

#### NEVADA COPPER CORP.

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#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

**Notice is hereby given** that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders (the "Meeting") of Nevada Copper Corp. (the "Corporation") will be held at the Terminal City Club, 837 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, on Monday, June 30, 2014, at the hour of 1:00 p.m. (PST), for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the consolidated financial statements of the Corporation for the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013, together with the Auditor's Report thereon;
- 2. To fix the number of directors for the ensuing year at eight;
- 3. To elect eight directors to serve until the next annual general meeting of shareholders or until their successors are elected or appointed;
- 4. To appoint KPMG, Chartered Accountants, as auditor of the Corporation and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration; and
- 5. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Accompanying this Notice of Meeting are an Information Circular, Form of Proxy (or a voting instruction form if you hold common shares through a broker or other intermediary) and a Financial Statement Request Form. The accompanying Information Circular provides information relating to the matters to be addressed at the Meeting and is incorporated into this Notice.

The Board of Directors has fixed May 26, 2014 as the record date for determining the shareholders who are entitled to vote at the Meeting.

If you are a registered shareholder of the Corporation and are unable to attend the Meeting in person please complete, date and execute the accompanying form of proxy and deposit it with Computershare Investor Services, 100 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario M5J 2Y1, Fax 866-249-7775, email: caregistryinfo@computershare.com, not less than 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) prior to the Meeting, or any adjournment thereof.

If you are a non-registered Shareholder of the Corporation and received this Notice and accompanying materials through a broker, a financial institution, a participant, a trustee or administrator of a self-administered retirement savings plan, retirement income fund, education savings plan or other similar self-administered savings or investment plan registered under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada), or a nominee of any of the foregoing that holds your shares on your behalf (the "Intermediary"), please complete and return the materials in accordance with the instructions provided to you by your Intermediary.

**DATED** at Vancouver, British Columbia as of the 26th day of May, 2014.

# BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

"Giulio T. Bonifacio" (signed)

Giulio T. Bonifacio President & CEO

#### NEVADA COPPER CORP.

# 1238 – 200 Granville Street Vancouver, B.C. V6C 1S4 INFORMATION CIRCULAR

as at May 26, 2014

This Information Circular is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the management of Nevada Copper Corp. (the "Corporation") for use at the annual general meeting (the "Meeting") of its shareholders to be held on June 30, 2014 at the time and place and for the purposes set forth in the accompanying Notice of the Meeting.

In this Information Circular, references to: "the Corporation", "we" and "our" refer to Nevada Copper Corp.; "Common Shares" means common shares in the capital of the Corporation; "Beneficial Shareholders" means shareholders who do not hold Common Shares in their own name; and "intermediaries" refers to brokers, investment firms, clearing houses and similar entities that own securities on behalf of Beneficial Shareholders.

### MANAGEMENT SOLICITATION AND APPOINTMENT OF PROXIES

The persons named in the accompanying form of proxy are officers and/or directors of the Corporation. A shareholder of the Corporation (a "Shareholder") entitled to vote at the Meeting has the right to appoint a person (who need not be a Shareholder) to attend and act for and on behalf of the Shareholder at the Meeting other than the persons designated as proxyholders in the accompanying form of proxy. To exercise this right, the Shareholder must either:

- (a) on the accompanying form of proxy, strike out the printed names of the individuals specified as proxyholders and insert the name of the Shareholder's nominee in the blank space provided; or
- (b) complete another proper form of proxy.

To be valid, a form of proxy must be dated and signed by the Shareholder or by the Shareholder's attorney authorized in writing. In the case of a corporation, the form of proxy must be signed by a duly authorized officer of or attorney for the corporation.

The completed form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which the proxy was signed or a notarially certified copy of the power of attorney or other authority, must be delivered to Computershare Investor Services Inc. by mail or fax no later than forty eight (48) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) prior to the time of the Meeting, or any adjournment thereof.

#### REVOCATION OF PROXIES

A Shareholder who has given a proxy may revoke it at any time before the proxy is exercised:

- (a) by an instrument in writing that is:
  - (i) signed by the Shareholder, the Shareholder's attorney authorized in writing or, where the Shareholder is a corporation, a duly authorized officer or attorney of the corporation; and

- (ii) delivered to Computershare Investor Services Inc. by mail, Proxy Department, 100 University Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> floor, Toronto, Ontario M5J 2Y1 or by fax: Within North America: 1-866-249-7775 Outside North America: 1-416-263-9524, no later than forty eight (48) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) prior to the time of the Meeting, or any adjournment thereof; or
- (b) in any other manner provided by law.

# VOTING OF COMMON SHARES AND PROXIES AND EXERCISE OF DISCRETION BY PROXYHOLDERS

# Voting By Show of Hands

Voting at the Meeting generally will be by a show of hands, with each Shareholder or proxyholder present in person being entitled to one vote.

#### **Voting By Poll**

Voting at the Meeting will be by poll only if a poll is:

- (a) requested by a Shareholder present at the Meeting in person or by proxy;
- (b) directed by the Chairperson; or
- (c) required by law.

On a poll, each Shareholder and each proxyholder will have one vote for each Common Share held or represented by proxy.

# Approval of Resolutions

To approve a motion for an ordinary resolution, a simple majority of the votes cast in person or by proxy will be required; to approve a motion for a special resolution, a majority of not less than two-thirds of the votes cast in person or by proxy will be required. A simple majority of affirmative votes cast at the Meeting is required to pass the resolutions described herein. If there are more nominees for election as directors or appointment of the Corporation's auditor than there are vacancies to fill, those nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected or appointed, as the case may be, until all such vacancies have been filled. If the number of nominees for election or appointment is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, all such nominees will be declared elected or appointed by acclamation.

### Exercise of Discretion by Proxyholders

A Shareholder may indicate the manner in which the persons named in the accompanying form of proxy are to vote with respect to a matter to be acted upon at the Meeting by marking the appropriate space. If the instructions as to voting indicated in the form of proxy are certain, the Common Shares represented by the form of proxy will be voted or withheld from voting in accordance with the instructions given in the form of proxy.

If the Shareholder specifies a choice in the form of proxy with respect to a matter to be acted upon, then the Common Shares represented will be voted or withheld from the vote on that matter accordingly. If no choice is specified in the form of proxy with respect to a matter to be acted upon, the form of proxy confers discretionary authority with respect to that matter upon the proxyholder named in the accompanying form of proxy. It is intended that the proxyholder named by

management in the accompanying form of proxy will vote the Common Shares represented by the form of proxy in favour of each matter identified in the form of proxy and for the nominees of the Corporation's board of directors (the "Board") for directors and auditor.

The accompanying form of proxy also confers discretionary authority upon the named proxyholder with respect to amendments or variations to the matters identified in the accompanying Notice of Meeting and with respect to any other matters which may properly come before the Meeting. As of the date of this Information Circular, management of the Corporation is not aware of any such amendments or variations, or any other matters, that will be presented for action at the Meeting other than those referred to in the accompanying Notice of Meeting. If, however, other matters that are not now known to management properly come before the Meeting, then the persons named in the accompanying form of proxy intend to vote on them in accordance with their best judgment.

#### SOLICITATION OF PROXIES

It is expected that solicitations of proxies will be made primarily by mail and possibly supplemented by telephone or other personal contact by directors, officers and employees of the Corporation without special compensation. The Corporation may reimburse Shareholders' nominees or agents (including brokers holding Common Shares on behalf of clients) for the costs incurred in obtaining authorization to execute forms of proxy from their principals. The costs of solicitation will be borne by the Corporation.

# VOTING BY NON-REGISTERED (BENEFICIAL) SHAREHOLDERS

The following information is of significant importance to Beneficial Shareholders who do not hold Common Shares in their own name. Beneficial Shareholders should note that the only proxies that can be recognized and acted upon at the Meeting are those deposited by registered Shareholders (those whose names appear on the records of the Corporation as the registered holders of Common Shares).

If Common Shares are listed in an account statement provided to a Shareholder by a broker, then in almost all cases those Common Shares will not be registered in the Shareholder's name on the records of the Corporation. Such Common Shares will more likely be registered under the names of the Shareholder's broker or an agent of that broker. In the United States, the vast majority of such Common Shares are registered under the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for The Depository Trust Company (which acts as depository for many U.S. brokerage firms and custodian banks), and in Canada, under the name of CDS & Co. (the registration name for The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited, which acts as nominee for many Canadian brokerage firms).

