



ALTIUS MINERALS CORPORATION

**Management's Discussion and Analysis
of Financial Conditions and Results of Operations
Three and Nine Months Ended January 31, 2010**

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Description of Business

Altius Minerals Corporation's (the "Corporation") principal business activities are focused on the generation and acquisition of projects involving natural resources primarily in eastern Canada. The Corporation prefers to generate alliances or corporate structures related to the mineral exploration opportunities it generates, which results in the Corporation carrying minority and non-operating project or equity interests and/or royalty interests. The Corporation has a strategic alliance in Alaska with Millrock Resources Limited "Millrock" and is evaluating other prospective mining friendly jurisdictions.

The Corporation has no debt and current holdings include highly liquid government guaranteed and investment grade corporate instruments, cash and marketable securities of approximately \$132,000,000, various mineral properties, exploration stage royalty interests, and a 10% interest in the Labrador Nickel Royalty Limited Partnership ("LNR LP"), which holds a 3.0% production stage net smelter return royalty interest in the Voisey's Bay nickel-copper-cobalt project in Labrador. The Corporation holds 12,000,000 shares that currently represents a 13.8% interest in Rambler Metals and Mining plc ("Rambler"), which is carrying out advanced exploration and mine development assessment of the past producing Ming copper - gold deposits, located near Baie Verte, Newfoundland and Labrador. In addition, the Corporation holds a 39.6% interest in Newfoundland and Labrador Refining Corporation ("NLRC"), which is currently operating under an approved proposal to sell assets or obtain financing for its proposed 300,000 barrel per day the refinery project. The Corporation also holds investments in mining and mineral related companies with an approximate market value of \$66,000,000, through direct investment and through the vending of earn-in agreements on its mineral exploration properties.

Operational and Business Overview

The Corporation recorded a net loss of \$102,000 or \$0.00 per share for the three months ended January 31, 2010. The Corporation recognized lower investment income from government guaranteed marketable securities in comparison to the prior year as well as lower royalty revenue from the LNR LP and a result of the continuing strike at Vale Inco and production curtailments.

During the quarter the Corporation supported the Royal Gold Inc. ("Royal Gold") proposal to acquire all of the shares of International Royalty Corporation ("IRC") in exchange for a combination of cash plus shares. As a result of the closing of this transaction after the quarter-end, the Corporation will realize proceeds of approximately \$61,800,000 and will realize a gain of approximately \$28,000,000 in the next quarter. Additional information on this transaction is detailed in the *Investments Overview* section of this MD&A.

The Corporation entered into an agreement with a private company in November 2009 regarding its Kamistiatasset iron ore project in western Labrador, Canada. A primary condition of the agreement was that the private company form a new public company ("Newco") that will focus on the western Labrador iron ore mining district of Canada. In December the agreement was transferred to Alderon Resources Inc. ("Alderon"), a publicly traded company listed on the TSX

Venture exchange. Under the terms of the agreement, Alderon must incur exploration expenditures totaling \$5 million over a two-year period and must meet financing conditions to earn 100% of the Kamistaitusset iron ore property. In exchange for the transfer the Corporation will retain a 3% gross sales royalty and will receive a minimum payment of 31,779,081 post-consolidated shares of Alderon, representing approximately a 46% interest in Alderon. The agreement remains in good standing and all of the financing requirements have been met.

The current quarter's mineral exploration activity focused on generative exploration work in several regions throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. The Corporation's goal is to develop new exploration projects for subsequent third party funding agreements. Numerous exploration programs for gold, nickel, copper, uranium and iron ore in Newfoundland and Labrador and reconnaissance exploration in new jurisdictions will be completed during 2010.

In January, the Corporation staked mineral exploration rights over 400 square kilometers of land in Newfoundland with potential gold, nickel, and copper prospects.

Additional information on the exploration activities of the Corporation and its alliance partners is outlined in the *Mineral Properties Overview* section of this MD&A.

On November 20, 2009 the Court accepted NLRC's proposal to creditors to sell or finance the refinery project during a standstill period and dismissed all further requests for creditor's claim adjustments for voting purposes. NLRC now has approximately 2 years to sell or finance its oil refinery project interest to satisfy all creditors' claims. The Corporation intends to continue to hold its investment in and receivable from NLRC at \$nil because of the high level of uncertainty.

Rambler continued to make progress towards its goal of mine development and production at its copper-gold deposits and appointed two new key operating positions during the quarter. Rambler is also investigating the potential for gold production from existing gold resources at its recently purchased Nugget Pond site and processing facility. Rambler is also completing an engineering design for the addition of a copper flotation circuit at the facility. Once this circuit is completed, Nugget Pond is anticipated to be able to process copper-gold ore from Rambler's Ming mine, which is located approximately 40kms from the processing facility.

Further details on Rambler and NLRC are available in the *Investments Overview* section of this MD&A.

Outlook

The proceeds from the sale of its investment in IRC will increase the Company's cash position to approximately \$167 million and will also increase its investment base with the receipt of 529,297 Royal Gold exchangeable shares with an approximate market value of \$27,200,000. The Corporation intends to continue to evaluate various investments, including world class royalties and direct investments in companies where the Corporation believes value accretion can be realized in the near term.

Valuations of quality generative exploration opportunities remain attractive and the Corporation spent a significant portion of its efforts doing preliminary research and assembling land positions that will be developed as opportunities to attract joint venture partners in future periods. The Corporation is also evaluating the expansion of its prospecting model into additional jurisdictions, through direct participation and potentially through exploration alliances.

