

NGEX MINERALS LTD.
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
THREE AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
(Amounts in Canadian Dollars unless otherwise indicated)

The following management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") of NGEx Minerals Ltd. ("NGEx Minerals" or the "Company") should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, and related notes therein. The financial information in this MD&A is reported in Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated and is derived from the Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS Accounting Standards"), applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including IAS 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*. The effective date of this MD&A is August 12, 2024. Additional information about the Company and its business activities is available on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca and the Company's website www.ngexminerals.com.

Some of the statements in this MD&A are forward-looking statements that are subject to risk factors set out in the cautionary note contained herein.

CORE BUSINESS

NGEx Minerals is a mineral exploration company with copper-gold and gold exploration projects in Argentina and Chile. The Company's strategy is to create value for its shareholders through prudent management and deployment of its capital resources, by expanding and increasing the quality of its mineral resources through successful exploration and acquisitions, and by advancing engineering and other studies that are required to prepare its projects for eventual development by the Company, in collaboration with its partners, as applicable, or by third parties. The overall objective is to position the Company as a top tier mineral exploration-development investment opportunity.

The Company has a strong management team and board with extensive experience in the resource sector, particularly in Chile and Argentina. The board and management team have an appropriate mix of geological, engineering, financial, and business skills to advance the Company's projects and to generate value for its shareholders.

The Company's common shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "NGEX", and on the OTCQX under the symbol "NGXXF".

Lunahuasi

The Company owns a 100% interest in the Lunahuasi project, a high-grade copper-gold-silver deposit located in San Juan Province, Argentina ("Lunahuasi" or the "Lunahuasi Project"), which is the most recent major deposit discovered in the emerging Vicuña District, which also hosts the Caserones Mine, the Josemaria deposit, the Filo del Sol deposit, and the Company's Los Helados Project. Drilling at Lunahuasi has discovered a significant new zone of high-grade copper, gold and silver mineralization, which includes some of the highest copper grades drilled to date in the Vicuña District and intersected globally in recent years. Follow-up drilling completed during the 2023-2024 field program has demonstrated the significant size potential of the initially discovered high-grade copper-gold-silver veins and confirmed the presence of longer intercepts of high-grade stockwork mineralization. Both styles of mineralization are interpreted to be part of a porphyry copper-gold system centered nearby and following up on these initial findings will continue to be a focus for the Company moving forward.

The Lunahuasi Project, as currently defined, is located on the Nacimiento I concession. As of the date of this MD&A, the Nacimiento I concession is subject to a 1% NSR royalty, held by Filo Corp. ("Filo"), a related party by way of directors, officers and shareholders in common (see "Buy Back of Lunahuasi Royalty" section below).

The Nacimiento I concession is also subject to an additional third-party NSR royalty of 0.5% covering the first 10 years of production. The same third party is also entitled to a one-time payment of US\$ 2.0 million upon commencement of production at Nacimiento I.

Los Helados

The Company's most advanced asset is its Los Helados copper-gold deposit, located in Region III of Chile ("Los Helados", the "Los Helados Property" or the "Los Helados Project"). The Company is the majority (approximately 69%) partner and operator of the Los Helados Project, which is subject to a Joint Exploration Agreement (the "JEA") with its partner (approximately 31%), Nippon Caserones Resources LLC ("NCR"). NCR is a subsidiary of JX Advanced Metals Corporation, a Tokyo-based mining and smelting company that also has an indirect 30% ownership interest in the Caserones Mine, located approximately 17km from Los Helados. The remaining 70% controlling interest in the Caserones Mine is held by Lundin Mining Corporation ("Lundin Mining"). The Company and Lundin Mining are not related parties, however they are respectively part of the Lundin Group of Companies, which are entities in which companies owned by trusts whose settlor was the late Adolf H. Lundin hold varying degrees of equity interest. Lundin Mining is a base metals mining company which currently owns the Josemaria development project and is the majority partner of the Caserones Mine. Subject to successful completion of a pending joint bid with BHP to acquire the Filo del Sol project, Lundin Mining would become a joint venture partner of, or have a controlling interest in, three of the neighbouring projects to the Company's Los Helados and Lunahuasi projects in the Vicuña District.

The total area of the Los Helados Property legal tenure is 31,428 hectares, all of which is subject to the JEA. While the Los Helados concessions are not subject to royalties, back-in rights, or other obligations in favour of third parties, pursuant to the terms of the JEA, a party's interest is automatically converted to a 0.5% net smelter return ("NSR") royalty if it is diluted to below 5%. In addition to a specific tax on mining activities, the Chilean government also levies royalties in the form of a mining tax on dividends paid by a Chilean mining company.

The Company's most recent Mineral Resource Estimate for the Los Helados Project is summarized in the following table, which has an effective date of October 31, 2023. The Company's Mineral Resources as reported in this MD&A have been prepared in accordance with the CIM Definition Standards that are incorporated by reference in NI 43-101. In this MD&A, Mineral Resources may be referred to interchangeably as "Mineral Resource Estimates" or "Mineral Resource Estimations".

Los Helados Mineral Resources (0.33% CuEq Cutoff)								
	Tonnage	Resource Grade				Contained Metal		
Class	(billion tonnes)	Cu (%)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	CuEq (%)	Cu (billion lbs)	Au (million oz)	Ag (million oz)
Indicated	2.08	0.40	0.15	1.5	0.51	18.4	10.2	97.5
Inferred	1.08	0.34	0.10	1.5	0.42	8.2	3.6	50.2

The key assumptions, parameters, and methods used to develop these Mineral Resource Estimates are contained in the 43-101 technical report entitled "Technical Report on the Los Helados and Lunahuasi Projects, Chile and Argentina", dated December 13, 2023 (the "Technical Report"), prepared by Luke Evans, M.Sc., P.Eng., SLR Consulting (Canada) Ltd., and Giovanni Di-Prisco, Ph.D., P.Geo., Terra Mineralogical Services Inc. This report is available on the Company's website at www.ngexminerals.com or under the Company's profile at www.sedarplus.ca.