Intermediaries are required to seek voting instructions from Beneficial Shareholders in advance of shareholders' meetings. Every intermediary has its own mailing procedures and provides its own return instructions to clients.

### If you are a Beneficial Shareholder:

You should carefully follow the instructions of your broker or intermediary in order to ensure that your Common Shares are voted at the Meeting.

The form of proxy supplied to you by your broker will be similar to the proxy provided to registered Shareholders by the Corporation. However, its purpose is limited to instructing the intermediary on how to vote on your behalf. Most brokers now delegate responsibility for obtaining instructions from clients to Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge") (formerly "ADP Investor Communication Services") in the United States and in Canada. Broadridge mails a voting instruction form in lieu of a

proxy provided by the Corporation. The voting instruction form will name the same persons as the Corporation's proxy to represent you at the Meeting. You have the right to appoint a person (who need not be a Shareholder of the Corporation), other than the persons designated in the voting instruction form, to represent you at the Meeting. To exercise this right, you should insert the name of the desired representative in the blank space provided in the voting instruction form. The completed voting instruction form must then be returned to Broadridge by mail or facsimile or given to Broadridge by phone or over the internet, in accordance with Broadridge's instructions. Broadridge then tabulates the results of all instructions received and provides appropriate instructions respecting the voting of Common Shares to be represented at the Meeting. If you receive a voting instruction form from Broadridge, you cannot use it to vote Common Shares directly at the Meeting - the voting instruction form must be completed and returned to Broadridge, in accordance with its instructions, well in advance of the Meeting in order to have the Common Shares voted.

Although as a Beneficial Shareholder you may not be recognized directly at the Meeting for the purposes of voting Common Shares registered in the name of your broker, you, or a person designated by you, may attend at the Meeting as proxyholder for your broker and vote your Common Shares in that capacity. If you wish to attend at the Meeting and indirectly vote your Common Shares as proxyholder for your broker, or have a person designated by you do so, you should enter your own name, or the name of the person you wish to designate, in the blank space on the voting instruction form provided to you and return the same to your broker in accordance with the instructions provided by such broker, well in advance of the Meeting. Alternatively, you can request in writing that your broker send you a legal proxy which would enable you, or a person designated by you, to attend the Meeting and vote your Common Shares.

There are two kinds of beneficial owners – those who object to their name being made known to the issuers of securities which they own (called OBOs for Objecting Beneficial Owners) and those who do not object to the issuers of the securities they own knowing who they are (called NOBOs for Non-Objecting Beneficial Owners). The Corporation has decided to take advantage of those provisions of National Instrument 54-101 that permit it to directly deliver proxy-related materials to its NOBOs. As a result NOBOs can expect to receive a scannable Voting Instruction Form ("VIF") from the Corporation's Transfer Agent, Computershare Investor Services Inc. ("Computershare"). These VIFs are to be completed and returned to Computershare in the envelope provided or by facsimile. In addition, Computershare provides both telephone and internet voting as described on the VIF itself which contain complete instructions. Computershare will tabulate the results of the VIFs received from NOBOs and will provide appropriate instructions at the Meeting with respect to the Common Shares represented by the VIFs they receive.

# VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS OF VOTING SECURITIES

The Board has fixed May 26, 2014 as the record date (the "Record Date") for determination of persons entitled to receive notice of the Meeting. Only Shareholders of record at the close of business on the Record Date who either attend the Meeting personally or complete, sign and deliver a form of proxy in the manner and subject to the provisions described above will be entitled to vote or to have their Common Shares voted at the Meeting.

As of May 26, 2014 there were 80,501,458 Common Shares without par value issued and outstanding, each carrying the right to one vote. No group of Shareholders has the right to elect a specified number of directors, nor are there cumulative or similar voting rights attached to the Common Shares.

To the knowledge of the directors and executive officers of the Corporation, the only persons or corporations that beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or exercised control or direction over,

Common Shares carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to all outstanding Common Shares of the Corporation as at May 26, 2014 are:

Shareholder Name	Number of Common Shares Held <sup>(1)</sup>	Percentage of Issued Common Shares
Pala Investments Ltd.	40,289,141	50.05%

#### Notes:

# PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Corporation changed its financial year end from June 30 to December 31 effective December 31, 2013, resulting in a fiscal year of six months ending on December 31, 2013. The audited consolidated financial statements of the Corporation for the six months ended December 31, 2013, together with the report of the auditors thereon, will be placed before the Meeting. A copy of the Corporation's Annual Report may be obtained by a Shareholder upon request without charge from the Corporation at Suite 1238, 200 Granville Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 1S4. These documents are also available through the Internet on SEDAR, which can be accessed at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>.

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The size of the Board is currently eight (8). Shareholders will therefore be asked to approve an ordinary resolution that the number of directors to be elected be fixed at eight (8).

The term of office of each of the current directors will end at the conclusion of the Meeting. Unless the director's office is earlier vacated in accordance with the provisions of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), each director elected at the Meeting will hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Corporation, or if no director is then elected, until a successor is elected.

The directors of the Corporation for the ensuing year will be elected at this Meeting.

# **Majority Voting Policy**

On November 5, 2013, the Board adopted a majority voting policy in order to promote enhanced director accountability. The policy provides that voting in respect of each director nominee will be conducted on an individual nominee basis. The policy also provides that each director should be elected by the vote of a majority of the common shares, represented in person or by proxy, at any meeting for the election of directors. The Board will ensure that the number of common shares voted "for" or "withheld" for each director nominee is recorded and promptly made public after the meeting. If any nominee for election as director receives, from the common shares voted at the meeting in person or by proxy, a greater number of votes "withheld" than votes "for" his or her election, the director will promptly tender his or her resignation to the Board following the meeting, to take effect upon acceptance by the Board. The nomination committee will expeditiously consider the director's offer to resign and make a recommendation to the Board whether to accept that offer. Within 90 days of the Meeting, the Board will make a final decision concerning the acceptance of the director's resignation and announce that decision by way of a press release. Any director who tenders his or her resignation will not participate in the deliberations of the Board or any of its committees pertaining to the resignation.

<sup>(1)</sup> The above information was supplied to the Corporation by the above Shareholders and from the insider reports available at www.sedi.ca and www.sedar.com.

This policy does not apply to a contested election of directors, that is, where the number of nominees exceeds the number of directors to be elected. If any director fails to tender his or her resignation as contemplated in the policy, the Board will not re-nominate that director in the future. Subject to any corporate law restrictions, where the Board accepts the offer of resignation of a director and that director resigns, the Board may exercise its discretion with respect to the resulting vacancy and may, without limitation, leave the resultant vacancy unfilled until the next annual meeting of shareholders, fill the vacancy through the appointment of a new director whom the Board considers to merit the confidence of the shareholders, or call a special meeting of shareholders to elect a new nominee to fill the vacant position.

#### **Nominees**

The following table sets out the names of management's nominees for election as directors, all major offices and positions with the Corporation and any of its significant affiliates each now holds, each nominee's principal occupation, business or employment for the five preceding years for new director nominees, the period of time during which each has been a director of the Corporation and the number of Common Shares of the Corporation beneficially owned by each, directly or indirectly, or over which each exercised control or direction, as at May 26, 2014:

Name, Current Position with the Corporation, Province or State and Country of Residence	Principal Occupation and, if not at Present an Elected Director, Occupation during the Past Five Years <sup>(1)</sup>	Period as a Director of the Corporation	Common Shares Beneficially Owned or Controlled <sup>(1)</sup>
Giulio T. Bonifacio <sup>(5)</sup> President, CEO, and Director British Columbia, Canada	Founder, President and CEO of the Corporation.	Since August 15, 2006	5,850,000
Victor Bradley <sup>(2) (3) (4)</sup> Lead Director Monte Carlo, Monaco	Chairman of Osisko Mining Corp.	Since February 27, 2012	Nil
Michael Brown <sup>(5)</sup> Director Arth, Switzerland	Managing Director, Technical and Operations of Pala Investments Ltd. Since May 6, 2014; Senior Vice President of Pala Investments Ltd. since July 2011; Chief Operating Officer of DeBeers Consolidated Mines Ltd. June 2008 to July 2011.	Since August 8, 2013	Nil <sup>(6)</sup>
Jan Castro <sup>(2)</sup> Non-Executive Chairman and Director Walchwil, Switzerland	CEO of Pala Investments Ltd.	Since November 17, 2010	Nil <sup>(6)</sup>
Philip Clegg <sup>(3)</sup> Director Zug, Switzerland	Vice President, Finance of Pala Investments Ltd. since May 6, 2014; Senior Manager of Pala Investments Ltd. since December 2009; Senior Manager, Energy & Resources group at Deloitte, London from September 2001 to December 2009.	Since March 17, 2014	Nil <sup>(6)</sup>
Daniel Dumas <sup>(5)</sup> Director Ontario, Canada	Chief Executive Officer of Dumas Contracting Ltd. and predecessors since 1993.	Since December 2, 2013	55,000
Joseph Giuffre <sup>(4)</sup> Director British Columbia, Canada	Chief Legal Counsel of Nevsun Resources Ltd.	Since November 3, 2006	487,500
Paul Matysek <sup>(2) (3)</sup> Director British Columbia, Canada	President and CEO of Goldrock Mines Corp.	Since May 22, 2008	732,000

