

# **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

OCTOBER 31, 2023 AND 2022



### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The following management discussion and analysis ("MD&A") is a review of operations, current financial position, and outlook for Signature Resources Ltd. ("Signature" or the "Company") for the years ended October 31, 2023 and 2022, including other pertinent events up to and including February 19, 2024. The following information should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the years ended October 31, 2023 and 2022, and notes thereto, (the "Annual Financial Statements"). Amounts are reported in Canadian dollars. Additional information related to Signature is available on the Company's profile at <a href="https://www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a>.

#### 2.0 FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This MD&A contains forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements contained herein are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which reflect management's ("Management") analysis only as of the date hereof. Readers should be aware that the Company is under no obligation to publicly release the results of any revision to these forward-looking statements, which may not reflect circumstances, or occurrences of unanticipated events after the date of this document.

#### 3.0 DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

The Company was incorporated on May 3, 2010, and is a reporting issuer in the provinces of British Columbia and Alberta. Shares of Signature are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSXV") under the symbol "SGU", on the OTCQB Market under the symbol "SGGTF", and on the Frankfort Stock Exchange under the symbol "3S3". The Company's principal business activity is the identification, evaluation, and exploration of mineral resource assets in Canada, with a focus on precious metals. The Company is currently exploring Signature's Lingman Lake gold property in north-western Ontario ("Lingman Lake Project") or (the "Property").

The Lingman Lake gold property consists of 1,300 staked claims, four freehold full patented claims and 14 mineral rights patented claims totaling approximately 24,761 hectares. The Property hosts a historical estimate of 234,684 oz of gold\* (1,063,904 tonnes grading 6.86 g/t with 2.73 gpt cut-off) and includes what has historically been referred to as the Lingman Lake Gold Mine, an underground substructure consisting of a 126.5-meter shaft, and 3-levels at 46-metres, 84-metres and 122-metres depths. The property is not in production.

The Company continues to explore on the patented claims with a goal of completing an initial NI 43-101 resource estimate which is intended to replace the aforementioned historical resource. As part of the recent strategic review the Company has delayed the completion of the initial 43-101 resource estimate until it can complete an additional drilling program that will, amongst other objectives, target inclusion of the high-grade mineralization discovered in the 1940s activity into the resource estimate.

\*Cautionary Note. The historical resource estimate is based on prior data and reports obtained and prepared by previous operators, and information provided by governmental authorities. A Qualified Person (as defined) has not done sufficient work to verify the classification of the mineral resource estimates in accordance with current CIM categories. The Company is not treating the historical estimate as a current NI 43-101-compliant mineral resource estimate. Accordingly, the historical estimate should not be relied upon. Additional information regarding historical resource estimates is available in the technical report entitled, "Technical Report on the Lingman Lake Property" dated January 31, 2020, prepared by John M. Siriunas, P.Eng. and Walter Hanych, P.Geo. available on the Company's SEDAR profile at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>.



### 4.0 HIGHLIGHTS

# **TECHNICAL**

- On March 31, 2023 the Company engaged the services of Watts, Griffis, and McQuat Limited ("WGM") to assist in the review of the current geologic database, provide an updated geologic model and analysis that will further advance our understanding of the area and guide future drill programs. The Company continues to work with WGM to expand its understanding of the Lingman Lake mineralization and to design a drill program targeted at improving the database to provide a fuller outcome when the initial 43-101 is completed in the future;
- In fiscal 2022, Signature engaged the services of Wood Canada Limited (formerly Amec Foster Wheeler) ("Wood Canada") to complete an initial NI 43-101 mineral resource estimate ("43-101") for the Lingman Lake Project. As part of the strategic review announced in November, 2022, the Company determined that it was premature to fully commission the 43-101 estimate until it can complete an additional drill program that will be targeted at bringing the high-grade material discovered into the resource calculation; and
- On June 28, 2023, the Company announced that it had Commenced designing a new drill program with the assistance of WGM and Wood Canada that should address gaps in the database and target the blocks within the historic drilling with the highest potential to contribute resources.

