASB issued guidance on consolidation applicable to variable interest entities. The provisions of the standard significantly affect the overall consolidation analysis. The guidance was effective as of the beginning of the first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2009. The guidance was effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2010. The Company adopted the provisions of this standard effective January 1, 2010 which did not have a material impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

In August 2009, the FASB issued guidance on the fair value measurement of liabilities and provided clarification that, in circumstances in which a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available, a reporting entity is required to measure fair value using one or more of the techniques provided for in this update. The guidance is effective for the first reporting period, including interim periods, beginning after issuance. The Company adopted the provisions of this standard effective January 1, 2010 which did not have a material impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

In December 2009, the FASB issued guidance changing how a reporting entity determines when an entity that is insufficiently capitalized or is not controlled through voting (or similar rights) should be consolidated. The determination of whether a reporting entity is required to consolidate another entity is based on, among other things, the other entity's purpose and design; and the reporting entity's ability to direct the activities of the other entity that most significantly impact the other entity's economic performance. The guidance also requires a reporting entity to provide additional disclosures about its involvement with variable interest entities and any significant changes in risk exposure due to that involvement. A reporting entity will be required to disclose how its involvement with a variable interest entity affects the reporting entity's financial statements. The guidance is effective at the start of a reporting entity's first fiscal year beginning after November 15, 2009, or January 1, 2010, for a calendar year-end entity. Early application is not permitted. The Company adopted the provisions of this standard effective January 1, 2010 which did not have a material impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.



In January 2010, the FASB issued guidance improving disclosures about fair value measurements. The guidance requires some new disclosures and clarifies some existing disclosure requirements about fair value measurement as set forth in the ASC. The FASB's objective is to improve these disclosures and, thus, increase the transparency in financial reporting. Specifically, the guidance now requires:

- A reporting entity should disclose separately the amounts of significant transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and describe the reasons for the transfers; and
- In the reconciliation for fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs, a reporting entity should present separately information about purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements.

In addition, the guidance clarifies the requirements of the following existing disclosures:

- For purposes of reporting fair value measurement for each class of assets and liabilities, a reporting entity needs to use judgment in determining the appropriate classes of assets and liabilities; and
- A reporting entity should provide disclosures about the valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements.

This guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements in the roll forward of activity in Level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010, and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted the provisions of this standard on January 1, 2010 which did not have a material impact on its condensed consolidated financial statements.

In February 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2010-09, Subsequent Events (Topic 855): Amendments to Certain Recognition and Disclosure Requirements. The amendments in the ASU remove the requirement for a Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) filer to disclose a date through which subsequent events have been evaluated in both issued and revised financial statements. Revised financial statements include financial statements revised as a result of either correction of an error or retrospective application of U.S. GAAP. The FASB also clarified that if the financial statements have been revised, then an entity that is not an SEC filer should disclose both the date that the financial statements were issued or available to be issued and the date the revised financial statements were issued or available to be issued. The FASB believes these amendments remove potential conflicts with the SEC's literature. All of the amendments in the ASU were effective upon issuance except for the use of the issued date for conduit debt obligors. That amendment is effective for interim or annual periods ending after June 15, 2010. The Company does not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements position or results of operations.

#### **4. MINE DEVELOPMENT COSTS**

Costs incurred to get the mine ready for its intended purpose and that provide benefits to future periods, net of the realized value of nominal amounts of copper sold during the development period, are capitalized as mine development costs. Costs incurred upon the attainment of the production stage, which is determined upon the achievement of levels of commercial production that are not a result of the development and testing of the mining process, are expensed as incurred.

### ***Production of Copper from Old Dumps***

The Company commenced copper cathode production from leaching old dumps in January 2008 and completed the first copper cathode sale from these operations in February 2008. Accordingly, the attainment of the production stage from residual leaching operations was achieved effective February 1, 2008. Until December 31, 2008, the capitalized costs incurred in the development and testing of the old dumps were being amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected life of production of existing ore on the old dumps which was estimated to be 5 years. In January 2009, management revised its estimate of the expected life of production from the old dumps to 3 years. Consequently the unamortized balance as of December 31, 2008 in the amount of \$468,034 is being amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining 2 years. During the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company amortized \$58,504 and \$58,504, respectively, in mine development costs from old dumps to cost of goods sold. The balance of the mine development costs, net of accumulated amortization, for old dumps was \$175,513 as of March 31, 2010 and is included in property and equipment on the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

### ***Production of Copper from Mining of New Ore***

As a result of the development and testing of mining operations for the production of new ore, the Company began producing a nominal amount of copper cathode from newly-mined ore in February 2009. The Company achieved commercial production from the mining of new ore, which was based upon substantial completion of the testing and development phase, on April 1, 2009. Upon the achievement of commercial production from the mining of new ore, the costs to operate the mine were expensed as incurred and the capitalized mine development costs associated with the production of copper from the mining of new ore commenced being amortized over the life of the mine based on a units of production method which have been estimated at approximately 370,000,000 pounds of copper over the life of the mine. During 2009, the Company capitalized \$1,526,317 of mine development costs which was net of revenues in the amount of \$470,340 realized from the sale of 280,728 pounds of incidental copper cathode produced during the testing and development phase and \$271,897 from the settlement of copper derivatives related to this nominal production. During the three month period ended March 31, 2010, the Company amortized \$35,566 in mine development costs from development and testing of mining operation of new ore. The balance of the mine development costs, net of accumulated amortization, for development and testing of mining operations of new ore was \$1,702,216 as of March 31, 2010, which is included in property and equipment on the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

## **5. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION**

### ***Stock Options***

The Company has granted incentive and non-qualified stock options to its directors under terms of its 2006 Stock Incentive Plan. The Company has also granted non-qualified, non-plan stock options, which have been authorized by the Company's board of directors. Stock options are generally granted at an exercise price equal to or greater than the quoted market price on the date of grant.

There are 5,537,340 stock options outstanding at March 31, 2010, of which 1,281,674 are non-qualified non-plan stock options and 4,255,666 have been issued pursuant to the Company's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan. The outstanding options expire at various dates from 2010 to 2017.

The Company did not grant any stock options during the three month period ended March 31, 2010. During the three month period ended March 31, 2010, the Company recognized \$18,426 in compensation expense related to employee stock options that vest over time or those that were cancelled prior to vesting.

The Company granted 500,000 stock options during the three months ended March 31, 2009 and recognized \$153,023 in compensation expense related to employee stock options that vest over time or those that were cancelled prior to vesting.

As summarized in the following tables, during the three month period ended March 31, 2010, there were no stock options granted, no stock options were exercised, and 18,335 were cancelled or forfeited.

	<b>Number of Shares</b>	<b>Weighted Average Exercise Price</b>
<b>Three months ended March 31, 2010</b>		
Options outstanding at December 31, 2009	5,555,675	\$ .51
Granted	-	-
Exercised	-	-
Cancelled/Forfeited	(18,335)	.09
<b>Options outstanding at March 31, 2010</b>	<b>5,537,340</b>	<b>\$ .52</b>

The following table summarizes certain additional information about the Company's total and exercisable stock options outstanding as of March 31, 2010:

	<b>Number Outstanding</b>	<b>Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life in Years</b>	<b>Weighted Average Exercise Price</b>	<b>Intrinsic Value</b>
Total stock options	5,537,340	4.2	\$ .52	\$ 396,867
Exercisable stock options	4,940,655	4.3	\$ .56	\$ 284,831

The closing price of the Company's common stock on the OTC Bulletin Board on March 31, 2010 was \$0.33 per share. Accordingly, the intrinsic value of total stock options and exercisable stock options as of March 31, 2010 were \$396,867 and \$284,831, respectively.

The following tables summarize the unvested stock options outstanding as of March 31, 2010:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Three months ended March 31, 2010		
Unvested options outstanding at December 31, 2009	1,459,998	\$ .08
Granted	-	-
Vested	(854,979)	.07
Cancelled/Forfeited	(8,334)	.05
Unvested Options outstanding at March 31, 2010	596,685	\$ .09

The total grant date fair value of options vested during the three month period March 31, 2010 was \$57,329. The Company recognizes stock option compensation expense on stock options with a graded vesting schedule on a straight line basis over the requisite service period for each separately vesting portion of the award as if the award was, in substance, multiple awards. As of March 31, 2010, 596,685 stock options remain unvested, which will result in \$16,413 in compensation expense to be recognized over the next four quarters.

On November 26, 2008, John Perry, the Company's former Chief Executive Officer, was granted a total of 450,000 non-qualified stock options, each entitling him to purchase one share of common stock of the Company at a price of \$0.09 per share until November 23, 2013, subject to vesting. The options were granted to Mr. Perry pursuant to the Company's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan. The options were to vest in three equal tranches on March 2, 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. During the first quarter of 2010, the Board of Directors determined that it is appropriate to accelerate the vesting date of the third tranche of 150,000 options to March 2, 2010, in light of Mr. Perry's significant contributions to the Company as a senior officer and a director. Such acceleration did not have a material impact on the Company's operations.

The Company uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of stock options granted. As indicated above, there were no options granted during the three month period ended March 31, 2010. The expected forfeiture rate of 8% was based on historical employee turnover rates and included actual forfeitures of stock options due to the resignation of one of the Company's officers as well as other forfeitures. The expected term of the options granted to employees is estimated using the formula set forth in SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) No. 107. The risk-free interest rate is based upon the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the date of grant and the expected volatility is based on the weighted historical volatility of the Company's common stock and that of its peer group.

The fair values for the stock options granted during the three month period ended March 31, 2009 were estimated at the respective dates of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009
Risk-free interest rate	1.1%
Expected life	3.0 years
Expected volatility	97%
Expected dividend yield	0%

**Deferred Stock Units**

During the three months ended March 31, 2010, certain equity-based fees have been paid to the Company's non-executive directors in the form of awards issued pursuant to the Company's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan. The non-executive directors have limited rights, exercisable within applicable time limits, to elect to have any percentage of such awards, and any percentage of cash fees, payable in deferred stock units. Each of the Company's non-executive directors exercised such rights in respect of the equity-based fees payable to him for the three months ended March 31, 2010. Accordingly, during that period, Douglas Hamilton, the Chairman of the Company's Audit Committee, received 30,769 deferred stock units; John Cook, the Chairman of the Company's Compensation Committee, received 25,000 deferred stock units; Stephen Seymour, the Chairman of the Company's Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee, received 25,000 deferred stock units; and T. Sean Harvey received 19,231 deferred stock units. During the three months ended March 31, 2010, the Company recognized expense of \$32,500 related to the issuance of the total 100,000 deferred stock units to its independent directors. The deferred stock units were granted under the 2006 Deferred Stock Unit Plan. During the three months ended March 31, 2010, 85,329 DSUs were converted into shares of the Company's common stock. As of March 31, 2010, there were 748,272 deferred stock units outstanding.

During the three months ended March 31, 2009, Douglas Hamilton, the Chairman of the Company's Audit Committee, received 33,898 deferred stock units; John Cook, the Chairman of the Company's Compensation Committee, received 27,542 deferred stock units; Stephen Seymour, the Chairman of the Company's Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee, received 27,542 deferred stock units; and T. Sean Harvey received 21,186 deferred stock units. During the three months ended March 31, 2009, the Company recognized expense of \$32,500 related to the issuance of a total of 110,168 deferred stock units to its independent directors. The deferred stock units were granted under the 2006 Deferred Stock Unit Plan. During the three months ended March 31, 2009, 78,952 DSUs were converted into shares of the Company's common stock. As of March 31, 2009, there were 502,453 deferred stock units outstanding.

**6. INVENTORY**

Inventory is as follows:

	<b>March 31, 2010</b>	<b>December 31,</b>
	<b>(unaudited)</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Copper in process	\$ 12,439,908	\$ 15,072,292
Finished goods	67,160	64,967
Material, supplies and decorative rock	598,930	547,844
	13,105,998	15,685,103
<b>Long-Term Assets:</b>		
Stockpiles and ore on leach pads	9,951,926	-
	\$ 23,057,924	\$ 15,685,103

The Company's inventories are carried at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Copper in process and finished goods inventories are valued using the weighted average cost of production and include all costs of purchase, costs of conversion (direct costs and an allocation of fixed and variable production overheads) and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. The current portion of copper in process inventory is determined based on the expected amounts to be processed within the next 12 months. Inventories not expected to be processed within the next 12 months are classified under long term assets as stockpiles and ore on leach pads. During the three month period ended March 31,

2010, \$906,695 of costs incurred in excess of normal operating costs due to the fact the Company is ramping up production and was currently running at less than normal operating capacity have been included in costs applicable to sales on the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

## 7. LONG-TERM DEBT

The Company was unable to make the payments of principal and interest, in the respective amounts of \$1,790,099 and \$362,852, due to Nedbank under the terms of the amended and restated credit agreement dated March 31, 2009 that was due on March 31, 2010. Accordingly, the Company and Nedbank entered into an unconditional forbearance and extension agreement dated March 30, 2010 that allowed the Company a forbearance period of 21 days, which was subsequently extended to May 13, 2010, to negotiate an amendment to the credit agreement as it pertains to the March 31, 2010 payment and other terms therein. On May 13, 2010, Nedbank informed the Company that it has declined to extend the forbearance agreement with respect to the scheduled principal and interest payment. The Company is now in default of its obligations under the credit agreement with Nedbank, and the full amount of the outstanding principal of \$23,257,825 and any accrued and unpaid interest must now be included in the Company's current liabilities, together with any additional amounts payable under the credit agreement. Accordingly, the Company has reclassified \$14,307,333 of long-term debt to current liabilities within its condensed consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2010. Given this default, Nedbank has full authority to exercise its rights under the credit agreement, including the acceleration of the full amount due there under and the institution of foreclosure proceedings against the Johnson Camp Mine. In accordance with the credit agreement, upon missing the March 31, 2010 principal and interest payment the interest rate on the outstanding debt and unpaid accrued interest is increased by 3.00% to LIBOR plus 9.06% .

In accordance with the credit agreement, a default on the derivative contracts to which Nedbank is the counterparty would trigger a cross default under the credit agreement which would put Nedbank in a position to pursue any and all remedies under the related derivative contracts and credit agreement. Furthermore, under the credit agreement and derivative contracts, there is a master netting agreement which allows either party to offset an obligation by the other should either party be in default of its obligations. The Company was unable to make the \$697,869 payment that was due to Nedbank on April 6, 2010 under the terms of its Copper Hedge Agreement. Accordingly, Nedbank entered into an unconditional forbearance agreement with the Company as it related to the amount due which also expired on May 13, 2010. As Nedbank informed the Company on May 13, 2010 that it has also declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding the Company's failure to make this payment, the Company is in default under the Copper Hedge Agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts must now be brought into current liabilities. Accordingly, the Company has reclassified \$4,740,763 of long-term derivative liabilities to current liabilities within its condensed consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2010.

As of March 31, 2010, the Company believes the fair value of the credit facility is approximately \$22,630,000. The Company believes that the 3% interest rate surcharge being charged by Nedbank under the terms of default represents the additional credit risk at this time. Accordingly, the Company utilized the forward three month LIBOR curve, as adjusted for the 6.06% stated margin on the credit facility and the 3% credit risk adjustment in determining the appropriate discount rate to utilize in its estimate of the estimated fair market value of the credit facility at March 31, 2010. However, certain actions taken by Nedbank under its rights and remedies related to the Company's default could have a significant impact on the fair value of the outstanding commitment under the credit agreement.

As of September 1, 2009, Fisher Industries, the Company's mining contractor, agreed to defer \$850,000 due them for a period of three years. This balance is included in other long-term liabilities on the condensed consolidated balance sheet. The Company has agreed to pay Fisher, on a monthly basis, 12% per annum interest on the deferred payments. The Company may prepay the deferred payments at any time without penalty. As of March 31, 2010, the Company has accrued \$85,000 of interest expense related to this debt.

## **8. SALE OF ROYALTY**

On March 31, 2009, the Company sold to Royal Gold (formerly known as IRC Nevada Inc.) a 2.5% net smelter royalty on the mineral production sold from the existing mineral rights at Johnson Camp. The net proceeds of the sale in the amount of \$4,950,000 were recorded as deferred revenue and are being amortized to revenue over the life of the mine based on a units of production method. Amounts payable to Royal Gold, which are being calculated based on the revenue generated from the sale of copper, are being expensed in the period incurred. During the three months ended March 31, 2010, the Company recognized \$31,921 in revenue and recorded \$196,491 in royalty expense related to this royalty within the condensed consolidated statements of operations, respectively. Total deferred revenue is \$4,818,763 as of March 31, 2010, of which \$264,900 is expected to be amortized to revenue over the next twelve months. As of March 31, 2010, the total amount owed by the Company under the terms of the royalty agreement is \$577,817. Furthermore, amounts greater than 30 days past due accrue interest at a rate of 12% per annum for which the Company has accrued \$9,313 of interest as of March 31, 2010.