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2023-2024 Follow-up Program at Lunahuasi Outlines Large Volume around Discovery; Significantly Expanding High-grade Mineralization

Following the discovery of high-grade mineralization at Lunahuasi in early 2023, the Company launched a follow-up drill program in October 2023, which ran until the onset of winter weather conditions in Argentina in April 2024 (the "2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program"). This second campaign completed 12,952 metres of drilling in 15 holes and showcased Lunahuasi as the newest high-grade deposit with meaningful size potential to be discovered in the emerging Vicuña District.

Final assays results of the 2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program were received and disclosed during the second quarter of 2024 and were highlighted by:

- DPDH013: 509.4 metres at 1.33% copper equivalent ("CuEq") (0.75% Cu, 0.55 g/t Au, 19.6 g/t Ag);
- DPDH015: 328.0 metres at 1.10% CuEq (0.73% Cu, 0.30 g/t Au, 16.4 g/t Ag);
 - including 78.3 metres at 2.05% CuEq (1.71% Cu, 0.33 g/t Au, 11.5 g/t Ag);
- DPDH016: 179.6 metres at 1.24% CuEq (0.81% Cu, 0.38 g/t Au, 17.8 g/t Ag);
 - including 22.1 metres at 3.36% CuEq (2.45% Cu, 0.76 g/t Au, 40.3 g/t Ag);
- DPDH018: 429.4 metres at 2.31% CuEq (1.41% Cu, 0.67 g/t Au, 46.6 g/t Ag);
 - including 102.7 metres at 4.26% CuEq (1.89% Cu, 1.43 g/t Au, 150.6 g/t Ag);
- DPDH020: 750.1 metres at 1.13% CuEq (0.74% Cu, 0.38 g/t Au, 11.9 g/t Ag);
 - including 17.3 metres at 5.94% CuEq (4.87% Cu, 0.72 g/t Au, 61.0 g/t Ag);
- DPDH021: 772.5 metres at 1.60% CuEq (1.02% Cu, 0.64 g/t Au, 14.2 g/t Ag);
 - including 58.1 metres at 6.04% CuEq (3.53% Cu, 2.76 g/t Au, 56.3 g/t Ag);
- DPDH022: 726.5 metres at 1.66% CuEq (0.89% Cu, 0.88 g/t Au, 14.5 g/t Ag); and
 - including 157.0 metres at 4.37% CuEq (1.86% Cu, 3.03 g/t Au, 33.6 g/t Ag).

Composited intervals from the final 11 assayed holes of the 2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program, which were disclosed by the Company during the three months ended June 30, 2024, are summarized in the following section "Drilling and Assay Results".

The 2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program successfully extended the system's high-grade mineralization and expanded the overall mineralized volume to at least a distance of 900 metres east-west, 400 metres north-south, and 960 metres vertically. The mineralized volume also remains open in all directions, including at depth, where several holes ended in good mineralization, such as DPDH018 which returned 3.37% CuEq (2.87% Cu, 0.45 g/t Au, 20.2 g/t Ag) and DPDH021 which returned 1.32% CuEq (1.07% Cu, 0.25 g/t Au, 7.1 g/t Ag) over the final 20 metres of each respective hole.

Drilling completed this past season has improved the Company's understanding of the Lunahuasi system. The high-grade vein and stockwork mineralization intersected to date are interpreted to be the peripheral part of a broader porphyry copper-gold system, the centre of which is yet to be located. Drill holes display increasingly intense alteration from east to west, the Company currently surmises that the system is centered to the west of the current drill pattern. Continuing to test for extensions of the high-grade mineralization will be a key objective of a third Lunahuasi drill program, which is planned to begin early in the fourth quarter of 2024.

Drilling and Assay Results

Drilling from the 2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program concluded in April 2024, and all assay results from the campaign were received and disclosed by June 19, 2024. Compositing intervals from the final 11 assayed holes of the 2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program are summarized below:

Hole ID	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	Estimated True Width ¹ (m)	Cu (%)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	CuEq ² (%)
DPDH012	59.0	240.0	181.0	74.2	0.25	0.59	4.8	0.72
incl.	59.0	62.0	3.0	1.2	2.62	0.35	45.0	3.27
and incl.	136.0	169.8	33.8	13.8	0.34	0.92	7.6	1.08
and incl.	194.0	206.0	12.0	4.9	0.41	3.82	3.8	3.23
incl.	196.0	198.0	2.0	0.8	0.65	16.80	7.0	12.96
plus	460.7	485.7	25.0	10.5	1.50	0.97	24.9	2.43
incl.	470.3	471.2	0.9	0.4	11.49	1.84	135.0	14.01
incl.	479.2	485.7	6.5	2.7	3.14	3.03	43.4	5.73
plus	560.7	566.0	5.3	2.3	2.28	0.87	13.5	3.03
DPDH013	162.0	186.0	24.0	10.3	0.94	1.35	15.4	2.06
incl.	162.0	168.0	6.0	2.6	3.11	2.88	47.0	5.62
plus	256.0	466.2	210.2	94.6	0.35	0.53	6.1	0.79
incl.	371.0	398.0	27.0	11.6	0.79	1.51	11.6	1.99
incl.	371.0	374.0	3.0	1.3	1.16	9.36	44.6	8.38
and incl.	395.0	397.0	2.0	0.9	4.22	1.45	26.0	5.50
plus	524.0	1,033.4	509.4	254.7	0.75	0.55	19.6	1.33
incl.	607.0	608.0	1.0	0.4	3.80	13.05	60.0	13.85
and incl.	634.2	639.3	5.1	2.2	2.41	1.11	43.1	3.60
and incl.	666.0	737.9	71.9	31.6	1.18	1.59	46.2	2.75
incl.	692.8	700.0	7.2	3.2	3.38	7.38	222.9	10.73
incl.	726.2	734.9	8.7	3.8	4.57	3.08	112.5	7.80
and incl.	778.0	837.0	59.0	26.0	0.78	0.93	49.6	1.89
incl.	784.0	790.0	6.0	2.6	0.73	2.61	160.7	4.05
incl.	827.0	832.0	5.0	2.2	3.72	1.50	81.4	5.53
and incl.	885.7	918.0	32.3	16.2	1.61	0.39	26.2	2.13
incl.	885.7	894.0	8.3	3.7	4.01	0.75	36.8	4.88
and incl.	939.0	996.7	57.7	28.9	1.63	0.32	19.1	2.03
incl.	946.0	949.0	3.0	1.5	2.98	0.26	24.7	3.39
incl.	961.1	966.2	5.1	2.6	4.62	0.37	39.8	5.24
incl.	974.8	976.1	1.3	0.7	8.22	3.03	47.0	10.84
DPDH015	99.0	210.0	111.0	63.3	0.56	0.43	14.1	1.00
incl.	120.0	155.0	35.0	20.0	1.36	0.84	30.2	2.24
incl.	137.5	142.3	4.8	2.7	2.21	0.64	37.2	3.01
incl.	146.2	153.9	7.7	4.4	3.46	2.02	72.4	5.57
and incl.	457.0	496.0	39.0	23.4	0.58	0.70	12.3	1.21
incl.	488.5	489.6	1.1	0.6	2.63	8.77	80.0	9.73
plus	556.0	884.0	328.0	196.8	0.73	0.30	16.4	1.10
incl.	574.2	625.0	50.8	29.5	0.65	0.71	63.8	1.73

incl.	602.0	603.0	1.0	0.6	0.50	4.61	1,450.0	16.62
incl.	609.1	612.0	2.9	1.7	2.53	1.28	83.3	4.19
incl.	617.5	620.8	3.3	1.9	3.88	1.52	97.7	5.84
and incl.	691.5	751.0	59.5	36.3	0.71	0.28	12.9	1.03
and incl.	802.0	880.3	78.3	51.7	1.71	0.33	11.5	2.05
incl.	827.9	830.2	2.3	1.5	10.46	1.07	62.5	11.79
incl.	844.9	847.0	2.1	1.4	4.44	0.76	23.6	5.20
incl.	874.0	878.0	4.0	2.6	3.92	0.31	20.5	4.33
DPDH016	230.0	343.0	113.0	76.8	0.34	0.87	5.6	1.03
incl.	256.0	299.0	43.0	28.8	0.17	1.59	3.9	1.37
incl.	274.0	276.0	2.0	1.3	0.85	29.76	14.0	22.67
incl.	329.4	330.5	1.1	0.8	9.75	2.25	113.0	12.39
and incl.	397.1	398.3	1.2	0.9	4.58	3.73	40.0	7.65
and incl.	430.2	432.4	2.2	1.7	5.76	1.16	62.5	7.16
and incl.	479.3	480.0	0.7	0.6	15.30	12.80	92.0	25.44
plus	587.4	767.0	179.6	147.3	0.81	0.38	17.8	1.24
incl.	660.7	662.0	1.3	1.1	7.24	3.33	128.0	10.79
and incl.	696.0	718.1	22.1	18.1	2.45	0.76	40.3	3.36
incl.	698.8	701.9	3.1	2.5	6.20	1.82	150.1	8.85
incl.	708.5	710.3	1.8	1.5	12.61	3.49	119.0	16.20
plus	730.0	746.1	16.1	13.2	2.76	1.44	81.0	4.53
incl.	732.8	745.0	12.2	10.1	3.36	1.67	102.5	5.48
DPDH017	No significant results							
DPDH018	171.6	177.7	6.1	4.1	0.74	1.46	155.0	3.17
plus	301.4	419.0	117.6	78.8	0.54	0.52	7.5	0.99
incl.	413.3	419.0	5.7	3.8	7.32	3.67	44.0	10.38
plus	461.0	475.0	14.0	9.4	4.33	1.63	32.5	5.80
plus	506.0	516.5	10.5	7.0	1.13	0.91	15.3	1.92
plus	738.0	1,167.4	429.4	300.6	1.41	0.67	46.6	2.31
incl.	741.3	844.0	102.7	71.9	1.89	1.43	150.6	4.26
incl.	741.3	742.9	1.6	1.1	10.65	3.93	151.8	14.84
and incl.	752.0	753.6	1.6	1.1	2.64	2.46	443.0	8.34
and incl.	787.5	841.1	53.6	37.5	2.69	2.21	247.9	6.48
incl.	827.9	841.1	13.2	9.2	6.08	5.96	661.6	16.24
and incl.	896.4	899.5	3.1	2.2	12.57	4.43	83.8	16.54
and incl.	951.1	956.8	5.7	4.0	4.42	0.72	32.4	5.23
and incl.	971.0	973.4	2.4	1.7	4.45	2.46	192.2	7.94
and incl.	1,034.0	1,048.0	14.0	9.9	2.59	1.93	31.5	4.27
and incl.	1,125.2	1,162.9	37.7	26.7	3.26	0.73	29.5	4.05
incl.	1,142.0	1,153.0	11.0	7.8	6.51	1.36	63.5	8.06
incl.	1,159.4	1,162.9	3.5	2.5	8.89	1.30	53.4	10.31
DPDH019	524.0	538.0	14.0	7.5	0.24	0.29	8.8	0.53
plus	968.0	974.0	6.0	4.0	0.28	0.53	22.7	0.87
plus	1,088.0	1,098.0	10.0	7.0	0.27	0.33	3.6	0.55
plus	1,184.0	1,200.0	16.0	12.0	0.38	0.21	6.9	0.59
plus	1,270.0	1,338.0	68.0	52.0	0.21	0.22	17.2	0.52
plus	1,362.0	1,391.6	29.6	23.0	0.37	0.21	5.1	0.57