### **CORPORATE**

- On December 13, 2023, Signature announced the completion of a non-brokered private placement through the issuance of 20,045,455 flow-through shares and 5,800,000 non-flow-through shares for gross proceeds of \$696,250 (see 5.2 – Financing)
- > On December 13, 2023, the Company announced the appointment of Matthew Goodman to the Board of Directors. Mr. Goodman brings over 12 years of experience in capital markets and junior mining. With this appointment, Mr. Goodman was granted 350,000 stock options at an exercise price of \$0.05 and expire five years from the date of grant. The options vest over a three-year period.
- ➤ On November 6, 2023, 2,100,000 incentive stock options were granted to directors and officers of the Company. The options have an exercise price of \$0.05 and expire five years from the grant date. Vesting occurs over a three-year period;
- On September 7, 2023, the Board of Directors appointed Rebecca Hudson as CFO of the Company, and Donna McLean stepped down from the role. The Board wishes to thank Ms. McLean for her dedicated service and wishes her well as she begins her transition into retirement;
- > During the year ended October 31, 2023, 1,000,000 incentive stock options were granted to a director and officer of the Company. The options have an exercise price of \$0.05 and expire five years from the grant date. Vesting occurs over a three-year period. In addition, 777,500 options expired, unexercised, and a further 2,400,000 options were cancelled. The options had a weighted average exercise price of \$0.40;
- On June 28, 2023, Signature announced that it had completed the strategic review process commenced on November 15, 2022. The result of the review concluded the move to complete the initial 43-101 had been premature and that with the assistance of WGM and WOOD Canada a new drill program would be designed to address the gaps in the database and target blocks within the historic drilling with the highest potential to contribute to resources.
- ➤ On March 31, 2023, Signature completed a shares-for-debt transaction whereby \$217,402 of the Company's outstanding debt was settled through the issuance of 5,435,050 common shares of the Company, to two non-arm's length parties, at a fair value of \$0.04 per share;
- On March 8, 2023, the Company announced the closing of a non-brokered private placement (the "Offering"), through the issuance of 20,325,000 shares, priced at \$0.04 per share, for total proceeds of



- \$813,000. Participants in the private placement included a non-arm's-length party to the Company who subscribed for 4,564,950 common shares, as well as insiders of the Company who purchased or acquired a total of 10,000,000 common shares in the Offering;
- On December 6, 2022, the Company completed a 5:1 share consolidation approved by shareholders at the annual general and special meeting of shareholders held on May 26, 2022; and
- > On November 15, 2022, the Company announced a restructuring and streamlining of the executive management team, and as a result, Robert Vallis resigned as President and CEO, and Rickardo Welyhorsky resigned from his role as COO. Dan Denbow, a director of the Company, was appointed as Interim Chief Executive Officer ("CEO").

### **OUTLOOK**

On March 9, 2022, the Company announced the engagement of Wood Canada Limited to complete an initial NI 43-101 for the Lingman Lake Project. As part of the strategic review announced November 16, 2022, the Company has determined that the acceleration of the resource study was premature. The Company is continuing with the ongoing compilation and management of its exploration data. This includes but is not limited to, inputting all current and historical drill data into a drill software management program which should standardize data output for future drill programs and resource estimate updates.

The resource data work completed to date has provided insight into where the database requires modernization to meet NI 43-101 requirements. It has been determined that the exploration work completed in the 1940s, while informative, cannot be included in the resource as the core cannot be re-assayed for verification purposes. The Company will design a drill program that will target the high-grade mineralization indicated by the drilling completed in the 1940's, as well as several additional holes to fill the voids in the database that, if successful, will allow the conversion of some material from waste to ore in the resource. The Company is working with WGM to design the drill program to fill the gaps in the database and bring the high-grade mineralization into the resource when it is completed. The timing of the completion of the drilling program and the resource estimate are dependent on several factors including the availability of funding.

Additional and parallel work continues the advancement of our understanding of the regional potential of Signature's vast property. This work is expected to further refine the top-ranked regional targets utilizing our ground-based geophysical surveys and surface data collection to focus our efforts on priority targets in our regional exploration program.

Signature's exploration strategy is focused on safely and responsibly defining and expanding the 100%-owned Lingman Lake Project and, within its regional property, the discovery of additional gold deposits with economically profitable potential. Management continues to be prudent and disciplined in the development and execution of its exploration strategy within the macro environment of changing stock markets and economic conditions related to gold exploration.