The Corporation expects the Voisey's Bay royalty revenue and interest income to remain low in the near term because of the strike at Voisey's Bay, and low yields on high quality investments. However, with its strong balance sheet and net working capital position, the Corporation is well equipped to take advantage of investment and exploration opportunities. The Corporation will continue to manage its shareholder's cash prudently and will continue its efforts to attract strong financial and technical expertise to share risks and rewards on the Corporation's portfolio of exploration projects. The Corporation will also continue to evaluate investment opportunities and expansion opportunities over the coming months.

Results of Operations

Analysis of Results of Operations for the three month period ending January 31, 2010 compared with the three month period ending January 31, 2009

The Corporation recorded a net loss of \$102,000 for the three months ended January 31, 2010 compared to net earnings for the three months ended January 31, 2009 of \$31,624,000. The current quarter revenue was \$912,000 compared to \$2,109,000 for the same quarter last year, reflecting lower royalty revenue and lower investment yields on low risk marketable securities. Last year's results included a \$38,180,000 gain on the settlement of the equity forward agreement on the Company's remaining 2,500,000 shares investment in Aurora Energy Resources Limited, offset by income tax expense of \$6,679,000.

Interest income was \$403,000 for the quarter ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$1,384,000 for the same period last year. This decrease resulted from much lower yields on investment grade corporate and government guaranteed investments.

Royalty revenue from the Labrador Nickel Royalty Limited Partnership was \$364,000 during the three month period ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$689,000 for the same period last year. Decreased revenue was the result of lower concentrate shipments as a result of the continued strike at Vale Inco. The reduction in concentrate shipments is expected to continue over the near term until the strike is resolved, with a three to six month time lag for shipments to arrive at the smelter. The Labrador Nickel Royalty Limited Partnership, in which the Corporation holds a 10% interest, launched a claim against the payer of the royalty for short – payment of royalty amounts under the royalty agreement. The status of the claim is in the early stages and no court date has been set.

General and administrative expenses for the three months ended January 31, 2010 were \$889,000 compared to \$707,000 for the same period last year. Increases in corporate development expenses of \$121,000 and salary related expenses of \$47,000 combined with a foreign exchange gain on U.S. Dollar receivables of \$25,000 in the prior year was partially offset by decreases in travel and office related costs during the current quarter.

Royalty tax for the three months ended January 31, 2010 was \$73,000 compared to \$138,000 for the same period last year, reflecting the lower royalty revenue noted above. The royalty tax is a 20% provincial levy withheld on the Corporation's net smelter return royalty in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Stock-based compensation for the three months ended January 31, 2010 was \$348,000 compared to \$208,000 for the same period last year. In addition to stock-based compensation cost recognized on the income statement, the Corporation deferred \$58,000 as part of its mineral exploration and development costs during the three month period (2009 – \$70,000).

Amortization for the three months ended January 31, 2010 was \$89,000 which was lower than the \$251,000 for the same period last year. The decrease is caused by a reduction in the amortization of the royalty interest in the Voisey's Bay mine, which being amortized on a units

of production basis over the expected life of the mine. The decrease in amortization reflects the lower volume of concentrate shipments during the current period in comparison to the prior year.

Mineral properties abandoned or impaired was \$219,000 for the three month period ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$220,000 in the same period last year. Of the amount written down, \$50,000 (2009 - \$13,000) relates to the Corporation's early stage research and reconnaissance stage exploration work, which the Corporation expenses immediately.

The Corporation recognized interest on long-term debt of \$nil for the current three month period compared to \$313,000 in the same period last year. The interest on long-term debt was from a zero – coupon loan bearing interest at 4.25%, which was settled during the previous year.

The Corporation wound up its equity forward agreement contract in the prior three month period ended January 31, 2009 by transferring ownership of its 2,500,000 remaining Aurora shares resulting in a gain of \$38,180,000. The deemed proceeds from the investment and the equity forward agreement was applied to repay the zero-coupon loan in full with no net cash flow impact.

The Corporation recognized an income tax recovery of \$189,000 for the three months ended January 31, 2010 compared to an income tax expense of \$6,679,000 for the same period last year. The prior year's increase was due to the realization of the gain on the equity forward previously mentioned. The Corporation's effective tax rate reflects non-deductible stock-based compensation costs incurred in the current period.

Analysis of Results of Operations for the nine month period ending January 31, 2010 compared with the nine month period ending January 31, 2009

The Corporation recorded a net loss of \$1,185,000 for the nine months ended January 31, 2010 compared to a net gain for the nine months ended January 31, 2009 of \$29,981,000. The prior year's earnings included a \$38,180,000 gain on the settlement of the equity forward agreement on Aurora shares. The current year's loss was also due to lower royalty income from the Labrador Nickel Royalty Limited Partnership and lower investment income from lower yields on corporate and government guaranteed investments as previously mentioned.

The Corporation recognized total revenue of \$3,115,000 for the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$7,450,000 for the same period last year. Royalty revenue from the Labrador Nickel Royalty Limited Partnership was \$1,466,000 during the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$3,330,000 for the same period last year. Decreased royalty revenue was the result of lower concentrate shipments as a result of the continued strike at Vale Inco. The reduction in concentrate shipments is expected to continue over the next quarters until the strike is resolved.

Interest income of \$1,113,000 was recognized in the nine months ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$3,916,000 for the nine months ended January 31, 2009. As noted previously, this decrease was caused by lower yields on corporate and government guaranteed investments.