# Notes:

- (1) The information as to principal occupation, business or employment and Common Shares beneficially owned or controlled is not within the knowledge of the management of the Corporation and has been furnished by the respective nominees. Each nominee has held the same or a similar principal occupation with the organization indicated or a predecessor thereof for the last five years.
- (2) Member, Audit Committee
- (3) Member, Compensation Committee
- (4) Member, Nomination and Governance Committee
- (5) Member, Health, Safety, Environment and Technical Committee
- (6) Pala Investments Ltd. holds 40,289,141 Common Shares in the Corporation which represents 50.05% of the Common Shares Issued and Outstanding. Mr. Castro is the CEO of Pala Investments Ltd. See "Voting Securities and Principal Holders of Voting Securities".

Shareholders can vote for all of the proposed nominees for directors of the Corporation, vote for some of the proposed nominees and withhold for others, or withhold for all of the proposed nominees. Unless otherwise instructed, the named proxyholders will vote FOR the election of each of the proposed nominees set forth above as directors of the Corporation.

# **Corporate Cease Trade Orders or Bankruptcies**

Except as disclosed in this Information Circular, no proposed director of the Corporation is, as at the date of this Information Circular, or was within 10 years before the date of this Information Circular, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company (including the Corporation), that:

- (a) was subject to a cease trade order, an order similar to a cease trade order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, for a period of more than 30 consecutive days, that was issued while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer; or
- (b) was subject to a cease trade order, an order similar to a cease trade order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, for a period of more than 30 consecutive days, that was issued after the proposed director ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while that person was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer.

# No proposed director of the Corporation:

- (a) is, as at the date of this Information Circular, or has been within the 10 years before the date of this Information Circular, a director or executive officer of any company (including the Corporation) that, while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets; or
- (b) has, within 10 years before the date of this Information Circular, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of the proposed director.

No proposed director of the Corporation has been subject to:

- (a) any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority; or
- (b) any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable securityholder in deciding whether to vote for a proposed director.

Mr. Paul Matysek was a director of Mandalay Resources Corporation when a cease trade order was issued against it by the British Columbia Securities Commission on February 9, 2004 for failure to file material change reports, a technical report and quarterly and year-end reports in the form required under the Securities Act and the Rules (British Columbia). On January 4, 2005, the British Columbia Securities Commission revoked the cease trade order, as Mandalay Resources had filed the required documentation. A cease trade order was issued against Mandalay Resources Corporation on June 30, 2004 by the Alberta Securities Commission for failure to file certain required financial information. On February 1, 2005, the cease trade order was revoked as the company had filed the required records. Mr. Matysek resigned as a director of Mandalay Resources Corporation on November 17, 2005.

Mr. Jan Castro was a director of Coalcorp Mining Inc. ("Coalcorp") when the Ontario Securities Commission issued a temporary management cease trade order against the chief executive officer and the then chief financial officer of Coalcorp on February 18, 2009 for failing to file interim financial statements and MD&A for the three and six month periods ended December 31, 2008 beyond the filing deadline of February 16, 2009. The temporary management cease trade order related to Coalcorp's securities owned by the chief executive officer and the then chief financial officer of Coalcorp for so long as the interim financial statements, certifications and related MD&A were not filed. The Ontario Securities Commission issued a further management cease trade order ("MCTO") related to the securities of Coalcorp owned by the chief executive officer of Coalcorp at such time, with respect to the delayed filing of the Coalcorp's annual financial statements, the related managements' discussion and analysis ("MD&A") and the annual information form, each for the year ended June 30, 2009. The terms of the MCTO provided that trading in and all acquisitions of securities of the Corporation, whether direct or indirect, by the chief executive officer must cease until two full business days following the receipts by the OSC of all filings Coalcorp was required to make under Ontario Securities Laws. In addition, on September 29, 2010, the OSC issued a cease trade order (the "Temporary Order") for a period of 15 days against Coalcorp for failure to file its audited annual financial statements, the related MD&A, its annual information form, each for the year ended June 30, 2010, and the certification of the foregoing filings. The Temporary Order provided that, if the default continued, a hearing would be held to consider whether an order should be made that all trading in the securities of Coalcorp cease permanently or for such period as is specified in such order by reason of the continued default. In connection with the Temporary Order, Coalcorp's securities were suspended from trading on the NEX exchange.

On September 29, 2010, the British Columbia Securities Commission issued a cease trade order (the "BC Order") against Coalcorp until such time as it filed the required documentation and the BC Order was revoked. On October 12, 2010, the OSC issued a cease trade order (the "ON Order") against Coalcorp which provided that all trading in the securities of Coalcorp, whether direct or indirect, must cease until the Ontario Order was revoked. On October 15, 2010, the Manitoba Securities Commission issued a cease trade order (the "MB Order", and together with the BC Order and the ON Order, the "Cease Trade Orders") against Coalcorp until such time as it filed the required documentation, paid the outstanding filing fees, if any, and the MB Order was revoked. Coalcorp applied to have the Cease Trade Orders revoked on October 29, 2010, immediately following the filing of its annual information form, its annual financial statements and the related MD&A, each for the year ended June 30, 2010. Each of the Cease Trade Orders and the MCTO were revoked on November 15, 2010. Mr. Castro resigned as a director of Coalcorp on February 27, 2010.

### COMPENSATION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

### **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

In this section, "Named Executive Officer" or "NEO" means:

- (a) the Corporation's chief executive officer ("CEO");
- (b) the Corporation's chief financial officer ("CFO");
- (c) each of the Corporation's, including any of its subsidiaries', three most highly compensated executive officers, or the three most highly compensated individuals acting in a similar capacity, other than the CEO and CFO, at the end of the most recently completed financial year whose total compensation was, individually, more than \$150,000, as determined in accordance with subsection 1.3(6) of Form 51-102F6 Statement of Executive Compensation, for that financial year; and
- (d) each individual who would be a Named Executive Officer under paragraph (c) but for the fact that the individual was neither an executive officer of the Corporation or its subsidiaries, nor acting in a similar capacity, at the end of that financial year.

Mr. Giulio Bonifacio, President and Chief Executive Officer and Mr. Robert McKnight, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President are the only "Named Executive Officers" of the Corporation during the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013 for the purposes of the following disclosure.

The Compensation Committee (the "Committee") of the Board is composed of Mr. Victor Bradley, Mr. Philip Clegg, and Mr. Paul Matysek, all of whom are independent within the meaning of National Instrument 52-110 Audit Committee and have direct experience in dealing with compensation matters.

Mr. Bradley is a Chartered Accountant with over 45 years of experience in the mining industry, including 15 years with Cominco Ltd. and McIntyre Mines Ltd. in a wide variety of senior financial positions from Corporate Controller to Chief Financial Officer. Over the past 30 years Mr. Bradley has founded, financed and operated several mining and advanced stage exploration and development companies, including Yamana Gold Inc. and Aura Minerals Inc. Mr. Bradley served as Yamana's President & CEO and then Chairman of the Board and Lead Director until 2008. Mr. Bradley is currently Chairman of Osisko Mining Corp. Mr. Bradley has significant experience in corporate acquisitions and has participated in numerous equity and project debt financings for projects around the world.