# **2024 Work Programs**

In 2023, Signature announced that WGM had completed a new geologic model for the Lingman Lake Project based upon the most recent drilling activity. In December 2023, the company engaged WGM to update the new geologic model with the data from the 1980's drilling. With the updated model as well as information from the historic activities on the property conducted in the 1940's, WGM will complete the design of a small drill program



designed to close the previously identified data gaps that delayed the delivery of initial 43-101. The company anticipates completing a field mapping and data compilation project in the spring that will provide a fuller picture of the historical work completed at Lingman Lake and provide a good roadmap for future surface work and potential targeting for regional activities. Upon the completion of the spring mapping program, it is anticipated that Signature will commence the newly designed drill program with a targeted completion of activities in the fall of 2024. This work should allow the company to update the drilling database and provide an updated geologic model before initiating a program targeted at providing an initial 43-101 for the Lingman Lake project. The timetable for completing our 2024 work program is dependent upon Signature being able to access additional capital to fund these activities.

#### 5.0 OVERALL PERFORMANCE

In November of 2022, the company embarked on a strategic review to better understand the necessary steps to move the Lingman Lake project forward. With the assistance from consulting geologists at WGM and Wood, it became clear that more work needed to be completed before formally moving the resource forward. In 2023, Signature focused on completing this strategic review, upholding its exploration claims in good standing, maintaining its assets and exploration camp to preserve its value, developing a plan for moving the project forward and using its capital in the most efficient manner for shareholders while significantly improving the company's working capital position.

# National Instrument 43-101 Resource Update

In early 2022, based on an extensive exploration data review, the Company made the decision to accelerate its plans to commission an initial NI 43-101. It was intended that the planned resource estimate should provide Signature with several key insights to position the Company's exploration strategy, including:

- Establishing an initial NI 43-101 compliant resource that is more representative of the existing mineralization; and
- Providing a better understanding of the associated local geology and geologic controls of the mineralization; and
- Positioning the team to be able to continue to unlock and extend the pending initial resource with improved geological guidance for drilling, as testing and developing new drill targets at Lingman Lake continues.

Substantial work has been completed and has contributed to an improved understanding of the Lingman Lake deposit. A review of this work has included:

- Finalizing the compilation of the drill and assay database
- 3D geologic modelling and analysis
- The identification and analysis of gaps and opportunities to improve the completeness of the assay database to support geological interpretation and the resource estimate
- The engagement of WGM to provide supplemental assistance and peer review with the initial resource work completed and provide an updated geologic model and analysis that will further advance our understanding of the area and guide future drill programs.

On June 28, 2023 the Company announced that as a result of the strategic review (previously announced November 15, 2022), Management has determined the acceleration of the completion of the Initial N1 43-101 resource estimate was premature. The objective of the action is still supported and will strengthen the Company



but it has been determined that there are gaps in the database that need to be filled before an estimate should be completed that would meet the goals stated above. Subject to market conditions, the Company along with assistance from WGM is designing a drill program that will rectify deficiencies in the historical database. A forest fire in 2021 resulted in the destruction of a number of core racks and significantly degraded our ability to confirm drilling data from the 1980s that would have resolved some of our deficiencies. It was determined that the 1940s drilling, that reported high-grade intercepts, contained substantial information but would not meet the standards necessary to be included in a modern resource. The new drill program will have three priorities to advance the Lingman Lake Project. First, to target blocks containing high-grade mineralization identified with the 1940s drilling. Second, to drill areas identified in the 1980s dataset where additional data will benefit the current model and third, identifying potential gaps in the mineralization arising from the lack of drilling data. The program is expected to improve the confidence in past exploration efforts with the overall aim of bringing the historic high-grade parts of the deposit to modern technical standards. The exploration program will also seek to identify vectors for the high-grade mineralization in the Lingman Lake deposit to further focus exploration efforts.

### **Site Activities Summary**

Site activities during 2023 were restrained due to limited funds for drilling activities. All activities conducted during the year were for the completion of the strategic review, work needed to be done by WGM for updating its geologic model and necessary groundwork in preparation for designing the new 2024 drill program. In addition, Signature conducted field activities targeted at maintaining and preserving its exploration camp in preparation for its 2024 activities.