General and administrative expenses for the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 were \$2,428,000 compared to \$1,789,000 for the same period last year. The prior year results included a foreign exchange gain on U.S. dollar receivables of \$296,000. The Corporation also incurred increased corporate development costs of \$117,000 and increased conference attendance and related travel of \$88,000 and increased office and salary related expenses of \$138,000.

The Corporation recorded a dilution gain of \$137,000 for the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$nil for the same period in the previous year. This dilution gain was the result of a private placement completed by Rambler whereby Rambler issued 27.5 million ordinary shares at 20 pence each (\$0.345 per share Canadian).

Royalty tax for the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 was \$293,000 compared to \$666,000 for the same nine month period last year. The Corporation is still awaiting the result of its appeal of the decision to reject the mineral rights tax reduction for exploration expenditures incurred in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador. The mineral rights tax on the Voisey's Bay royalty is 20% of gross royalty revenue.

Stock-based compensation for the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 was \$954,000 compared to \$648,000 for the same period last year. In addition to stock-based compensation cost recognized on the income statement, the Corporation deferred \$228,000 as part of its mineral exploration and development costs during the current nine month period (2009 – \$326,000). The Corporation awarded 370,000 stock options to employees and directors during the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 at an exercise price of \$7.00 per share.

Amortization for the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 was \$446,000 which was lower than the \$731,000 for the same period last year. The decrease in amortization over the prior period reflects the lower year to date production level at the Voisey's Bay nickel-copper-cobalt mine, as noted previously.

The share of loss in equity investment in Rambler was \$275,000 for the nine months ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$326,000 for the same period last year. Activities on Rambler are described in greater detail in the section entitled *Equity Investments Overview* included in this MD&A.

The Corporation recognized interest and financing charges of \$nil for the nine month period ended January 31, 2010 compared to \$1,334,000 in the same period last year. The interest and financing charges from the previous year were primarily from a zero – coupon loan which was settled in January 2009.

The Corporation incurred current and future income tax recovery of \$236,000 for the nine months ended January 31, 2010 compared to an expense of \$6,887,000 for the same period last year. The prior year's expense was due to the realization of the gain on the equity forward previously mentioned.

Cash Flows, Liquidity and Capital Resources

Operating Activities

The Corporation used cash from operating activities of \$1,662,000 for the three months ended January 31, 2010 compared to a cash inflow of \$2,481,000 for the same period last year. This decrease was caused primarily by an income tax recovery of \$6,646,000 recorded in the prior year.

Financing Activities

The Corporation generated cash from financing activities of \$449,000 from proceeds from the exercise of employee stock options for the three months ended January 31, 2010 compared to an outflow of cash of \$2,952,000 for the same period last year. In the prior year's three month period ended January 31, 2009, the Corporation repurchased 644,200 common shares under its normal course issuer bid during the current quarter at a total cost of \$3,102,000 compared to \$nil in the current three month period ended January 31, 2010.

Investing Activities

The Corporation generated cash in investing activities of \$3,114,000 for the three months ended January 31, 2010 compared to an outflow of cash of \$7,591,000 for the same period last year. The current investing activities included the reallocation of marketable securities into cash totaling \$3,579,000 compared to a reallocation of \$6,973,000 in the prior year from cash into marketable securities. Marketable securities are comprised of highly liquid government guaranteed and investment grade commercial paper with original maturities greater than three months.

In addition, the Corporation incurred \$463,000 in net mineral exploration expenditures during the current quarter and \$2,136,000 on a year to date basis. Mineral exploration activities are described in greater detail in the *Mineral Exploration Overview* section of this MD&A.

Liquidity

At January 31, 2010, the Corporation had current assets of \$132,412,000 and current liabilities of \$285,000 for net working capital of \$132,127,000, which is sufficient to meet its current requirements for operating and investing activities. The Corporation holds its cash in short-term and medium-term interest bearing government guaranteed and investment grade corporate instruments and does not anticipate any liquidity issues.

The Corporation's major sources of funding are from royalty and interest income. In addition, the Corporation partially funds exploration expenditures via third party agreements such as earn-in agreements or joint venture arrangements whereby exploration expenditures are cost-shared or funded by third parties in exchange for a partial ownership interest in the mineral rights to the properties. Given that the current cash level is significantly more than that required for the continuing operations of the Corporation, management will continue to evaluate opportunities to deploy surplus cash in the upcoming periods.

Commitments and Contractual Obligations

The Corporation has obtained mineral exploration licenses by staking claims and paying refundable security deposits. Certain expenditures are required on an annual basis, from the date of license issuance in order to maintain the properties in good standing and for refund of security deposits. If the required assessment expenditures are not met on or before the anniversary date of license issuance, the Corporation has the option of reducing claims on a property, post a refundable security bond for the deficient amount or elect to allow title of the license be cancelled. The Corporation is required to spend \$927,000 by January 31, 2011 in order to maintain all licenses in good standing, of which exploration partners have agreed to spend approximately \$448,000. Exploration expenditures of \$205,000 over the next year are required on certain properties to receive a refund of the total of security deposits in the amount of \$126,000.

Contingent Liability

On October 1, 2008, the Corporation was served with a statement of claim issued by BAE-Newplan Group Limited (“BAE”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of SNC-Lavalin Inc., in the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador. In the statement of claim, BAE claims damages, including punitive and exemplary damages, interest and costs against the Corporation and others in aggregate. In particular, BAE claims \$20,594,000, which is also the amount of billing alleged as outstanding from NLRC to BAE for engineering services.

