# POTASH RIDGE CORPORATION MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE THREE AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of Potash Ridge Corporation ("Potash Ridge" or the "Corporation") is intended to enable the reader to assess material changes in the financial condition of the Corporation between December 31, 2014 and June 30, 2015 and results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015.

This MD&A has been prepared as of August 13, 2015. It is intended to supplement and complement the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements and notes thereto as at and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 (collectively the "Financial Statements"). The reader should review the Financial Statements in conjunction with the review of this MD&A. This MD&A should also be read in conjunction with both the condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, the annual audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the Annual Information Form ("AIF") form dated March 5, 2015. Certain scientific and technical information regarding the Corporation's Blawn Mountain project contained in this MD&A is derived from the Corporation's technical report entitled "Technical Report – Resources and Reserves of the Blawn Mountain Project dated effective November 6, 2013" prepared for the Corporation (the "Technical Report"). The Financial Statements, AIF and the Technical Report can be found at *www.sedar.com*. The Corporation prepares and files its consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). The currency referred to herein is the Canadian dollar, unless otherwise specified.

There are financial measures included in this MD&A that do not have a standardized meaning under IFRS as prescribed by the IASB. Non-IFRS measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS, and therefore they may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. These measures are intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for indicators prepared in accordance with IFRS.

The following MD&A includes forward-looking information. Readers are cautioned to review the Cautionary Note Regarding Forward Looking Information found on page 16. This MD&A contains statistical data, market research and industry forecasts that were obtained from government or other industry publications, publicly available sources and reports purchased and commissioned by the Corporation or based on estimates derived from such publications and reports and management's knowledge of, and experience in, the markets in which the Corporation operates. Government and industry publications and reports generally indicate that they have obtained their information from sources believed to be reliable, but do not guarantee the accuracy and completeness of their information. Further, certain of these organizations are advisors to participants in the fertilizer and mining and minerals industries, and they may present information in a manner that is more favourable to that industry than would be presented by an independent source. Actual outcomes may vary materially from those forecast in such reports or publications, and the prospect for material variation can be expected to increase as the length of the forecast period increases. Although management of the Corporation believes that these sources are generally reliable, the accuracy, currency and completeness of such information is not guaranteed and has not been independently verified. Further, market and industry data is subject to variations and cannot be verified due to limits on the availability and reliability of data inputs, the voluntary nature of the data gathering process and other limitations and uncertainties inherent in any statistical survey.



### **Overview of the Corporation's Business**

Potash Ridge is a corporation existing under the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario). Its registered office is located at 36 Toronto Street, Suite 1000, Toronto, Ontario, M5C 2C5. On December 5, 2012, Potash Ridge's common shares were listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "TSX"), under the symbol "PRK", in connection with the closing of its initial public offering (the "IPO"). The Corporation's common shares commenced trading on the OTCQX on April 29, 2013 under the symbol "POTRF".

The principal activity of the Corporation is to develop projects focused on the production of sulphate of potash ("SOP").

Located in Valleyfield, Quebec, the Valleyfield Project intends to utilize well-know Mannheim technology to produce SOP at an initial rate of 40,000 tonnes per annum .

The development of the Blawn Mountain Project in Utah involves the exploration, development and production of mineral resources and is currently focused on the exploration of alunite in order to produce SOP, co-product sulphuric acid and, potentially, alumina. The Blawn Mountain Project comprises 23.5 sections of land owned by the State of Utah, acting by and through the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration ("SITLA"), and covering approximately 15,404 acres (6,233 hectares) of land located in Beaver County, Utah.

### <u>Highlights</u>

• In June 2015, the Corporation entered into a modification of the Blawn Mountain Project Mining Lease Agreement (the "Blawn Mountain Lease") with SITLA. The modification cures the event of default under the Lease that occurred on March 31, 2015. Under the terms of the modification, SITLA has agreed to forbear from exercising its rights and remedies resulting from Potash Ridge's failure to make lease and minimum royalty payments under the terms of the Lease. The forbearance period is from March 31, 2015 to April 1, 2017.

Potash Ridge is obligated to pay accrued and unpaid interest by March 31, 2016 or when it raises U.S.\$1.5 million in new funds for the development of the Project, whichever arises first. Once Potash Ridge raises U.S.\$3 million or more of new funds for the development of the Project, then all outstanding amounts under the term of the Lease plus accrued interest will become due.

Potash Ridge will pay interest to SITLA on unpaid lease and minimum royalties payments, which will accrue annually at a rate of SITLA's published prime rate plus two percent (currently equivalent to 5.25%) or 6.0%, whichever is greater, with the first interest payment due on March 31, 2016.

Potash Ridge will continue to be required to meet all other obligations under the terms of the Lease.

• In August 2015, the Corporation announced the acquisition of the Valleyfield Fertilizer Corporation ("Valleyfield") and its only asset, the Valleyfield Project located in Valleyfield, Quebec.