- From April 29 to May 6, 2023 representatives from WGM and Signature conducted a site visit to inspect
  the core stored at site, discuss the database and review steps forward for their review, analysis and
  updating of the geologic model;
- From June 14 to July 3, 2023 Signature had a team at site conducting field operations focused on clearing
  brush and pushing back fire breaks to protect the equipment, exploration camp and any historical core
  located at site providing a higher level of protection of our assets. Despite a high fire season in the
  summer of 2023, especially just to our South, the camp did not incur any wildfire activity on our property
  or surrounding claims.
- From September 26 to October 6, 2023 Signature conducted camp maintenance and equipment repair activities in preparation for winter;
- From November 18 to December 1, 2023 the Signature team began preparation for the field mapping program that will focus on identifying historical drilling and trenching activity. The team was able to clear the brush that has grown up around the known trenches as well as uncovering some previously unknown trenches. This activity will provide a good starting point for the mapping program that will be completed in the spring of 2024. With completion of this work the camp was closed for the winter.

# **Land Tenure**

Assessment work was filed through the Mining Land Administration System (MLAS) Ministry of Energy Northern Development and Mines, Ontario, in June 2022, for the 2021 Airborne Geophysical Survey and 2021 Ground Magnetometer Survey. Expenditures totaling \$164,056 from the Airborne survey, and \$92,087 from the Ground Magnetometer Survey were allocated to the Company's claims. The allocated expenditures were distributed into reserves for respective claims for future assessment distribution. The Company continues to maintain the granted claims. The company has also filed a completed diamond drill report on April 13, 2023 and 3DIP Survey report on



May 4, 2023 for the 2021 activity that will provide further allocated expenditures for future assessment distribution. The Company plans to review and evaluate its land claims package (**See Figure 1**) and adjust its holdings based on the results of its regional exploration work. Over the past year the Company has reduced its staked claims package by 134 claims and will continue to review the prospective potential of the claims held going forward. All the claims remain in good standing with authorities. Currently, Signature has 1,300 staked claims, four freehold full patented claims and 14 mineral rights patented claims totaling approximately 24,761 hectares.

# LINGMAN LAKE PROPERTY

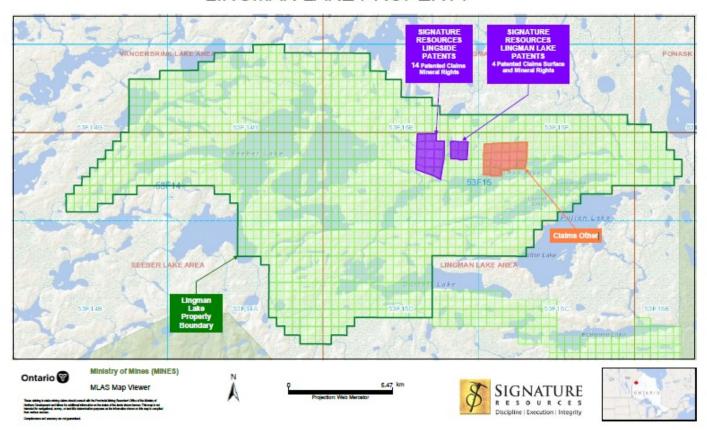


Figure 1 – Lingman Lake Gold Project Land Holdings Covering 90% of the Lingman Lake Greenstone Belt



### 5.1 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### **SUMMARY OF ANNUAL RESULTS**

The following table provides selected financial information and should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Financial Statements:

As at October 31,	2023	2022	2021
Total current assets	\$189,217	\$184,968	\$1,747,133
Equipment	\$766,222	\$1,123,264	\$1,301,383
Total current liabilities	\$(1,064,875)	\$(1,463,534)	\$(1,396,638)
Rehabilitation provision	\$(846,225)	\$(786,935)	\$(848,271)
Accumulated deficit	\$(24,310,422)	\$(23,171,259)	\$(18,809,739)
Year ended October 31,	2023	2022	2021 <sup>(1)</sup>
Net loss for the year	\$(1,139,163)	\$(4,361,520)	\$(7,796,597)
Net loss per share	\$(0.02)	\$(0.08)	\$(0.19)
Weighted average shares issued and outstanding	71,594,104	52,340,856	41,609,318