The Corporation believes this claim is without merit and intends to defend the claim vigorously. No provision has been recognized for this claim. The Corporation’s defense of the claim is ongoing and a date has not yet been set for the trial of the matter.

Related Party Transactions

Chairman of the Board and Director John Baker is a Partner of the legal firm Ottenheimer and Baker. This firm provided legal services to the Corporation in the amount of \$14,000 for the three months ended January 31, 2010 (2009 – \$40,000).

The Corporation recognized management fee revenue from equity investments in the amount of \$6,000 for the three months ended January 31, 2010 (2009 – \$6,000). The management fees are charged by the Corporation for office and administrative services provided to NLRC.

These related party transactions are in the normal course of operations and are measured at the exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties. It is management’s estimation that these transactions were undertaken under the same terms and conditions as transactions with non-related parties.

Summary of Quarterly Financial Information

The table below outlines selected financial information related to the Corporation's revenue, net earnings (loss) and net earnings (loss) per share for the most recent eight quarters. The financial information is extracted from the Corporation's interim unaudited financial statements.

Amounts in thousands of dollars, except per share amounts

\$	January 31, 2010	October 31, 2009	July 31, 2009	April 30, 2009
Revenue	912	1,097	1,106	1,938
Net earnings (loss)	(102)	(486)	(597)	(1,480)
Net earnings (loss) per share				
- basic	-	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.05)
- diluted	-	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.05)

\$	January 31, 2009	October 31, 2008	July 31, 2008	April 30, 2008
Revenue	2,109	3,206	2,135	2,735
Net earnings (loss)	31,624	(2,032)	380	(42,007)
Net earnings (loss) per share				
- basic	1.11	(0.07)	0.01	(1.36)
- diluted	1.11	(0.07)	0.01	(1.34)

The Corporation does not experience significant seasonality in operations. Revenue is derived primarily from investment income and from the Voisey's Bay Royalty, which is contingent upon commodity prices, mine production levels, and the timing of concentrate shipments. The decline in the revenue over the previous several quarters was caused by a drop in the commodity prices and more recently because of the continuing strike at the Voisey's Bay nickel-copper-cobalt mine. Interest revenue has also declined because of the continued 'flight to safety' of investment funds, which reduced returns on high-quality liquid investments. Net earnings are affected somewhat by revenue net of operating expenses, but are affected primarily by the realization of gains or losses on the Corporation's investments and mineral exploration alliances.

Investments Overview

The Corporation has two significant equity accounted investments, NLRC and Rambler. The Corporation also held a 9.4% interest in IRC, a diversified metals royalty company.

NLRC

The Corporation currently holds a 39.6% equity interest in NLRC, which was formerly under creditor protection under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (“BIA”). NLRC is a private company that was proposing to construct a new 300,000 barrel per day crude oil refinery at Southern Head, Placentia Bay in south eastern Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada. NLRC is currently operating under a two-year standstill period; whereby the company must sell its assets to satisfy creditors or complete financing of the project.

The Corporation’s kept its carrying value on its investment and loan to NLRC at \$nil to reflect to continued uncertainty of recovery.

On June 18, 2008, SNC Lavalin, a contractor providing environmental and engineering services to NLRC, served NLRC with a notice of proceedings in the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador to have NLRC adjudged bankrupt. In response to this filing, NLRC sought and was granted creditor protection under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (“BIA”) on June 24, 2008. This protection enabled NLRC, under the supervision of a trustee, to formulate a proposal for restructuring and to continue its efforts to attract financing and or partners for the refinery project. The initial period of creditor protection granted was 30 days, and was later extended for two additional periods of 45 days each until October 17, 2008.

On October 17, 2008, NLRC submitted a proposal to the creditors for a project care and maintenance plan for up to 36 months. Under the care and maintenance plan, it was proposed that ongoing costs be kept to a minimum and that all refinery permits would be kept in good standing until such time as the project can be sold or financed when economic conditions improve. In addition, it was proposed that all creditors’ claims would be deferred until the end of the care and maintenance period or until the project obtains financing. Following the vote by creditors on the proposal on November 6, 2008, the trustee indicated that the outcome of the vote would depend on the legitimacy of claim amounts submitted as part of the voting procedure and, therefore, recessed to evaluate the various claim amounts. The creditors meeting was reconvened on July 15, 2009 and the outcome of the vote indicated that a majority of the votes were in favour of the proposal. The trustee’s application to accept the proposal was heard by the Newfoundland Supreme Court on October 22, 2009. At that time the Court also considered an application by a creditor to reduce one of the other creditor’s claims, which could affect the outcome of the vote.

On November 20, 2009 the Court accepted the proposal and dismissed all further requests for creditor’s claim adjustments for voting purposes. NLRC now has approximately 2 years to sell or finance its project interest to satisfy all creditors’ claims.

Additional information on NLRC is available on their web site at <http://www.nlrefining.com>.

Rambler

The Corporation holds 12 million shares or a 13.8% interest in Rambler, which is listed on the Alternative Investment Market of the London Stock Exchange (“AIM”), and on the TSX-V. Rambler is carrying out advanced exploration of the past producing Ming copper - gold mine, located near Baie Verte, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada.

Rambler continued to make progress towards eventual production of its copper-gold deposits with the addition of key operating positions during the quarter. Rambler is also investigating the potential for the production of existing gold resources at its recently purchased Nugget Pond site and processing facility, and is completing the engineering design for the addition of a copper flotation circuit at the facility. Once this copper circuit is completed, Nugget Pond will be able to process ore from the Ming mine, which is located 40kms from the processing facility.