## **9. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS**

### ***Copper Price Protection Program***

In connection with the credit agreement dated June 28, 2007 with Nedbank, the Company agreed to implement a price protection program with respect to a specified percentage of copper output from the Johnson Camp Mine. The price protection program consists of financial derivatives whereby the Company entered into a combination of forward sale and call option contracts for copper quantities, based on a portion of the estimated production from the Johnson Camp Mine during the term of the loan. These financial derivatives do not require the physical delivery of copper cathode and are expected to be net cash settled upon maturity and/or settlement of the contracts based upon the average daily London Metal Exchange ( LME ) cash settled copper price for the month of settlement. The program requires no cash margins, collateral or other security from the Company.

As of March 31, 2010, the estimated amount of copper production hedged was approximately 43% of the total estimated copper production for the nine months ending December 31, 2010, and 21% for the year ending December 31, 2011. As of March 31, 2010, the Company had in place forward contracts of 2,700 and 2,400 metric tons for 2010 and 2011, respectively, at a net forward price of \$4,743 and \$4,413 per metric ton for the same periods. The program also included the purchase of long call options for the same quantities thereby permitting the Company to participate in price increases in the event that copper prices exceed the strike price of the long call options. As of March 31, 2010, the average strike prices of the long call options were \$8,452 and \$8,723 per metric ton for the nine month period ending December 31, 2010, and for the year ending December 31, 2011, respectively.

Under ASC guidance for derivative instruments and hedging activities, these contracts are carried on the consolidated balance sheets at their fair value. As these contracts were designated as cash flow hedges, changes to the fair value of these contracts are reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). During the three month period ending March 31, 2010, the settlements of copper hedges amounted to \$(1,886,237) and were classified as effective hedges. Accordingly, this amount is included in net sales in the condensed consolidated statement of operations. During the three month period ended March 31, 2010, decreases in fair value in the amount of \$(666,138) were recorded as accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the condensed consolidated balance sheet. The amounts in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) will be reclassified to the statement of operations upon the ultimate sale of the underlying hedged copper cathode or at the determination that the hedge is ineffective. Although this estimate is subject to changes in the forward price curve of copper, as of March 31, 2010, \$8,709,478 of the amount deferred in accumulated other comprehensive loss is expected to be reclassified to sales revenue within the next 12 months. Furthermore, due to the Company's default under the terms of the copper hedge agreement, the Company has reclassified the long-term amount of \$4,683,375 to current liabilities, and under the terms of the agreement may be required to unwind these positions prior to their scheduled settlement. However, as the Company has not received a formal notice of default from Nedbank or any additional information that would require the Company to settle the derivative positions prior to their scheduled settlement, the Company believes that the derivatives remain properly designated as effective cash flow hedges as of March 31, 2010.

During the three month period ended March 31, 2009, contracts representing approximately 579 metric tons of copper originally designated as cash flow hedges were reclassified to trading securities because the Company's forecasted production of copper during the first quarter of 2009 no longer matched its hedged position, and, as such, the underlying derivative contracts were deemed to be ineffective. Accordingly, the realized gains from the sale of these contracts in the amount of \$1,261,239 have been reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income and reported within the condensed consolidated statement of operations as miscellaneous income.

In addition, during the three months ended March 31, 2009 the Company transferred \$572,966 and \$271,897 of realized gains to copper sales and capitalized pre-production costs, respectively. These amounts were the result of effective hedges of copper for which the underlying copper contracts were settled during the three months ended March 31, 2009 and related to sales of 556,053 pounds and 280,728 pounds of copper from residual leach heaps and new ore production, respectively.

### ***Interest Rate Swaps***

In November 2008, the Company entered into an interest rate swap agreement to hedge the interest rate risk exposure on its \$25 million Nedbank credit facility expiring between 2009 and 2012. Under the interest rate swap contract terms, the Company receives LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of interest of 2.48%. The program requires no cash margins, collateral or other security from the Company. Under the terms of the interest rate swap, settlements began on March 31, 2009 and occur every three months thereafter until the contract expires on September 28, 2012.

Under ASC guidance for derivative instruments and hedging activities, this interest rate swap agreement is carried on the consolidated balance sheets at fair value. As this contract was designated as a cash flow hedge, changes in fair value are reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). During the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company recognized \$105,817 and \$66,095, respectively, in interest expense in the condensed consolidated statements of operations. In addition, changes in fair value in the amount of \$(6,313) for the three month period ended March 31, 2010, were reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and as reductions of the liability in the condensed consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2010. The amount deferred will be reclassified to the statement of operations upon the ultimate payment of the interest expense on the Company's credit agreement with Nedbank or by declaration that the interest rate swap is ineffective.





Although this estimate is subject to changes in the forward interest rate curve for LIBOR, as of March 31, 2010, approximately \$291,168 of the deferral in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) is expected to be reclassified to interest expense within the next 12 months. In addition, due to the Company's default under the credit agreement with Nedbank, the Company has reclassified the long-term amount of \$57,388 to current liabilities.

### Fair Value of Derivative Instruments

	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value
<b>As of March 31, 2010</b>				
Commodity contracts	Current Liabilities	\$ 13,392,853		
Interest rate swap contracts	Current Liabilities	\$ 348,556		
<b>As of December 31, 2009</b>				
Commodity contracts	Current Liabilities	\$ 7,653,709	Long Term Liabilities	\$ 5,073,006
Interest rate swap contracts	Current Liabilities	\$ 313,986	Long Term Liabilities	\$ 28,257

### Cash-Flow Hedges

The Company utilizes derivatives for the purpose of hedging forecasted cash flows related to the sale of copper and debt service requirements. For a derivative instrument designated as a cash-flow hedge, the effective portion of the derivative's gain (loss) is initially reported as a component of other comprehensive income (loss) (OCI) and is subsequently recognized in earnings when the hedged exposure is recognized in earnings. Gains (losses) on the derivative representing either hedged components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness or hedge ineffectiveness are recognized in earnings. During the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company recognized the following gains (losses) related to its copper price protection and interest rate swap programs, respectively:

	<b>Three months ended March 31, 2010</b>	
<b>Effective Portion</b>		
Net loss recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) (OCI)	\$	(672,451)
Loss reclassified from accumulated OCI into net sales	\$	(1,866,237)
Loss recognized in interest expense	\$	(105,817)
	<b>Three months ended March 31, 2009</b>	
<b>Effective Portion</b>		
Net loss recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) (OCI)	\$	(11,007,575)
Gain reclassified from accumulated OCI into net sales	\$	572,966
Gain reclassified from accumulated OCI in pre-production costs	\$	271,897
Loss recognized in interest expense	\$	(66,095)

**Ineffective Portion**

Gain recognized in miscellaneous income	\$	1,261,239
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Nedbank, the counterparty to all of the Company's derivative contracts, is also the senior lender on the Company's long-term debt, for which substantially all of the Company's assets are held as collateral. Accordingly, in accordance with the related credit agreement, a default on the derivative contracts would trigger a cross default under the credit agreement which would put Nedbank in a position to pursue any and all remedies under the related derivative contracts and credit agreement. Furthermore, under the credit agreement and derivative contracts, there is a master netting agreement which allows either party to offset an obligation by the other should either party be in default of its obligations. The Company neither deposited nor holds any collateral related to its derivative financial instruments. In addition, to date the Company has not required any of counterparties or customers to post collateral.

Nedbank has declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding the Company's failure to make the payment of \$697,869 due on April 6, 2010 under the copper hedge agreement between the parties which expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. Accordingly, the Company is in default under the copper hedge agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts have been brought into current liabilities as of March 31, 2010.

## 10. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Under ASC guidance for fair value measurements and disclosure, a fair value hierarchy is established that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

*Level 1* Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

*Level 2* Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;

*Level 3* Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (supported by little or no market activity).

The following table sets forth the Company's financial assets and liabilities within the consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009 measured at fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy. As required by ASC guidance, assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

March 31, 2010		Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
<b>Liabilities:</b>					
Derivative contracts	copper cash flow				
	hedges, net	\$ (13,392,853)		\$ (13,392,853)	
Derivative contract	interest rate swap				
	contract	(348,556)		(348,556)	
December 31, 2009		Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
<b>Liabilities:</b>					
Derivative contracts	copper cash flow				
	hedges, net	\$ (12,726,715)	-	\$ (12,726,715)	-
Derivative contract	interest rate swap				
	contract	(342,243)	-	(342,243)	-

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The Company's derivative instruments, copper cash flow hedges and interest rate swap contracts, are valued using pricing models. The Company generally uses similar models to value similar instruments. Where possible, the Company verifies the values produced by its pricing models to market prices. Valuation models require a variety of inputs, including contractual terms, market prices, yield curves, credit spreads, measures of volatility, and correlations of such inputs. The Company's derivatives generally trade in liquid markets, and as such, model inputs can generally be verified and do not involve significant management judgment. Such instruments are classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

## 11. BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings (loss) per common share is computed by dividing net earnings (loss) by the weighted average number of basic common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings (loss) per share are calculated based on the weighted average number of basic common shares outstanding adjusted for the dilutive effect, if any, of stock options, warrants and other dilutive securities outstanding. Outstanding options, warrants and other dilutive securities to purchase 18,682,006 and 21,703,839 shares of common stock for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, are not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share as the effect of the assumed exercise of these options and warrants would be anti-dilutive.

Components of basic and diluted earnings per share were as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Net income available for common stock holders	\$ 1,008,789	\$ 655,324
Weighted average outstanding shares of common stock	111,170,298	69,773,292
Dilutive effect of warrants and stock options	4,760,666	689,445
Common stock and common stock equivalents	115,930,964	70,462,737
Earnings per share:		
Basic	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01
Diluted	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01

## 12. CONCENTRATIONS

The Company currently sells 100% of its copper cathode production to Red Kite Explorer Fund Limited under a definitive purchase and sale agreement dated February 2, 2008 with Red Kite, a large, well capitalized and diversified multinational organization; therefore, the credit risk is considered to be minimal.

## 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On May 13, 2010, Nedbank informed the Company that it has declined to extend the forbearance agreement with respect to the scheduled principal and interest payment in the approximate amount of \$2,150,000 that was due on March 31, 2010 under the Company's \$25,000,000 secured term-loan credit facility with Nedbank. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. The Company is now in default of its obligations under the credit agreement with Nedbank, and the full amount of the outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest as of March 31, 2010 must now be included in the Company's current liabilities, together with any additional amounts payable under the credit agreement.

Nedbank Capital has also declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding the Company's failure to make the payment of \$697,869 due on April 6, 2010 under the copper hedge agreement between the parties. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. Accordingly, the Company is in default under the copper hedge agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts as of March 31, 2010 must now be brought into current liabilities.

The Company received an exemption from certain shareholder approval requirements under the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "TSX") in connection with the Company's \$12 million private placement completed in November 2009, on the basis of financial hardship. Reliance on this exemption automatically triggered a TSX de-listing review to confirm that the Company continues to meet the TSX listing requirements. On April 30, 2010, the Company announced that the Continued Listings Committee of the TSX has decided to defer its announcement on its listing review decision to no later than May 31, 2010. The Company has been informed that the Committee will not provide any extensions beyond that date unless there is disclosure regarding an event that would allow the Company to comply with the TSX's continued listing requirements. It is unclear whether Nedbank's decision to not further extend the forbearance agreements with respect to the Company's credit agreement and copper hedge agreement will accelerate the Continued Listings Committee's decision on the de-listing review.

In April 2010, a lawsuit was filed in the Superior Court of the State of Arizona by R.A.M. Enterprise of Arizona ("RAM") against the Company alleging breach of contract and unjust enrichment regarding services rendered and equipment sold to the Company during 2009 and 2010 in the amount of \$221,771. The Company is in the process of filing an answer to the complaint accepting responsibility for the amount due. The amount in question has been properly included in accounts payable in the ordinary course of business. The Company is currently making payments on the outstanding liability. RAM has stated that so long as the Company continues to make payments as scheduled, the complaint will be withdrawn before it moves to trial.

## Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis

The following discussion of our financial condition, changes in financial condition and results of operations for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 should be read in conjunction with our unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements and related notes for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009. The following discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of many factors, including, but not limited to, those set forth below under the heading "Risk Factors".

### Overview of Our Business

We are a copper mining company. Our principal asset is the Johnson Camp Mine located in Arizona. The Johnson Camp Mine is an integrated open pit copper mine and a production facility that uses the solvent extraction, electrowinning (SX-EW) process. The Johnson Camp Mine includes two open pits, namely the Burro and the Copper Chief bulk mining pits. As described in more detail below, we have commenced production of copper from new ore.

We acquired the Johnson Camp Mine from Arimetco, Inc. pursuant to a Sales and Purchase Agreement that had been assigned to us in June 1999 by Summo USA Corporation, the original purchaser, following the completion of certain due diligence work by Summo. Although Arimetco had ceased mining on the property in 1997, we, like Arimetco before us, continued production of copper from ore that had been mined and placed on leach pads, and from 1999 to 2003 we (through our then subsidiary Nord Copper Company) produced approximately 4,490,045 pounds of copper cathode.

On June 5, 2007, we completed an unregistered private placement offering of 30,666,700 special warrants for aggregate proceeds of approximately \$23 million (net proceeds of approximately \$21.3 million). In addition, we entered into our credit agreement dated as of June 28, 2007 with Nedbank Limited, as administrative agent and lead arranger, which provided for a \$25 million secured term loan credit facility. As of March 31, 2010, we had drawn the entire credit facility. All of the funds available under such facility have been used by us to finance the construction, start-up and operation of mining and metal operations at the Johnson Camp Mine.

The feasibility study forms part of a technical report dated September 2007 that was completed by Bikerma Engineering & Technology Associates, Inc. in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects of the Canadian Securities Administrators (as required for us to comply with provincial securities laws in Canada that are applicable to our Company) and SEC Industry Guide No. 7. The feasibility study includes an economic analysis of the Johnson Camp Mine based on the mine plan, capital and operating cost estimates current as of the second quarter of 2007, and a three-year trailing average copper price of \$2.45 per pound over the life of the mine. Bikerma Engineering & Technology Associates concluded in the feasibility study that resumption of operations at the Johnson Camp Mine in accordance with the mine plan will generate positive discounted cash flows over a 16 year mine life at 8%, 15% and 20% discount rates.

We commenced copper cathode production from leaching old dumps in January 2008 and completed the first copper cathode sale from these operations in February 2008. We commenced mining of new ore upon completion of the reactivation work in January 2009 and achieved commercial copper cathode production from newly-mined ore on April 1, 2009 and entered the production stage, following substantial completion of the testing and development phase.

On November 5, 2009, we completed an unregistered, brokered private placement of 40 million units (the Units ) for total gross proceeds of \$12,000,000. In connection with the offering, which was effected in an offshore transaction pursuant to Rule 903 of Regulation S promulgated under the *Securities Act of 1933*, as amended, we paid the placement agent a commission equal to \$600,000, or 5% of the gross proceeds of the offering. Each Unit, priced at \$0.30, consisted of one common share and one common share purchase warrant. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one additional common share of our Company at a price of \$0.38 per share until June 5, 2012. The proceeds of the offering were used to make the outstanding debt service payments that were due to Nedbank on September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2009, to purchase approximately \$500,000 in additional equipment, to reduce accounts payable, and for general working capital purposes. As of March 31, 2010, none of the warrants issued as part of this private placement have been exercised.

Nedbank Limited, our Company's senior lender, has declined to extend the forbearance agreement with respect to the scheduled principal and interest payment in the approximate amount of \$2,150,000 that was due on March 31, 2010 under our Company's \$25,000,000 secured term-loan credit facility with Nedbank. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. We are now in default of our obligations under the amended and restated credit agreement with Nedbank dated March 31, 2009, and the full amount of the outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest as of March 31, 2010 must now be included in our Company's current liabilities, together with any additional amounts payable under the credit agreement.

Nedbank has not served our Company with a formal notice of default under the credit agreement, which is a precondition to the exercise of Nedbank's rights upon a default under the credit agreement, including the acceleration of the full amount due thereunder and institution of foreclosure proceedings against the security. However, the 3% surcharge that previously applied to the payment due on March 31, 2010 will now apply to the entire amount of the outstanding principal and interest under the credit agreement.

Nedbank Capital has also declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding our Company's failure to make the payment of \$697,869 due on April 6, 2010 under the copper hedge agreement between the parties. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. Accordingly, although Nedbank Capital has not served our Company with a formal notice of default, we are in default under the copper hedge agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts as of March 31, 2010 must now be brought into current liabilities.

Under applicable rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange (the TSX ), we are required to obtain shareholder approval for an issuance of listed securities in excess of 25% of the current issued and outstanding share capital of our Company. Further, we are also required to obtain shareholder approval if a securities offering will have a material effect on the control of our Company. In connection with the private placement of the Units, we received an exemption from these shareholder approval requirements, on the basis of financial hardship. Reliance on this exemption automatically triggered a TSX de-listing review to confirm that we continue to meet the TSX listing requirements. We have been informed by the TSX that the Continued Listings Committee has deferred its de-listing decision. The Committee expects to inform our Company of its decision no later than May 31, 2010. We have been informed that the Committee will not be able to provide any extensions beyond that date unless there is disclosure regarding an event that would allow the Company to comply with the TSX's continued listing requirements. It is unclear whether Nedbank's decision to not further extend the forbearance agreements with respect to the credit agreement and the copper hedge agreement will accelerate the Continued Listings Committee's decision on the de-listing review.