Over the last two years under the leadership of Mr. Jay Hussey, Valleyfield has advanced development of the Valleyfield Project that plans to utilize the Mannheim Process for the production of SOP. For nine years, Mr. Hussey was a Vice-President at Migao Corporation ("Migao"), a TSX-listed company that produces SOP in China using the Mannheim Process.

Under the terms of the transaction, Mr. Hussey will receive 200,000 common shares of the Corporation, together with a royalty from future revenue generated by the Corporation utilizing the Mannheim Process. Mr. Hussey has agreed to become an employee of Potash Ridge and continue to work on the development of the Valleyfield Project, as well as other potential Mannheim opportunities already identified.

Developed in Germany over a century ago, the Mannheim Process is one of the most commonly used SOP production processes in the world, primarily occurring in China and Europe. The process combines muriate of potash (potassium chloride) with sulphuric acid at high temperatures to produce SOP and by-product

hydrochloric acid. In the year ended March 31, 2015, Migao's annual SOP production capacity in China was approximately 360,000 tonnes from four facilities in China and, according to CRU, Tessanderlo Chemia, Yara and other European producers have a combined annual SOP production capacity using the Mannheim Process of 930,000 tonnes per year.

Mr. Hussey's knowledge and experience of the Mannheim Process from his time at Migao enabled him to advance development of the Valleyfield Project. A preliminary internally developed financial study utilizing this information projected an after-tax/royalty Net Present Value of \$40.8 million, assuming a 10% discount rate, with an unlevered Internal Rate of Return of 32%, based on a preliminary capital cost estimate of \$25 million, operating costs of \$495 per tonne, net of acid credit, and a realized SOP price of U.S.\$570 per tonne. The project economics noted above are preliminary internally developed estimates, and will need to be confirmed with the next stage of engineering. It is anticipated that construction of the facility could commence within six months of raising the capital necessary to complete engineering and permitting, with construction expected to take one year.

# <u>Outlook</u>

The Corporation is focused on minimizing cash spending while continuing to seek to raise additional financing to fund the advancement of the Valleyfield and Blawn Mountain Projects as well as for nearer term working capital requirements.

Assuming sufficient financing is obtained, the Corporation will focus efforts towards several key milestones, with the goal of further advancing the development of the Valleyfield and Blawn Mountain Projects. These include:

- Completion of engineering for the Valleyfield Project, advancing it to the execution phase.
- Completion of a feasibility study for Blawn Mountain Project, including additional metallurgical test work.

There is no guarantee that the Corporation will be successful in its fund raising initiatives and the timing is uncertain. An inability to raise additional financing may materially impact the future assessment of the Corporation to continue as a going concern.

# Valleyfield Project

The Corporation intends to develop a SOP production facility in Valleyfield, Quebec. The project contemplates initially producing 40,000 tonnes per year of SOP utilizing Mannheim technology, and has the potential to be expanded to produce an additional 80,000 tonnes per year.

Developed in Germany over a century ago, the Mannheim Process is one of the most commonly used SOP production processes in the world, primarily occurring in China and Europe. The process combines muriate of potash (potassium chloride) with sulphuric acid at high temperatures to produce SOP and by-product hydrochloric acid.

# **Blawn Mountain Project**

The Corporation intends to continue to develop a surface mine at the Blawn Mountain Project and to construct a processing plant large enough to produce an average of 645,000 tons per annum of a premium-priced SOP, and 1.4 million tons per annum of sulphuric acid. The Corporation is also evaluating the marketability of the Project's alumina rich residue material, currently not included in the Project economics contained within the Technical Report.

# **Financial Capability**

The Corporation is an exploration and development stage entity and has not yet achieved profitable operations. It is subject to risks and challenges similar to companies in a comparable stage of development. These risks include, but are not limited to, the challenges of securing adequate capital to fund its activities, operational risks inherent in



the mining and fertilizer industries, and global economic and commodity price volatility. The underlying value of the Blawn Mountain Project and the Valleyfield Project, and the recoverability of the related capitalized costs are entirely dependent on the Corporation's ability to successfully develop the Blawn Mountain and Valleyfield Projects by, among other things, securing necessary permits, obtaining the required financing to complete the development and construction, and upon future profitable production from, or the proceeds from the disposition of its mineral property.

In light of the current challenging capital market conditions for junior resource issuers, the Corporation implemented various cost reduction initiatives in early 2015, with the objective of significantly reducing its cash outgoings and managing its cash position. These initiatives include a reduction in headcount, salary reductions for all of senior management, and an elimination of all non-critical expenditures.

The Corporation earned a comprehensive income for the six months ended June 30, 2015 of \$377,103 (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$2,306,655) and reported an accumulated comprehensive deficit of \$11,964,704 as at June 30, 2015 (December 31, 2014 - \$12,341,807). The Corporation's sole source of funding has been the issuance of equity securities for cash. As at June 30, 2015, the Corporation had \$112,879 (December 31, 2014 - \$1,026,771) in cash and cash equivalents. There are no sources of operating cash flows. The Corporation intends to use its existing cash resources prudently on basic project management and essential, non-discretionary, general corporate and operating expenditures while further capital is sought. The Corporation expects that it will be able to operate on this basis until early Q4 2015 without making further spending reductions and without the receipt of additional financing.