# **SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS**

	F2023			F2022				
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net revenue	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Loss for the period	(18,617)	(415,837)	(435,050)	(269,659)	(590,082)	(1,073,238)	(1,212,674)	(1,485,526)
Loss per share (1)	(0.00)	(0.01)	(0.01)	0.00	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.03)
E&E expenditures	72,090	101,527	166,749	60,471	149,793	574,559	784,423	1,114,812
Total assets	955,439	1,006,206	1,425,696	1,207,641	1,308,232	1,515,598	2,571,692	1,596,220
Long-term liabilities	846,225	812,472	803,869	795,357	786,935	855,879	853,332	850,796

<sup>(1)</sup> Basic and diluted

# Three months ended October 31, 2023 vs October 31, 2022

During the quarter ended October 31, 2023, the Company incurred a net loss of \$18,617 (2022 - \$590,082), which consisted of exploration and evaluation expenditures of \$72,090 (2022 - \$149,793), office and general expenses of \$32,678 (2022 - \$92,353), salaries and wages of \$24,900 (2022 - \$164,575), share-based payments recovery of \$44,833 (2022 - \$107,097), depreciation on equipment of \$86,741 (2022 - \$92,439), and professional fees of \$2,115 (2022 - recovery of \$16,794). The decrease in net loss of \$571,465 period-over-period was mainly attributable to decreased exploration and evaluation activity, fewer share-based payments during the period, significantly reduced management fees, and a gain on sale of assets. During the quarter, exploration activities at the site were deferred while the technical team focused on the work necessary to determine the initial 43-101 resource estimate on the Lingman Lake Project.



# Year ended October 31, 2023 vs October 31, 2022

During the year ended October 31, 2023, the Company incurred a net loss of \$1,139,163 (2022 - \$4,361,520), which consisted mainly of exploration and evaluation expenditures of \$400,837 (2022 - \$2,623,587), salaries and wages of \$141,360 (2022 - \$675,300), office and general expenses of \$224,015 (2022 - \$447,386), professional fees of \$63,063 (2022 - \$72,743), and share-based payments of \$109,859 (2022 - \$365,025). Total operating expenses, year-over-year, decreased by \$3,152,357, principally due to significantly reduced exploration activity, the elimination of certain executive management salaries, and decreased office and general costs. Share-based payments were significantly lower during the year ended October 31, 2023 due to fewer stock option grants during the period compared to the prior year, and the amortization and vesting of several tranches of option grants in the prior year. Depreciation and professional fees were generally in line with the prior year. In order to generate some cash, the Company sold two generators which were not in use and realized a gain of \$155,000 from the sale.

#### 5.2 FINANCING

On March 8, 2023, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement through the issuance of 20,325,000 shares priced at \$0.04 per share, for gross proceeds of \$813,000 (the "March Offering"). Participants in the private placement included a non-arm's length party to the Company who subscribed for 4,564,950 common shares as well as insiders of the Company who purchased or acquired a total of 10,000,000 common shares in the March Offering. The Company did not pay any finder's fees related to the March Offering. The proceeds from the March Offering will be used by the Company for ongoing resource modeling activities, general corporate purposes, and improving the working capital position of the Company.

On March 31, 2023, Signature completed a shares-for-debt transaction, previously announced on March 8,2023, whereby \$217,402 of the Company's outstanding debt was settled through the issuance of 5,435,050 common shares of the Company to two non-arm's length creditors at a fair value of \$0.04 per share. The debt settled includes a \$200,000 loan made by a non-arm's length party to the Company on November 19,2022 (See section 5.4, *Liquidity and Capital Resources*).

Pursuant to closing the non-brokered private placement announced on March 8, 2023, and the shares-for-debt transaction announced March 31, 2023, the Company issued a total of 25,760,050 shares during the Reporting Period, with 15,000,000 shares being acquired by insiders of the Company.

On December 13, 2023, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement of flow-through shares ("FT Shares") and non-flow-through shares ("NFT Shares") for gross proceeds of \$696,250 (the "Offering"). The Offering is comprised of 20,045,455 FT Shares at \$0.0275 per share and 5,800,000 NFT Shares at a price of \$0.025. Twenty percent of the Offering has been purchased by members of the Company's board of directors and management. All securities issued pursuant to this private placement will be subject to the Exchange Hold Period and legend accordingly. Net proceeds from the Offering will be used for resource modelling and related deposit characterization, designing the 2024 drill program, ongoing exploration data compilation, and general working capital purposes. It is expected that twenty percent of the proceeds will be used for general working capital purposes with the remainder spent on exploration and deposit definition activities. Approximately twenty percent will be paid to consultants for resource modelling and drill program design activities. None of the proceeds will be used for payments to non-arm's length parties or for investor relations service providers.