DPDH020	204.0	954.1	750.1	360.0	0.74	0.38	11.9	1.13
incl.	268.0	276.0	8.0	4.0	1.26	2.27	10.3	3.01
and incl.	439.0	443.0	4.0	2.0	4.34	1.17	16.0	5.33
and incl.	498.5	501.4	2.9	2.0	7.76	1.25	20.3	8.85
and incl.	589.8	607.1	17.3	8.0	4.87	0.72	61.0	5.94
and incl.	660.5	661.5	1.0	0.5	20.77	3.25	198.0	24.88
and incl.	742.5	753.4	10.9	6.0	3.45	0.94	18.3	4.30
and incl.	802.5	810.5	8.0	4.0	6.74	2.16	55.4	8.81
DPDH021	430.0	1,202.5	772.5	564.0	1.02	0.64	14.2	1.60
incl.	438.0	496.1	58.1	38.0	3.53	2.76	56.3	6.04
incl.	476.0	496.1	20.1	13.0	9.18	6.86	98.5	15.05
incl.	480.5	485.3	4.8	3.0	20.97	24.34	272.1	41.12
and incl.	527.7	530.5	2.8	2.0	3.97	9.09	33.6	10.90
and incl.	549.9	556.0	6.1	4.0	3.41	1.21	41.3	4.66
and incl.	589.0	622.2	33.2	23.0	3.45	1.21	42.8	4.71
incl.	598.0	601.0	3.0	2.0	5.07	2.22	90.4	7.48
incl.	614.0	620.0	6.0	4.0	15.09	4.27	160.7	19.62
and incl.	644.3	656.6	12.4	9.0	2.83	2.12	51.5	4.83
incl.	810.0	817.2	7.1	5.0	6.68	2.64	110.2	9.57
incl.	910.6	918.7	8.2	6.0	2.53	0.88	22.0	3.37
incl.	970.0	975.3	5.3	4.0	0.97	4.10	11.2	4.05
incl.	1,147.8	1,157.7	9.9	8.0	2.62	0.41	13.2	3.04
DPDH022	178.0	186.0	8.0	5.0	0.13	0.95	21.5	1.01
plus	235.0	244.0	9.0	6.0	0.31	0.87	18.5	1.10
plus	264.0	275.7	11.7	7.0	0.62	0.65	12.0	1.20
plus	380.0	1,106.5	726.5	503.0	0.89	0.88	14.5	1.66
incl.	380.0	537.0	157.0	100.0	1.86	3.03	33.6	4.37
incl.	408.0	446.9	38.9	25.0	2.92	10.04	67.7	10.84
incl.	492.7	502.0	9.3	6.0	7.97	3.39	132.9	11.61
incl.	521.7	523.0	1.3	1.0	17.68	3.04	103.0	20.80
and incl.	807.0	812.8	5.8	4.0	6.40	2.13	87.4	8.73
and incl.	972.5	982.1	9.6	7.0	6.40	3.25	149.5	10.08
and incl.	1,062.6	1,074.7	12.1	9.0	3.82	0.59	25.2	4.48
DPDH023	169.0	254.0	85.0	46.0	1.57	1.32	38.8	2.87
incl.	175.0	177.4	2.4	1.3	3.59	2.30	118.6	6.31
and incl.	184.0	194.1	10.1	6.0	2.44	2.46	46.4	4.65
and incl.	215.0	224.0	9.0	5.0	2.48	2.12	72.1	4.66
and incl.	235.0	238.7	3.7	2.0	6.79	2.44	159.8	9.98
and incl.	248.0	254.0	6.0	3.0	7.30	5.51	122.2	12.39

¹ True widths are estimated based on a preliminary geological interpretation and are subject to change as more information is acquired and the geological interpretation is refined.

² CuEq for drill intersections is calculated based on US\$ 3.00/lb Cu, US\$ 1,500/oz Au and US\$ 18/oz Ag, with 80% metallurgical recoveries assumed for all metals. The formula is: CuEq % = Cu % + (0.7292 * Au g/t) + (0.0088 * Ag g/t).

Buy Back of Lunahuasi Royalty

Under the terms of a 2018 royalty agreement with Filo, the Company held the right to buy back two thirds of a 3% net smelter return ("NSR") royalty held by Filo on the Nacimiento I concession, within which the Company would discover the Lunahuasi deposit in 2023. On May 13, 2024, the Company exercised that right for cash consideration totaling US\$ 1.5 million, reducing Filo's NSR royalty on the Nacimiento I concession to 1% (see "Core Business" section above).