## Our Operations

### Overview

We commenced the reactivation process at the Johnson Camp Mine in late June 2007. Our current reactivation plan includes an estimated full production rate of 25 million pounds of copper cathode per annum.

Since reactivating the Johnson Camp Mine and commencing commercial production from newly mined ore in April 2009, we have made considerable progress both in our mining and processing operations. However, during this period, we have also encountered a number of challenges that have caused us to miss our targets with respect to copper output, earnings, and cash flow. Some of the challenges that we incurred are not unusual for a start-up or reactivation of a mining operation, but some were unexpected, such as the failure of a well casing in a primary water supply well in late October 2009 which contributed to several months of lower-than-forecasted flow rates of pregnant leach solution through our SX plant. This, together with unusually dry weather in the last quarter of 2009, resulted in lower-than-expected copper production. In early January 2010, we placed two new wells into operation at a capital cost of approximately \$400,000. This resulted in significantly increased flow rates that now are at the levels that we forecasted as necessary to achieve our production targets. In the first quarter of 2010, however, we experienced periods of heavier-than-usual rainfall, which resulted in dilution of the leach solution and turbidity problems in the solvent extraction plant, again causing some lower-than-expected production.

In addition, forecasting copper production during a ramp-up period is difficult for any reactivation of a leaching operation where residual leaching was previously done for an extended period of time. During residual leaching, copper is extracted from ore that was retained in the pads during normal operations. When new ore is placed on top of these pads, some of this new copper is retained in the old pads until a more steady state is reached. This copper will eventually be extracted over time, but during a ramp-up period, it is difficult to forecast production. During the ramp up, we have underestimated the magnitude of copper that has been retained in the pads.

With the increase in flow rates of pregnant leach solution to our SX plant, and continual improvement in solution grades, we expect copper production to increase to a level that will enable us to achieve positive operating cash flow in the second quarter of 2010. This assumes that our copper production levels continue to rise as predicted, given the measures that we have taken to address the operational challenges that we have encountered, and on our assumption that current input costs and copper prices will remain constant over the relevant period. However, at this time it does not appear that we will reach our targeted full annual production rate of 25 million pounds of copper until we have transitioned the stacking of ore to the new leach pad, which is scheduled to be put into operation during the first quarter of 2011, with production expected to increase to our targeted annual rate during the second quarter of 2011.

Although we are now in default under our credit agreement with Nedbank and our copper hedge agreement with Nedbank Capital, we intend to continue with our operations in the ordinary course, as we aggressively pursue certain opportunities that we have generated to refinance our Company.

Our business, and our ability to realize our business objectives and implement our operating plan, are subject to a number of additional risks and uncertainties, including those discussed under the heading Risk Factors .

### Capital Costs

The initial capital costs to complete the reactivation of the Johnson Camp Mine were approximately \$36 million. Such costs relate primarily to: (a) the rehabilitation of solution ponds; (b) refurbishment and a modest expansion of the SX-EW copper production facility; (c) the installation of our primary stage crusher, and the purchase and installation of two secondary stage crushers, an agglomerator and conveying equipment; and (d) other project-related items.

We estimate that we will incur an additional \$12.5 million in capital costs in the next two years, primarily for the expansion of our existing leach pad capacity. These cost figures do not include estimated reclamation bonding requirements, and do not account for inflation, interest and other financing costs.

### Results of Operations Three Months Ended March 31, 2010 and 2009

The following table sets forth our operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2010, as compared with our operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2009.

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>		
	<b>2010</b> (unaudited)	<b>2009</b> (unaudited)	<b>Change</b> (unaudited)
Revenue	\$ 6,005,314	\$ 1,417,419	\$ 4,587,895
Costs applicable to sales	3,360,695	991,662	2,369,033
Gross margin	2,644,619	425,757	2,218,862
General and administrative expenses	582,044	783,372	(201,328)
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	396,893	184,409	212,484
Income (loss) from operations	1,665,682	(542,024)	2,207,706
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense	(593,719)	(135,423)	(458,296)
Miscellaneous income (expense)	(63,174)	1,332,771	(1,395,945)
Total other income (expense)	(656,893)	1,197,348	(1,854,241)
Income before income taxes	1,008,789	655,324	353,465
Provision for income taxes	-	-	-
Net income	\$ 1,008,789	\$ 655,324	\$ 353,465

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## Revenue

We commenced production of nominal amounts of copper from newly-mined ore during the testing and development phase of the mine in February and March 2009. We entered the production stage as we achieved commercial copper cathode production from newly-mined ore on April 1, 2009.

In February 2008, we entered into a long term cathode sales agreement with Red Kite Explorer Fund Limited for 100% of the copper cathode production from the Johnson Camp Mine. The agreement runs through December 31, 2012 with renewable extensions by mutual agreement of both parties. Pursuant to the agreement, Red Kite accepts delivery of the cathodes at the Johnson Camp Mine. Pricing is based on the average daily COMEX price for high grade copper as determined at the end of the month of settlement.

For the three months ended March 31, 2010, we recorded revenues of \$6,005,314 (including losses of (\$1,886,238) from the settlement of copper hedges) from the sale of 2,421,936 pounds of copper cathode. The average realized price of copper sold, including copper hedges, during the period ended March 31, 2010 was \$2.48 per pound.

For the three months ended March 31, 2009, we recorded revenues of \$1,417,419 (including gains of \$572,966 from the settlement of copper hedges) from the sale of 556,053 pounds of copper cathode. Additionally, revenues earned from the sale of 280,728 pounds of copper cathode produced prior to the commencement of commercial production in the amount of \$742,237 (including gains of \$271,897 from the settlement of copper hedges) were credited to development costs. The average realized price of copper sold during the period ending March 31, 2009 was \$2.55 per pound.

## Costs Applicable to Sales

Costs of sales represents the costs incurred in converting the ore present in existing leach pads into salable copper cathodes. The conversion process includes the mining of ore, crushing, conveying and stacking of ore on to the pads, leaching of stockpiles, solvent extraction and electrowinning, and results in the production of copper cathode. The costs include labor, supplies, energy, site overhead costs and other necessary costs associated with the extraction and processing of ore.

For the three months ended March 31, 2010, we incurred \$3,360,695 of costs applicable to sales (including \$906,695 in ramp up expenses) from the sale of copper.

For the three months ended March 31, 2009, we incurred \$991,662 of costs applicable to sales from the sale of copper produced from residual leaching. Operating costs incurred in excess of costs forecasted to occur once our Company reaches a steady state of production in the amount of \$2,268,554 were capitalized, and are being amortized using the units of production method and over an estimated 370,000,000 pounds of copper which represents the estimated copper resource base of the Johnson Camp mine once the mine achieves commercial copper production levels from the mining of new ore.

## General and Administrative Expenses

Our general and administrative expenses decreased to \$582,044 for the three months ended March 31, 2010, compared to \$783,372 for the three months ended March 31, 2009. The decrease was primarily due to a \$134,597 reduction in payroll related to the amortization of stock options granted in prior periods.

### **Depreciation, Depletion and Amortization**

Our depreciation, depletion and amortization ( DD&A ) expenses increased by \$212,484 for the three months ended March 31, 2010, as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2009. The increase was primarily due to the increase in the amount of tons mined and the amount of copper produced in comparison to the same period in the prior year when the Company was just beginning the ramp up of mining new ore.

### **Interest Expense**

Interest expense is primarily attributable to interest accrued on the Nedbank credit facility. With the placement of the mining assets into service on April 1, 2009, our Company is no longer capitalizing the related interest expense. Interest expense also includes the amortization of debt issuance costs and the quarterly settlements of our Company's interest rate swap derivative contract.

Interest expense increased by \$458,296 for the three months ended March 31, 2010 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2009. The increase was primarily due to inclusion of interest accrued of \$362,852 on the Nedbank facility and the reclassification of an interest rate swap settlement of \$105,817 from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) to interest expense resulting from the scheduled maturity of interest rate swap derivatives. During the same period in 2009, the interest accrued on the Nedbank facility was capitalized as part of the Nedbank principal.

### **Miscellaneous Income (Expense)**

Miscellaneous income (expense) decreased by \$1,395,945 for the three months ended March 31, 2010 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2009. This decrease was due primarily to reclassification of ineffective copper hedge contracts in the amount of \$1,261,239 for the three months ending March 31, 2009 from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) to miscellaneous income (expense).

### **Net Income**

Operations resulted in net income of \$1,008,789 for the three months ended March 31, 2010 as compared to net income of \$655,324 for the three months ended March 31, 2009. The increase in net income between these periods is primarily related to:

- An increase in revenue in the amount of \$4,587,895 and a corresponding increase in gross margin before DD&A of \$2,369,033 resulting from a 191% increase in the volume of copper cathode produced and sold from the mining of new ore offset in part by a 2.7% decrease in the net realized price per pound of copper sold;
- A decrease in general and administration expenses in the amount of \$201,328; offset in part by
- An increase in depreciation, depletion and amortization in the amount of \$212,484 due to the increase in the amount ore mined and processed; and
- A decrease in miscellaneous income associated with the reclassification of copper hedges in the amount of \$1,261,239 from cash flow hedges to trading securities in the three month period ended March 31, 2009.

## Liquidity and Financial Resources

Our Company's continuation as a going concern is dependent upon our ability to generate sufficient cash flow to meet our obligations on a timely basis, to produce copper at a level where we can become profitable, to pay off existing debt and provide sufficient funds for general corporate purposes, all of which is uncertain. Our condensed consolidated financial statements contain additional note disclosures to this effect, and the condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

In ramping up the production rate of new ore, our Company has experienced some short-term challenges that resulted in a total production rate that has been below management's expectations. We have been placing newly crushed ore on top of the old ore on the old leach pads. Every pad has its own distinctive characteristics and can vary depending on whether the old material on the pad was run-of-mine or crushed whether historic channeling occurred, and the depth of the old leach pad. To reduce this uncertainty, we contoured, compacted and installed a french drain on the largest pad and it has significantly reduced the time for solution to report directly to the SX-EW plant. In addition, during the fourth quarter 2009, the Company's operations were also impacted by the failure of a well casing in one of the Company's wells. While our Company was able to address the issue by early January 2010, the lack of pregnant leach solution flow rates during the early part of the first quarter of 2010 also resulted in lower than expected production during the quarter.

Based on a review of our leaching operations since the completion of the modifications to our largest leach pad described above, we now believe that we will not reach our targeted full production rate of 25 million pounds of copper per annum until we have transitioned the stacking of ore to the new leach pad, which is scheduled to be put into operation during the first quarter of 2011. Once the new leach pad has come online, we expect that copper production will increase to our annual targeted rate during the second quarter of 2011.

We are a party to an amended and restated credit agreement dated as of March 31, 2009 with Nedbank Limited, as the administrative agent and lead arranger, which provided a \$25,000,000 secured term loan credit facility used by our Company to finance the reactivation of the Johnson Camp Mine. We have delivered a deed of trust, a collateral account agreement and certain other security agreements that grant to the lenders a first priority lien encumbering all of the real and personal property associated with the Johnson Camp property, including all patented mining claims, fee lands and unpatented mining claims in which we have an interest. Although we made the scheduled principal and interest payment that was due on December 31, 2009 in the approximate amount of \$2,200,000, we were unable to make the scheduled principal and interest payment that was due on March 31, 2010 in the approximate amount of \$2,150,000.

Our Company and Nedbank had entered into an unconditional forbearance and extension agreement dated March 30, 2010 and amended on April 22, 2010 that allowed us a forbearance period until May 13, 2010 to negotiate an amendment to our secured credit agreement as it pertains to the March 31, 2010 payment and other terms therein. Nedbank has declined to extend the forbearance agreement, and, although we have not been served with a formal notice of default, we are now in default of our obligations under the credit agreement. As a result, the full amount of the outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest under the credit agreement as of March 31, 2010 must now be included in our Company's current liabilities, together with any additional amounts payable under the credit agreement. Among other consequences, the 3% surcharge that previously applied to the payment due on March 31, 2010 will now apply to the entire amount of the outstanding principal and interest under the credit agreement.

Nedbank Capital has also declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding our Company's failure to make the payment of \$697,869 due on April 6, 2010 under the copper hedge agreement between the parties. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. Accordingly, although Nedbank Capital has not served our Company with a formal notice of default, we are in default under the copper hedge agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts as of March 31, 2010 must now be brought into current liabilities.

### Cash and Working Capital

The following table sets forth our cash and working capital as of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009:

	As of March 31, 2010	As of December 31, 2009
Cash reserves	\$ 425,423 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 1,298,138 <sup>(1)</sup>
Working capital surplus (deficiency)	\$ (37,404,820) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ (7,652,818) <sup>(3)</sup>

- (1) Excludes \$686,476 in restricted cash being held in conjunction with two letters of credit.
- (2) Includes \$9,000,646 in current liability portion of derivative contracts, \$9,550,611 in current portion of long term debt, capital lease obligations and accrued interest, and \$4,740,763 and \$14,307,333 of long-term derivative liabilities and long-term debt, respectively, that were classified as current liabilities due to our Company defaulting on the related agreements.
- (3) Includes \$7,967,695 in current liability portion of derivative contracts and \$7,362,004 in current portion of long term debt, capital lease obligations and accrued interest.

### Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Our cash flows from operating activities during the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 were (\$826,405) and (\$1,379,766), respectively. We commenced copper cathode production from leaching existing old dumps in January 2008 and from the mining and producing of new ore in January 2009. We completed the first sale of copper cathode produced from residual leaching operations in February 2008, and the first sale of copper cathode produced from newly mined ore in February 2009. While the Company was able recognize \$1,008,789 and \$655,324 in net income for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, cash flows from operating activities were severely impacted in both periods by the significant increase in amount of copper that remains in inventory. Cash used in the mining and processing of inventory amounted to \$6,707,879 and \$1,418,132 during the three month periods ending March 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Cash used by operating activities was offset in part by a \$2,909,496 increase in accounts payable during the three month period ending March 31, 2010.

### Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Our cash flows from investing activities during the three months ended March 31, 2010 were (\$42,499) which primarily represents the purchase of equipment used in the Johnson Camp Mine operation.

Our cash flows from investing activities during the three months ended March 31, 2009 were (\$5,502,461), which primarily reflects capital expenditures of \$6,099,130 related to the reactivation of the Johnson Camp Mine during this time period, \$1,651,317 (net of \$742,237 of copper sold during the period which includes \$271,897 of proceeds from the settlement of effective hedges) in pre-commercial production costs incurred prior to the commencement of commercial production from the mining and processing of new ore, \$714,324 in proceeds from the sale of ineffective copper hedges, and the reclassification of \$1,533,662 from restricted cash and marketable securities to cash and cash equivalents.

### **Cash Flows from Financing Activities**

Our cash flows from financing activities during the three months ended March 31, 2010 was \$(3,811) compared to \$4,915,629 for the same period in 2009.

On March 31, 2009, the Company sold to IRC Nevada Inc. a 2.5% net smelter royalty on the mineral production sold from the existing mineral rights at Johnson Camp. Net proceeds from the sale were \$4,950,000 and were used for working capital during the ramp-up of our mining operations.

During the three month period ended March 31, 2009, the Company incurred debt issuance costs of \$36,303 related to an agreement to amend and restate our credit agreement with Nedbank and realized proceeds in the amount of \$6,000 from the exercise of 66,668 stock options.

### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods.

We regularly evaluate the accounting policies and estimates that we use to prepare our consolidated financial statements. In general, management's estimates are based on historical experience, on information from third party professionals, and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the facts and circumstances. Actual results could differ from those estimates made by management.

We believe that our critical accounting policies and estimates include the accounting for inventories, marketable securities, long lived assets, valuation of derivatives, stock options and warrants, income taxes, reclamation costs, and accounting for legal contingencies.

### ***Basis of Presentation***

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates the realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. The consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts or the amount and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern. Such adjustments could be material.

Nedbank, our Company's senior lender, has declined to extend the forbearance agreement with respect to the scheduled principal and interest payment in the approximate amount of \$2,150,000 that was due on March 31, 2010 under our Company's \$25,000,000 secured term-loan credit facility with Nedbank.





The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. We are now in default of our obligations under the credit agreement with Nedbank, and the full amount of the outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest as of March 31, 2010 must now be included in our Company's current liabilities, together with any additional amounts payable under the credit agreement.

Nedbank Capital has also declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding our Company's failure to make the payment of \$697,869 due on April 6, 2010 under the copper hedge agreement between the parties. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. Accordingly, we are in default under the copper hedge agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts as of March 31, 2010 must now be brought into current liabilities.