Mr. Clegg is Vice President, Finance at Pala Investments Ltd. ("Pala"). He has twelve years of experience as an advisor in the natural resources sector, and has worked with a number of Pala's portfolio companies, including Alacer Gold Corp., Sierra Rutile Limited, the Corporation and Dumas Mining Inc. assisting with strategic development, M&A, business performance, financial planning and structuring. He was seconded as CFO of Dumas Mining Inc. in 2012, where he refinanced the business, advised on M&A activity, developed management incentive plans and enhanced financial management processes. Mr. Clegg is now Chairman of the company. He has worked on a number of key Pala transactions, including Peninsula Energy Limited and Elemental Minerals Limited. Before joining Pala in 2009, Mr. Clegg was a Senior Manager at Deloitte LLP, where he was involved with advisory projects, transactions and consulting engagements in the resource sector. Mr. Clegg advised on the IPOs of Vedanta Resources Plc, INA d.d. and Wilson Sons Group, various bond issues for Vedanta Resources Plc and other resource

majors, and other transactions and consultancy projects. Companies he has worked with include Anglo American Plc, Norsk Hydro ASA, Hambledon Mining Plc and the World Gold Council. Mr. Clegg graduated from Oxford University with a Masters in Earth Sciences. He is also a qualified chartered accountant (ACA).

Mr. Matysek has over 25 years of experience in the mining industry and is an experienced geochemist and geologist with a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Science degree in Geology. Mr. Matysek has held senior management and director positions with several natural resource exploration and development companies and has been providing consulting services as an independent contractor to both private and publicly traded companies since 1998.

The Board is of the view that the members of the Committee collectively have the knowledge, skills, experience and background to make decisions on the suitability of the Corporation's compensation policies and practices.

The function of the Committee generally is to assist the Board in carrying out its responsibilities relating to executive and director compensation. In this regard, the Committee makes recommendations to the Board with respect to the compensation (including salary, bonus and stock options) and benefits of the CEO and other senior officers of the Corporation; reviews and approves the terms of the employment agreements of the CEO and other senior officers of the Corporation and researches and identifies trends in employment benefits and compensation structures and reports its findings to the Board. The Committee also reviews periodically the compensation of the directors for service on the Board and Board committees and makes recommendations to the Board in respect of same.

The Board assumes responsibility for reviewing and monitoring the long-range compensation strategy for the executives of the Corporation, although the Committee guides it in this role.

The Board is responsible, in participation with management, for reviewing and identifying what are perceived to be the principal risks to the Corporation. These risks include, but are not limited to, those arising from the Corporation's compensation policies and practices, such as the risk that an executive officer or other employee is incentivized to take inappropriate or excessive risks, or that such policies and practices give rise to any other risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Corporation. The Board undertakes this review with management on at least an annual basis, and ensures that the Committee adequately considers risks arising from the Corporation's compensation policies and practices when determining its recommendations to the Board regarding the compensation of executive officers. The Corporation uses the following practices to discourage or mitigate inappropriate or excessive risk-taking by directors and executive officers:

- the structure of incentive compensation is designed not to focus on a single metric, which in the Corporation's view could be distortive, but instead a combination of both corporate and personal objectives;
- the Corporation has an appropriate compensation mix, including fixed and performance based compensation with short and longer term performance conditions and multiple forms of compensation; and
- the Board has discretion in assessing the annual incentive awards paid to executive officers of the Corporation based on both individual and corporate performance.

No risks have been identified as arising from the Corporation's compensation policies and practices which are considered reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Corporation.

In order to further mitigate the potential for NEOs and directors taking inappropriate or excessive risks relating to compensation, the Board has passed a resolution which prohibits directors and NEOs from purchasing financial instruments (including prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars, or units of exchange funds) that are designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity securities of the Corporation granted as compensation held, directly or indirectly, by a director or NEOs.

Messrs. Bonifacio and McKnight work on the Corporation's activities on a full-time basis.

# Philosophy and Objectives

The compensation program for the executive officers of the Corporation is designed to ensure that the level and form of compensation achieves certain objectives, including:

- (a) attracting and retaining talented, qualified and effective executives;
- (b) motivating the short and long-term performance of these executives; and
- (c) better aligning the interests of the executive officers with those of the Shareholders.

In compensating its executive officers, the Corporation has employed a combination of base salary, bonus compensation and equity participation through its stock option plan.

#### Base Salary

In the Board's view, paying base salaries which are competitive in the markets in which the Corporation operates is a first step to attracting and retaining talented, qualified and effective executives. A number of the Corporation's directors serve on the boards of directors of similar sized companies in the resource sector. Determinations of salary are based on the Board's knowledge of salaries paid to executives of these similar sized companies and information gleaned from documents available publicly on SEDAR. As well, in 2010 and April 2012, the Corporation retained executive compensation specialist Lane Caputo Compensation Inc. ("Lane Caputo") to provide a review of compensation arrangements for its Executives and Board. Lane Caputo benchmarked the compensation competitiveness of the Corporation's executives against a peer group of mining companies at similar stages of development as the Corporation. The companies included in the comparison were Augusta Resource Corp., Baja Mining Corp., Copper Mountain Mining Corp., Entrée Gold Corp., and Western Copper Corp.

# **Executive Compensation Related Fees**

The following table sets out the Executive Compensation Related Fees paid to Lane Caputo for services related to determining compensation for an of the Corporation's directors and executive officers during the last two recently completed financial years.:

Fees Paid to Lane Caputo			
For the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013	\$23,500		
For the year ended June 30, 2013	Nil		

In addition to peer group data, compensation data from mining industry compensation surveys were used as a cross-check to the data from the peer group and to benchmark those positions that are not typically disclosed in the peer group's disclosure documents.

# **Bonus Incentive Compensation**

The payment of bonus incentive compensation is subject to the discretion of the Board. Generally, the Board will consider the payment of executive bonus compensation dependent upon the performance of the individual executive, sufficient cash resources being available for the granting of bonuses and, where applicable, the executive meeting the strategic objectives and milestones established by the Board. Such milestones and/or performance goals include, but are not limited to, the following: the Corporation's share price, completion of Feasibility Studies, reserve or resource additions, identifying corporate development initiatives, improving corporate liquidity, and budget achievement. During the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013, Mr. Bonifacio and Mr. McKnight were granted bonuses for the achievement of project and corporate milestones. See "Executive Compensation – Summary Compensation Table".

### **Equity Participation**

The Corporation believes that encouraging its executives and employees to become Shareholders is the best way of aligning their interests with those of its Shareholders. Equity participation is accomplished through the Corporation's stock option plan. Stock options are granted to executives and employees taking into account a number of factors, including the amount and term of options previously granted, base salary and bonuses and competitive factors. Senior management and the Committee put forth their recommendations for stock option grants to the Board. The amounts and terms of options granted are determined by the Board.

### Actions, Decisions or Policies Made After December 31, 2013

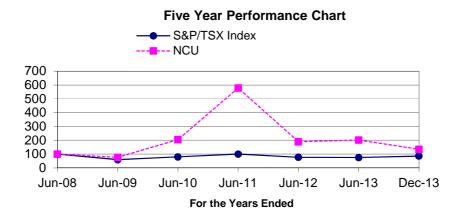
Given the evolving nature of the Corporation's business, the Board continues to review and redesign the overall compensation plan for senior management so as to continue to address the objectives identified above.

There were no actions, decisions or policies made since December 31, 2013 that would affect a reader's understanding of NEO compensation.

# **Performance Graph**

The Common Shares of the Corporation were listed on the TSX Venture Exchange on August 17, 2006 under the Corporation's former name Astron Resources Corporation (symbol "ARC"). The Corporation changed its name to Nevada Copper Corp. (symbol "NCU") on November 3, 2006. On August 16, 2007, the Corporation's Common Shares were de-listed from the TSX Venture Exchange and concurrently listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") under the symbol "NCU".

The following five year performance graph compares the total cumulative shareholder return for \$100 invested in Common Shares of the Corporation on June 30, 2007, with the cumulative total return of the S&P/TSX Small Cap Total Return Index for the period from June 30, 2008 to June 30, 2013 and the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013. The Common Share performance as set out in the graph does not necessarily indicate future price performance.



The performance graph shows a general correlation between the performance of the Corporation's Common Shares and the performance of the S&P/TSX Small Cap Index for the years June, 2008 through December, 2013, however the stock performance of the Corporation significantly outperformed the S&P for June 2010 through June 2011. Following a significant increase in the value of the Corporation's Common Shares in 2007, executive compensation increased in 2008. Compensation adjustments through the balance of 2008 and 2009 reflect the market conditions where base salaries were frozen and no bonuses were awarded. In January 2012, Mr. Bonifacio's compensation was increased in recognition of his efforts to present a completed feasibility study. Mr. Bonifacio and Mr. McKnight were paid bonuses in 2012 for the milestones achieved in the financial year ended June 30, 2011. For the year ended June 30, 2013, Mr. Bonifacio and Mr. McKnight were paid bonuses for milestones achieved in 2012. During the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013, Mr. Bonifacio and Mr. McKnight were granted bonuses for the achievement of project and corporate milestones. Such milestones were predetermined by the Compensation Committee.