On October 22, 2009, Rambler completed a private placement to fund the acquisition of the Nugget Pond processing facility and to fund subsequent engineering work on the facility. Rambler issued 27.5 million ordinary shares at 20 pence each (\$0.345 per share Canadian). Following the private placement, the Corporation’s ownership interest in Rambler was reduced from 20.2% to 13.8% and the Corporation recorded a dilution gain of \$137,000. The Corporation continues to equity-account for Rambler after this transaction based on the fact that it is a significant shareholder and continues to have representation on the Rambler Board.

On March 4, 2010 Rambler announced that it had entered into a gold sale agreement for a portion of its life-of-mine gold production from its development-stage Ming copper-gold mine located near Baie Verte, NL. Under the terms of agreement, Rambler will receive total staged payments U.S. \$20,000,000 upon reaching certain development milestones.

For additional information on Rambler, visit their web site at <http://www.ramblermines.com/>

IRC

As at January 31, 2010 the Corporation held a 9.4% interest or 8,924,972 common shares in IRC, a diversified metals royalty company. This investment was subsequently sold to Royal Gold Inc. (“Royal Gold”) for a net gain of \$28,000,000 as discussed below.

On December 14, 2009, Franco Nevada tendered an unsolicited takeover bid for IRC for \$6.75 per share. In December 18, 2009 IRC announced that it had entered into a friendly transaction with Royal Gold whereby Royal Gold would acquire all of the shares of IRC in exchange for a combination of cash plus shares at a deemed value at the time of the proposal of \$7.45 per IRC common share. The proposal had limitations on the maximum and minimum amount of cash and shares to be received by IRC shareholders.

The Corporation entered into a lock-up agreement with Royal Gold to sell its 8,924,972 common share ownership in IRC for estimated proceeds of \$7.45 per share. Under the agreement, the Corporation was required to vote in favour of the takeover proposal and to elect to receive all Royal Gold shares or equivalent as consideration unless the all cash price exceeded the expected

share consideration value by a certain amount. Subsequent to quarter-end, the Corporation voted in favour of the Royal Gold proposal and elected to receive all cash.

The IRC Shareholder vote was held on February 16, 2010 and the results of the shareholder vote were positive. Upon court approval and closing the Corporation received \$37,500,000 in cash and 529,297 exchangeable Royal Gold shares representing estimated total proceeds of approximately \$63,100,000 and will record an estimated gain of approximately \$28,000,000 in the next fiscal quarter.

Mineral Exploration Projects Overview

The Corporation incurred \$462,000 in net exploration expenditures during the quarter, including \$50,000 on early-stage reconnaissance in several areas throughout Newfoundland and Labrador with the goal of identifying additional exploration joint venture opportunities for earn-in partners. The Corporation's goal is to develop new exploration concepts and to continue to refresh the Corporation's portfolio of new exploration projects for subsequent third party funding agreements. Early stage exploration is focused primarily on the identification of new exploration targets, including gold, nickel, copper, and iron ore.

The Corporation has been actively planning for the 2010 field season as well as seeking new grass roots early stage mineral exploration projects. In January, the Corporation acquired by staked approximately 206 square kilometers of land in eastern Newfoundland referred to as the Avalon gold project. The Corporation also staked approx 106 square kilometers surrounding its Taylor Brook nickel option to Northern Abitibi and added over 200 square kilometers to its Topsails alliance with JNR Resources Inc. to cover prospective copper-gold targets.

The Corporation currently has 10 active earn-in agreements or exploration alliances with various third parties throughout the province of Newfoundland and Labrador in Canada covering a variety of commodities.

The Corporation entered into an agreement regarding its Kamistiatuset iron ore project in western Labrador with a private company in November 2009. As a condition of the agreement the earn in option was subsequently transferred to Alderon Resources Inc. ("Alderon"), a publicly traded company listed on the TSX Venture exchange. Under the terms of the agreement, Alderon must incur exploration expenditures totaling \$5 million over a two-year period and must meet financing conditions to earn 100% of the Kamistaituset iron ore property located in western Labrador. Upon completion of the required exploration expenditures, the Corporation will transfer its 100% interest in the property to Alderon in exchange for a 3% gross sales royalty and a minimum payment of 31,779,081 post-consolidated shares of Alderon, representing approximately a 46% interest in Alderon based on the current shares outstanding and the known financing arrangements. The agreement remains in good standing and all of the financing requirements have been met.

On January 8, 2010 the Corporation sold its Nuiklavik rare-earth-element (REE) property in northern Labrador to Rare Element Resources Ltd., which agreed to issue 200,000 common shares of the company in staged payments. The Corporation will retain a 2% gross overriding

royalty on the property, half of which may be purchased by Rare Element Resources Ltd. for \$2,500,000 million at any time.

In December 2009, the Corporation informed Northern Abitibi Mining Corp. (“Northern Abitibi”) that under the terms of the option agreement the Corporation has elected to retain a 2 to 4% sliding scale net smelter royalty (tied to the price of gold) and grant Northern Abitibi 100% ownership of the Viking gold property. Northern Abitibi is currently working on planning and permitting for the 2010 exploration program with the goal of producing a National Instrument 43-101 compliant resource estimate by late summer or early fall 2010.

During the quarter the Corporation and Millrock Resources Inc. (“Millrock”) staked two claim blocks in the Kahiltna Terrane of Alaska that will form the basis of two 50/50 joint ventures with the objective of attracting an exploration partner to conduct further field research and exploration on the properties. Under the terms of the alliance the Corporation will retain a 1% net smelter return royalty from the sale of any gold and a 0.5% net smelter return on other base metals produced from the properties.