The Corporation continues to seek and evaluate various financing alternatives to address future development funding objectives. The Corporation expects that it will require financing to fund the next stage of development for the Valleyfield Project, its feasibility study for the Blawn Mountain Project, and for nearer term working capital requirements. The Corporation is targeting to complete this financing in the coming months. The Corporation currently expects that this additional funding could bring the development of the Projects to the beginning of their execution phases and the commencement of detailed engineering, assuming receipt of a positive feasibility studies. Although the Corporation has been successful in its past fundraising activities, there are no assurances as to the success or timing of future fundraising efforts or as to the sufficiency of funds raised.



# Selected Financial Information

Selected Financial Information	Potash Ridge Corporation									
		Three mor	ths en		corpore	Six month	hs e	nded		
		June 30	June 30			June 30		June 30		
		2015	2014		2015		2014			
Revenue										
Interest income	\$	232	\$	5,027	\$	589	\$	11,717		
Expenses										
Management, employee and director	\$	277,875	\$	467,710	\$	603,118	\$	911,174		
General and administrative		586,794		338,426		847,735		717,435		
	\$	864,669	\$	806,136	\$	1,450,853	\$	1,628,609		
Professional fees	\$	23,772	\$	210,627	\$	169,379	\$	517,951		
Foreign exchange gain / (loss)	\$	(418,071)	\$	(952,210)	\$	2,124,534	\$	96,813		
Net Loss										
Total comprehensive loss	\$	(1,391,511)	\$	(2,040,513)	\$	377,103	\$	(2,306,655)		
Per Common Share, basic and fully diluted	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.02)	\$	0.00		(0.03)		
Financial Position as at						June 30 2015		December 31 2014		
ASSETS										
Current										
Cash and cash equivalents					\$	112,879	\$	1,026,771		
Restricted cash						123,461		592,085		
Receivables						20,896		35,835		
Other current assets						74,670		173,518		
						331,906		1,828,209		
Exploration and evaluation assets						29,194,976		26,465,738		
Property, plant and equipment						199,252		429,938		
Restricted cash						-		279,688		
Other non-current assets						16,234		29,209		
					\$	29,742,368	\$	29,032,782		
LIABILITIES										
Current										
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities					\$	1,113,176	Ş	709,771		
Other current liabilities						678,436 1,791,612		421,537 1,131,308		
Other non-current liabilities						409,672		570,770		
						2,201,284		1,702,078		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY										
Capital stock						33,428,933		33,428,933		
Contributed surplus						6,409,711		6,416,018		
Deficit						(11,964,704)		(12,341,807)		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss						(332,858)		(172,440)		
					~	27,541,082	ć	27,330,704		
					\$	29,742,366	\$	29,032,782		



# **Results of Operations**

### Revenue

The Corporation did not generate any revenue during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, as all of the operating activities of the Corporation were directed towards the exploration and development of the Blawn Mountain Project. Interest income of \$589 was earned for the six months ended June 30, 2015 (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$11,717) on the Corporation's cash, cash equivalents. During the three months ended June 30, 2015, interest income was \$232 (three months ended June 30, 2014 - \$5,027).

# Expenses

# Three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014

During the three months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred management, employee, director, general and administrative costs of \$864,669 (three months ended June 30, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2015, the Corporation had five full-time employees (June 30, 2014 - sixteen full-time employees). During the six months of 2015, the Company reduced headcount by eleven individuals. Spending of \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2015, the Company reduced headcount by eleven individuals. Spending of \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2014 - \$000, 2015

During the three months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred professional fees of \$23,772 (three months ended June 30, 2014 - \$210,627), including legal and audit fees of \$15,499 (three months ended June 30, 2014 - \$53,767) and consulting fees of \$878 (three months ended June 30, 2014 - \$135,669). The decrease in spending for the period occurred primarily due to reduction in consulting fees on contracts that lapsed in the first half of 2014. Current period spending on professional fees was in line with the Corporation's budget estimates.

During the three months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred a share-based compensation expense of \$nil (three months ended June 30, 2014 - \$82,549) which is associated with previously granted but unvested stock options.

During the three months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred a foreign exchange loss of \$418,071 (three months ended June 30, 2014 – loss of \$952,210) which was the result of a weakening US dollar against the reporting currency of the Corporation which is the Canadian dollar.

As a result of the above, the Corporation recognized a net comprehensive loss of \$1,548,732 for the three months ended June 30, 2015 (three months ended June 30, 2014 - \$2,040,513).