# 5.3 EQUIPMENT AND EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ("E&E") EXPENDITURES

The Company did not purchase any equipment during the year ended October 31, 2023 (year ended October 31, 2022 - \$182,029). Management believes the capital investment in equipment in prior year periods supports the optimization of the exploration camp, improves drilling support, worker safety, and effectiveness.

### MINERAL PROPERTY EXPENDITURES AND REHABILITATION PROVISION

The following table summarizes the E&E expenditures incurred at the Lingman Lake Property:

As at	Oct	tober 31, 2023	Oct	tober 31, 2022
Cumulative expenditures, beginning of the year	\$	15,431,706	\$	12,808,119
Travel and lodging		31,249		183,304
Contract labour, salaries, wages		14,809		434,858
Asset retirement obligation accretion expense (note 11)		34,232		34,458
Field Supplies		29,180		366,006
Assays		11,804		127,777
Consulting expenses (note 7)		161,428		328,981
Equipment rentals		15,406		91,830
Geotechnical and storage		-		111,799
Logistics		77,671		654,773
Geophysical and geological consulting		-		385,595
Asset retirement obligation adjustment (note 11)		25,058		(95,794)
Total expenditures during the year	•	400,837		2,623,587
Cumulative expenditures, end of the year	\$	15,832,543	\$	15,431,706

#### **Rehabilitation Provision**

Historical work done by other companies on the Company's mining sites also resulted in MENDM issuing an order to the Company requiring the filing of a mine closure plan ("MCP"). Therefore, the rehabilitation provision recorded in the consolidated financial statements represents the estimate of the eventual legal and contractual obligations associated with a future closure of the Company's mining operations either progressively or at the end of the mine life. A draft MCP was submitted to MENDM in September 2021. The company is awaiting a response from MENDM to discuss the results of actions taken by the Company with respect to the MCP, and to discuss any further requirements needed to finalize the closure plan. The MCP obligations consist of estimated costs associated with reclamation and monitoring activities and the removal of tangible assets from the Company's mining sites.

A summary of the Company's rehabilitation provision is presented below:

	October 31,	October 31,
As at	2023	2022
Balance, beginning of period	\$786,935	\$848,271
Change in estimate	25,058	(95,794)
Accretion expense	34,232	34,458
Balance, end of period	\$846,225	\$786,935



During the year ended October 31, 2023, the Company recorded an adjustment to the liability on the statement of financial position at its present value amount, adjusted for 2.58% (2022 – 2.53%) annual inflation, and discounted back to October 31, 2023, using a risk-free interest rate of 3.92% (2022 – 4.35%), which resulted in a change in estimate of \$25,058 (2022 – reduction of \$95,794), which is included in exploration and evaluation expenditures. During the year ended October 31, 2023, the Company has recorded accretion expense of \$34,232 (2022 – \$34,458) which is included in exploration and evaluation expenditures in the Annual Financial Statements. Management reviews the estimate recorded at the end of each Reporting Period.

### 5.4 LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

At October 31, 2023, the Company had cash and investments of \$126,929 (October 31, 2022 - \$60,719) and a working capital deficiency of \$875,658 (October 31, 2022 – \$1,278,566). The Company still requires additional financing to pay for capital expenditures and exploration and administrative costs required to advance exploration on its Project. The Company has a history of operating losses and of negative cash flows from operations. The Company remains reliant on capital markets for future funding to meet its ongoing and future obligations.

Prior to the establishment of operations at the Company's Lingman Lake Property, the Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines ("MENDM") had requested the removal of certain above ground storage tanks containing approximately 800,000 litres of fuel, which was considered a mine hazard. This request was made to prior owners of the mine site and they failed to comply with MENDM's request to clean it up. Consequently, MENDM took action and managed the disposition of the fuel at a cost of \$884,325. (the "Clean-up Cost"). Pursuant to accounting principles, the potential Clean-up Cost has been recorded on the Company's statement of financial position as a current accrued liability, however no attempt at collection by MENDM has been made to date. Further, in early September 2021, the Company submitted a draft mine closure plan to MENDM, a plan that addresses this item and others. The Company plans to address these items with MENDM when the MCP is reviewed. To date, the Company has received no response to its draft MCP, and the timing of the review is undetermined.