Our Company's continuation as a going concern is dependent upon our ability to refinance our obligations under the credit agreement with Nedbank and the copper hedge agreement with Nedbank Capital, and on our ability to produce copper to sell at a level where the Company becomes profitable and achieves cash flows from operations. Our Company's continued existence is dependent upon its ability to achieve its operating plan. If management cannot achieve its operating plan because of sales shortfalls, a reduction in copper prices, or other unfavorable events, we may find it necessary to dispose of assets, or undertake other actions as may be appropriate. Our Company's ramp up of production since the commencement of commercial production has been slower than originally forecasted. Consequently, the Company has been required to raise additional capital through the sale of equity and the sale of a royalty interest in the Johnson Camp Mine. As of March 31, 2010, our Company has not reached the production level necessary to breakeven from a cash flow perspective. We are currently evaluating a variety of alternatives to improve liquidity.

#### *Use of Estimates*

The preparation of the Company's consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Company's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The more significant areas requiring the use of management estimates and assumptions relate to mineral reserves and the recovery rate of the Johnson Camp Mine that are the basis for future cash flow estimates; reclamation obligations; asset impairment (including long-lived assets and investments); valuation allowances for deferred tax assets; disclosures and reserves for contingencies and litigation; and the fair value and accounting treatment of financial instruments. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Accordingly, actual results may differ significantly from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

#### *Cash and Cash Equivalents*

For purposes of the consolidated statements of cash flows, the Company considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the date of purchase to be cash equivalents.

***Restricted Marketable Securities***

Marketable securities at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, consist of certificates of deposit ( CDs ) which are considered held-to-maturity securities and are stated at amortized cost of \$686,476 on the consolidated balance sheet. The CDs expire in December 2010. The CDs carried a stated interest rate of .40% per annum. All marketable securities are defined as held-to-maturity securities, trading securities or available-for-sale securities under the applicable guidance related to the accounting for certain investments in debt and equity securities. Management determines the appropriate classification of the Company s investments in marketable debt and equity securities at the time of each purchase and reevaluates such determination at each balance sheet date. Securities that are bought with the intent and ability to be held to maturity are classified as held-to-maturity securities. Held-to-maturity securities are carried at amortized cost on the consolidated balance sheet until sold. Securities that are bought and held principally for the purpose of selling them in the near term are classified as trading securities and unrealized gains and losses are included in earnings. Debt securities, for which the Company does not have the intent or ability to hold to maturity, and equity securities are classified as available for sale. Available-for-sale securities are carried at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses, net of tax, reported as a separate component of stockholders equity. The cost of investments sold is determined on the specific identification or the first-in, first-out method.

***Accounts Receivable***

The Company grants credit to all qualified customers and generally requires no collateral. Accounts receivable are carried at cost less an allowance for losses, if an allowance is deemed necessary. The Company does not accrue finance or interest charges. On a periodic basis, the Company evaluates its accounts receivable and determines the requirement for an allowance for losses, based upon history of past write offs, collections and current credit conditions. A receivable is written off when it is determined that all reasonable collection efforts have been exhausted and the potential for recovery is considered remote. Management determined that no allowance for losses was required as of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009.

***Revenue Recognition***

The Company recognizes revenue from the sale of products, and related costs of products sold, where persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the seller s price is fixed or determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. This generally occurs when the customer receives the product or at the time title passes to the customer.

***Inventories***

As described below, costs that are incurred in or benefit the productive process are accumulated as stockpiles, ore on leach pads and inventories and classified as inventories on the consolidated balance sheet. Inventories are carried at the lower of average cost or net realizable value. Net realizable value represents the estimated future sales price of the product based on current and long term metals prices, less the estimated costs to complete production and bring the product to sale. Write downs of inventories, resulting from net realizable value impairments, are reported as a component of income (loss) from operations. The current portion of inventories is determined based on the expected amounts to be processed within the next 12 months. Inventories not expected to be processed within the next 12 months are classified under long term assets as stockpiles and ore on leach pads. The major classifications of inventories are as follows:

### ***Stockpiles***

Stockpiles represent ore that has been mined and is available for further processing. Stockpiles are measured by estimating the number of tons added and removed from the stockpile, the number of contained pounds (based on assay data) and the estimated metallurgical recovery rates (based on the expected processing method). Stockpile ore tonnages are verified by periodic surveys. Costs are allocated to stockpiles based on relative values of material stockpiled and processed using current mining costs incurred up to the point of stockpiling the ore, including applicable overhead, depreciation, depletion and amortization relating to mining operations, and removed at each stockpile's average cost per recoverable unit.

### ***Ore on Leach Pads***

The recovery of copper from certain copper oxide ores is achieved through the heap leaching process. Under this method, oxide ore is placed on leach pads where it is treated with a chemical solution, which dissolves the copper contained in the ore. The resulting pregnant solution is further processed in a plant where the copper is recovered. Costs are added to ore on leach pads based on current mining and processing costs, including applicable depreciation, depletion and amortization relating to mining operations are removed from ore on leach pads as pounds are recovered based on the average cost per estimated recoverable pound of copper on the leach pad.

The estimates of recoverable copper on the leach pads are calculated from the quantities of ore placed on the leach pads (measured tons added to the leach pads), the grade of ore placed on the leach pads (based on assay data) and a recovery percentage (based on ore type). In general, leach pads recover substantially all of the recoverable pounds in the first year of leaching.

Although the quantities of recoverable copper placed on the leach pads are reconciled by comparing the grades of ore placed on pads to the quantities of copper actually recovered (metallurgical balancing), the nature of the leaching process inherently limits the ability to precisely monitor inventory levels. As a result, the metallurgical balancing process is constantly monitored and estimates are refined based on actual results over time. Variations between actual and estimated quantities resulting from changes in assumptions and estimates that do not result in write downs to net realizable value are accounted for on a prospective basis.

### ***In process Inventory***

In process inventories represent materials that are currently in the process of being converted to a saleable product. The Company utilizes a solvent extraction electrowinning process to extract the copper from the ore. In process material is measured based on assays of the material fed into the process and the projected recoveries of the respective plants. In process inventories are valued at the average cost of the material fed into the process attributable to the source material coming from the mine, stockpiles and/or leach pads plus the in process conversion costs, including applicable depreciation relating to the process facilities incurred to that point in the process.

***Finished Goods Inventory***

Finished goods represent saleable copper cathodes. Finished goods are valued at the weighted average cost of source material or net realizable value.

***Materials and Supplies***

Materials and supplies are valued at the lower of average cost or net realizable value. Cost includes applicable taxes and freight.

***Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities***

In connection with the Credit Agreement with Nedbank, the Company is required to maintain a hedging program with respect to a specified percentage of copper output from the Johnson Camp Mine. These contracts are carried on the consolidated balance sheet at their estimated fair value. As these contracts have been designated as cash flow hedges, the changes to their fair value are currently reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within the consolidated statement of changes in stockholders' equity. As of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the fair values of the commodity contracts were \$(13,392,853) and \$(12,726,715), respectively. In order to continue to account for the commodity contracts as cash flow hedges, the Company must test the effectiveness of the contracts to properly hedge the volatility in the price of copper for which the Company sells its copper production. The Company performs this test on a quarterly basis with the unrealized and/or realized gains (losses) of hedges determined to be ineffective reclassified from other comprehensive income (loss) to miscellaneous income (loss) upon determination of their ineffectiveness.

During 2008, the Company entered into a contract to hedge the interest rate risk exposure on its \$25 million Nedbank Credit Facility expiring between 2009 and 2012. Under the terms of the interest rate swap contract, the Company receives the three-month United States Dollar London Interbank Offered Rate ( LIBOR ) and pays a fixed rate of interest of 2.48% . The program requires no cash margins, collateral or other security from the Company. The contract is carried on the consolidated balance sheet at its estimated fair value. As this contract was designated as a cash flow hedge, changes to the fair value of this contract are reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). As of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the carrying value of the interest rate swap derivative liability was \$(348,556) and \$(342,243), respectively. The decrease in fair value (increase in liability) from December 31, 2009 was recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) on the consolidated balance sheet. In order to continue to account for the interest rate swap as a cash flow hedge, the Company must test the effectiveness of the contract to properly hedge the interest rate risk associated with the Nedbank Credit Facility. The Company performs this test on a quarterly basis, and with the exception of the notional amount of the interest rate swap, which is currently less than the principal balance of the Nedbank Credit Facility, all other critical terms of the interest rate swap match those of the Facility. Accordingly, the Company has determined that 100% of the interest rate swap has functioned as an effective hedge since its inception, with the related quarterly settlements being transferred from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) to interest expense and the changes in fair value of the interest rate swap deferred in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

**Fair Value Accounting**

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued guidance which defined fair value, established a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles, and expanded disclosures about fair value measurements. The provisions of this guidance were adopted by the Company on January 1, 2008. In February 2008, the FASB staff issued additional guidance which delayed the effective date of this guidance for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually). The Company adopted those provisions that relate to nonfinancial assets and liabilities on January 1, 2009.

In October 2008, the FASB issued guidance for determining the fair value of a financial asset when the market for that asset is not active. This guidance states that determining fair value in an inactive market depends on the facts and circumstances, requires the use of significant judgment and in some cases, observable inputs may require significant adjustment based on unobservable data. Regardless of the valuation technique used, an entity must include appropriate risk adjustments that market participants would make for nonperformance and liquidity risks when determining fair value of an asset in an inactive market. This guidance was effective upon issuance and did not have a material impact on the Company.

The guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

*Level 1* Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

*Level 2* Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;

*Level 3* Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (supported by little or no market activity).

The following table sets forth the Company's financial assets and liabilities within the consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009 measured at fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy. Assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
<b>March 31, 2010</b>				
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Derivative contracts hedges, net	copper cash flow \$ (13,392,853)	-	\$ (13,392,853)	-
Derivative contract contract	interest rate swap \$ (348,556)	-	\$ (348,556)	-
<b>December 31, 2009</b>				
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Derivative contracts hedges, net	copper cash flow \$ (12,726,715)	-	\$ (12,726,715)	-
Derivative contract contract	interest rate swap \$ (342,243)	-	\$ (342,243)	-



The Company's derivative instruments, copper cash flow hedges and an interest rate swap contract, are valued using pricing models, and the Company generally uses similar models to value similar instruments. Where possible, the Company verifies the values produced by its pricing models to market prices. Valuation models require a variety of inputs, including contractual terms, market prices, yield curves, credit spreads, measures of volatility, and correlations of such inputs. The Company's derivatives generally trade in liquid markets, and as such, model inputs can generally be verified and do not involve significant management judgment. Such instruments are classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

### ***Shipping and Handling Costs***

The Company includes shipping and handling costs related to the transport of finished goods in operating expenses.

### ***Debt Issuance Costs***

Debt issuance costs are amortized over the life of the related loan as interest expense. During the three month period ending March 31, 2009 the Company incurred debt issuance costs of \$180,929, consisting of \$100,000 which represented the estimated fair value of warrants issued to Nedbank upon the March 2009 debt modification and \$80,929 of legal expenses. The debt issuance costs incurred are being amortized over the term of the related Nedbank financing facility using the straight line method, which approximates the effective interest method. Accumulated amortization of debt issuance costs were \$627,695 and \$565,119 at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. Unamortized debt issuance costs were \$751,554 and \$813,483 at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively.

### ***Property and Equipment***

Property and equipment are carried at cost. Mineral exploration costs, as well as drilling and other costs incurred for the purpose of converting mineral resources to proven and probable reserves or identifying new mineral resources at exploration, development or production stage properties, are charged to expense as incurred. Development costs are capitalized beginning after the existence of proven and probable reserves have been established. Development costs include costs incurred resulting from mine preproduction activities undertaken to gain access to proven and probable reserves including ramps, permanent excavations, infrastructure, removal of overburden and the substantial completion of the testing phase of the mining and ore processing activities. Additionally, interest expense allocable to the cost of developing mining properties and of constructing new facilities is capitalized until the assets are ready for their intended use.

Construction in progress represents costs capitalized to refurbish and complete the reactivation of Johnson Camp Mine and to get it ready for its intended use. Such costs relate primarily to: (a) the rehabilitation of solution ponds; (b) refurbishment and a modest expansion of the SX-EW copper production facility; (c) the installation of a primary stage crusher, and the purchase and installation of two secondary stage crushers, an agglomerator and conveying equipment; and (d) other project-related items. In January 2009, upon placing these assets in service and the commencement of production of nominal amounts of copper from newly-mined ore during the testing and development phase of the mine, these costs were reclassified into property and equipment.

Expenditures for replacements and improvements are capitalized. Costs related to periodic scheduled maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation for mining life-of-mine assets, infrastructure and other common costs is determined using the unit-of-production method based on total estimated recoverable proven and probable copper reserves. Development costs and acquisition costs for proven and probable reserves that relate to a specific ore body are depleted using the unit-of-production method based on estimated recoverable proven and probable reserves for the ore body benefited. Depreciation, depletion and amortization using the unit-of-production method is recorded upon extraction of the recoverable copper from the ore body, at which time it is allocated to inventory cost and ultimately included as a component of operating expenses. Other assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over estimated useful lives of up to 16 years for buildings, 3 to 6 years for machinery and equipment, and 3 to 5 years for mobile equipment.

### ***Long Lived Assets***

The Company reviews and evaluates its long lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the related carrying amounts may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is measured as the amount by which the asset carrying value exceeds its fair value. Fair value is generally determined using valuation techniques such as estimated future cash flows. An impairment is considered to exist if total estimated future cash flows on an undiscounted basis are less than the carrying amount of the asset. An impairment loss is measured and recorded based on discounted estimated future cash flows. Future cash flows for the Johnson Camp Mine include estimates of recoverable pounds of copper, copper prices (considering current and historical prices, price trends and related factors), production rates and costs, capital and reclamation costs as appropriate, all based upon life of mine engineering plans and feasibility studies. Assumptions underlying future cash flow estimates are subject to risks and uncertainties. No impairment losses were recorded during the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, or for the year ended December 31, 2009.

### ***Stock Based Compensation***

The Company accounts for its awards of stock based compensation under the fair value recognition provisions of applicable GAAP. The Company has granted incentive non qualified stock options, and deferred stock units to its employees and directors under the terms of its 2006 Stock Incentive Plan. The Company has also granted non qualified, non plan stock options, which have been authorized by the Company's board of directors. Stock options are granted at an exercise price equal to or greater than the quoted market price on the date of grant.

### ***Net Loss per Share of Common Stock***

Basic earnings (loss) per common share are computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year. Diluted earnings (loss) per share is calculated based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding adjusted for the dilutive effect, if any, of stock options and warrants. Outstanding options, warrants and other dilutive securities to purchase 18,682,006 and 21,703,839 shares of common stock for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, are not included in the computation of diluted loss per share as the effect of the assumed exercise of these options and warrants would be anti dilutive.



### ***Income Taxes***

The Company uses the liability method to account for income taxes. Under the liability method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax effects of temporary differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and amounts reported in the financial statements. Valuation allowances are established when necessary to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount expected to be realized. Income tax expense consists of the income tax payable or refundable for the current period and the change during the period in net deferred tax assets and liabilities.

### ***Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)***

In addition to net income (loss), accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) includes all changes in equity during a period, including the effective portion of changes in fair value of derivative instruments that qualify as cash flow hedges.

### ***Reclamation Costs***

Reclamation costs are allocated to expense over the life of the related assets and are adjusted for changes resulting from the passage of time and revisions to either the timing or amount of the original present value estimate.

We have estimated our asset retirement obligations using an expected cash flow approach, in which multiple cash flow scenarios were used to reflect a range of possible outcomes. We estimated the aggregate undiscounted obligation to be approximately \$402,384 for the Johnson Camp Mine. To calculate the fair value of this obligation, the projected cash flows were discounted at our Company's estimated credit-adjusted, risk free interest rate of 10%. The majority of cash expenditures for reclamation and closure activities are expected to occur at the conclusion of production, currently anticipated to be in 2023-2024. Our Company will recognize an increase to the asset retirement obligation concurrent with the impact from mining activity as we mine in the future. At March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the recorded value of accrued reclamation costs were \$159,710 and \$157,580, respectively.

### ***Litigation***

Other than as described below under the heading Legal Proceedings, we know of no material, existing or pending legal proceedings against our Company, nor are we involved as a plaintiff in any material proceeding or pending litigation. However, our Company may from time to time be subject to various claims and legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. If any adverse decisions or settlements occur, they may have a material adverse effect on our financial position, or results of operations. Litigation is inherently uncertain and we can make no assurance as to the ultimate outcome or effect.

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

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements.

**Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk**

Not applicable.

**Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

Disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by our Company is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC. Our Chief Executive Officer, Randy Davenport, and our Chief Financial Officer, Wayne Morrison, are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures for our Company.

Our management has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of March 31, 2010 (under the supervision and with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer), pursuant to Rule 13a-15(b) promulgated under the *Securities Exchange Act of 1934*, as amended. As part of such evaluation, management considered the matters discussed below relating to internal control over financial reporting. Based on this evaluation, our Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of March 31, 2010.

**Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

The term "internal control over financial reporting" is defined as a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the registrant's board of directors, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and includes those policies and procedures that:

- pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the registrant;
- provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the registrant are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the registrant; and
- provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the registrant's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

A material weakness is defined in Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Auditing Standard No. 2 as a significant deficiency, or a combination of significant deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting that results in there being more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected.