# Six months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014

During the six months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred management, employee, director, general and administrative costs of \$1,450,853 (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$1,628,872). Salaries of management, employees, and director costs in the period were \$603,118 was related to the salaries of management, employees, and director costs (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$911,174). As at June 30, 2015, the Corporation had five full-time employees (June 30, 2014 - sixteen full-time employees). During the first quarter of 2015, the Company reduced headcount by eight individuals. Spending of \$847,735 was related to other general and administrative expenses (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$717,435). During the quarter the Corporation incurred a one time charge of \$432,285 to other general and administrative expenses related to the vacating office space in Salt Lake City prior to the end of the lease term.

During the six months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred professional fees of \$169,379 (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$517,951), including legal and audit fees of \$68,015 (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$120,163) and consulting fees of \$33,711 (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$335,894). The decrease in spending for the period occurred primarily due to reduction in consulting fees on contracts that lapsed in the first half of 2014. Current period



spending on professional fees was in line with the Corporation's budget estimates.

During the six months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred a share-based compensation recovery of \$10,352 (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$167,797) which is associated with previously granted but unvested stock options forfeited in the quarter.

During the six months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred a foreign exchange gain of \$2,124,534 (six months ended June 30, 2014 – gain of \$96,813) which was the result of a strengthening US dollar against the reporting currency of the Corporation which is the Canadian dollar.

As a result of the above, the Corporation recognized a net comprehensive income of \$216,685 for the six months ended June 30, 2015 (six months ended June 30, 2014 - net comprehensive loss of \$2,301,333).

# **Exploration and Evaluation Assets**

In accordance with the Corporation's accounting policies, expenditures incurred on exploration and evaluation of the Blawn Mountain Project have been capitalized and recorded as exploration and evaluation assets. A continuity schedule and description of the exploration and evaluation costs incurred and capitalized in the six months ended June 30, 2015 is presented in the table, below:

	As at	As at		
-	30-Jun-15	Dece	mber 31, 2014	
Drilling	\$ 6,200,628	\$	5,759,285	
Pre-feasibility study	5,791,060		5,378,870	
Professional and labour	4,800,882		4,365,469	
Employee salary and benefits	4,585,790		3,741,548	
Preliminary economic assessment	3,407,377		3,164,850	
Mineral leases	2,167,081		1,935,136	
Employee share based compensation (non-ca	1,050,414		1,046,369	
Transportation	373,996		342,098	
Equipment rentals	221,047		205,313	
Feasibility study	210,187		192,113	
Data acquisition	193,816		157,794	
Field expenditures	126,500		117,494	
Other	66,198		59,399	
Total exploration and evaluation assets	\$ 29,194,976	\$	26,465,738	

During the six months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation incurred \$2,729,238 in expenses related to exploration and evaluation, primarily due to the foreign exchange gain of \$1,940,139 on prior and current period expenditures. During the six months ended June 30, 2015 the main expenditure activities on exploration and evaluation assets were on professional services (\$100,880) and employee salary and benefits (\$557,524).



### **Other Liabilities**

On March 24, 2014, the Corporation exercised the Blawn Mountain Lease Option in the Exploration and Option Agreement to commence the Blawn Mountain Mining Lease. The Corporation made an initial payment to SITLA of US\$200,000 and entered into an arrangement whereby it will make further payments, as follows:

٠	March 31, 2015	US\$164,000
•	August 31, 2015	US\$164,000
•	March 31, 2016	US\$164,000

- August 31, 2016 US\$164,000
- March 31, 2017 US\$164,000

The Corporation classified this agreement as 'other financial liabilities' and recorded it at fair value on initial recognition. The Corporation has agreed to pay a finance charge of 5.75% per annum on the outstanding balance during this three year period. Also under the terms of the Blawn Mountain Mining Lease, a minimum annual royalty payment of US\$46,200 and an annual rental payment of US\$11,500 is due to SITLA. The first annual royalty and rental payments were made on March 24, 2014.

In June 2015, the Corporation entered into entered into a modification of the Blawn Mountain Project Mining Lease Agreement with SITLA.The modification cures the event of default under the Lease that occurred on March 31, 2015. Under the terms of the modification, SITLA has agreed to forbear from exercising its rights and remedies resulting from Potash Ridge's failure to make lease and minimum royalty payments to SITLA under the terms of the Lease. The forbearance period is from March 31, 2015 to April 1, 2017.

Potash Ridge is obligated to pay accrued and unpaid interest by March 31, 2016 or when it raises U.S.\$1.5 million in new funds for the development of the Project, whichever arises first. Once Potash Ridge raises U.S.\$3 million or more of new funds for the development of the Blawn Mountain Project, then all outstanding amounts under the term of the Lease plus accrued interest will become due.

Potash Ridge will pay interest to SITLA on unpaid lease and minimum royalties payments, which will accrue annually at a rate of SITLA's published prime rate plus two percent (currently equivalent to 5.25%) or 6.0%, whichever is greater, with the first interest payment due on March 31, 2016.

Potash Ridge will continue to be required to meet all other obligations under the terms of the Lease.

# Summary of Quarterly Results

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Selected financial statement information for the eight most recent quarters:

1) Working capital is a non-IFRS measure and is defined by the Corporation as being current assets minus current liabilities. Non-IFRS measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS, and therefore they may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. These measures are intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for indicators prepared in accordance with IFRS.