In November 2022, the Company entered into a short-term loan agreement with a director of the Company in the amount of \$200,000. The loan was non-interest bearing and unsecured. On March 31, 2023, this loan was settled through the issuance of 5,000,000 shares (See section 5.2, *Financing*).

On July 31, 2023, the Company sold two generators that were not in use for proceeds, net of HST and broker commissions, of \$155,000.

# 5.5 OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA

For information regarding outstanding share capital of the Company, please see the table presented below.

	February 19,	October 31,	October 31,
As at	2024	2023	2022
Common shares	106,745,127	80,899,672	55,139,632
Options	6,120,000	5,060,000	7,237,500
Warrants	-	-	2,434,828
Fully diluted share capital	112,865,127	85,959,672	64,811,960



#### **COMMON SHARES**

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of common shares without par value.

The Company has never paid dividends.

See note 8(b) – Share Capital in the Interim Financial Statements for details of all share issuances as at and during the years ended October 31, 2023 and 2022 (the "Reporting Periods").

The following is the share capital activity for the Reporting Periods:

	Number of	
	common shares	Amount
Balance, October 31, 2021	47,412,095	\$15,582,097
Private placements	7,555,027	2,447,336
Less: share issuance costs	-	(72,857)
Exercise of stock options	172,500	104,617
Fair value of warrants issued	-	(9,296)
Premium on flow-through shares	-	(180,828)
Balance, October 31, 2022	55,139,622	\$17,871,069
Private placements	20,325,000	813,000
Less: share issuance costs	-	(14,522)
Shares issued for debt	5,435,050	217,402
Balance, October 31, 2023	80,899,672	\$18,886,949

Subsequent to October 31, 2023, the Company announced a non-brokered private placement of flow-through shares ("FT Shares") and non-flow-through shares ("NFT Shares") for gross proceeds of \$696,250 (the "Offering"). Twenty percent of the Offering was subscribed for by members of the Company's board of directors and management. See 5.2, *Financing*.

### **STOCK OPTIONS**

See note 8(c) – Share Capital - Stock Options in the Interim Financial Statements for details of all stock option activity during the Reporting Periods.

Signature has a stock option plan (the "SOP"), the purpose of which is to attract, retain and motivate management, staff, and consultants by providing them with the opportunity, through share options, to acquire a proprietary interest in the Corporation and benefit from its growth. The maximum number of options to be issued under the Plan shall not exceed 10% of the total number of common shares issued and outstanding. The options are non-transferable and may be granted for a term not exceeding ten years. The exercise price and the vesting period of the options are determined by the Board based on the market price of the common shares, subject to all applicable regulatory requirements.

The following summarizes the stock options activity for the year ended October 31, 2023 and 2022:



	Number of	Weighted Average
	Options	Exercise Price \$
Balance at October 31, 2021	4,225,000	0.51
Granted	3,200,000	0.38
Exercised	(172,500)	0.33
Expired	(15,000)	0.65
Balance at October 31, 2022	7,237,500	0.45
Granted	1,000,000	0.05
Expired	(777,500)	0.41
Cancelled - note 8(c)(ii)	(2,400,000)	0.40
Balance at October 31, 2023	5,060,000	0.42

On March 9, 2022, 2,400,000 options were granted to officers of the Company. The options have an exercise price of \$0.40 and expire five years from the grant date. These options vest over three years and will be subject to certain key performance indicators being met, and an annual review by the Board of Directors of the Company. The fair value of these options was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: expected dividend yield of 0%; risk-free rate interest rate of 1.65% and expected volatility of 127%. The fair value assigned to these options was \$817,611. Due to the resignation of these officers in November 2022, and prior to meeting their performance targets, these options did not vest and were canceled.

On June 26, 2023, 1,000,000 options were granted to a director and officer of the Company. The options have an exercise price of \$0.05 and expire five years from the grant date. These options vest as to 25% immediately and 12.5% every six months thereafter, through to the third anniversary of the grant date. The fair value of these options was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: expected dividend yield of 0%; risk-free rate interest rate of 3.70% and expected volatility of 146%. The fair value assigned to these options was \$21,689.