There have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during our fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2010 that have materially affected, or are likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Other than as set forth below, we know of no material, existing or pending legal proceedings against our Company, nor are we involved as a plaintiff in any material proceeding or pending litigation. There are no proceedings in which any of our directors, officers or affiliates, or any registered or beneficial shareholder, is an adverse party or has a material interest adverse to our interest. The outcome of open unresolved legal proceedings is presently indeterminable. Any settlement resulting from resolution of these contingencies will be accounted for in the period of settlement. We do not believe the potential outcome from any legal proceedings that remain unresolved will significantly impact our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

#### *Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) Compliance Order and Stipulated Judgment*

As previously disclosed in prior annual reports on Form 10 K, the ADEQ issued a Compliance Order on September 7, 2002, requiring our Company to bring the Johnson Camp Mine into compliance with Arizona's aquifer protection laws. Pursuant to the Compliance Order, we entered into a stipulated judgment with the ADEQ which assessed civil penalties against us in the amount of \$4,325,000. The stipulated judgment can only be entered should a default notice issued pursuant to the Compliance Order not be cured within 45 days after notice is received. The Compliance Order further provides that any future violations of Arizona's aquifer protection laws would subject us to additional civil penalties, including the entry of the stipulated judgment and the assessment of the civil penalties described in the stipulated judgment. We meet with ADEQ on a regular basis to discuss permitting, submission of required reporting and NOV's that have been previously disclosed.

On August 15, 2007, the ADEQ declared that all components necessary for the Aquifer Protection Permit ( APP ) application were received by the ADEQ, at which time the ADEQ commenced its substantive technical review process. Since then, the ADEQ has made subsequent requests for information and we have made additional submissions in response. The most recent request for information is dated July 31, 2009. On October 19, 2009, we submitted our technical response to this request. On April 21, 2010 we received the draft APP and Fact Sheet and have submitted our comments. It is expected the draft permit will be submitted for public comment in May 2010.

During this permitting process we are allowed to produce copper from the Johnson Camp Mine while we continue to comply with the mandates of the Compliance Order.

#### *Patent Infringement Lawsuit*

In January 2009, a lawsuit was filed by Corrosion IP Corp. and CTI Southwest, LLC (collectively known as CTI ) against our Company alleging that certain containers for corrosive materials purchased by us from Novenco Consultants Limited infringe on three patents held by the plaintiffs, and further alleging that we have infringed on a copyrighted drawing owned by the plaintiffs. We have filed an answer denying all liability and have also filed a Third Party Complaint against Novenco. Prior to our purchase of the containers from Novenco, Novenco assured us that the containers did not infringe on any patents held by others and provided our Company with an indemnification agreement whereby Novenco agreed

to indemnify our Company from any damages that might arise from a claim of patent infringement. In May 2010, the Company reached a tentative settlement of all claims with Novenco and CTI. The Company has accrued \$25,000 in the three month period ending March 31, 2010 to cover its potential liability in the proceedings.

*Complaint by Former Employee*

In December 2009, the Company received notice of Complaints filed with the U.S. Department of Labor and the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Arizona alleging discriminatory employment practices by our Company against a former employee in violation of Section 806 of the Corporate Criminal Fraud Accountability Act of 2002, Title VIII of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. 1514A and Arizona Civil Rights. The Company denies all material allegations set forth in the Complaints and has engaged legal counsel to respond to the Complaints and represent the Company with respect to the investigations. The Company intends to vigorously defend itself against these matters and it does not believe that it will be held liable for the alleged claims. The Company also believes that if the former employee is successful, the resulting award of damages (net of insurance reimbursement) against the Company, if any, will not be material to the consolidated financial condition of the Company.

*Breach of Contract Lawsuit*

In April 2010, a lawsuit was filed in the Superior Court of the State of Arizona by R.A.M. Enterprise of Arizona ( RAM ) against our Company alleging breach of contract and unjust enrichment regarding services rendered and equipment sold to the Company during 2009 and 2010 in the amount of \$221,771. We are in the process of filing an answer to the complaint accepting responsibility for the amount due. The amount in question has been properly included in accounts payable in the ordinary course of business. The Company is currently making payments on the outstanding liability. RAM has stated that so long as the Company continues to make payments as scheduled, the complaint will be withdrawn before it moves to trial.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

Much of the information included in this quarterly report includes or is based upon estimates, projections or other forward looking statements . Such forward looking statements include any projections or estimates made by us and our management in connection with our business operations. While these forward looking statements, and any assumptions upon which they are based, are made in good faith and reflect our current judgment regarding the direction of our business, actual results will almost always vary, sometimes materially, from any estimates, predictions, projections, assumptions, or other future performance suggested herein. We undertake no obligation to update forward looking statements to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of such statements.

Such estimates, projections or other forward looking statements involve various risks and uncertainties as outlined below. We caution readers of this quarterly report that important factors in some cases have affected and, in the future, could materially affect actual results and cause actual results to differ materially from the results expressed in any such estimates, projections or other forward looking statements . In evaluating us, our business and any investment in our business, readers should carefully consider the following factors.

**Risks Related to Our Company**

***We have a history of losses, and our future profitability will depend on the successful operation of the Johnson Camp Mine, which cannot be assured.***

We have a history of losses, and expect to incur losses in the future until we have reached full mining operations and production levels at the Johnson Camp Mine.

We had net income of \$1,008,789 for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and \$392,438 for the year ended December 31, 2009. As of March 31, 2010, we had a working capital deficiency of \$37,404,830. This deficiency includes current liabilities of \$17,951,138 representing the current portions of our long term debt and derivative contracts, as well as \$4,740,763 and \$14,307,333 of long-term derivative liabilities and long-term debt, respectively, that were classified as current liabilities due to our Company defaulting on the related agreements.

We commenced production of copper from residual leaching in January 2008, mining of new ore in January 2009, and production of copper from new ore in February 2009. We achieved commercial copper cathode production from newly-mined ore on April 1, 2009 and entered the production stage, following substantial completion of the testing and development phase.

Although we have continued to make substantial progress in ramping up copper production, the rate of increase has been slower than expected. In late October 2009, the failure of a well casing in a primary water supply well contributed to several months of lower than forecasted flow rates of pregnant leach solution through our SX plant, which in turn has resulted in lower-than-expected copper production and operating cash flow. It now appears that the targeted full production rate of 25 million pounds of copper per annum will not be attained until we have transitioned the stacking of ore to the new leach pad, which is not scheduled to be put into operation until sometime during the first quarter of 2011. We cannot provide any assurance that we will ramp up to full production or have successful mining and processing operations on the Johnson Camp property in the future.

We are dependent upon the success of the Johnson Camp Mine as a source of future revenue and profits, if any. Even if we should be successful in achieving our planned full copper production rate of 25 million pounds of copper per annum, an interruption in operations of the Johnson Camp Mine may have a material adverse effect on our business.

***The reactivation and ramp up of operations at the Johnson Camp Mine, and the development of new mining operations on the Johnson Camp property will continue to require the commitment of substantial resources.***

The reactivation and ramp up of operations at the Johnson Camp Mine, and the development of new mining operations on the Johnson Camp property, have required and will continue to require the commitment of substantial resources for operating expenses and capital expenditures. We incurred approximately \$43,000,000 in capital costs in the reactivation of the mine, related primarily to the rehabilitation of the solution ponds, refurbishment and a modest expansion of our SX-EW copper production facility, installation of our primary stage crusher, the purchase and installation of two secondary stage crushers, an agglomerator and conveying equipment, and other project-related items.

We estimate we will incur an additional \$12 to \$15 million in capital costs during the next two years, primarily for the development and construction of a new leach pad. We also expect to incur expenses in connection with further exploratory drilling on the Johnson Camp property. In addition, any delay in our planned ramp up to full production may cause an increase in costs for us and could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

***Unforeseen conditions may affect our mining and processing efficiency, and we may not be able to execute the leaching operation as planned if we do not maintain proper control of ore grade.***

The parameters used in estimating mining and processing efficiency are typically based on testing and experience with previous operations. Various unforeseen conditions can occur that may materially affect the estimates. In particular, unless proper care is taken to ensure that proper ore grade control is employed and that other necessary steps are taken, we may not be able to achieve production forecasts as planned. In addition, our projected production is based on anticipated copper recoveries at the Johnson Camp Mine that are in excess of historical experience, which may result in an overestimation of our mining and processing efficiency if our actual production does not meet our projected production.

***We may never achieve our production estimates since they are dependent on a number of assumptions and factors beyond our control.***

We have prepared estimates of future copper production; however, we cannot be certain that we will ever achieve these estimates. Our production estimates depend on, among other things: the accuracy of our reserve estimates; the accuracy of assumptions regarding ore grades and recovery rates; ground conditions and physical characteristics of the mineralization, such as hardness and the presence or absence of particular metallurgical characteristics; the accuracy of estimated rates and costs of mining and processing; and our ability to obtain and maintain all necessary permits at all levels of development and production. We are processing the copper mineralization using Leach-SX EW technology. This techniques may not be as efficient or economical as we have projected. Our actual production may vary from our estimates if any of these assumptions prove to be incorrect, and we may never achieve our full production target rate of 25 million pounds of copper per annum.

***A major increase in our input costs, such as those related to acid, electricity, fuel and supplies, may have an adverse effect on our financial condition.***

Our operations are affected by the cost of commodities and goods such as electrical power, sulfuric acid, fuel, and supplies. The Technical Report includes an economic analysis of the Johnson Camp Mine based on the mine plan, capital and operating cost estimates current as of the second quarter of 2007. Management prepares its cost and production guidance and other forecasts based on its review of current and estimated future costs. A major increase in any of these costs may have an adverse impact on our financial condition. For example, we expect that sulfuric acid and energy, including electricity and diesel fuel, will represent a significant portion of production costs at our operations, and if the costs increase, we could be negatively affected.

***Shortages of sulfuric acid, electricity and fuel, may have an adverse effect on our financial condition.***

Sulfuric acid supply for SX EW projects in the southwestern U.S. is produced primarily as a smelter byproduct at smelters in the southwest U.S. and in Mexico. We have an agreement in place for a broker of acid to supply us with sulfuric acid through the end of 2010. However, we cannot be assured that the broker will be able to provide us with an adequate supply of sulfuric acid without interruptions and we continue to remain subject to market fluctuations in the price of sulfuric acid.

***Continuation of our mining production is dependent on the availability of a sufficient water supply to support our mining operations.***

Our mining operations require water for mining, ore processing and related support facilities. Production at the Johnson Camp Mine is dependent on continuous maintenance of our water rights. Under Arizona law groundwater outside an active management area may be withdrawn and used for reasonable and beneficial use. The character of the water right - that is groundwater versus surface water - may at some point become an issue and may be subject to adjudication to the extent certain water is determined to be surface water. We are not subject to any such adjudication claims at this time. However, we cannot predict our potential involvement in or the outcome of any adjudication proceedings which may occur impacting our water rights and uses.

Production water for the Johnson Camp Mine is currently supplied from three wells controlled or located on the Johnson Camp property and from two wells located on private land adjacent to our property. In late October 2009, the failure of a well casing in one of our wells that provides make-up water for our leaching operation resulted in several months of below forecasted pregnant leach solution flow rates through our SX plant, and copper production was adversely affected. By early January 2010, we had placed two new wells into operation which have resulted in significantly improved pregnant leach solution flow rates that now are at the levels that we had forecasted as necessary to achieve our production targets. However, it may be necessary to drill additional wells on our property in order to expand our leaching operation or in addition to make additional upgrades to existing wells.

The loss of some or all water rights, in whole or in part, or shortages of water to which we have rights could require us to curtail or shut down mining production or could prevent us from pursuing expansion opportunities.

***Our estimates of reserves are inherently subject to error, particularly since we have limited operating history upon which to base such estimates. Our actual results may differ due to unforeseen events and uncontrollable factors that can have significant adverse impacts.***

The Johnson Camp Mine has limited operating history upon which to base estimates of proven and probable ore reserves and estimates of future cash operating costs. Such estimates are, to a large extent, based upon the interpretation of geological data obtained from drill holes and other sampling techniques performed by third parties, the methodologies and results of which we have assumed - but cannot be assured - are reasonable and accurate. In addition, future operating costs are based in part on our operating experience during 2009 and the first quarter of 2010, which may not be indicative of future costs. Such information and certain other factors, including anticipated tonnage and grades of ore to be mined and processed, the configuration of the ore body, expected recovery rates of the mineral from the ore, interruptions in the operation could affect these project future operating results. Actual cash operating costs and economic returns based upon development of proven and probable ore reserves may differ significantly from those currently estimated. Until reserves are actually mined and processed, the quantity of reserves must be considered only as estimates.

***Our estimates of reserves are based in large part on sampling data produced by third parties and on amounts of metallurgical testing that are less extensive than normal. In addition, our expected copper recovery rates at the Johnson Camp Mine exceed historical experience at the property. There is no assurance that we will be able to meet these expectations and projections at an operational level.***

Our expectations with respect to copper recovery rates exceed historical experience at the Johnson Camp Mine since we plan to continue to crush the ore to a smaller size with the expectation of higher copper recoveries. In addition, our projections of copper recovery are based on amounts of metallurgical testing that are less extensive than are commonly used in the industry for evaluating copper oxide deposits. Furthermore, our estimates of ore reserves reflect consumption projections for sulfuric acid and other consumable items that were developed using a limited number of samples taken by the former operators of the mine on the Johnson Camp property that may not be representative of the characteristics of the remaining reserves. There is no assurance that we will be able to meet these expectations and projections at an operational level.

***Copper recovery rates for approximately 15% of our estimated total reserves may be less than optimal due to the presence of copper sulfide mineralization below the elevation of 4,560 feet.***

Copper sulfide minerals are not as amenable to heap leach recovery techniques as are copper oxides. Since copper sulfide mineralization is evident below an approximate elevation of 4,560 feet in both the Burro and Copper Chief pits of the Johnson Camp Mine, we caution that copper recovery rates for ore anticipated to be mined below that elevation (estimated at approximately 15% of estimated total ore reserves) may be inhibited. In addition, although the column test on the sample of Abrigo ore (a type of copper bearing host rock at the Johnson Camp Mine) taken from an approximate elevation of 4,620 feet that contained 4.49% sulfides exhibiting good copper recoveries, the leaching of copper from ore mined at this depth may be less than optimal.

***We have evaluated the commercial viability of the Johnson Camp Mine based on an estimate of ore reserves that is premised on a geologic resource model and estimate previously prepared that was based largely on drilling, sampling and assay data that had been developed by Cyprus Mines Corporation, Arimetco Inc. and Summo U.S.A. Corporation, the accuracy of which cannot be assured.***

We have evaluated the commercial viability of the Johnson Camp Mine based on an estimate of ore reserves contained in the feasibility study. The resource model and estimate previously prepared and used as the basis for the feasibility study is based largely on drilling, sampling and assay data that had been developed by the previous operators of the Johnson Camp Mine, Cyprus and Arimetco, and by Summo. The validity of the estimates assumes the accuracy of the underlying drill hole electronic database.

We and Bikerma Engineering & Technology Associates have conducted limited additional due diligence, such as reviews of historical project geological drill logs and assay certificates, but no additional drilling. Complete accuracy of the drill hole electronic database cannot be assured.

***Cyprus, Arimetco and Summo used different approaches to drilling, sampling and assay analysis, with the result that their respective results may not be comparable and thereby increase the risk of an overestimation of ore reserves.***

Cyprus Mines Corporation (which owned the Johnson Camp property until 1989, operating under the name Cyprus Johnson Copper Company), Arimetco and Summo each used different approaches to drilling, sampling and assay analysis that may not be comparable to each other. In particular, the soluble copper assay techniques used by Arimetco for ore grade estimation are not directly comparable to the soluble copper assay techniques used by Cyprus. The use of two incomparable approaches by Cyprus and Arimetco may have led to inconsistencies in or the skewing of the data underlying our estimates, thereby increasing the risk of an overestimation of ore reserves at the Johnson Camp Mine, as well as increasing the risk of a material inaccuracy in the feasibility study.





***Limited sampling work has been performed at the Johnson Camp Mine, and Bikerman Engineering & Technology Associates concluded that it is therefore not possible at this time to verify the entire drill hole electronic database used for the current resource model and ore reserve estimates. Bikerman Engineering & Technology Associates has largely assumed the reasonableness and accuracy of the drilling, sampling and assay methodologies and data which constitute a fundamental variable input in the feasibility study.***

Bikerman Engineering & Technology Associates reviewed the results of limited sampling work undertaken at the Johnson Camp Mine in 2006 by another engineering company. Bikerman Engineering & Technology Associates has concluded that it is not possible for it to verify the entire original drill hole electronic database used for the current mineral resource model and ore reserve estimates. Consequently, Bikerman Engineering & Technology Associates and we have largely assumed the reasonableness and accuracy of the drilling, sampling and assay methodologies and data. Accordingly, there is a risk that results may vary if additional sampling work is undertaken. This, in turn, could adversely impact the current mineral resource model and ore reserve estimates, as well as increase the risk of a material inaccuracy in the feasibility study.