#### **Option-Based Awards**

The Corporation has in place a stock option plan which was established to provide incentive to qualified parties to increase their proprietary interest in the Corporation and thereby encourage their continuing association with the Corporation. Management and the Committee propose stock option grants to the Board based on such criteria as performance, previous grants, and hiring incentives. All grants require approval of the Board. The stock option plan is administered by the directors of the Corporation and provides that options will be issued to directors, officers, employees or consultants of the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation.

# **Summary Compensation Table**

The compensation paid to the NEOs during the Corporation's six month financial year ended December 31, 2013 and the three most recently completed financial years ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 are as set out below and is expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted:

					Plan Con	y Incentive npensation \$)			
Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Share- Based Award (\$)	Option-Based Awards <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Annual Incentive Plans	Long- Term Incentive Plans	Pension Value (\$)	All Other Compensation (\$)	Total Compensation (\$)
Giulio Bonifacio, President & CEO	2013 <sup>(1)</sup> 2013 2012 2011	181,250 343,750 <sup>(12)</sup> 310,000 <sup>(14)</sup> 295,000	Nil Nil Nil Nil	159,655 <sup>(3)</sup> 525,334 <sup>(4)</sup> 2,743,043 <sup>(5)</sup> 1,010,250 <sup>(6)</sup>	Nil Nil Nil Nil	Nil Nil Nil Nil	Nil Nil Nil Nil	125,000 <sup>(15)</sup> 175,000 <sup>(7)</sup> 100,000 <sup>(9)</sup> 150,000 <sup>(11)</sup>	465,905 1,044,084 3,153,043 1,455,250
Robert McKnight Executive Vice President & CFO	2013 <sup>(1)</sup> 2013 2012 2011	126,250 246,250 <sup>(13)</sup> 225,000 131,250	Nil Nil Nil Nil	86,214 <sup>(3)</sup> 131,333 <sup>(4)</sup> 627,493 <sup>(5)</sup> 1,536,598 <sup>(6)</sup>	Nil Nil Nil Nil	Nil Nil Nil Nil	Nil Nil Nil Nil	25,000 <sup>(16)</sup> 75,000 <sup>(8)</sup> 50,000 <sup>(10)</sup> Nil	237,464 452,583 902,493 1,667,848

# Notes:

- (1) The Corporation changed its financial year end from June 30 to December 31 effective December 31, 2013, resulting in a fiscal year of six months ending on December 31, 2013.
- (2) For the market value of the unexercised options as at the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013, please refer to the Option-Based Awards table below.
- (3) The fair value of stock options has been estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, given that this is one of the most common methodologies available, assuming a risk free interest rate of 1.89% in 2013, no expected dividend yield, stock price volatility of 66% and expected life of five years. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the six months ended December 31, 2013 was \$2.25.
- (4) The fair value of stock options has been estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, given that this is one of the most common methodologies available, assuming a risk free interest rate of 1.60% in 2013, no expected dividend yield, stock price volatility of 90% and expected life of eight years. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the twelve months ended June 30, 2013 was \$3.25.
- (5) The fair value of stock options has been estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, given that this is one of the most common methodologies available, assuming a risk free interest rate of 2.08% in 2012, no expected dividend yield, stock price volatility of 100% and expected life of eight years. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the twelve months ended June 30, 2012 was \$3.59.
- (6) The fair value of stock options has been estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model assuming a risk free interest rate of 2.24% in 2011, no expected dividend yield, stock price volatility of 109% and expected life of eight years. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the twelve months ended June 30, 2011 was \$3.93.
- (7) Mr. Bonifacio was paid a bonus in the amount of \$175,000 in 2013.
- Mr. McKnight was paid a bonus of \$75,000 in 2013.
- Mr. Bonifacio was paid a bonus in the amount of \$100,000 in 2012.
- Mr. McKnight was paid a bonus of \$50,000 in 2012.
- Mr. Bonifacio was granted a bonus in the amount of \$150,000 for milestones achieved in 2010 as determined at the discretion of the Compensation Committee and Board.
- Effective January 1, 2013, Mr. Bonifacio's annual salary increased to \$362,500.
- Effective January 1, 2013, Mr. McKnight's annual salary increased to \$252,500.
- Effective January 1, 2012, Mr. Bonifacio's annual salary increased to \$325,000.
- Mr. Bonifacio was paid a bonus in the amount of \$125,000 during the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013 for milestones achieved as determined at the discretion of the Compensation Committee and Board.
- Mr. McKnight was paid a bonus of \$25,000 during the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013 for milestones achieved as determined at the discretion of the Compensation Committee and Board.

### Outstanding Share-based Awards and Option-based Awards

The Corporation does not have any share-based awards.

The following table sets out all option-based awards outstanding as at the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013, for each NEO:

		Option-Based Awards		
Name	Number of securities underlying unexercised options (#)	Option exercise price (\$)	Option expiration date	Value of unexercised in- the-money options (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>
Giulio Bonifacio,	275,000	1.00	July 2, 2018	96,250
President & CEO	450,000	2.12	May 31, 2020	nil
	225,000	5.37	February 22, 2021	nil
	765,000	4.24	August 18, 2021	nil
	200,000	3.25	September 26, 2022	nil
	250,000	2.35	December 16, 2018	nil
Robert McKnight,	225,000	3.74	October 13, 2020	nil
Executive Vice	175,000	5.37	February 22, 2021	nil
President & CFO	175,000	4.24	August 18, 2021	nil
	50,000	3.25	September 26, 2022	nil
	135,000	2.35	December 16, 2018	nil

#### Notes

# Incentive Plan Awards - Value Vested or Earned During the Year

The following table sets out the value vested or earned under incentive plans during the six month period ended December 31, 2013, for each NEO:

Name	Option-based awards – Value vested during the year (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Share-based awards – Value vested during the year (\$)	Non-equity incentive plan compensation – Value earned during the year (\$)
Giulio Bonifacio President & CEO	159,655	Nil	Nil
Robert McKnight Executive Vice President & CFO	86,214	Nil	Nil

# Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> In-the-money options are those where the market value of the underlying securities as at the most recent financial year end exceeds the option exercise price. The closing market price of the Common Shares on the TSX as at December 31, 2013 was \$1.35.

All options granted before December 16, 2013 to NEOs were not subject to a vesting schedule and therefore were exercisable immediately upon granting. This value was determined by calculating the difference between the market price of the underlying Common Shares on the grant date and the exercise price of the options on the grant date. As the market price of the underlying Common Shares on the grant date was lower than the exercise price of the options on the grant date, this value is Nil.

All of the options vested upon grant except 250,000 options granted to Giulio Bonifacio on December 16, 2013 and 135,000 options granted to Robert McKnight on December 16, 2013.

See "Securities Authorized Under Equity Compensation Plans" for further information on the Corporation's stock option plan.

#### **Termination and Change of Control Benefits**

The Corporation entered into an employment agreement with Giulio Bonifacio on May 1, 2007, as amended on January 1, 2010, January 1, 2012 and August 13, 2013. The following summary of which is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of each such agreement. The Corporation agreed to pay Mr. Bonifacio a base annual salary of CDN\$362,500 plus benefits and bonus effective as of January 1, 2013. Each year during the term of the agreement, the Board shall determine a bonus amount that is considered appropriate, the amount of such bonus to be based on achievements necessary for the growth and development of the Corporation. In the event of termination without cause, or any change in the effective control of the Corporation that occurs, the Corporation must pay Mr. Bonifacio an amount equal to three (3) years' salary.

The Corporation entered into an employment agreement with Robert McKnight on October 13, 2010 as amended on January 1, 2012 and August 13, 2013. The following summary of which is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of such agreement. The Corporation agreed to pay Mr. McKnight a base annual salary of CDN\$252,500 effective as of January 1, 2013. Each year during the term of the agreement, the Board shall determine a bonus amount that is considered appropriate if any, the amount of such bonus to be based on achievements necessary for the growth and development of the Corporation. In the event of termination without cause, or any change in the effective control of the Corporation that occurs, the Corporation must pay Mr. McKnight an amount equal to 18 months' salary.