 Net losses over the years were driven primarily by salaries, general and administrative expenses, non-cash share based compensation and professional fees relating to legal expenses, auditors and the engagement of specialist industry consultants;



- Total assets are comprised of two main categories: the capitalized evaluation and exploration expenditures related to the Blawn Mountain Project and cash, cash equivalents from financings still available to the Corporation; and
- Total assets decreased by \$709,586 as at June 30, 2015 compared to December 31, 2014 mainly as a result of foreign exchange losses.

### Cash Resources and Liquidity

At June 30, 2015, the Corporation had working capital<sup>1</sup> deficiency of \$1,459,706 (December 31, 2014 - \$696,901) comprising of cash, cash equivalents of \$112,879 (December 31, 2014 - \$1,026,771) and receivables, restricted cash, prepaid expenditures and other assets of \$219,027 (December 31, 2014 - \$801,438) offset by current liabilities of \$1,791,612 (December 31, 2014 - \$1,131,308). During the six months ended June 30, 2015 the Corporation reduced its restricted cash by an aggregate amount of US\$624,983 by decreasing its reclamation bonds and other collateral requirements. This amount became available to the Corporation for general purposes.

In April 2015, UAC exercised its right under the lease agreement for the Salt Lake City office to reduce the Letter of Credit supporting the lease agreement from US\$350,000 to US\$280,000. In June 2015, UAC notified the landlord that it would no longer be occupying the office space. In response the landlord called on the Letter of Credit. On July 2, 2015, the Zions Bank paid the landlord US\$350,000; US\$70,000 more than was covered under the Letter of Credit in place at that time. This matter remains in dispute with the bank, and the outcome is uncertain at this time.

The US\$350,000 (\$432,285) was charged to general and administrative expense during the six months ended June 30, 2015

The Corporation intends to use its existing cash resources prudently on basic project management and on essential non-discretionary general corporate and operating expenditures while further capital is sought. The Corporation expects that it will be able to operate on this basis into early Q4 2015 without making further spending reductions and without the receipt of additional financing. The Corporation continues to seek and evaluate various financing alternatives to address future development funding requirements, including the commencement of an expected feasibility study. The Corporation will require financing to fund its feasibility study and for nearer term working capital requirements. The Corporation is targeting to complete this financing in the coming months. Although the Corporation has been successful in its past fundraising activities, there are no assurances as to the success or timing of future fundraising efforts or as to the sufficiency of funds raised. The Corporation is managing its existing cash resources prudently. The Corporation does not generate any operating cash flows and is reliant on external sources of funding. An inability to raise additional financing may materially impact the future assessment of the Corporation to continue as a going concern.

#### **Financing Activities**

No financing transactions occurred in the three months ended June 30, 2015.

# Uses of Cash

The Corporation used \$141,601 for operating activities during the six months ended June 30, 2015 primarily for the payment of operating expenses. In addition, during the six months ended June 30, 2015, the Corporation used \$684,291 for investing activities, as a result of \$789,100 of expenditures for the continuing exploration and development activities at the Blawn Mountain Project offset by proceeds of \$104,809 from the sale of property, plant and equipment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Working capital" is a non-IFRS measure and is defined by the Corporation as current assets less current liabilities. Non-IFRS measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS, and therefore they may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. These measures are intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for indicators prepared in accordance with IFRS.



The Corporation used \$2,893,907, for operating activities during the six months ended June 30, 2014 primarily for the payment of operating expenses. In addition, during the six months ended June 30, 2014, the Corporation used \$1,408,768 for investing activities, as a result of \$1,370,372 of expenditures for the continuing exploration and development activities at the Blawn Mountain Project and \$38,396 on the acquisition of property, plant and equipment.

# **Disclosure of Outstanding Share Data**

As at the date of this MD&A, the Corporation has 81,653,778 common shares and 5,055,254 non-voting shares issued and outstanding.

#### **Commitments and Contingencies**

The future minimum payments under various lease arrangements and other contractual obligations are as follows, as at June 30, 2015:

	Less	than 1 year	1 - 5 years	After 5 years	Total
Mining Lease	\$	72,131	\$ 331,797	\$ 274,093	\$ 678,021
Exploration leases		7,274	24,228	9,680	41,182
Operating leases		486,695	1,376,443	128,180	1,991,318
Total	\$	566,099	\$ 1,732,469	\$ 411,952	\$ 2,710,520

During the first quarter of 2015, in conjunction with the Corporation's cost reduction actions, the employment agreements of a group of non-management employees were terminated. As a result of these employment terminations, a severance obligation in the aggregate amount of \$295,000 was triggered.

#### Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The Corporation has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

#### **Convertible Securities**

As at March 31, 2015, the Corporation had no convertible securities outstanding.

#### Incentive Stock Options (Share-Based Compensation)

The Corporation has an incentive stock option plan whereby the Corporation may grant stock options to eligible employees, officers and directors at an exercise price to be determined by the Board of Directors.