***Our estimate of ore reserves at the Johnson Camp Mine is based on total copper assays rather than on acid soluble copper assays and our expectations with respect to copper recovery are based on results of metallurgical testing that may not be duplicated in larger scale tests under onsite conditions or during production. As a result, there is a risk that we may have overestimated the amount of recoverable copper.***

Our estimate of ore reserves at the Johnson Camp Mine is based on total copper assays rather than soluble copper assays. A reserve estimate based on total copper is an indirect measurement of copper recovery through leaching. There can be no assurance that metallurgical recoveries in small scale laboratory tests will be duplicated in larger scale tests under onsite conditions or during production. Accordingly, there is a risk that we may have overestimated the amount of recoverable copper.

***We may require additional permits and renewals of permits to continue to operate the Johnson Camp Mine, the availability of which cannot be assured.***

Although we have secured a number of permits for the operation of the Johnson Camp Mine, we still need to obtain certain additional permits for long-term operation of the mine, including an aquifer protection permit. In addition, certain permits will require applications for renewal from time to time during the life of the project and certain permits may be suspended or require additional applications in the event of a significant or substantial change to the Johnson Camp Mine operations or prolonged inactivity. To the extent other approvals are required and not obtained, we may: (i) be prohibited from continuing mining and/or processing operations; (ii) forced to reduce the scale of or all of our mining operations; or (iii) be prohibited or restricted from proceeding with planned exploration or development of mineral properties. For example, we are currently producing copper under an ADEQ Compliance Order. However, we anticipate that we will be required to immediately halt all of our operations at the Johnson Camp Mine if our application for an aquifer protection permit is denied.

***We have incurred substantial debt and have granted a security interest in our assets. We are in default of our credit agreement with Nedbank, and Nedbank may take steps to realize upon its security by taking control of all or a portion of our assets.***

We are a party to an amended and restated credit agreement dated as of March 31, 2009 with Nedbank Limited, as the administrative agent and lead arranger, which provided a \$25,000,000 secured term loan credit facility used by our Company to finance the reactivation of the Johnson Camp Mine. We have delivered a deed of trust, a collateral account agreement and certain other security agreements that grant to the lenders a first priority lien encumbering all of the real and personal property associated with the Johnson Camp property, including all patented mining claims, fee lands and unpatented mining claims in which we have an interest. The lenders would be entitled to realize upon their security interests and seize our assets if we were to be unable to repay or refinance the loans as they become due. In addition, pursuant to the terms of the credit agreement, we are required to meet specified financial tests any time that any loan proceeds remain outstanding under the credit agreement.

While we made the scheduled principal and interest payment that was due under our amended and restated credit agreement with Nedbank on December 31, 2009 in the approximate amount of \$2,200,000, we were unable to make the scheduled principal and interest payment that was due on March 31, 2010 in the approximate amount of \$2,150,000. Accordingly, our Company and Nedbank entered into an unconditional forbearance and extension agreement dated March 30, 2010 and amended on April 22, 2010 that allowed us a forbearance period until May 13, 2010 to negotiate an amendment to the credit agreement as it pertains to the March 31, 2010 payment and other terms therein. Nedbank has declined to extend the forbearance agreement, and we are now in default of our obligations under the credit agreement. Accordingly, the full amount of the outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest as of March 31, 2010 must now be included in our Company's current liabilities, together with any additional amounts payable under the credit agreement.

Nedbank Capital has also declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding our Company's failure to make the payment of \$697,869 due on April 6, 2010 under the copper hedge agreement between the parties. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. Accordingly, we are in default under the copper hedge agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts as of March 31, 2010 must now be brought into current liabilities.

Our Company's continuation as a going concern is dependent upon our ability to refinance our obligations under the credit agreement with Nedbank. If Nedbank elects to exercise its rights under the credit agreement and the copper hedge agreement, including the acceleration of the full amount due there under and institution of foreclosure proceedings against the security. Any such actions could force us into bankruptcy or liquidation.

***We will require additional financing to complete the ramp up of operations at the Johnson Camp Mine, the availability of which cannot be assured.***

We will require additional financing to complete the ramp up of operations at Johnson Camp Mine, as we expect to incur an additional \$12-\$15 million in capital costs during the next three years, primarily for the development and construction of a new leach pad. We also expect to incur expenses in connection with further exploratory drilling on the Johnson Camp property. Our estimated capital costs and operating expenses may change with more operating experience as our mine plan is implemented. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to obtain any additional financing on commercially reasonable terms or at all. If we fail to obtain the necessary financing when needed, we may not be able to execute our mine plan and we may again be forced to place the Johnson Camp Mine on care and maintenance status.

***Our indebtedness, as well as the current global recession, disruption in financial markets and lower copper prices generally, could, among other things, impede our access to capital or increase our cost of capital, which would have an adverse effect on our ability to fund our working capital and other capital requirements.***

As of March 31, 2010, the outstanding principal amount of our debt was \$23,257,825. The widely reported domestic and global recession, and the unprecedented levels of disruption and continuing illiquidity in the credit markets have had an adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition, and if sustained or worsened, such adverse effects could continue or deteriorate. Disruptions in the credit and financial markets have adversely affected financial institutions, inhibited lending and limited access to capital and credit for many companies, including ours. In addition, copper prices have been highly volatile. Over the past two years copper prices have fluctuated in a range between \$1.27/lb to \$4.08/lb. On March 31, 2010, the spot price of copper on the LME was \$3.55/lb. These conditions have made it difficult for us to obtain, or increase our cost of obtaining, capital and financing for our operations and have limited our flexibility to plan for, or react to, changes in our business and the markets in which we operate. If these conditions persist or deteriorate, they could, among other things, make it difficult for us to finance our working capital requirements and service our existing debt.

If future financing is not available to us when required, as a result of limited access to the credit markets or otherwise, or is not available on acceptable terms, we may not have sufficient working capital for our exploration, development and production programs. We may also be unable to take advantage of business opportunities or respond to competitive pressures. Any of these circumstances could have an adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition.

***Title to the Johnson Camp property may be subject to other claims.***

Although we believe we have exercised commercially reasonable due diligence with respect to determining title to the properties that we own or in which we hold an interest, we cannot guarantee that title to these properties will not be challenged or impugned. The Johnson Camp property may be subject to prior unrecorded agreements or transfers or to native land claims and title may be affected by undetected defects. There may be valid challenges to the title of the Johnson Camp property which, if successful, could impair development and/or operations.

The Johnson Camp property consists of 59 patented lode mining claims, 102 unpatented lode mining claims and 617 acres of fee simple lands. The copper processing facilities and the Copper Chief and Burro bulk mining pits that serve as focal points for our mine plan are located on the patented mining claims or fee simple parcels. However, we may in the future mine areas that are on unpatented mining claims. Unpatented mining claims are unique property interests, and are generally considered to be subject to greater title risk than other real property interests because the validity of unpatented mining claims is often uncertain. This uncertainty arises, in part, out of the complex federal and state laws and regulations under the United States General Mining Law, including the requirement of a proper physical discovery of a valuable lode mineral within the boundaries of each claim and proper compliance with physical staking requirements. Also, unpatented mining claims are always subject to possible challenges by third parties or validity contests by the federal government. The validity of an unpatented mining or mill site claim, in terms of both its location and its maintenance, is dependent on strict compliance with a complex body of United States federal and state statutory and decisional law. In addition, there are few public records that definitively determine the issues of validity and ownership of unpatented mining claims.

***We do not insure against all risks, and we may be unable to obtain or maintain insurance to cover the risks associated with our operations at economically feasible premiums. Losses from an uninsured event may cause us to incur significant costs that could have a material adverse effect upon our financial condition.***

Our insurance will not cover all the potential risks associated with the operations of a mining company. We may also be unable to obtain or maintain insurance to cover these risks at economically feasible premiums. Insurance coverage may not continue to be available or may not be adequate to cover any resulting liability. Moreover, we expect that insurance against risks such as environmental pollution or other hazards as a result of exploration and production may be prohibitively expensive to obtain for a company of our size and financial means. We might also become subject to liability for pollution or other hazards for which insurance may not be available or for which we may elect not to insure against because of premium costs or other reasons. Losses from these events may cause us to incur significant costs that could have a material adverse effect upon our financial condition and results of operations.

***We compete with larger, better capitalized competitors in the mining industry. This may impair our ability to maintain or acquire attractive mining properties, and thereby adversely affect our financial condition.***

The mining industry is competitive in all of its phases. We face strong competition from other mining companies in connection with the acquisition of properties producing, or capable of producing, base and precious metals. Many of these companies have greater financial resources, operational experience and technical capabilities than us. As a result of this competition, we may be unable to maintain or acquire attractive mining properties on terms we consider acceptable or at all. Consequently, our revenues, operations and financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

***We are dependent on our key personnel, and the loss of any such personnel could adversely affect our Company.***

Our success depends on our key executives and on certain operating personnel at the Johnson Camp Mine. We face intense competition for qualified personnel, and the loss of the services of one or more of such key personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business or operations. Our ability to manage administration, production, exploration and development activities, and hence our success, will depend in large part on the efforts of these individuals. We cannot be certain that we will be able to retain such personnel or attract a high caliber of personnel in the future.

***In order to be successful during and after the ramp-up of our operations, we will have to maintain our workforce. We may not be successful in recruiting the necessary personnel, or in managing the new challenges that we will face with any significant growth.***

Our mining operations require that we maintain a workforce at the Johnson Camp Mine of approximately 80 employees as well as various contractors. This requirement places substantial demands on our Company and our management. We will be required to retain, motivate and manage our employees. We will also have to adopt and implement new systems in all aspects of our operations. We have no assurance that we will be able to retain and recruit the personnel required to execute our programs or to manage these changes successfully.

***The actual costs of reclamation are uncertain, and any additional amounts that we are required to spend on reclamation may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition.***

The costs of reclamation included in the feasibility study are estimates only and may not represent the actual amounts which will be required to complete all reclamation activity. It is not possible to determine the exact amount that will be required, and the amount that we will be required to spend could be materially different than current estimates. Reclamation bonds or other forms of financial assurance represent only a portion of the total amount of money that will be spent on reclamation over the life of the Johnson Camp Mine operation. Any additional amounts required to be spent on reclamation may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

***Our directors and officers may have conflicts of interest.***

Some of our directors and officers serve currently, and have served in the past, as officers and directors for other companies engaged in natural resource exploration and development, and may also serve as directors and/or officers of other companies involved in natural resource exploration and development in the future. We do not believe that any of our directors and officers currently has any conflicts of interest of this nature.

***Certain legislation, including the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002, may make it difficult for us to retain or attract officers and directors.***

We may be unable to attract and retain qualified officers, directors and members of committees of the board of directors required to provide for our effective management as a result of the recent changes in the rules and regulations that govern publicly held companies. In particular, the *Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002* has resulted in a series of rules and regulations by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) that increase responsibilities and liabilities of directors and executive officers. The perceived increased personal risk associated with these recent changes, together with the risks associated with our business, may deter qualified individuals from accepting these roles.

***There are inherent limitations in all control systems, and misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.***

We are now subject to the ongoing internal control provisions of Section 404 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002. These provisions provide for the identification of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting, which is a process to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our internal controls and disclosure controls will prevent all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. In addition, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints and the benefit of controls must be relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, in our Company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision making can be faulty and that breakdowns can occur because of simple errors or mistakes. Further, controls can be circumvented by individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more persons, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls is also based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will

succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Over time, a control may be inadequate because of changes in conditions, such as growth of the company or increased transaction volume, or the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. Because of inherent limitations in a cost effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

In addition, discovery and disclosure of a material weakness, by definition, could have a material adverse impact on our financial statements. If we are unable to assert that our internal control over financial reporting are adequate, certain customers or suppliers may be discouraged from doing business with us, cause downgrades in our debt ratings leading to higher borrowing costs and affect how our stock trades. This could, in turn, negatively affect our ability to access public debt or equity markets for capital. Further, such an occurrence could make it more difficult for us to obtain certain types of insurance, including director and officer liability insurance, and we may be forced to accept reduced policy limits and coverage and/or to incur substantially higher costs to obtain the same or similar coverage. It could also make it more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified personnel to serve on our board of directors, on committees of our board of directors, or as executive officers.

***Our officers and directors, and four shareholders holding 5% or more of our common stock, hold a significant amount of our issued and outstanding stock which may limit non affiliated stockholders to influence corporate matters.***

On November 5, 2009, we completed an unregistered, brokered private placement of 40 million units for total gross proceeds of \$12,000,000. Each unit consisted of one common share and one common share purchase warrant exercisable until June 5, 2012. Upon completion of the private placement, Ross Beaty, acting through a wholly-owned holding company, and Riaz Shariff acquired 34,250,000 and 5,750,000 common shares, respectively, representing approximately 31% and 5.2%, respectively, of the outstanding common shares of our Company on a post-closing basis. Under rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the *Securities Exchange Act of 1934*, as amended, Mr. Beaty and Mr. Shariff are also considered to beneficially own the 34,250,000 and 5,750,000 common shares that are issuable upon exercise of the warrants forming part of their respective units, which together with their outstanding common shares, represent approximately 47.3% and 9.9%, respectively, of our Company's issued and outstanding common shares (assuming non-exercise of certain outstanding options, warrants and other rights to acquire shares of our common stock).

In addition, we have two other shareholders who, according to reports filed by them under the *Securities Exchange Act of 1934*, as amended, beneficially own 7.9% and 6.1%, respectively, of our issued and outstanding common stock (assuming non-exercise of certain outstanding options, warrants and other rights to acquire shares of our common stock held by persons other than the relevant officer, director or 10% shareholder).

As of May 17, 2010, our officers and directors as a group beneficially own approximately 14.6% of our issued and outstanding common stock (assuming non-exercise of certain outstanding options, warrants and other rights to acquire shares of our common stock).

These factors may limit the ability of our non-affiliated stockholders to influence corporate matters.

***Future sales of our common stock may depress our stock price thereby decreasing the value of your investment.***

The market price of our common stock could decline as a result of sales of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market, or the perception that these sales could occur. In addition, these factors could make it more difficult for us to raise funds through future offerings of common stock.

***The securities markets in the United States and Canada have experienced a high level of price and volume volatility recently, and the market price of our securities has also experienced wide fluctuations. There can be no assurance that continual fluctuations in our share price will not occur.***

Recently, the securities markets in the United States and Canada have experienced a high level of price and volume volatility, and the market price of securities of many companies, including ours, has experienced wide fluctuations in price which have not necessarily been related to operating performance, underlying asset values or prospects. There can be no assurance that fluctuations in our share price will not continue to occur during the foreseeable future.

***If we fail to obtain a listing on an established stock exchange, you may be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the disposition of your securities.***

We believe that we currently are a United States real property holding corporation under Section 897(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, referred to as a USRPHC, and that there is a substantial likelihood that we will continue to be a USRPHC. Generally, gain recognized by a Non U.S. Holder on the sale or other taxable disposition of common stock should be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis at normal graduated U.S. federal income tax rates if we qualify as a USRPHC at any time during the 5 year period ending on the date of the sale or other taxable disposition of the common stock (or the Non US. Holder's holding period for the common stock, if shorter). Under an exception to these rules, if the common stock is regularly traded on an established securities market, the common stock should be treated as stock of a USRPHC only with respect to a Non U.S. Holder that held (directly or under certain constructive ownership rules) more than 5% of the common stock during the 5 year period ending on the date of the sale or other taxable disposition of the common stock (or the Non US. Holder's holding period for the common stock, if shorter). There can be no assurances that the common stock will be regularly traded on an established securities market.

***Our reliance on the financial hardship exemption from certain stockholder approval requirements of the Toronto Stock Exchange in connection with our recent \$12,000,000 private placement triggered an automatic TSX de-listing review. We cannot give any assurance that we will be found to be in compliance with continued listing requirements when the TSX completes its review, failing which our common stock will be delisted from the TSX.***

In connection with our \$12,000,000 private placement of 40 million Units in November, 2009, we received an exemption from certain shareholder approval requirements under the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange (the TSX), on the basis of financial hardship. Reliance on this exemption automatically triggered a TSX de-listing review to confirm that we continue to meet the TSX listing requirements. We have been informed by the TSX that the Continued Listings Committee has deferred its de-listing decision until on or before May 31, 2010. There is no assurance that the review will be determined in our favor, in which event our common stock will be delisted from the TSX.



***We have not obtained a tax opinion to the effect that there has not been a change of control either during the time preceding the completion of our unregistered special warrant offering in September 2007, immediately following conversion of the special warrants into the underlying shares of common stock and warrants, or in relation to our unregistered \$12 million unit offering that closed in November 2009. If a change in control is deemed to have occurred, our Company may not be able to fully utilize our net operating loss carry forwards.***

At December 31, 2009, our Company had federal and state net operating loss carry forwards of approximately \$79,600,000 and \$15,500,000, respectively. We believe that for the purposes of section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code, a change of control occurred on or before November 5, 2009. However, we have not obtained a formal tax opinion to that effect. If any change of control is deemed to have occurred—for example, either during the time preceding the completion of our unregistered special warrant offering in September 2007, immediately following conversion of the special warrants into the underlying shares of common stock and warrants, or immediately following the completion of our unregistered \$12 million unit offering in November 2009—or if a change of control occurs at any time in the future, our Company's ability to fully utilize its net operating loss carry forwards in computing its taxable income will be limited to an annual maximum of the value of our Company just prior to the change in control multiplied by the long term tax exempt rate.