The prospects, which have been named St. Eugene and Monte Cristo, were identified through the activities of the strategic alliance entered into between the companies in June 2009. The Kahiltna Terrane is emerging as a prolific mineral belt that hosts the giant Pebble copper-gold-molybdenum-silver deposit, the Whistler copper-gold deposit, and the Terra gold deposit, as well as Millrock's Estelle gold prospect.

During the quarter, Kirrin Resources Inc. (“Kirrin”) completed a 1,323 metre, nine-hole drill program at Boxey Point. Low grade radioactive intercepts occurred in five holes and the best assay was 0.164% U_3O_8 across 0.5 m. Kirrin had the option to earn a 60% interest in the Boxey property by spending \$1,000,000 in exploration expenditures by January 2012 and by granting the Corporation 200,000 shares. Subsequent to quarter-end the Corporation received notice that Kirrin intends to withdraw from the agreement. The Corporation is currently evaluating alternatives for this property.

In December 2009, Sprott Resources Corporation (“Sprott”) terminated the St. George’s Bay potash agreement. The Corporation is seeking a new joint venture partner to advance this project.

Summary of Exploration Activity

Property	Partner	Agreement type	Status
Alexis River – Uranium	Kirrin Resources Inc ^a	Earn in	Operator reviewing data
Boxey Point – Uranium	-	-	Drilling results completed; operator withdrew from the earn-in agreement
Kamistiatusset - Iron-ore	Alderon Resources Limited	100% Earn-in	Alderon has completed initial financing and is currently selecting its management team and planning the 2010 drilling program
Labrador Trough - Base metals	Cornerstone ^a	Alliance	Planning 2010 field program
Labrador West Iron Ore	Rio Tinto (formerly Kennecott Canada Exploration Inc) ^a	Earn in	Reviewing 2009 data and planning 2010 program
Monte Cristo - Gold	Millrock Resources	50/50 Alliance	2009 field work completed; searching for earn-in/JV partner
St. Eugene – Copper/gold	Millrock Resources	50/50 Alliance	2009 field work completed; searching for earn-in/JV partner
Moosehead - Gold	Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.	Joint venture	Initiating marketing for third party JV partner
New Brunswick Oil Shale	-	-	Drilling and oil characterization analysis completed; seeking a partner to advance the project
Notakwanon - Uranium	Golden Cross Resources	Earn in	Planning field program and possible drilling program 2010
Nuiklavik - Uranium	-	-	Sold to Rare Earth Element Resources during the current year
Rocky Brook – Uranium	JNR Resources Inc ^a	Joint venture (30%)	JNR-funded drilling program completed; analysis and results pending
South Tally Pond – Base Metals	Paragon Minerals Corp ^a	Sale	Planning 2010 drilling program

St. George's Bay - Potash	-	-	Seeking a new partner to fund the next phase of exploration.
Taylor Brook – Nickel	Northern Abitibi Mining Corp ^a	Earn in	Planning 2010 program;
Topsails – Uranium & Copper	JNR Resources Inc	Alliance	Planning 2010 program of mapping, IP geophysics, trenching; new claims staked to cover copper porphyry showings
Viking – Gold	Northern Abitibi Mining Corp ^a	Altius opted for 2-4% sliding scale royalty	Now 100% owned by Northern Abitibi - 2010 drilling program planning in progress

^a indicates operator

For additional details on the properties and exploration agreements, please refer to the Corporation's web site, www.altiusminerals.com.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of a system of internal control over financial reporting. This system has been designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded and that the financial reporting is accurate and reliable. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) and in accordance with accounting policies set out in the notes to the consolidated financial statements for the period ended January 31, 2010.

There has been no change in the Corporation’s internal control over financial reporting during the Corporation’s period ended January 31, 2010 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Corporation’s internal control over financial reporting.

Evaluation and Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Corporation has established and maintains disclosure controls and procedures over financial reporting. The certifying officers have evaluated the effectiveness of the issuer’s disclosure controls and procedures as of January 31, 2010 and have concluded that such procedures are adequate and effective to ensure accurate and complete disclosures in public filings.

There are inherent limitations in all control systems and no disclosure controls and procedures can provide complete assurance that no future errors or fraud will occur. An economically feasible control system, no matter how well conceived or operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met.

New and Future Accounting Pronouncements

Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Commencing May 1, 2009 the Corporation adopted CICA Handbook Section 3064, “Goodwill and Intangible Assets”, which replaced Section 3062, “Goodwill and Intangible Assets”, and Section 3450, “Research and Development Costs”. Section 3064 establishes standards for the recognition, measurement and disclosure of goodwill and intangible assets. This standard did not have a material impact on the Corporation’s consolidated financial statements.

International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”)

On February 13, 2008, the Canadian Accounting Standards Board confirmed that publicly accountable entities will be required to prepare financial statements in accordance with IFRS for interim and annual financial statements for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011 with appropriate comparative data from the prior year. The Corporation will be required to adopt IFRS commencing May 1, 2011 and will require the restatement, for comparative purposes, of amounts reported on the Corporation’s opening IFRS balance sheet as at May 1, 2010 and amounts reported for the year ended April 30, 2011.

Under IFRS, there is significantly more disclosure required, specifically for quarterly reporting. Further, while IFRS uses a conceptual framework similar to Canadian GAAP, there are significant differences in accounting policies that will need to be addressed by management. The Corporation has a comprehensive IFRS conversion plan and has completed its initial scoping study to identify key areas that may affect disclosure and financial reporting upon transition to IFRS.