Q2 2024 CORPORATE HIGHLIGHTS

Update to the Board of Directors

Mr. Axel Lundin did not stand for re-election to the Board of Directors at the Annual General and Special Meeting of the Company held on June 27, 2024. The Company determined that six directors was an appropriate number. Accordingly, Mr. Axel Lundin's vacancy was not filled and only the remaining six incumbent directors were nominated for re-election by the Company and approved by the Company's shareholders.

RESULTS FROM OPERATIONS

NGEx Minerals is an exploration company and, as such, its net losses are largely driven by its exploration and project investigation activities and there is no expectation of generating operating profits until it identifies and develops a commercially viable mineral deposit.

Key financial results for the last eight quarters are provided in the table below.

Three Months Ended	Jun-24	Mar-24	Dec-23	Sep-23	Jun-23	Mar-23	Dec-22	Sep-22
Exploration costs (\$000's)	7,818	22,519	9,795	4,469	10,898	15,122	6,038	4,539
Operating loss (\$000's)	9,795	24,378	11,714	8,675	12,116	16,483	8,384	6,243
Net loss (\$000's)	7,579	19,744	8,614	4,218	9,719	15,167	8,020	6,068
Net loss per share, basic and diluted (\$)	0.04	0.11	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.09	0.04	0.04

NGEx Minerals incurred net losses of \$7.6 million and \$27.3 million, respectively, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 (2023: \$9.7 million and \$24.9 million), including respective operating losses of \$9.8 million and \$34.2 million (2023: \$12.1 million and \$28.6 million). As a result of the Company's accounting policy to expense its exploration costs through the consolidated statement of comprehensive loss, except for mineral property option payments and mineral property acquisition costs, exploration and project investigation costs are the most significant expenditure category of the Company and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, accounted for approximately 80% and 89% of the respective operating losses for these periods (2023: 90% and 91%). Due to the geographic location of the Company's mineral properties, the Company's business activities generally fluctuate with the seasons, through increased exploration activities during the summer months in South America. As a result, a general recurring trend is the increase in exploration expenditures, and therefore net losses, for the fourth quarter and first quarter of a fiscal year, relative to the second and third quarters. In addition, other relevant factors, such as the financial position of the Company, other corporate initiatives, as well as the type and scope of planned exploration or project work, could affect the level of exploration activities and net loss in a particular period.

Exploration and project investigation costs for the three months ended June 30, 2024, were \$7.8 million (2023: \$10.9 million). The reduction in exploration and project and investigation costs for the three months ended June 30, 2024, relative to the 2023 comparative period is due to the Company having curtailed the 2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program in April 2023 with the onset of winter weather conditions at the project site in Argentina. Contrastingly, during the comparative quarter of 2023, the Company continued its drill programs at both Los Helados and Lunahuasi into May 2023, resulting in relatively higher costs.

For the six months ended June 30, 2024, exploration and project investigation costs totalled \$30.3 million (2023: \$26.0 million). While the Company undertook field and drill programs of comparable size in both periods, the higher exploration and project investigation costs for the six months ended June 30, 2024, is due to the activity and related expenditures predominantly occurring in Argentina for the Lunahuasi Project, as discussed in the "Q2 2024 Operating Highlights and Outlook" section above. By comparison, during the comparative 2023 period, the Company only conducted a small maiden drill program at Lunahuasi, and the majority of drilling was completed at the Los Helados Project, located in Chile.

Operating in Argentina, relative to Chile, generally results in higher reported costs for financial reporting purposes due to the country's high inflation, which increases Argentine peso-denominated costs, and restrictions placed on the official exchange rates, which value the Argentine peso at artificially high levels. In addition, costs incurred by the Company's Argentine's operating subsidiaries are subject to hyperinflation accounting adjustments, which increase transactions recorded during the period into a measuring unit current as of the period end. During the six months ended June 30, 2024, exploration and project investigation costs included a hyperinflation adjustment of approximately \$2.5 million as a result of the Company's exploration activity in Argentina (2023: \$0.8 million). Further details on the Company's application of hyperinflation accounting, and the methods by which it manages the deployment of capital into Argentina through the use of alternate funding mechanisms, refer to the Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements and related notes therein.

Excluding share-based compensation, administration costs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 totalled \$1.4 million and \$2.6 million, respectively (2023: \$0.7 million and \$1.6 million). Share-based compensation, a non-cash cost, reflects the amortization of the estimated fair value of options over their vesting period and is based to a large degree on the Company's share price and its volatility. The actual future value to the option holders may differ materially from these estimates as it depends on the trading price of the Company's shares if and when the options are exercised. In addition, as the granting of options and their vesting is at the discretion of the Board, the related expense is unlikely to be uniform across quarters or financial years.

Administration costs, exclusive of share-based compensation costs, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, were higher than the 2023 comparative periods primarily due to higher compensation costs, promotion and public relations costs and general office expenses. The increase in compensation costs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, is due to a higher average personnel headcount and base compensation levels, which reflect increases in resources and support in response to the Company's recent growth. The increase in promotion and public relations costs during the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, is the result of an increase in scope in the Company's investor relations initiatives to coincide with the recent increase in the Company's market capitalization and profile. General office costs have increased during the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, due to additional fees paid in connection with the commencement of trading of the Company's common shares on the TSX and OTCQX in February and March 2024, respectively.