***Broker dealers may be discouraged from effecting transactions in our common shares because they are considered a penny stock and are subject to the penny stock rules. This could severely limit the market liquidity of the shares.***

Our common stock currently constitutes penny stock. Subject to certain exceptions, for the purposes relevant to us, penny stock includes any equity security that has a market price of less than \$5.00 per share or with an exercise price of less than \$5.00 per share. Rules 15c-1 through 15c-9 promulgated under the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, impose sales practice and disclosure requirements on certain brokers-dealers who engage in certain transactions involving a penny stock. In particular, a broker-dealer selling penny stock to anyone other than an established customer or accredited investor (generally, an individual with net worth in excess of \$1,000,000 or an annual income exceeding \$200,000, or \$300,000 together with his or her spouse), must make a special suitability determination for the purchaser and must receive the purchaser's written consent to the transaction prior to sale, unless the broker-dealer or the transaction is otherwise exempt. A broker-dealer is also required to disclose commissions payable to the broker-dealer and the registered representative and current quotations for the securities. Finally, a broker-dealer is required to send monthly statements disclosing recent price information with respect to the penny stock held in a customer's account and information with respect to the limited market in penny stocks.

The additional sales practice and disclosure requirements imposed upon broker-dealers may discourage broker-dealers from effecting transactions in our shares, which could severely limit the market liquidity of the shares and impede the sale of our shares in the secondary market.

***In the event that an investment in our shares is for the purpose of deriving dividend income or in expectation of an increase in market price of our shares from the declaration and payment of dividends, the investment will be compromised because we do not intend to pay dividends.***

We have never paid a dividend to our shareholders and we intend to retain our cash for the continued development of our business. In addition, pursuant to the terms of our credit agreement with Nedbank, we are restricted from paying dividends or making distributions on shares of our common stock.

Accordingly, we do not intend to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. As a result, a return on investment will be solely determined by the ability to sell the shares in the secondary market.

### **Risks Related to Our Industry**

***The feasibility of our mine plan is based on certain assumptions about the sustainability of the current price of copper. We may be adversely affected by fluctuations in copper prices.***

Copper prices fluctuate widely and are affected by numerous factors beyond our control such as interest rates, exchange rates, inflation or deflation, fluctuation in the value of the United States dollar and foreign currencies, global and regional supply and demand (including that related to housing), and the political and economic conditions of copper producing countries throughout the world. The aggregate effect of these factors on copper price is impossible to predict. Because mining operations are conducted over a number of years, it may be prudent to continue mining for some periods during which cash flows are temporarily negative for a variety of reasons, including a belief that the low price is temporary and/or the greater expense incurred in closing an operation permanently. The value and price of our common shares, our financial results, and our exploration, development and production activities may be significantly adversely affected by declines in the price of copper and other metals.

In addition to adversely affecting our share price, financial condition and exploration, development and mining activities, declining metal prices can impact operations by requiring a reassessment of reserve estimates and the commercial feasibility of a particular project. Significant decreases in actual or expected copper prices may mean that a mineral resource which was previously classified as a reserve will be uneconomical to produce and may have to be restated as a resource. Even if the project is ultimately determined to be economically viable, the need to conduct such a reassessment may cause substantial delays in development or may interrupt operations, if any, until the reassessment can be completed.

***Our operations involve the exploration, development and production of copper and other metals, with the attendant risks of damage to or loss of life or property and legal liability.***

Our operations are subject to all the hazards and risks normally encountered in the exploration, development and production of copper and other base or precious metals, including unusual and unexpected geologic formations, seismic activity, pit wall failures, flooding and other conditions involved in the drilling and removal of material, any of which could result in damage to, or destruction of, mines and other producing facilities, damage to life or property, environmental damage and legal liability.

***Government regulation impacting the mining industry may adversely affect our business and planned operations.***

Our mining, processing, development and mineral exploration activities, if any, are subject to various laws governing prospecting, mining, development, production, taxes, labor standards and occupational health, mine safety, toxic substances, land use, water use, land claims of local people and other matters. New rules and regulations may be enacted or existing rules and regulations may be applied in such a manner as to limit or curtail our exploration, production or development. Amendments to current laws and regulations governing operations and activities of exploration, development mining and milling or more stringent implementation of these laws could have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition and cause increases in exploration expenses, capital expenditures or production costs or reduction in levels of production (assuming we achieve production) or require abandonment or delays in development of new mining properties.

***Certain groups opposed to mining may interfere with our efforts to reactive the Johnson Camp Mine.***

In North America there are organizations opposed to mining, particularly to open pit mines such as the Johnson Camp Mine. Although we intend to comply with all environmental laws and permitting obligations in conducting our business, there is still the possibility that those opposed to the operation of the Johnson Camp Mine will attempt to interfere with the operation of the Johnson Camp Mine, whether by legal process, regulatory process or otherwise. Such interference could have an impact on our ability to operate the Johnson Camp Mine in the manner that is most efficient or appropriate or at all, and any such impact would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

***Our operations are subject to environmental risks and environmental regulation. Our failure to manage such risks or comply with such regulation will potentially expose us to significant liability.***

All phases of our operations are subject to federal, state and local environmental regulation. These regulations mandate, among other things, the maintenance of air and water quality standards and land reclamation. They also set forth limitations on the generation, transportation, storage and disposal of solid and hazardous waste. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner that we anticipate 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. Future changes, if any, in environmental regulation may adversely affect our operations, if any. Environmental hazards may exist on the Johnson Camp property or on properties that we hold or may acquire in the future that are unknown to us at present and that have been caused by previous or existing owners or operators of the properties.

Failure to comply with applicable laws, regulations and permitting requirements may result in enforcement actions there under 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 or in the exploration or development of mineral properties 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.

***Our failure to contain or adequately deal with hazardous materials may expose us to significant liability for which we are not insured.***

Production, if any, at the Johnson Camp Mine involves the use of hazardous materials. Should these materials leak or otherwise be discharged from their containment systems, we may become subject to liability for hazards or cleanup work that are not covered by our insurance.

**Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

We did not issue any securities that were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, during the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q.

**Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers**

We have not purchased any of our shares of common stock during the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q.

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

Nedbank Limited, our Company's senior lender, has declined to extend the forbearance agreement with respect to the scheduled principal and interest payment in the approximate amount of \$2,150,000 that was due on March 31, 2010 under our Company's \$25,000,000 secured term-loan credit facility with Nedbank. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. We are now in default of our obligations under the amended and restated credit agreement with Nedbank dated March 31, 2009, and the full amount of the outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest as of March 31, 2010 must now be included in our Company's current liabilities, together with any additional amounts payable under the credit agreement. Accordingly, our Company has reclassified \$14,307,333 of long-term debt to current liabilities within our condensed consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2010.

Given this default, Nedbank has full authority to exercise its rights under the credit agreement, including the acceleration of the full amount due there under and the institution of foreclosure proceedings against the Johnson Camp Mine. Nedbank has not served our Company with a formal notice of default under credit agreement, which is a precondition to such exercise of Nedbank's rights of acceleration and foreclosure. In accordance with the credit agreement, upon missing the March 31, 2010 principal and interest payment the interest rate on the outstanding debt and unpaid accrued interest is increased by 3.00% to LIBOR plus 9.06% .

Nedbank Capital has also declined to extend the forbearance agreement regarding our Company's failure to make the payment of \$697,869 due on April 6, 2010 under the copper hedge agreement between the parties. The forbearance agreement expired at midnight on May 13, 2010. Accordingly, although Nedbank Capital has not served our Company with a formal notice of default, we are in default under the copper hedge agreement, and amounts formerly eligible for treatment as amounts payable under long-term derivative contracts as of March 31, 2010 must now be brought into current liabilities. Accordingly, our Company has reclassified \$4,740,763 of long-term derivative liabilities to current liabilities within our condensed consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2010.

**Item 4. (Removed and Reserved)**

None.

**Item 5. Other Information**

Not applicable.

**Item 6. Exhibits****Exhibit  
Number Description****Articles of Incorporation and By laws**

3.1 Certificate of Incorporation (as amended) of Nord Resources Corporation<sup>(1)</sup>

3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Nord Resources Corporation<sup>(2)</sup>

3.3 Amendment to Amended Certificate of Incorporation <sup>(26)</sup>

**Instruments defining the rights of security holders, including indentures**

4.1 Pages from Amended and Restated Bylaws of Nord Resources Corporation defining the rights of holders of equity or debt securities<sup>(1)</sup>

4.2 Convertible Promissory Note for \$35,000 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Ronald A. Hirsch dated June 29, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>

4.3 Amendment to Convertible Promissory Note dated June 29, 2004 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Ronald A. Hirsch effective November 30, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>

4.4 Convertible Promissory Note for \$66,000 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Stephen D. Seymour dated August 19, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>

4.5 Amendment to Convertible Promissory Note dated August 19, 2004 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Stephen D. Seymour effective September 26, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>

4.6 Second Amendment to Convertible Promissory Note dated August 19, 2004 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Stephen D. Seymour effective November 30, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>

4.7 Convertible Promissory Note for \$106,000 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Ronald A. Hirsch dated October 4, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>

4.8 Amendment to Convertible Promissory Note dated October 4, 2004 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Ronald A. Hirsch effective September 26, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>

4.9 Second Amendment to Convertible Promissory Note dated October 4, 2004 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Ronald A. Hirsch effective November 30, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>

4.10 Revolving Line of Credit Agreement, between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch and Stephen Seymour dated June 21, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>

4.11 Security Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch and Stephen Seymour dated June 21, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>

4.12 Secured Promissory Note (\$600,000) between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch and Stephen Seymour dated June 21, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>



- 4.13 Second Amended and Restated Revolving Line of Credit between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch and Stephen Seymour dated November 8, 2005<sup>(3)</sup>
- 4.14 Amended and Restated Warrant Certificate issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Auramet Trading, LLC, dated as of October 17, 2005<sup>(5)</sup>
- 4.15 Warrant Certificate issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Auramet Trading, LLC, dated April 17, 2006<sup>(5)</sup>
- 4.16 Acknowledgement of Ronald A. Hirsch regarding Agreement for Credit Risk Participation dated November, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 4.17 Secured Promissory Note for \$3,900,000 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Nedbank Limited dated November 8, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 4.18 Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing among Nord Resources Corporation, First American Title Insurance Company and Nedbank Limited dated November 8, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 4.19 Warrant Certificate issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Nedbank Limited, dated May 8, 2006<sup>(4)</sup>
- 4.20 Environmental Indemnity Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Nedbank Limited dated November, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 4.21 Subordination Agreement among Ronald A. Hirsch, Stephen D. Seymour and Nedbank Limited dated November 8, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 4.22 Letter from Nord Resources Corporation to Nedbank Limited regarding conditions subsequent, dated November 8, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 4.23 Perfection Certificate completed by Nord Resources Corporation for Nedbank Limited, dated November 8, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 4.24 Waiver Agreement and Amendment of Promissory Note between Nord Resources Corporation and Nedbank Limited, dated February 6, 2006<sup>(3)</sup>
- 4.25 Letter Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Nedbank Limited, dated May 5, 2006, extending the maturity date of the Secured Promissory Note dated November 8, 2005 in the principal amount of \$3,900,000, to May 15, 2006<sup>(4)</sup>
- 4.26 Letter Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour, dated May 5, 2006, extending the maturity date indebtedness under the Second Amended and Restated Revolving Line of Credit Agreement, among Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch and Stephen Seymour dated November 8, 2005<sup>(7)</sup>
- 4.27 Modification Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Nedbank Limited, dated May 15, 2006<sup>(5)</sup>

- 4.28 Warrant Certificate issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Nedbank Limited, dated May 15, 2006<sup>(5)</sup>
- 4.29 Warrant Certificate issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Auramet Trading LLC, dated May 15, 2006<sup>(5)</sup>
- 4.30 Amended and Restated Secured Promissory Note, dated May 31, 2006, payable to Nedbank Limited in the principal amount of \$4,900,000<sup>(6)</sup>
- 4.31 First Amendment to Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing, dated May 31, 2006, among Nord Resources Corporation, First American Title Insurance Company and Nedbank Limited<sup>(6)</sup>
- 4.32 Amendment to Subordination Agreement, dated May 31, 2006, made for the benefit of Nedbank Limited by Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour<sup>(6)</sup>
- 4.33 Warrant Certificate issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Auramet Trading, LLC, dated May 31, 2006 representing 250,000 common stock purchase warrants<sup>(6)</sup>
- 4.34 Letter Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation Nedbank Limited and Auramet Trading, LLC dated August 8, 2006, extending the maturity date of a secured loan in the principal amount of \$4,900,000<sup>(9)</sup>
- 4.35 Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour, dated August 14, 2006, extending the maturity date indebtedness under the Second Amended and Restated Revolving Line of Credit Agreement, among Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch and Stephen Seymour dated November 8, 2005<sup>(11)</sup>
- 4.36 Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note for \$35,000 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Ronald A. Hirsch dated for reference June 29, 2004<sup>(12)</sup>
- 4.37 Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note for \$66,000 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Stephen D. Seymour dated for reference August 19, 2004<sup>(12)</sup>
- 4.38 Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note for \$106,000 issued by Nord Resources Corporation to Ronald A. Hirsch dated for reference October 4, 2004<sup>(12)</sup>
- 4.39 Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour, dated August 17, 2006, extending the maturity date indebtedness under the Second Amended and Restated Revolving Line of Credit Agreement, among Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch and Stephen Seymour dated November 8, 2005<sup>(12)</sup>
- 4.40 Modification Agreement dated September 30, 2006 between Nord Resources Corporation and Nedbank Limited<sup>(13)</sup>
- 4.41 Amendment agreement dated September 29, 2006 between Nord Resources Corporation and Stephen Seymour in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference August 19, 2004, in the principal amount of \$66,000<sup>(15)</sup>



- 4.42 Amendment agreement dated September 29, 2006 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference October 4, 2004, in the principal amount of \$106,000<sup>(15)</sup>
- 4.43 Amendment agreement dated September 29, 2006 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference June 29, 2004, in the principal amount of \$35,000<sup>(15)</sup>
- 4.44 Amending agreement dated September 29, 2006 among Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour in respect of that certain \$600,000 Revolving Line of Credit Agreement and that certain Secured Promissory Note, as previously amended, each dated for reference June 21, 2005<sup>(15)</sup>
- 4.45 Letter Agreement among Nedbank Limited, Nord Resources Corporation and Auramet Trading, LLC dated for reference December 19, 2006 and executed on December 20, 2006<sup>(20)</sup>
- 4.46 Amendment agreement dated December 22, 2006 between Nord Resources Corporation and Stephen Seymour in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference August 19, 2004, in the principal amount of \$66,000<sup>(20)</sup>
- 4.47 Amendment agreement dated December 22, 2006 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference October 4, 2004, in the principal amount of \$106,000<sup>(20)</sup>
- 4.48 Amendment agreement December 22, 2006 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference June 29, 2004, in the principal amount of \$106,000<sup>(20)</sup>
- 4.49 Amending agreement dated December 22, 2006 among Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour in respect of that certain \$600,000 Revolving Line of Credit Agreement and that certain Secured Promissory Note, as previously amended, each dated for reference June 21, 2005<sup>(20)</sup>
- 4.50 Letter Agreement among Nedbank Limited, Nord Resources Corporation and Auramet Trading, LLC dated for reference January 11, 2007<sup>(21)</sup>
- 4.51 Amendment agreement dated January 15, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Stephen Seymour in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference August 19, 2004, in the principal amount of \$66,000<sup>(21)</sup>
- 4.52 Amendment agreement dated January 15, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference October 4, 2004, in the principal amount of \$106,000<sup>(21)</sup>
- 4.53 Amendment agreement dated January 15, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference June 29, 2004, in the principal amount of \$35,000<sup>(21)</sup>

- 4.54 Amending agreement dated January 15, 2007 among Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour in respect of that certain \$600,000 Revolving Line of Credit Agreement and that certain Secured Promissory Note, as previously amended, each dated for reference June 21, 2005<sup>(21)</sup>
- 4.55 Letter Agreement among Nedbank Limited, Nord Resources Corporation and Auramet Trading, LLC dated for reference January 30, 2007<sup>(22)</sup>
- 4.56 Amendment agreement dated January 31, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Stephen Seymour in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference August 19, 2004, in the principal amount of \$66,000<sup>(22)</sup>
- 4.57 Amendment agreement dated January 31, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference October 4, 2004, in the principal amount of \$106,000<sup>(22)</sup>
- 4.58 Amendment agreement dated January 31, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference June 29, 2004, in the principal amount of \$35,000<sup>(22)</sup>
- 4.59 Amending agreement dated January 31, 2007 among Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour in respect of that certain \$600,000 Revolving Line of Credit Agreement and that certain Secured Promissory Note, as previously amended, each dated for reference June 21, 2005<sup>(22)</sup>
- 4.60 Letter Agreement among Nedbank Limited, Nord Resources Corporation and Auramet Trading, LLC dated for reference February 23, 2007<sup>(23)</sup>
- 4.61 Modification Agreement between Nedbank Limited and Nord Resources Corporation dated for reference February 23, 2007<sup>(23)</sup>
- 4.62 Amendment agreement dated February 23, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Stephen Seymour in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference August 19, 2004, in the principal amount of \$66,000<sup>(23)</sup>
- 4.63 Amendment agreement dated February 23, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference October 4, 2004, in the principal amount of \$106,000<sup>(23)</sup>
- 4.64 Amendment agreement dated February 23, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference June 29, 2004, in the principal amount of \$35,000<sup>(23)</sup>
- 4.65 Amending agreement dated February 23, 2007 among Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour in respect of that certain \$600,000 Revolving Line of Credit Agreement and that certain Secured Promissory Note, as previously amended, each dated for reference June 21, 2005<sup>(23)</sup>
- 4.66 Term Sheet and Agreement between Nedbank Limited and Nord Resources Corporation dated for reference April 13, 2007<sup>(26)</sup>