The estimated incremental payments from the Corporation to Mr. Bonifacio and Mr. McKnight respectively on (i) termination without cause or (ii) termination without cause or resignation with cause within 12 months following a change of control, assuming the triggering event occurred on December 31, 2013, are as follows:

		Termination Without Cause	<b>Change of Control</b>
NEO			
Giulio Bonifacio	Salary	\$1,087,500	\$1,087,500
	Bonus	Nil	Nil
	Options	Nil	Nil
Robert McKnight	Salary	\$378,750	\$378,750
	Bonus	Nil	Nil
	Options	Nil	Nil

On November 12, 2013, Pala acquired 3,492,860 NCU Shares representing approximately 4.34% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Corporation. The NCU Shares were purchased by Pala by way of a private transaction. Following the acquisition of the NCU Shares by Pala on November 12, 2013, Pala owns and controls, directly and indirectly, an aggregate of 40,289,141 common shares of the Corporation, representing approximately 50.05% of the current issued and outstanding common shares of the Corporation. This acquisition by Pala effected a change of control as outlined in Messrs. Bonifacio and McKnight's Employment Agreements. Pursuant to Messrs. Bonifacio and McKnight's Employment

Agreements, Messrs. Bonifacio and McKnight shall have one year from the date of such change of control to elect whether or not he wishes to terminate the Agreement and the Employment, after which time he shall be deemed to have elected not to do so. If he elects to terminate this Agreement and the Employment hereunder, then he shall give written notice of his election to the Corporation and this Agreement and the Employment shall terminate 30 days from the day of such notice.

# **Director Compensation**

Independent directors are paid \$30,000 per year. The Audit Committee Chairman is paid an additional \$10,000 per year. The directors are paid \$1,500 for each meeting attended. Executive officers do not receive additional compensation for serving as directors.

The following table discloses the compensation provided to the directors, other than directors who are NEOs, for the Corporation's six month financial year ended December 31, 2013:

Name	Fees Earned (\$)	Share- based awards (\$)	Option- based awards <sup>(1)(2)</sup> (\$)	Non-equity incentive plan compensation (\$)	Pension Value (\$)	All other compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
Victor Bradley	27,500	Nil	Nil	3,810	Nil	Nil	31,310
Jan Castro	21,000	Nil	Nil	3,810	Nil	Nil	24,810
Michael Brown	19,518	Nil	199,056	3,810	Nil	Nil	222,384
Daniel Dumas	2,500	Nil	Nil	3,810	Nil	Nil	6,310
Joseph Giuffre	21,000	Nil	Nil	3,810	Nil	Nil	24,810
Paul Matysek	22,500	Nil	Nil	3,810	Nil	Nil	26,310
Foster Wilson <sup>(3)</sup>	14,250	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	14,250
Jay Collins <sup>(4)</sup>	22,790	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	22,790
Kate Mitchell <sup>(5)</sup>	2,200	Nil	Nil	3,810	Nil	Nil	6,310

#### Notes:

# Outstanding Share-based Awards and Option-based Awards

The Corporation does not have any share-based awards. The Corporation no longer grants directors stock option awards.

The following table sets out all option-based awards outstanding as at December 31, 2013, for each director, other than directors who are NEOs:

<sup>(1)</sup> The fair value of stock options has been estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, given that this is one of the most common methodologies available, assuming a risk free interest rate of 1.89% in 2013, no expected dividend yield, stock price volatility of 66% and expected life of five years. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the six month period ended December 31, 2013 was \$2.25.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the market value of the unexercised options as at December 31, 2013 refer to the Option-Based Awards table below.

<sup>(3)</sup> Mr. Wilson resigned as a Director of the Corporation on October 28, 2013.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(4)</sup> Mr. Collins resigned as a Director of the Corporation on December 16, 2013.

<sup>(5)</sup> Ms. Mitchell resigned as a Director of the Corporation on March 17, 2014.

	Opt	ion-Based Award	s	
Name	Number Of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Value Of Unexercised In- The-Money Options <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)
Victor Bradley	200,000	4.82	February 23, 2022	nil
	50,000	3.25	September 26, 2022	nil
Michael Brown	125,000	2.00	August 13, 2023	nil
Jan Castro	125,000	4.55	January 6, 2021	nil
	40,000	5.37	February 22, 2021	nil
	100,000	4.24	August 18, 2021	nil
	50,000	3.25	September 26, 2022	nil
Joseph Giuffre	30,000	1.00	July 2, 2018	10,500
	70,000	0.75	November 13, 2018	42,000
	25,000	3.27	January, 14, 2020	nil
	100,000	2.12	May 31, 2020	nil
	50,000	3.74	October 13, 2020	nil
	40,000	5.37	February 22, 2021	nil
	100,000	4.24	August 18, 2021	nil
	100,000	3.25	September 26, 2022	nil
Paul Matysek	50,000	1.00	July 2, 2018	17,500
	70,000	0.75	November 13, 2018	42,000
	90,000	3.27	January 14, 2020	nil
	100,000	2.12	May 31, 2020	nil
	50,000	3.74	October 13, 2020	nil
	40,000	5.37	February 22, 2021	nil
	100,000	4.24	August 18, 2021	nil
	50,000	3.25	September 26, 2022	nil
Jay Collins <sup>(2)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kate Mitchell <sup>(3)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Daniel Dumas <sup>(4)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

# Notes:

### <u>Incentive Plan Awards – Value Vested or Earned During the Year</u>

Directors are granted deferred share units ("DSUs") which will replace stock option grants as a component of their compensation package. The DSUs vest the day prior to the annual general meeting. The DSUs pay out in cash based on the five day weighted average trading price of the Corporation's share price on the day 120 days after the Director has ceased to be a director of the Corporation. The following table sets out the value vested or earned under incentive plans during the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013, for each director other than directors who are NEOs:

<sup>(1)</sup> In-the-money options are those where the market value of the underlying securities as at the most recent financial year end exceeds the option exercise price. The closing market price of the Corporation's Common Shares on the TSX as at December 31, 2013 was \$1.35.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>left(2\right)}$  Mr. Collins resigned as a Director of the Corporation on December 16, 2013.

<sup>(3)</sup> Ms. Mitchell resigned as a Director of the Corporation on March 17, 2014.

<sup>(4)</sup> Mr. Dumas was appointed as a Director of the Corporation on December 2, 2013.

Name	Option-Based Awards – Value Vested During The Year (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Share-Based Awards – Value Vested During The Year (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation – Value Earned During The Year (\$)
Victor Bradley	Nil	N/A	3,810
Michael Brown	Nil	N/A	3,810
Jan Castro	Nil	N/A	3,810
Daniel Dumas <sup>(2)</sup>	Nil	N/A	3,810
Joseph Giuffre	Nil	N/A	3,810
Paul Matysek	Nil	N/A	3,810
Kate Mitchell <sup>(3)</sup>	Nil	N/A	3,810
Jay Collins <sup>(4)</sup>	Nil	N/A	Nil
Foster Wilson <sup>(5)</sup>	Nil	N/A	Nil

#### Notes:

- All options granted to Directors were not subject to a vesting schedule and therefore were exercisable immediately upon granting. This value was determined by calculating the difference between the market price of the underlying Common Shares on the grant date and the exercise price of the options on the grant date. As the market price of the underlying Common Shares on the grant date was lower than the exercise price of the options on the grant date, this value is Nil.
- (2) Mr. Dumas was appointed as a Director of the Corporation on December 2, 2013
- Ms. Mitchell resigned as a Director of the Corporation on March 17, 2014.
- Mr. Collins resigned as a Director of the Corporation on December 16, 2013.
- Mr. Wilson resigned as a Director of the Corporation on October 28, 2013.

### SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN

The only equity compensation plan which the Corporation has in place is the stock option plan (the "Plan") which was approved by Shareholders on December 16, 2013. The Plan has been established to provide incentive to qualified parties to increase their proprietary interest in the Corporation and thereby encourage their continuing association with the Corporation. The Plan is administered by the directors of the Corporation. As at the date of this Information Circular, the Plan provides the Corporation with the ability to grant stock options to purchase up to 8,050,146 Common Shares (10% of shares currently issued and outstanding). As at the date of this Information Circular, the Corporation has granted stock options to purchase a total of 7,220,000 Common Shares pursuant to the Plan representing 9% of the shares issued and outstanding. The following is a summary of the terms of the Plan:

- 1. Any director, officer, employee (whether part-time or full-time) or consultant of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries (each being an "Eligible Person") is eligible to receive stock options under the Plan.
- 2. The number of shares available for purchase pursuant to stock options granted under the Plan will not exceed 10% of the number of Common Shares which are issued and outstanding (the "Outstanding Issue") on the particular date of grant.
- 3. In accordance with the Plan, the Board may, at any time, without further approval by the Shareholders of the Corporation, amend the Plan or any stock option granted hereunder in such respects as it may consider advisable and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, it may do so to:
  - (a) amend typographical, clerical and grammatical errors;
  - (b) reflect changes to applicable securities laws;
  - (c) include the addition of a cashless exercise feature, payable in cash or securities;

- (d) ensure that the stock options granted under the Plan will comply with any provisions respecting the income tax and other laws in force in any country or jurisdiction of which an Eligible Person to whom a stock option has been granted may from time to time be resident or a citizen;
- (e) reduce the exercise price or extend the term of a stock option for an optionee who is not an insider;
- (f) shorten the term of options;
- (g) cancel options; and
- (h) terminate the Plan.
- 4. The exercise price of each stock option shall be not less than the volume weighted average trading price of the Common Shares, calculated by dividing the total value by the total volume of Common Shares traded on the TSX for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of grant.
- 5. The stock options are non-assignable and may be exercised for a period not to exceed 5 years, such period and any vesting schedule to be determined by the Board. Current options granted prior to August 13, 2013 have a remaining term of more than five years.
- 6. Stock options held by an optionee that ceases to be an Eligible Person for any reason other than death, will cease to be exercisable at 4:30 p.m. (Vancouver time) on or before the earlier of the expiry date of the stock options and the termination date of such optionee. If any portion of a stock option is not vested by such date, that portion of the stock option may not be exercised by the optionee.
- 7. If an optionee dies while an Eligible Person, the personal representative of the optionee may exercise the optionee's stock options on or before the earlier of the expiry date or twelve months after the date of the optionee's death, but only to the extent the stock options were by their terms exercisable on the date of death.
- 8. The number of Common Shares subject to stock options granted to any one optionee shall be determined by the Board subject to: (a) the number of Common Shares issuable to insiders of the Corporation, at any time, under all share compensation arrangements, not exceeding 10% of the Outstanding Issue; and (b) the aggregate number of Common Shares issued to insiders of the Corporation, pursuant to the exercise of stock options granted under the Plan and all other share compensation arrangements, in any 12 month period, not exceeding 10% of the Outstanding Issue.
- 9. The Plan contains adjustment provisions in the event of the subdivision or consolidation of the shares of the Corporation, or in the event that the Corporation is re-organized, amalgamated or merged with or consolidated into another corporation or in the event there is a change in control of the Corporation.
- 10. In the event of a takeover bid for the Corporation, including a corporate combination, the Plan provides, inter alia, that notwithstanding any vesting restriction that would otherwise apply, all outstanding stock options may be exercised in whole or in part by the optionee so as to permit the optionee to tender the shares received upon such exercise pursuant to the takeover bid.
- 11. There is no financial assistance available to optionees under the Plan.

12. The expiry date of outstanding stock options held by optionees which may expire during a restricted trading period imposed by the Corporation in accordance with applicable securities laws (a "Blackout Period"), will be extended for a period of 10 business days commencing on the first business day after the expiry date of the Blackout Period to provide such optionees with an extension to the right to exercise such stock options.

The following table sets out equity compensation plan information as at the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013:

### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
Plan Category	(a)	(b)	(c)
Equity compensation plans approved by securityholders – on December 16, 2013 (the Plan)	7,220,000	\$3.35	830,146
Equity compensation plans not approved by securityholders	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total	7,220,000		830,146

Notes:

#### INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

No directors, proposed nominees for election as directors, executive officers or their respective associates or affiliates, or other management of the Corporation were indebted to the Corporation as of the commencement of the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013 or as at the date hereof.

# INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

Other than as disclosed below or elsewhere in this Circular, since the commencement of the Corporation's six month financial year ended December 31, 2013, no informed person (including a director, officer or holder of 10% or more of the Common Shares) of the Corporation, any proposed director of the Corporation or any associate or affiliate of any informed person or proposed director, had any material interest, direct or indirect in any transaction or in any proposed transaction which has materially affected or would materially affect the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries.

On October 4, 2012, the Corporation and Pala entered into a share purchase agreement (the "Share Purchase Agreement") pursuant to which the Corporation purchased by way of a private transaction an aggregate of 46,000,000 common shares (the "Mercator Shares") of Mercator Minerals Ltd. ("Mercator"), representing approximately 17.76% of the issued and outstanding common shares of Mercator, from Pala in exchange for 7,315,000 common shares (the "NCU Shares") of the Corporation issued from treasury at

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Corporation as at December 31, 2013 less the Common Shares from Column (a).

a deemed price of \$3.37 per NCU Share, representing approximately 9.09% of the current issued and outstanding common shares of the Corporation.

On April 26, 2013, Pala acquired 2,099,300 NCU Shares representing approximately 2.6% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Corporation. The NCU Shares were purchased by Pala by way of a private transaction.

On November 12, 2013, Pala acquired 3,492,860 NCU Shares representing approximately 4.34% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Corporation. The NCU Shares were purchased by Pala by way of a private transaction. Following the acquisition of the NCU Shares by Pala on November 12, 2013, Pala owns and controls, directly and indirectly, an aggregate of 40,289,141 common shares of the Corporation, representing approximately 50.05% of the current issued and outstanding common shares of the Corporation.

#### APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

KPMG, Chartered Accountants, Vancouver, British Columbia, will be nominated at the Meeting for appointment as auditor of the Corporation at a remuneration to be fixed by the directors.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE AND RELATIONSHIP WITH AUDITOR

Information concerning the Corporation's Audit Committee is set out under the heading "Audit Committee Information" in the Corporation's Annual Information Form ("AIF") dated March 25, 2014. The AIF may be obtained from SEDAR under the Corporation's name at www.sedar.com.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### General

Effective June 30, 2005, National Instrument 58-101 Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices ("NI 58-101") and National Policy 58-201 Corporate Governance Guidelines ("NP 58-201") were adopted in each of the provinces and territories of Canada. NI 58-101 requires issuers to disclose the corporate governance practices that they have adopted. NP 58-201 provides guidance on corporate governance practices.

The Board believes that good corporate governance improves corporate performance and benefits all Shareholders. The Canadian Securities Administrators (the "CSA") have adopted NP 58-201, which provides non-prescriptive guidelines on corporate governance practices for reporting issuers such as the Corporation. In addition, the CSA have implemented NI 58-101, which prescribes certain disclosure required by the Corporation of its corporate governance practices. This section sets out the Corporation's approach to corporate governance and addresses the Corporation's compliance with NI 58-101.

### **Board of Directors**

Directors are considered to be independent if they have no direct or indirect material relationship with the Corporation. A "material relationship" is a relationship which could, in the view of the Corporation's Board, be reasonably expected to interfere with the exercise of a director's independent judgment.

The Board currently consists of eight directors: Giulio Bonifacio, Victor Bradley, Michael Brown, Jan Castro, Philip Clegg, Daniel Dumas, Joseph Giuffre, and Paul Matysek. The independent members of the

Board are Messrs. Bradley, Brown, Castro, Clegg, Dumas, Giuffre and Matysek. Mr. Bonifacio is an officer of the Corporation and is therefore considered to be a non-independent director.

The independent directors meet without non-independent directors and members of management on an ad hoc basis as necessary to fulfil their duties as independent directors or to assess transactions in which non-independent members or members of management may have an interest. The independent directors hold in camera sessions at each Board meeting.

Certain directors are presently a director of one or more other reporting issuers, as follows:

Name of Director	Corporation	Exchange
Victor Bradley	Osisko Mining Corp.	TSX
Michael Brown	Sierra Rutile Ltd. Asian Mineral Resources	AIM TSX
Jan Castro	Alacer Gold Corp. Asian Mineral Resources Sierra Rutile Ltd.	ASX TSXV AIM
Joseph Giuffre	Kootenay Silver Inc.	TSXV
Paul Matysek	Arena Minerals Inc. (formerly Antofogasta Gold Inc.)  Dundarave Resources Inc.  Forsys Metals Corp  Goldrock Mines Corp.	TSXV TSXV TSX TSXV

There were five meetings of the Board during the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013. Directors' attendance was as follows:

Directors	Meetings Attended
Giulio Bonifacio	5
Victor Bradley	5
Michael Brown <sup>(1)</sup>	5
Jan Castro	4
Philip Clegg <sup>(2)</sup>	N/A
Daniel Dumas <sup>(3)</sup>	N/A
Joseph Giuffre	4
Paul Matysek	5
Kate Mitchell <sup>(4)</sup>	1

#### Notes:

- (1) Michael Brown was appointed as a Director of the Corporation on August 6, 2013.
- (2) Philip Clegg was appointed as a Director of the Corporation on March 17, 2014.
- <sup>(3)</sup> Daniel Dumas was appointed as a Director of the Corporation on December 2, 2013.
- <sup>(4)</sup> Ms. Mitchell resigned as a Director of the Corporation on March 17, 2014.