The Corporation has completed its key employee training and has substantially completed its review of key accounting issues identified by its scoping review. The Corporation expects some differences on the timing of recognition of stock based compensation expenses under IFRS but the difference have not yet been quantified. No other major issues have been identified at this time.

In the next quarter the Corporation intends to evaluate the various elections and exemptions available upon initial conversion to IFRS. The Corporation will also evaluate and re-document its information systems, internal controls over financial reporting, and data collection methods to ensure that it can smoothly transition to IFRS while meeting all financial reporting obligations. No significant issues are anticipated at this time.

Business Combinations

In January 2009, the CICA issued CICA Handbook Section 1582, Business Combinations, Section 1601, Consolidated Financial Statements, and Section 1602, Non-controlling Interests, which superseded Section 1581, Business Combinations, and Section 1600, Consolidated Financial Statements. CICA Handbook Section 1582, Business Combinations, replaces the former Section 1581, and establishes standards for the accounting for a business combination. It provides the Canadian equivalent to IFRS 3, Business Combinations (January 2008). This Section applies prospectively to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after January 1, 2011.

CICA Handbook Section 1601, Consolidated Financial Statements, together with the new Section 1602, Non-Controlling Interests, replaces the former Section 1600, Consolidated Financial Statements. Section 1601 establishes standards for the preparation of consolidated financial statements. Section 1602 establishes standards for accounting for a non-controlling interest in a subsidiary in consolidated financial statements subsequent to a business combination. It is equivalent to the corresponding provisions of IFRS 27, Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements, (January 2008). Both sections apply to interim and annual consolidated financial statements relating to fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011.

Earlier adoption is permitted as of the beginning of a fiscal year. All three sections must be adopted concurrently. The Corporation is evaluating the impact of the adoption of these sections to determine if early adoption is appropriate.

Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent liabilities and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Areas requiring the use of management estimates include the rates for amortization of the royalty interest, future income taxes, assessments of the recoverability of deferred exploration expenditures, the carrying value and assessment of other than temporary impairment of investments, the recoverability of accounts receivable and loans, the determination of the provision for future removal and site restoration costs, and the assumptions used in the determination of the fair value of stock-based compensation.

Risk Factors and Key Success Factors

An investment in securities of the Corporation involves a significant degree of risk that should be considered prior to making an investment decision. In addition to discussions of key success factors and business issues elsewhere in this MD&A, the investor should consider the following risk factors:

Operational and Development Risk

The Corporation operates in the mineral exploration sector, which implicitly involves a high degree of risk caused by limited chances of discovery of an economic deposit and eventual mine development. The Corporation mitigates this risk by cost-sharing with exploration partners and by continuously evaluating the economic potential of each mineral property at every stage of its life cycle.

Development Stage Projects

Profits from commercial operations will depend on a significant number of factors, including economic feasibility, changing market conditions, environmental and governmental regulations, labour availability, the cost of and the ability to attract external financial capital, and the ability to attract partners with sufficient technical expertise and relevant industry experience to further develop the various projects. Any failure to meet one or a combination of these factors may result in project delays or potential cancellation and the Corporation's future operating results may be adversely affected.

Issues Affecting Royalty Revenue

The level of cash flows from the Voisey's Bay royalty are subject to various economic factors, including the underlying commodity prices and smelting and other operating costs which are deducted from the net smelter return. Royalty payments are highly dependent on the operating and commercial success of the underlying operating company. Various factors, such as commodity price, operating costs, financing costs, labour availability, labour stability, environmental and stakeholder relations or any combination thereof could make an underlying operation unprofitable. Although short-term losses are not expected to affect the decision to keep

an operation open, prolonged operating losses could induce an operating company to close its operations, thereby eliminating such royalty revenue.

Exposure to Mineral Price Fluctuations

Changes in the market price of nickel and to a lesser extent copper and cobalt will significantly impact the Corporation's revenue from the Voisey's Bay Royalty. The Corporation's financial results will be sensitive to external economic criteria related to the price of nickel. A substantial risk of lower royalty payments will arise if there is a prolonged period of lower nickel prices. Many factors beyond the Corporation's control influence the market price of nickel, including: global supply and demand; availability and costs of metal substitutes; speculative activities; international political and economic conditions; and production levels and costs in other nickel-producing countries.

The Ability to Attract joint Venture Partners

The probability of successfully progressing early stage projects is dependent on an ability to attract joint venture partners to share project expenditures and to provide additional technical expertise required to develop projects. If the Corporation is unable to attract partners to cost-share project expenditures and to provide additional technical expertise, the level of exploration the Corporation could perform with limited personnel and limited financial resources may be adversely impacted. This could affect the likelihood of discovering future commercially feasible projects.

Debt and Equity Financing

Because of their size and scale, the success of some resource-based projects will depend on the ability of the Corporation, its partners or its investments to raise the financial capital required to successfully construct and operate a project. This ability may be affected by general economic and market conditions, including the perceived threat or actual occurrence of an economic recession or liquidity issues. If market conditions are not favourable, major resource based projects could be cancelled or the expected rate of return to the Corporation may be significantly diminished.