- 4.67 Letter Agreement among Nedbank Limited, Nord Resources Corporation and Auramet Trading, LLC dated for reference April 17, 2007<sup>(26)</sup>
- 4.68 Amendment Agreement dated April 30, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Stephen Seymour in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference August 19, 2004, in the principal amount of \$66,000<sup>(25)</sup>
- 4.69 Amendment Agreement dated April 30, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference October 4, 2004, in the principal amount of \$106,000<sup>(25)</sup>
- 4.70 Amendment Agreement dated April 30, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch in respect of Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note dated for reference June 29, 2004, in the principal amount of \$35,000<sup>(25)</sup>
- 4.71 Amending Agreement dated April 30, 2007 among Nord Resources Corporation, Ronald Hirsch and Stephen Seymour in respect of that certain \$600,000 Revolving Line of Credit Agreement and that certain Secured Promissory Note, as previously amended, each dated for reference June 21, 2005<sup>(25)</sup>
- 4.72 Special Warrant Indenture among Nord Resources Corporation, Blackmont Capital Inc. and Computershare Trust Company of Canada, as special warrant trustee, dated June 5, 2007<sup>(27)</sup>
- 4.73 Warrant Indenture between Nord Resources Corporation and Computershare Trust Company of Canada, as warrant agent, dated June 5, 2007<sup>(27)</sup>
- 4.74 Registration Rights Agreement among Nord Resources Corporation, Blackmont Capital Inc. and Salman Partners Inc. dated June 5, 2007<sup>(27)</sup>
- 4.75 Agent s Option Certificate issued to Blackmont Capital Inc., dated June 5, 2007<sup>(27)</sup>
- 4.76 Agent s Option Certificate issued to Salman Partners Inc., dated June 5, 2007<sup>(27)</sup>

#### **Material Contracts**

- 10.1 Executive Employment Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch dated January 2, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.2 Waiver Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald A. Hirsch dated February 15, 2006<sup>(3)</sup>
- 10.3 Executive Employment Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Erland Anderson dated January 2, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.4 Waiver Agreement and Amendment of Employment Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Erland Anderson dated February 15, 2006<sup>(3)</sup>

- 10.5 Nord Resources Corporation Stock Option granted to Erland Anderson February 1, 2006<sup>(3)</sup>
- 10.6 Executive Employment Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and John Perry dated April 18, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.7 Waiver Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and John Perry dated February 15, 2006<sup>(3)</sup>
- 10.8 Letter Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Nicholas Tintor regarding employment matters dated February 15, 2006<sup>(3)</sup>
- 10.9 Option to Purchase the Coyote Springs property from Thornwell Rogers, South Branch Resources LLC and MRPGEO LLC to Nord Resources Corporation dated January 28, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.10 First Amendment to Option to Purchase Coyote Springs property among Thornwell Rogers, South Branch Resources LLC, MRPGEO LLC and Nord Resources Corporation dated December 14, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.11 Second Amendment to the Terms of Agreement, Option to Purchase the Coyote Springs Property, Graham County, Arizona, between Nord Resources Corporation and Thornwell Rogers, South Branch Resources LLC and MRPGEO LLC, dated January 27, 2006<sup>(3)</sup>
- 10.12 Option to Purchase the Mimbres Property from Thornwell Rogers, South Branch Resources, LLC and MRPGEO, LLC to Nord Resources Corporation dated June 10, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.13 Option Agreement between Shirley Bailey and Nord Resources Corporation dated July 19, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.14 Debt Conversion between Nord Resources Corporation and Thornwell Rogers dated April 16, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.15 Debt Conversion between Nord Resources Corporation and South Branch Resources LLC dated April 16, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.16 Debt Conversion between Nord Resources Corporation and MRPGEO, LLC dated April 16, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.17 Debt Conversion Agreement between Peifer, Hanson and Mullins P.A. and Nord Resources Corporation dated October 25, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.18 Settlement Agreement and General Release between Nord Resources Corporation and W. Pierce Carson dated April 22, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.19 Warrant Certificate issuing 250,000 warrants to W. Pierce Carson dated April 22, 2005<sup>(1)</sup>

- 10.20 Warrant Amendment Agreement between Nord Resource Corporation and Pierce Carson dated October 5, 2006<sup>(28)</sup>
- 10.21 Nord Resources Corporation form of Subscription Agreement for US Investors (2005 private placement)<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.22 Nord Resources Corporation form of Subscription Agreement for Canadian Investors (2005 private placement)<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.23 Nord Resources Corporation form of Warrant Certificate for US Purchasers (2005 private placement)<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.24 Nord Resources Corporation form of Warrant Certificate for Canadian Purchasers (2005 private placement)<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.25 Letter dated October 25, 2005, amending the terms of the 2005 private placement offering<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.26 Letter dated November 15, 2005, amending the terms of the 2005 private placement offering<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.27 Letter dated December 21, 2005, amending the terms of the 2005 private placement offering<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.28 Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine between Nord Resources Corporation and JC Rock, LLC dated December 24, 2004<sup>(1)</sup>
- 10.29 Tenth Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated July 31, 2007<sup>(27)</sup>
- 10.30 Office Lease between Issa and Henrietta Hallaq, landlords, and Nord Resources Corporation, tenant, dated January 5, 2006<sup>(27)</sup>
- 10.31 Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation (plaintiff/counter defendant), and Titanium Resources Group, Ltd. and Edward Wayne Malouf (defendants/counter plaintiffs) dated August 9, 2006<sup>(0)</sup>
- 10.32 Settlement Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Nicholas Tintor dated September 29, 2006<sup>(14)</sup>
- 10.33 Mutual General Release between Nord Resources Corporation and Nicholas Tintor dated September 29, 2006<sup>(14)</sup>
- 10.34 Third Amendment to the Terms of Agreement, Option to Purchase the Coyote Springs Property, Graham County, Arizona among Nord Resources Corporation, Thornwell Rogers, South Branch Resources, LLC and MRGPEO, LLC dated October 17, 2006<sup>(16)</sup>
- 10.35 Second Amendment to the Terms of Agreement, Option to Purchase the Mimbres Property, Grant County, New Mexico among Nord Resources Corporation, Thornwell Rogers, South Branch Resources, LLC and MRGPEO, LLC dated October 17, 2006<sup>(16)</sup>

- 10.36 Settlement Agreement dated October 18, 2006, between Nord Resources Corporation and TMD Acquisition Corporation<sup>(16)</sup>
- 10.37 Assignment Agreement dated October 18, 2006, between Nord Resources Corporation and TMD Acquisition Corporation<sup>(16)</sup>
- 10.38 Amended and Restated Waiver Agreement And Amendment of Employment Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Ronald Hirsch dated October 18, 2006<sup>(16)</sup>
- 10.39 Amendment of Employment Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Erland Anderson dated October 18, 2006<sup>(16)</sup>
- 10.40 Amendment of Executive Employment Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and John Perry dated October 18, 2006<sup>(16)</sup>
- 10.41 Indemnification Agreement dated October 18, 2006 by Stephen Seymour, in his personal capacity, and by Stephen Seymour, Kathie Stevens and Louise Seymour, as Trustees U/A dated 7/27/82 FBO Louise Seymour, in favor of Nord Resources Corporation<sup>(16)</sup>
- 10.42 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated October 23, 2006 by and among Nord Resources Corporation, Platinum Diversified Mining, Inc., Platinum Diversified Mining USA, Inc. and PDM Merger Corp.<sup>(17)</sup>
- 10.43 Voting Agreement dated October 23, 2006 among Nord Resources Corp., Platinum Diversified Mining USA, Inc. and Ronald A. Hirsch<sup>(17)</sup>
- 10.44 Voting Agreement dated October 23, 2006 among Nord Resources Corp., Platinum Diversified Mining USA, Inc. and Stephen Seymour<sup>(17)</sup>
- 10.45 Deposit Escrow Agreement dated October 23, 2006 among Nord Resources Corp., Platinum Diversified Mining USA, Inc. and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company<sup>(17)</sup>
- 10.46 Letter Agreement respecting a performance bonus between Nord Resources Corporation and Ron A. Hirsch dated November 2, 2006<sup>(18)</sup>
- 10.47 Letter Agreement respecting a performance bonus between Nord Resources Corporation and Erland A. Anderson dated November 2, 2006<sup>(18)</sup>
- 10.48 Letter Agreement respecting a performance bonus between Nord Resources Corporation and John T. Perry dated November 2, 2006<sup>(18)</sup>
- 10.49 Amended and Restated Assignment Agreement dated as of October 18, 2006, between Nord Resources Corporation and TMD Acquisition Corporation<sup>(19)</sup>
- 10.50 Seventh Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated November 2, 2006<sup>(19)</sup>

- 10.51 Settlement Agreement dated March 7, 2007 among Nord Resources Corporation, Platinum Diversified Mining, Inc., Platinum Diversified Mining USA, Inc. and PDM Merger Corp.<sup>(24)</sup>
- 10.52 Eighth Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated January 19, 2007<sup>(26)</sup>
- 10.53 Ninth Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated as of April 30, 2007<sup>(26)</sup>
- 10.54 Agency Agreement among Nord Resources Corporation, Blackmont Capital Inc. and Salman Partners Inc. dated June 5, 2007<sup>(27)</sup>
- 10.55 45Form of Subscription Agreement dated June 5, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation and each purchaser of special warrants<sup>(27)</sup>
- 10.56 Credit Agreement dated as of June 28, 2007 between Nord Resources Corporation, Cochise Aggregates and Materials, Inc., Nedbank Limited and the Lenders from time to time party thereto<sup>(27)</sup>
- 10.57 Tenth Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated July 31, 2007<sup>(27)</sup>
- 10.58 Eleventh Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated October 31, 2007<sup>(29)</sup>
- 10.59 Long Term Cathode Sales Agreement effective February 1, 2008, with Red Kite Explorer Fund Limited (Portions of this document have been omitted and filed separately with the SEC pursuant to a Request for Confidential Treatment filed under 17 C.F.R. 200.80(b)(4) and 240.24b 2<sup>(29)</sup>)
- 10.60 Twelfth Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated January 31, 2008<sup>(29)</sup>
- 10.61 Thirteenth Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated April 30, 2008<sup>(31)</sup>
- 10.62 Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of June 30, 2008 among Nord Resources Corporation, Cochise Aggregates and Materials Inc., Nedbank Limited and the Lenders from time to time party thereto<sup>(30)</sup>
- 10.63 Amended and Restated Executive Employment Agreement between the Company and John Perry dated September 9, 2008. <sup>(32)</sup>
- 10.64 Executive Employment Agreement between the Company and Wayne Morrison dated September 9, 2008. <sup>(32)</sup>
- 10.65 Processing Agreement with Texas Canyon Rock & Sand, Inc., dated October 31, 2008 <sup>(34)</sup>

- 10.66 Fourteenth Amendment to the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Waste Rock from the Johnson Camp Mine dated November 25, 2008<sup>(35)</sup>
- 10.67 Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of March 31, 2009 among Nord Resources Corporation, Cochise Aggregates and Materials Inc., Nedbank Limited and the Lenders from time to time party thereto<sup>(36)</sup>
- 10.68 Agreement to Purchase Royalty dated as of March 31, 2009 between Nord Resources Corporation and IRC Nevada Inc.<sup>(36)</sup>
- 10.69 Royalty Deed and Assignment of Royalty dated as of March 31, 2009, from Nord Resources Corporation to IRC Nevada Inc.<sup>(36)</sup>
- 10.70 Forbearance Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Nedbank Limited dated March 30, 2010<sup>(36)</sup>
- 10.71 Forbearance Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Nedbank Limited dated April 22, 2010<sup>(37)</sup>
- 10.72 Forbearance Agreement between Nord Resources Corporation and Nedbank Capital Limited dated April 27, 2010<sup>(38)</sup>

#### Subsidiaries of the Issuer

##### 21.1 Subsidiaries of the Issuer:

Cochise Aggregates and Materials, Inc. (Incorporated in Nevada)

#### Certifications

- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 and Rule 15d-14(a), promulgated under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended<sup>(39)</sup>
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 and Rule 15d-14(a), promulgated under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended<sup>(39)</sup>
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002<sup>(39)</sup>

#### Additional Exhibits

- 99.1 Nord Resources Corporation Amended and Restated 2006 Stock Incentive Plan <sup>(8)</sup>
- 99.2 Nord Resources Corporation Performance Incentive Plan for the period from July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2008<sup>(27)</sup>

#### Notes

- (1) Incorporated by reference from our annual report on Form 10-KSB for the year ended December 31, 2004, filed with the SEC on January 17, 2006.





- (2) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K dated February 15, 2006, filed with the SEC on February 16, 2006.
- (3) Incorporated by reference from our annual report on Form 10 KSB for the year ended December 31, 2005, filed with the SEC on March 28, 2006.
- (4) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on May 11, 2006.
- (5) Incorporated by reference from our quarterly report on Form 10 QSB for the quarter ended March 31, 2006, filed with the SEC on May 15, 2006.
- (6) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on May 31, 2006.
- (7) Incorporated by reference from Amendment No. 1 to our annual report on Form 10 KSB for the year ended December 31, 2005, filed with the SEC on June 30, 2006.
- (8) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on December 6, 2008.
- (9) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on August 8, 2006.
- (10) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on August 14, 2006.
- (11) Incorporated by reference from our quarterly report on Form 10 QSB for the quarter ended June 30, 2006, filed with the SEC on August 14, 2006.
- (12) Incorporated by reference from Amendment No. 3 to our annual report on Form 10 KSB for the year ended December 31, 2005, filed with the SEC on August 23, 2006.
- (13) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on September 28, 2006.
- (14) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on October 2, 2006.
- (15) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on October 4, 2006.
- (16) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on October 23, 2006.

- (17) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on October 25, 2006.
- (18) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on November 7, 2006.
- (19) Incorporated by reference from our quarterly report on Form 10 QSB for the quarter ended September 30, 2006, filed with the SEC on November 13, 2006.
- (20) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on December 26, 2006.
- (21) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on January 16, 2007.
- (22) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on February 5, 2007.
- (23) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on February 26, 2007.
- (24) Incorporated by reference from our annual report on Form 10 KSB for the year ended December 31, 2006, filed with the SEC on March 28, 2007.
- (25) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K, filed with the SEC on February 26, 2007.
- (26) Incorporated by reference from our quarterly report on Form 10 QSB for the quarter ended March 31, 2007, filed with the SEC on May 9, 2007.
- (27) Incorporated by reference from our quarterly report on Form 10 QSB for the quarter ended June 30, 2007, filed with the SEC on August 14, 2007.
- (28) Incorporated by reference from our Form SB 2, filed with the SEC on October 19, 2007.
- (29) Incorporated by reference from our annual report on Form 10 KSB for the year ended December 31, 2007, filed with the SEC on March 26, 2008.
- (30) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K dated June 30, 2008 and filed with the SEC on July 7, 2008.
- (31) Incorporated by reference from our quarterly report on Form 10 Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2008, filed with the SEC on August 14, 2008.
- (32) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K dated September 9, 2008 and filed with the SEC on September 12, 2008.

- (33) Incorporated by reference from our Post Effective No. 3 on Form S-1 dated October 24, 2008 and filed with the SEC on October 24, 2008.
- (34) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K dated October 31, 2008 and filed with the SEC on November 5, 2008.
- (35) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K dated November 25, 2008 and filed with the SEC on November 28, 2008.
- (36) Incorporated by reference from our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 and filed with the SEC on March 31, 2009.
- (37) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K dated April 22, 2010 and filed with the SEC on April 23, 2010.
- (38) Incorporated by reference from our current report on Form 8 K dated April 27, 2010 and filed with the SEC on April 29, 2010.
- (39) Filed herewith.

**SIGNATURES**

In accordance with the requirements of the Exchange Act, the registrant caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION**

By: /s/ Randy L. Davenport  
Randy L. Davenport  
(Principal Executive Officer)  
Chief Executive Officer

Date: May 17, 2010

By: /s/ Wayne M. Morrison  
Wayne M. Morrison  
(Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)  
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and  
Treasurer

Date: May 17, 2010