Additional resolutions were passed during the six month period ended December 31, 2013 by way of directors' resolutions and consented to in writing.

#### **Board Mandate**

The Board manages and supervises the management of the affairs and business of the Corporation pursuant to the powers vested by the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), the Articles of the Corporation and all other statutory and legal requirements generally applicable to the directors of a

business corporation that is also a "reporting issuer" under applicable securities legislation. Management is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the business and affairs of the Corporation. The responsibilities of the directors are as follows:

- (a) Oversee Management of the Corporation. The principal responsibilities of the directors are to oversee the management of the Corporation and, in so doing, serve the best interests of the Corporation on behalf of its Shareholders. These responsibilities require that the directors attend to the following:
  - review and approve on a regular basis, and as the need arises, fundamental operating, financial, and other strategic corporate plans which take into account, among other things, the opportunities and risks of the business;
  - evaluate the performance of the Corporation, including the appropriate use of corporate resources:
  - evaluate the performance of, and oversee the progress and development of, senior management and take appropriate action, such as promotion, change in responsibility and termination:
  - implement senior management succession plans;
  - evaluate the Corporation's compensation programs;
  - establish a corporate environment that promotes timely and effective disclosure (including appropriate controls, procedures and incentives), fiscal accountability, high ethical standards and compliance with applicable laws and industry and community standards;
  - evaluate the Corporation's systems to identify and manage the risks faced by the Corporation;
  - review and decide upon material transactions and commitments;
  - develop a corporate governance structure that allows and encourages the Board to fulfil its responsibilities;
  - provide assistance to the Corporation's senior management, including guidance on those matters that require Board involvement; and
  - evaluate the overall effectiveness of the Board and its committees.
- (b) Exercise Business Judgment. In discharging their fiduciary duties of care, loyalty and candour, directors are expected to exercise their business judgment to act in what they reasonably and honestly believe to be the best interests of the Corporation and its Shareholders free from personal interests. In discharging their duties, when appropriate, the directors normally are entitled to rely on the Corporation's senior executives and its outside advisors, auditors and legal counsel but also should consider second opinions where circumstances warrant.
- (c) <u>Understand the Corporation and its Business.</u> Directors are expected to become and remain informed about the Corporation and its business, properties, risks and prospects.
- (d) <u>Establish Effective Systems</u>. Directors are responsible for determining that effective systems are in place for the periodic and timely reporting to the Board on important matters concerning the Corporation. Directors should also provide for periodic reviews of the integrity of the Corporation's internal controls and management information systems.
- (e) <u>Protect Confidentiality and Proprietary Information</u>. Directors are responsible for establishing policies that are intended to protect the Corporation's confidential and proprietary information from unauthorized or inappropriate disclosure. Likewise, all discussions and proceedings of the Board must be treated as strictly confidential and privileged to preserve open discussions between directors and to protect the confidentiality of Board discussions.

(f) <u>Board, Committee and Shareholder Meetings.</u> Directors are responsible for attending Board meetings and meetings of committees on which they serve. They must devote the time needed, and meet as frequently as necessary, to properly discharge their responsibilities.

# **Position Descriptions**

The Board has not developed a written position for either the Chair or CEO of the Corporation. The Board believes that the roles and responsibilities have been appropriately communicated through Board meetings and informal communications amongst the Board and management.

# **Orientation and Continuing Education**

When new directors are appointed, they receive orientation, commensurate with their previous experience, on the Corporation's properties, business, technology and industry and on the responsibilities of directors. Board meetings may also include presentations by the Corporation's management and employees to give the directors additional insight into the Corporation's business.

To enable each director to better perform his or her duties and to recognize and deal appropriately with issues that arise, the Corporation provides the directors with suggestions to undertake continuing director education, the cost of which is borne by the Corporation.

#### **Ethical Business Conduct**

The Board has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the "Code") for its directors, officers and employees. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has the responsibility for monitoring compliance with the Code by ensuring all directors, officers and employees receive and become thoroughly familiar with the Code and acknowledge their support and understanding of the Code. Any non-compliance with the Code is to be reported to Mr. Joseph Giuffre, the Chairman of the Nomination and Governance Committee. A copy of the Code may be accessed under the Corporation's profile at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a> or on the Corporation's website at <a href="https://www.nevadacopper.com">www.nevadacopper.com</a>

The Board ensures that directors, officers and employees are familiar with the Code to ensure that they exercise independent judgement in considering transactions and agreements in respect of which a director or executive officer has a material interest. To encourage and promote a culture of ethical business conduct, the Board has adopted a Whistleblower Policy. This policy is also available on the Corporation's website at www.nevadacopper.com.

In accordance with the requirements of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), directors and officers are required to declare any material interest they may have in any transaction or agreement with the Corporation, and, if a director, to abstain from voting on any director approval of the transaction. The Board has established a Nomination and Governance Committee, whose responsibilities include considering questions of independence and making recommendations to the Board with respect to director independence and conflicts of interest. Where appropriate, the Board will form a committee of the independent directors to consider transactions in which executive officers have an interest, or will be affected differently than other Shareholders.

#### **Nomination of Directors**

The Board has a Nomination and Governance Committee consisting of three directors, all of whom are independent directors. The Nomination and Governance Committee is responsible for (i) identifying individuals qualified to become Board members, consistent with criteria approved by the Board, (ii)

recommending to the Board the persons to be nominated for election as directors at any meeting of Shareholders and (iii) recommending to the Board persons to be elected by the Board to fill any vacancies on the Board. The Nomination and Governance Committee recommendations will be considered by the Board but the recommendations are not binding upon it.

#### Compensation

The Board has a Compensation Committee as described under the heading "Compensation of Executive Officers – Compensation Discussion and Analysis" in this Information Circular. The Compensation Committee conducts annual reviews of the compensation of the Corporation's CEO, senior officers and directors and makes recommendations to the Board.

#### **Other Board Committees**

Along with the aforementioned Audit Committee, Nomination and Governance Committee and Compensation Committee, the Board also has a Health, Safety, Environment and Technical Committee. The Health, Safety, Environment and Technical Committee consists of three Board members and is responsible for assisting the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities and to review and approve of environmental policies and monitor activities of the Company as they relate to environmental matters, review and monitor the activities of the Company as they relate to the health and safety of employees of the Company in the workplace, and oversight of technical and operational matters.

#### **Assessments**

The Board monitors the adequacy of information given to directors, communication between the Board and management and the strategic direction and processes of the Board and committees. The Board does not consider that formal assessments would be useful at this stage of the Corporation's development. The Board conducts informal assessments of the Board's effectiveness, the individual directors and the Audit Committee. As part of the assessments, the Board or the Audit Committee may review its mandate and conduct reviews of applicable corporate policies.

#### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

There are no management functions of the Corporation which are to any substantial degree performed by a person or Corporation other than the directors or senior officers of the Corporation.

# INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS OR COMPANIES IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

Other than as disclosed elsewhere in this Information Circular and other than transactions carried out in the ordinary course of business of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, none of the directors or senior officers of the Corporation, no management nominee for election as a director of the Corporation, none of the persons who have been directors or executive officers of the Corporation since the commencement of the Corporation's last completed financial year and no associate or affiliate of any of the foregoing has any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon at the Meeting.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information relating to the Corporation is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. Shareholders may contact the Corporate Secretary of the Corporation at Suite 1238, 200 Granville Street,

Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 1S4, telephone number: 604-683-8992 or fax number 604-681-0122 to request copies of the Corporation's financial statements and management discussion and analysis.

Financial information for the Corporation is provided in the Corporation's comparative audited financial statements and management's discussion and analysis for the six month financial year ended December 31, 2013 which is contained in the Corporation's Annual Report.

### **OTHER MATTERS**

The Board is not aware of any other matters which it anticipates will come before the Meeting as of the date of mailing of this Information Circular.

The contents of this Information Circular and its distribution to Shareholders have been approved by the Board.

**DATED** at Vancouver, British Columbia, May 26, 2014.

### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

"Giulio T. Bonifacio" (signed)

Giulio T. Bonifacio President & CEO