Government Regulations

The Corporation's operations are subject to extensive governmental regulations with respect to such matters as environmental protection, health, safety and labour; mining law reform; restrictions on production or export, price controls and tax increases; aboriginal land claims; and expropriation of property in the jurisdictions in which it operates. Compliance with these and other laws and regulations may require the Corporation to make significant capital outlays which may slow its growth by diverting its financial resources. The enactment of new adverse regulations or regulatory requirements or more stringent enforcement of current regulations or regulatory requirements may increase costs, which could have an adverse effect on the Corporation. The Corporation cannot give assurances that it will be able to adapt to these regulatory developments on a timely or cost effective basis. Violations of these regulations and regulatory requirements could lead to substantial fines, penalties or other sanctions.

Key Employee Attraction and Retention

The Corporation's continued success is highly dependent on the retention of key personnel who possess business and technical expertise and are well versed in the various projects underway and under consideration. The number of persons skilled in the acquisition, exploration and development of natural resource and mining projects is limited and competition for such persons is intense. As the Corporation's business activity grows, additional key financial, administrative and operations personnel as well as additional staff will be required. Although the Corporation believes it will be successful in attracting, training and retaining qualified personnel, there can be no assurance of such success. If the Corporation is not successful in attracting, training and retaining qualified personnel, the efficiency of operations may be affected. Additionally, should any key person decide to leave then the success of one or more of the projects under consideration could be at risk.

Exploration Alliances

The Corporation's objective is to create joint ventures or corporate structures related to the opportunities it generates, which results in the Corporation carrying minority and non-operating project or equity interests and/or royalty interests. In certain circumstances the Corporation must rely on the decisions and expertise regarding operational matters for properties, equity interests and other assets including: whether, when and how to commence permitting; feasibility analysis; facility design and operation, processing, plant and equipment matters; and the temporary or permanent suspension of operations. In some of these instances, it may difficult or impossible for the Corporation to ensure that the properties and assets are operated in its best interest.

Financial Instrument Risk

The Corporation's financial assets and financial liabilities are exposed to various risk factors that may affect the fair value presentation or the amount ultimately received or paid on settlement of its assets and liabilities. The Corporation manages these risks through prudent investment and business decisions, and, where the exposure is deemed too high, the Corporation may enter into derivative contracts to reduce this exposure. The Corporation does not utilize derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes. Hedge accounting is applied only when appropriate documentation and effectiveness criteria are met.

A summary of the major financial instrument risks and the Corporation's approach to the management of these risks are highlighted below

Market value and commodity price risk

The value of the Corporation's mining and mineral related investments is exposed to fluctuations in the quoted market price depending on a number of factors, including general market conditions, company-specific operating performance and the market value of the commodities that the companies may focus on. Except as noted below, the Corporation does not utilize any derivative contracts to reduce this exposure.

Foreign currency risk

The Corporation is exposed to foreign currency fluctuations on a portion of its accounts receivable related to royalty revenue. The Corporation does not enter into any derivative

contracts to reduce this exposure since the receivable is short-term in nature and the expected receivable amount cannot be predicted reliably.

Liquidity risk

The Corporation believes that on a long-term basis its revenue generating assets and net working capital position will enable it to meet current and future obligations at the current level of activity. This conclusion could change with a significant change in the operations of the Corporation or from other developments.

Given the relative size of some of the Corporation's investments compared to the normal trading volume of the underlying investments, the Corporation may be unable to sell its entire interest in an investment without having an adverse effect on the fair value of the security. The Corporation does not enter into any derivative contracts to reduce this exposure.

Credit risk

The Corporation has some credit risk with accounts receivable balances owing from earn-in partners but the amount is not considered significant.

The Corporation's cash, marketable securities, and fixed income securities are distributed among government guaranteed instruments and investment grade commercial paper. All funds are held in fully segregated accounts and include only Canadian dollar instruments. The Corporation does not expect any liquidity issues or credit losses on these instruments.

Interest rate risk

The Corporation does not have any debt and is therefore not exposed to interest rate risk on liabilities. The Corporation's cash and marketable securities may fluctuate in value depending on the market interest rates and the time to maturity of the instruments. The Corporation manages this risk by limiting the maximum term to maturity on invested funds or holding the investments to maturity.

Outstanding Share Data

The total number of common shares outstanding as of March 17, 2010 is 28,438,895.

The following schedule outlines the major categories of mineral properties, deferred exploration costs, and security deposits at January 31, 2010.

Amounts in thousands of dollars

Location	Primary Metal	Acquisitions	Wages	Geology / Geophysics	Drilling	Travel/Other	Recovered Property Costs	Write-Down	Security Deposits	Grand Total
Labrador										
	Base metals	57	127	166	-	313	(20)	-	-	643
	Iron Ore	36	418	531	1,083	422	-	-	-	2,490
	Nickel	4	22	211	-	61	-	-	-	298
	Uranium	10	166	413	-	428	(879)	-	-	138
		107	733	1,321	1,083	1,224	(899)	-	-	3,569
Island of Newfoundland										
	Base metals	11	204	99	106	86	(506)	-	-	-
	Gold	91	204	107	-	145	(240)	(7)	-	300
	Nickel	33	31	40	-	23	(100)	(1)	-	26
	Potash	25	80	105	-	38	(175)	-	-	73
	Uranium	79	1,297	1,154	832	1,097	(3,201)	-	-	1,258
		239	1,816	1,505	938	1,389	(4,222)	(8)	-	1,657
Other										
New Brunswick	Oil shale	17	202	859	1,577	423	(210)	-	-	2,868
Nova Scotia	Potash	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
		42	202	859	1,577	423	(210)	-	-	2,893
Security Deposits										
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	271	271
General Exploration										
		-	88	30	-	393	-	(511)	-	-
Grand Total										
		388	2,839	3,715	3,598	3,429	(5,331)	(519)	271	8,390