Interest income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, totalled \$657,074 and \$1,546,287, respectively (2023: \$170,397 and \$207,041). The increase in interest income earned is due primarily to a significant increase in the average total balance of cash and short-term investments held by the Company during the respective periods, which follows the Company's raising \$85.7 million in gross proceeds in August 2023 through a non-brokered private placement.

The Company recognized net monetary losses of \$790,377 and \$875,022, respectively, during the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 (2023: gains of \$9,833 and \$127,212), in relation to the application of hyperinflationary accounting for the Company's Argentine subsidiaries. The monetary losses recognized are the results of changes in the Argentine price indices and changes to the net monetary position of the Company's Argentine operating subsidiaries during the respective periods. Further discussion regarding the application of hyperinflationary accounting has been provided in the notes to the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

From time to time, the Company acquires and transfers marketable securities as a mechanism to facilitate intragroup funding transfers between its Canadian parent and its Argentine operating subsidiaries. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, the Company recognized gains of \$2.4 million and \$6.1 million, respectively, (2023: \$2.2 million and \$3.4 million) on the use of marketable securities for this purpose, which represents the net benefit of having used this funding mechanism over traditional methods. Despite a broad decrease in the premiums realized through use of this funding mechanism since late 2023, the gains realized for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, have increased relative to the comparative 2023 periods as a result of more funding provided to its Argentine subsidiaries during the three and six months ended June 30, 2024. The increase in downstream funding provided into Argentina is a reflection of the significantly larger scope of the 2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program relative to the maiden Lunahuasi drill campaign undertaken in early 2023.

No tax recovery is recognized as a result of the nature of the Company's activities and the lack of reasonably expected taxable profits in the near term.

In other comprehensive income, the Company reported a foreign currency translation gain of \$194,291 and a loss of \$162,024, respectively, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, (2023: loss of \$88,748 and gain of \$49,219) on translation of subsidiary company accounts from their functional currency to the Canadian dollar presentation currency. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, the foreign currency translation impacts are primarily the result of fluctuations of the Canadian dollar relative to the Chilean peso over the respective periods. In addition, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, the impacts of hyperinflation amounted gains of \$990,778 and \$2,699,932, respectively (2023: \$435,862 and \$420,869), which consist of adjustments recognized on the continuing inflation of opening non-monetary balances during the respective periods and the ongoing translation of the Company's Argentine subsidiaries into the Canadian dollar presentation currency for consolidation.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

As at June 30, 2024, the Company had cash of \$45.7 million and net working capital of \$45.6 million compared to cash of \$59.5 million and net working capital of \$69.7 million as at December 31, 2023. The Company's total cash and net working capital decreased during the six months ended June 30, 2024, due primarily to funds used in operations, including mineral property acquisition and option payments, and for general corporate purposes. The cash outflows have been partially offset by \$10.3 million in proceeds received on the redemption of short-term investments (2023: \$nil), and \$1.6 million in gross proceeds received pursuant to the exercise of stock options (2023: \$0.4 million).

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Under the normal course of operations, the Company may undertake transactions or hold balances with related parties. Other than those related party transactions identified elsewhere in this MD&A, the Company may, from time to time, engage with Filo, as discussed below.

Acquisition of mineral properties

In April 2024, the Company acquired a 100% interest in certain exploitation and exploration concessions located in Chile (the "Maricunga Properties") from Filo for total cash consideration having a Canadian dollar equivalent of \$94,096. The Maricunga Properties are adjacent to the Valle Ancho and Interceptor properties, in which the Company holds a 100% interest.

Related party services

The Company has cost sharing arrangements with Filo. Under the terms of these arrangements, the Company may, from time to time, provide management, technical, administrative and/or financial services (collectively, "Management Services") to Filo, and vice versa. These transactions were incurred in the normal course of operations, and are summarized as follows:

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	2024	June 30, 2023	2024	June 30, 2023
Management Services to Filo	64,711	80,645	117,912	187,225
Management Services from Filo	(68,702)	(134,414)	(117,825)	(283,853)

Related party balances

The amounts due from (to) related parties, and the components of the consolidated statement of financial position in which they are included, are as follows:

	Related Party	June 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Receivables and other assets	Filo	68,017	67,466
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Filo	(65,011)	(52,858)

Key management compensation

The Company's key management personnel have the authority and responsibility for overseeing, planning, directing and controlling its activities and consist of the Board of Directors and members of the executive management team. Total compensation expense for key management personnel, and the composition thereof, is as follows:

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	2024	June 30, 2024	2024	June 30, 2024
Salaries and other payments	277,650	204,917	555,300	408,667
Short-term employee benefits	8,613	6,352	16,901	12,704
Directors fees	24,167	24,029	48,417	48,279
Stock-based compensation	466,134	433,193	1,069,210	815,391
	776,564	668,491	1,689,828	1,285,041

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company continues to follow the accounting policies described in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023, as filed on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca on March 22, 2024.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards, including the condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2024, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and expenditures. These estimates and assumptions are based on management's best knowledge of the relevant facts and circumstances taking into account previous experience. Actual results could differ from those estimates and such differences could be material. Estimates are reviewed on an ongoing basis and are based on historical experience and other facts and circumstances. Revisions to estimates and the resulting effects on the carrying amounts of the Company's assets and liabilities are accounted for prospectively. There have been no material changes to the critical accounting estimates discussed in the annual MD&A for the year ended December 31, 2023, as filed on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca on March 22, 2024.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

As at June 30, 2024, the Company's financial instruments consist of cash, receivables and other assets, short-term investments, trade payables and accrued liabilities, and the amounts due to its exploration partner, NCR. Other than for the amounts due to its exploration partner, the carrying values of the Company's financial instruments are considered to be reasonable approximations of fair value due to their short-term nature. For amounts due to its exploration partner, the Company revalues the liability from time to time based on revisions to the timing and amounts of expected future settlement, which the Company believes is a reasonable approximation of fair value. Between revaluations, the liability is accreted.