The Corporation uses the Black Scholes option-pricing model to determine the fair value of options granted.

The total share-based compensation for the six months ended June 30, 2015 was a recovery of (\$6,305) (six months ended June 30, 2014 - \$257,293). In the first six months of 2015, the Corporation capitalized \$6,305 as exploration and evaluation assets and recognized an expense of \$0.00 in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

In the first six months of 2014, the Corporation capitalized \$89,496 as exploration and evaluation assets and recognized an expense of \$167,797 in the consolidated statement of loss and comprehensive loss.

The following table summarizes incentive stock options outstanding as at June 30, 2015:



Grant	Number	Number vested and	Exercise	Exipry	Weighted average remaining
date	outstanding	exercisable	price	date	actual life (years)
December 9,2011	2,300,000	2,300,000	\$ 0.25	December 9, 2021	6.45
January 26, 2012	600,000	600,000	0.75	January 26, 2022	6.58
February 1, 2012	60,000	60,000	0.75	February 1, 2022	6.60
December 5, 2012	1,800,000	1,800,000	1.00	December 5, 2022	7.44
November 22, 2013	400,000	266,667	0.14	November 22, 2023	8.40
May 13, 2014	240,000	240,000	0.33	May 13, 2024	8.88
	5,400,000	5,266,667			

# **Transactions with Related Parties**

The Corporation's related parties as defined by International Accounting Standard 24 "Related Party Disclosures" ("IAS 24"), include the Corporation's subsidiary, UAC, executive and non-executive directors, senior officers, and entities controlled or jointly-controlled by the Corporation's directors or senior officers. These transactions are measured at the exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties. All related party transactions entered into by the Corporation have been approved by the Board of Directors.

Transactions with related parties were as follows:

	m compensation d benefits or fees	S	hare-based awards	Total
Six Months ended June 30, 2015				
Senior officers	\$ 376,023	\$	- 9	\$ 376,023
Directors	-		-	-
Six months ended June 30, 2014				
Senior officers	680,041		139,482	819,523
Directors	111,611		105,000	216,611

# Indemnities Provided to Directors and Officers

In 2012, the Corporation agreed to indemnify each of its directors and officers in respect of certain liabilities or expenses which such directors and officers may incur as a result of acting as a director or officer of the Corporation or its related corporate entities. The indemnity agreements include an indemnification for all costs, charges, expenses, losses, damages, fees (including any legal, professional or advisory fees or disbursements), liabilities and amounts paid to settle or dispose of any civil, criminal or administrative proceeding. The Corporation believes it carries sufficient Directors and Officers insurance to cover any potential claims for indemnity.

# **Financial Instruments and Risk Management**

The Corporation has classified its cash, cash equivalents and receivables as loans and receivables, which are measured at amortized cost. Payables and accrued liabilities and other liabilities are classified as other financial liabilities, which are measured at amortized cost.

The carrying value of cash, cash equivalents, receivables, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and other liabilities reflected in the consolidated statement of financial position approximate fair value because of the short term nature of these instruments.



The Corporation's risk exposures and the impact on the Corporation's financial instruments are summarized below:

### Credit Risk Management

The Corporation's main credit risk arises from its cash and cash equivalents with banks. Substantially all of the Corporation's cash and cash equivalents balances are with one major Canadian chartered bank, from which management believes the risk of loss to be remote. The Corporation maintains a current account with a Utah based regional bank. The Corporation limits its counterparty credit risk on its deposits by dealing only with highly rated financial institutions.

### Liquidity Risk Management

The Corporation's ability to remain liquid over the long term depends on its ability to obtain additional financing through the issuance of additional securities, entering into credit facilities or entering into joint ventures, partnerships or similar arrangements. The Corporation manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate cash balances in order to meet liabilities as they come due. As at June 30, 2015, the Corporation had cash and cash equivalents balance of \$112,879 (December 31, 2014 - \$1,026,771) to settle current liabilities of \$1,791,612 (December 31, 2014 - \$1,131,308).

The Corporation regularly monitors actual cash flows to budgets and updates projected cash forecasts as needed. The Corporation will defer discretionary expenditures, as required, in order to manage and conserve its available cash balances for current liabilities and commitments. The Corporation will need to raise additional capital through equity issuances or other available means in order to continue funding its operations, exploration and evaluation activities and eventual development of the Project.

### Foreign Currency Risk Management

Cash and cash equivalents are comprised of cash at banks and on hand, and short term money market instruments with an original maturity of three months or less. The Corporation's cash and cash equivalents are denominated in the following currencies:

	As at	As at
	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Cash and cash equivalents (expressed in Canadian dollars)		
Denomination in Canadian dollars	\$77,483	\$76,345
Denomination in U.S. dollars	35,396	950,426
	\$112,879	\$1,026,771

The Corporation is exposed to foreign exchange rate fluctuations between the Canadian and U.S. dollars. Based on the balances at June 30, 2015, net income will increase or decrease by, approximately \$20,000 (December 31, 2014 - \$48,000) given a 5% increase or decrease in the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar.