As at June 30, 2024, the Company's financial instruments are exposed to the following financial risks, including credit, liquidity and currency risks:

- (i) Credit risks associated with cash is mitigated by the Company's practice of holding the majority of its cash with Canadian financial institutions that have been accorded a strong investment grade rating by a primary rating agency or received adequate deposit insurance coverage.
- (ii) Liquidity risks associated with the inability to meet obligations as they become due are minimized through the management of its capital structure and by maintaining good relationships with significant shareholders. The Company also closely monitors and reviews its costs to date and actual cash flows on a monthly basis.

The maturities of the Company's financial liabilities as at June 30, 2024, are as follows:

	Total	Less than 1 year	1-5 years	More than 5 years
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	6,490,055	6,490,055	-	-
Due to exploration partner	4,559,555	-	-	4,559,555
Total	11,049,610	6,490,055	-	4,559,555

In accordance with the terms of a Joint Exploration Agreement between the Company and the partner, NCR, the Company is required to fund NCR's share of exploration expenditures related to the La Rioja properties (the "Obligation"). The undiscounted value of the Obligation was US\$ 3.3 million as of June 30, 2024, and has no defined timeline for settlement. The Obligation has been discounted at an annual effective rate of 8%, and recorded at its present value having the Canadian dollar equivalent of \$656,837 at June 30, 2024 (2023: \$634,740). The figure provided in the preceding table represents the Canadian dollar equivalent of the liability on an undiscounted basis.

- (iii) Foreign currency risk can arise when the Company or its subsidiaries transact or have net financial assets or liabilities which are denominated in currencies other than their respective functional currencies.

As at June 30, 2024, the Company's largest foreign currency risk exposure existed at the level of its Canadian headquarters, where the Company held a net financial asset position denominated in US dollars having a Canadian dollar equivalent of approximately \$4.1 million. A 10% change in the foreign exchange rate between the US dollar, and the Canadian dollar, NGEx Minerals' functional currency, would give rise to increases/decreases of approximately \$413,000 in financial position/comprehensive loss.

OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA

As at August 12, 2024, the Company had 189,682,659 common shares outstanding and 9,674,998 share options outstanding under its share-based incentive plan.

DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P")

DC&P are designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the Company in its annual filings, interim filings or other reports filed or submitted by it under securities legislation is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the securities legislation. They include controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in its annual filings, interim filings or other reports filed or submitted under securities legislation is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There have not been any material changes in the Company's DC&P during the three and six months ended June 30, 2024.

Internal controls over financial reporting ("ICFR")

The Company's ICFR are designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards. The design of the Company's ICFR is the responsibility of its management.

The Company's ICFR include policies and procedures that: pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and disposition of assets; provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards; that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorization of management and directors of the Company; and provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements. Any system, no matter how well conceived or operated, has inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation and will not prevent all, or detect all, misstatements and frauds. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, they cannot provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been prevented or detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by unauthorized override of the control. The design of any control system also is 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. Accordingly, because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

Management uses the Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013 Framework) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations for the Treadway Commission (COSO) in order to assess the effectiveness of the Company's ICFR.

There have not been any material changes in the Company's internal controls during the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's ICFR.

RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The operations of the Company are speculative due to the high-risk nature of its business, which includes the acquisition, financing, exploration, development and operation of mineral and mining properties. There are a number of factors that could negatively affect the Company's business and the value of its common shares, and these risk factors could materially affect the Company's future operations and financial position and could cause actual events to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements relating to the Company. There have been no material changes in the risks and uncertainties affecting the Company that were discussed in the Company's annual MD&A and most recent annual information form (AIF) for the year ended December 31, 2023, as filed on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca on March 22, 2024.

QUALIFIED PERSON AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

The scientific and technical disclosure included in this MD&A have been reviewed and approved by Bob Carmichael, P. Eng. (BC). Mr. Carmichael is the Company's Vice-President of Exploration and a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects. ("NI 43-101").

Mineral Resource Estimates for the Los Helados Project have an effective date of October 31, 2023. The key assumptions, parameters, and methods used to estimate this Mineral Resource Estimate are contained in the 43-101 technical report entitled "*Technical Report on the Los Helados and Lunahuasi Projects, Chile and Argentina*", dated December 13, 2023 (the "Technical Report"), prepared by Luke Evans, M.Sc., P.Eng., SLR Consulting (Canada) Ltd., and Giovanni Di-Prisco, Ph.D., P.Geo., Terra Mineralogical Services Inc. This report is available on the Company's website at www.ngexminerals.com or under the Company's profile at www.sedarplus.ca

Mineral Resources are reported using a CuEq cutoff grade. Copper equivalent is calculated using US\$ 3.90/lb copper, US\$ 1,800/oz gold and US\$ 20/oz silver, and includes a provision for selling costs and metallurgical recoveries corresponding to three zones defined by depth below surface. The formulas used are: $CuEq\% = Cu\% + 0.681008 * Au (g/t) + 0.002989 * Ag (g/t)$ for the Upper Zone (surface to ~ 250 m); $Cu\% + 0.692039 * Au (g/t) + 0.004877 * Ag (g/t)$ for the Intermediate Zone (~250 m to ~600 m); $Cu\% + 0.688852 * Au (g/t) + 0.006068 * Ag (g/t)$ for the Deep Zone (> ~600 m).