The Corporation's expenditures on the evaluation, exploration and development of the Project are incurred primarily in U.S. dollars. The Corporation's administrative and head office expenditures are incurred primarily in Canadian dollars. Historically, the Corporation has raised equity denominated in Canadian dollars. The Corporation partially mitigates its exposure to foreign exchange rate fluctuations by purchasing a level of U.S. denominated cash to fund activities expected to be incurred by the Project. The Corporation does not engage in and has no plans to engage in foreign currency hedging activities.

### Interest Rate Risk Management

The Corporation has cash balances that earn interest subject to fluctuations in the prime rate. The Corporation's current policy is to invest excess cash in investment-grade deposit certificates issued by its banking institutions. The Corporation periodically monitors the investments it makes and is satisfied with the credit ratings of its banks. Management believes the interest rate risk is remote as investments have maturities of one year or less and the Corporation currently does not carry interest bearing debt at floating rates.



#### Capital Risk Management

The Corporation defines capital as total shareholders' equity including share capital, other reserves, deficit and accumulated other comprehensive loss. The Corporation manages its capital to ensure that adequate funds are available or are scheduled to be raised to carry out the Corporation's exploration and development programs and to meet its ongoing administrative costs.

This is achieved by the Board of Directors' review and acceptance of budgets that are achievable within existing resources and the timely matching and release of the next stage of expenditures with the resources made available from private placements or other fund raisings.

The Corporation is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements imposed by a regulator or lending institution.

### Critical Accounting Estimates

The Corporation's significant accounting policies are described in Note 2 to the Financial Statements. The preparation of the Corporation's Financial Statements, in conformity with IFRS, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. The following is a list of the accounting policies that the Corporation believes are critical, due to the degree of uncertainty regarding the estimates or assumptions involved and the magnitude of the asset, liability, revenue or expense being reported:

- Exploration and evaluation expenditures; and
- Share based compensation

# Exploration and evaluation expenditures

Exploration and evaluation expenditures such as, but not limited to, the acquisition and carrying costs of rights to explore (including the Exploration Agreement and Mining Lease), topographical, geological, geochemical and geophysical studies, exploratory drilling, trenching, technical feasibility studies and other costs directly attributable to exploration and evaluation of the Blawn Mountain Project are capitalized. Exploration and evaluation expenditures are carried at cost less any assessed impairment losses.

Where the Corporation is incurring costs to prospect or where it is preparing for or applying for prospecting rights, the Corporation expenses those costs as incurred.

# Share based compensation and subscriber warrants

Management estimated the fair value of convertible securities such as warrants and options using the Black Scholes option-pricing model which requires significant estimation around assumptions and inputs such as expected term to maturity, expected volatility and expected forfeiture rates. Note 7 of the Financial Statements describes the significant assumptions applied to these areas of estimation.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Management, including the President and Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), is responsible for designing, establishing, and maintaining a system of internal controls over financial reporting ("ICFR") to provide reasonable assurance that all information prepared by the Corporation for public disclosure is reliable and timely. ICFR is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

The Corporation's ICFR includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately reflect the transactions of the Corporation; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and that



receipts and expenditures of the Corporation are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Corporation; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Corporation's assets that could have a material effect on the Corporation's Financial Statements. Due to its inherent limitations, ICFR and disclosure controls and procedures may not prevent or detect all misstatements.

The CEO and CFO have evaluated whether there were changes to ICFR during the six months ended June 30, 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, ICFR. Based on this assessment and evaluation, there have been no material changes in the Corporation's ICFR during the six months ended June 30, 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, ICFR.

Disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P") have been designed to provide reasonable assurance that all material information related to the Corporation is identified and communicated on a timely basis. Management of the Corporation, under the supervision of the CEO and the CFO, is responsible for the design and operations of DC&P. There have been no changes in the Corporation's DC&P during the three months ended June 30, 2015.

### Changes in Accounting Policies

No changes to accounting polocies were adopted in Q2, 2015.

### **Future Accounting Standards and Pronouncements**

### IFRS 9 'Financial Instruments' ("IFRS 9")

This standard is the first step in the process to replace IAS 39, Financial Instruments: Recognition & Measurement. IFRS 9 introduces new requirements for classifying and measuring financial assets. IFRS 9 establishes two primary measurement categories for financial assets: (i) amortized cost, and (ii) fair value; establishes criteria for classification of financial assets within the measurement category based on business model and cash flow characteristics; and eliminates existing held for trading, held to maturity, available for sale, loans and receivable and other financial liabilities categories. IFRS 9 has an effective date of January 1, 2018, with early adoption permitted. The Corporation continues to monitor and assess the impact of this standard.