Copper equivalent values reported for the 2023-2024 Lunahuasi Program were based on US\$ 3.00/lb Cu, US\$ 1,500/oz Au and US\$ 18/oz Ag. Respective assumed metal recoveries and CuEq formulae are as presented in the footnote to the associated tables of summarized drill results provided above.

The Company's Mineral Resources as reported in this MD&A have been prepared in accordance with the CIM Definition Standards that are incorporated by reference in NI 43-101.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements made and information contained herein in the MD&A constitutes "forward-looking information" and forward-looking statements" within the meaning of applicable securities legislation (collectively, "forward-looking information" or "forward-looking statements") concerning the business, operations, financial performance and condition of NGE Minerals. The forward-looking information contained in this MD&A is based on information available to the Company as of the date of this MD&A. Except as required under applicable securities legislation, the Company does not intend, and does not assume, any obligation, to update this forward-looking information. Generally, any statements that express or involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, assumptions or future events or performance, (often, but not always, identified by words or phrases such as "plans", "expects" or "does not expect", "is expected", "budgets", "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "intends", "projects", "targets", "assumes", "strategy", "goals", "objectives", "potential", "possible", "anticipates" or "does not anticipate", or "believes", or variations of such words and phrases or statements that certain actions, events, conditions or results "will", "may", "could", "would", "should", "might" or "will be taken", "will occur" or "will be achieved" or the negative connotations thereof and similar expressions) are not statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking statements.

All statements other than statements of historical fact may be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking information is necessarily based on estimates and assumptions that are inherently subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking information, including but not limited to: risks and uncertainties relating to, among other things, the inherent uncertainties regarding Mineral Resource Estimates, cost estimates, changes in commodity prices, currency fluctuation, financings, changes in share price; unanticipated resource grades, infrastructure, results of exploration activities, cost overruns, availability of materials and equipment, timeliness of government approvals, taxation, political risk and related economic risk and unanticipated environmental impact on operations as well as other risks, and uncertainties and other factors, including, without limitation, those referred to in the "Risks and Uncertainties" section of this MD&A, if any, and elsewhere, such as in the Company's most recent AIF, as filed on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca, which may cause the actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking information.

The Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements and information included in this MD&A are reasonable, but no assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to be correct and such forward-looking statements and information should not be unduly relied upon. This statement and information is as of the date of the MD&A. In particular, this MD&A contains forward-looking statements or information pertaining to: the assumptions used in the Mineral Resources estimates for the Los Helados Project, including, but not limited to, geological interpretation and grades; assumptions made in the interpretation of drill results, geology, grade and continuity of mineral deposits; expectations regarding access and demand for equipment, skilled labour and services

needed for exploration and development of mineral properties; and that activities will not be adversely disrupted or impeded by exploration, development, operating, regulatory, political, community, economic and/or environmental risks. In addition, this MD&A may contain forward-looking statements or information pertaining to: the future or ultimate owner(s) of strategic mineral assets within the Vicuña District where the Company's Los Helados and Lunahuasi projects are located; exploration and development plans and expenditures, including the size, scope, nature, timing and foci of the Company's future exploration programs, particularly at Lunahuasi; whether current interpretation of the exploration and/or drill results to date at Lunahuasi will be confirmed by future work, including statements regarding prospectivity of exploration properties or specific targets, the accuracy of a geological model or geological interpretation, the ability of future drilling to convert exploration potential to a Mineral Resource Estimate, the scale, grade, or significance of the centre of the system that is the source of the high-grade mineralization intersected at Lunahuasi, or the Company's ability to locate it; the future uses of the Company's cash and working capital; the success of future exploration activities; potential for the discovery of new mineral deposits or expansion of existing mineral deposits; ability to build shareholder value; expectations with regard to adding to Mineral Resources through exploration; expectations with respect to the conversion of Inferred Resources to an Indicated Resource classification, or the conversion of Indicated Resources to a Measured Resource classification; ability to execute the planned work programs; estimation of commodity prices, Mineral Resources, estimations of costs, and permitting time lines; ability to obtain surface rights and property interests; currency exchange rate fluctuations; requirements for additional capital; government regulation of mining activities; environmental risks; unanticipated reclamation expenses; title disputes or claims; limitations on insurance coverage; assumptions that the Company will be able to carry out exploration program at Lunahuasi as planned; fluctuations in the current price of and demand for commodities; material adverse changes in general business and economic conditions, particularly in Argentina with respect to uncertainty around exchange rate and other economic policies potentially affecting the Company, as well as other factors associated with ongoing financial instability in Argentina; and other risks and uncertainties.

Forward-looking information is based on certain assumptions that the Company believes are reasonable, including that the current price of and demand for commodities will be sustained or will improve, the supply of commodities will remain stable, that the general business and economic conditions will not change in a material adverse manner, that financing will be available if and when needed on reasonable terms and that the Company will not experience any material labour dispute, accident, or failure of plant or equipment. These factors are not, and should not be construed as being, exhaustive. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that would cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking information, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated, or intended. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, as the Company's actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements, as a result of the factors discussed in the "Risk and Uncertainties" section of this MD&A, and elsewhere. All of the forward-looking information contained in this document is qualified by these cautionary statements. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking information due to the inherent uncertainty thereof.

Statements relating to "Mineral Resources" are deemed to be forward-looking information, as they involve the implied assessment, based on certain estimates and assumptions, that the Mineral Resources described can be profitably produced in the future.