#### **Risks and Uncertainties**

The Corporation is subject to the following risks and uncertainties which are described in greater detail in the Corporation's AIF:

- Potash Ridge has negative operating cash flow and might not be able to continue as a going concern;
- The Corporation will require additional capital in the future and no assurance can be given that such capital will be available at all or on terms acceptable to the Corporation;
- Potash Ridge has a limited operating history and no history of mineral production;
- Infrastructure, capital and operating costs and production estimates;
- Dependence on the Blawn Mountain Project;
- Uncertainty of estimated mineral resources and mineral reserves;
- The Corporation will employ a combination of technologies;
- The Corporation requires approvals, licenses, and permits in connection with its current exploration and development activities that may be delayed or may not be obtained;
- The Corporation requires the necessary water rights and water sources to support the proposed Blawn Mountain Project and those rights and sources may not be obtained;
- Governmental and regulatory requirements could adversely impact the development of the Corporation's projects;
- Title to the Corporation's mineral properties cannot be assured;
- Infrastructure and logistic requirements have not been fully determined;
- Resource exploration and development is a speculative business and involves a high degree of risk;
- The extraction of minerals from a deposit may not be economically viable;



- Commodity prices may affect the Corporation's value;
- The Corporation may have difficulty recruiting and retaining key employees;
- Environmental risks and hazards;
- The Corporation may become subject to litigation which may have a material adverse effect on its performance;
- Construction delays may adversely impact the financial position of the Corporation;
- Climate conditions may cause delays and cost over-runs and inhibit future production;
- The Corporation does not maintain insurance against all possible risks;
- Certain directors and officers may have conflicts of interest;
- Global financial conditions may adversely affect the Corporation's financial position;
- The Corporation has a foreign subsidiary;
- Some of the Corporation's directors, officers and experts are resident outside of Canada;
- Future sales of Common Shares by existing shareholders;
- If securities or industry analysts do not publish research or reports about the Corporation, if they change their recommendations regarding the Corporation adversely, or if the Corporation's operating results do not meet their expectations, the share price and trading volume could decline;
- The Corporation has no record of paying dividends and does not expect to do so in the foreseeable future;
- Risks and hazards inherent in the mining industry;
- Competition in the mining industry may adversely affect the Corporation;
- Demand for commodities tends to be cyclical in nature;
- Weather patterns and natural disasters may affect future demand.

# **Other Information**

The Corporation's web site address is www.potashridge.com. Other information relating to the Corporation may be found on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.



### A CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This MD&A contains forward-looking statements reflecting management's expectations regarding future growth, results of operations, performance and business prospects of the Corporation. These forward-looking statements may include statements that are predictive in nature, or that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, and can generally be identified by words such as "may", "will", "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates", "guidance" or similar expressions. In addition, any statements that refer to expectations, projections or other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. These statements are not historical facts but instead represent management's expectations, estimates and projections regarding future events.

Although management believes the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, forward-looking statements are based on the opinions, assumptions and estimates of management at the date the statements are made, and are subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, the future financial or operating performance of the Corporation and its subsidiaries and its mineral projects; the anticipated results of exploration activities; the estimation of mineral resources; the realization of mineral resource estimates; capital, development, operating and exploration expenditures; costs and timing of the development of the Corporation's mineral projects; timing of future exploration; requirements for additional capital; climate conditions; government regulation of mining operations; anticipated results of economic and technical studies; environmental matters; receipt of the necessary permits, approvals and licenses in connection with exploration and development activities; appropriation of the necessary water rights and water sources; changes in commodity prices; recruiting and retaining key employees; construction delays; litigation; competition in the mining industry; reclamation expenses; reliability of historical exploration work; reliance on historical information acquired by the Corporation; optimization of technology to be employed by the Corporation; title disputes or claims, dilution to the Common Shares and the limitations of insurance coverage and other factors described under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Corporation's AIF to which reference should be made.

In addition, if any of the assumptions or estimates made by management prove to be incorrect, actual results and developments are likely to differ, and may differ materially, from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements contained herein. Such assumptions include, but are not limited to, the following: that general business, economic, competitive, political and social uncertainties remain favourable; that agriculture fertilizers are expected to be a major driver in increasing yields to address demand for premium produce, such as fruits and vegetables, as well as diversified protein rich diets necessitating grains and other animal feed; that actual results of exploration activities justify further studies and development of the Corporation's mineral projects; that the future prices of minerals remain at levels that justify the exploration and future development and operation of the Corporation's mineral projects; that there is no failure of plant, equipment or processes to operate as anticipated; that accidents, labour disputes and other risks of the mining industry do not occur; that there are no unanticipated delays in obtaining governmental approvals or financing or in the completion of future studies, development or construction activities; that the actual costs of exploration and studies remain within budgeted amounts; that regulatory and legal requirements required for exploration or development activities do not change in any adverse manner; that input cost assumptions do not change in any adverse manner, as well as those factors discussed in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the Corporation's AIF. Accordingly, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such statements.

All forward-looking information herein is qualified by these cautionary statements. Forward-looking information contained herein is made as of the date of this MD&A and the Corporation disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking information, whether as a result of new information, future events or results or otherwise, except as required by law.