During the year ended October 31, 2023, 777,500 options expired and unexercised. The options had a weighted average exercise price of \$0.41.

The following summarizes the outstanding stock options at October 31, 2023:

		Weighted		
	Exercise	Average		Number of
	Price	Remaining	Number of Options	Options
<b>Grant Dates</b>	\$	Life (years)	Outstanding	Exercisable
Jun. 17 - Nov. 7, 2019	0.25 - 0.38	0.63 - 1.02	70,000	70,000
Jul.14 - Aug. 17, 2020	0.25 - 0.50	1.70 - 1.80	700,000	700,000
Nov. 1 - Dec. 23, 2020	0.35 - 0.65	2.02 - 2.15	1,540,000	1,347,500
Jan. 19 - Feb.16, 2021	0.55 - 0.65	2.22 - 2.30	160,000	130,000
May 10 - Aug. 4, 2021	0.80 - 1.00	0.53 - 2.76	790,000	557,500
May 27, 2022	0.30	3.57	800,000	400,000
June 26, 2023	0.05	4.66	1,000,000	375,000
	0.42	2.86	5,060,000	3,580,000

Subsequent to October 31, 2023, a total of 2,450,000 options were granted to the Board and Management of the Company. The Options have an exercise price of \$0.05, expire five years from the grant date. The Options vest 25%



immediately and 25% annually thereafter until the third anniversary.

Subsequent to the year ended October 31, 2023, 1,390,000 options were cancelled due to terminations of consulting contracts and a director resigning from the Board of Directors of the Company.

#### **WARRANTS**

See note 8(d) – Share Capital – Warrants in the Interim Financial Statements for details of all warrants activity in the Reporting Periods.

The following table reflects the activity of warrants for the year ended October 31, 2023 and 2022:

	Number of Warrants	Weighted Average Exercise Price \$
Balance, October 31, 2021	16,660,918	0.65
Issued	27,538	0.50
Expired	(14,253,628)	0.55
Balance, October 31, 2022	2,434,828	1.16
Expired	(2,434,828)	1.16
Balance, October 31, 2023	-	-

The fair value of the Company's 27,538 finders' warrants issued on March 9, 2022 were estimated using the Black-Scholes pricing model, using the following assumptions: expected dividend yield of 0%; risk-free rate interest rate of 1.45% and expected volatility of 128%. The fair value assigned to these warrants was \$9,296.

During the year ended October 31, 2023, 2,434,828 warrants expired, unexercised. They had a weighted average exercise price of \$1.16.

#### 5.6 OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

A 3% net smelter return ("NSR") is attached to each of three different claim blocks:

- a) four full patented mining (mineral and surface rights) claims known as the Lingman Lake Mine;
- b) 12 legacy Crown land claims known as Lingman Lake East/Anaconda claims, and
- c) 14 partially patented mining (mineral rights) claims known as the Lingside claims.

The Company can purchase one-half of the NSR of each claim block for \$1,500,000, collectively totaling \$4,500,000.

### 5.7 PROPOSED TRANSACTIONS

There are no proposed transactions at the date of this report.

# 5.8 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As at October 31, 2023, the Company owes \$nil (October 31, 2022 - \$235,008) to executives of the Company for unpaid consulting fees and expenses. These amounts are included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities. They are unsecured, non-interest-bearing, and due on demand.



Short-term management fees paid during the year ended October 31, 2023 relate to services provided by the CFO and Corporate Secretary. Prior year period fees also included CEO and COO fees, as well as amounts paid to non-arm's length advisors to the Company. Short-term management fees paid to related parties during the year ended October 31, 2023, which have been recorded in exploration and evaluation expenditures on the statement of loss and comprehensive loss, were \$nil (2022 - \$215,400).

Years ended October 31,	2023	2022
Short-term management fees	\$113,700	\$806,500
Share-based payments	87,710	280,753
	\$201,410	\$1,087,253

See section 5.2, Financing, for director and officer participation in private placement financings.

See section 5.4, Liquidity and Capital Resources, for details of a related party loan.

# 5.9 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Categories and fair value of financial instruments

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash, investments, amounts receivable, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The carrying values of the Company's short-term financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair values due to their short periods to maturity.

The following table summarizes the categories and fair values of the Company's financial instruments:

At October 31, 2023				
		<b>Carrying Va</b>	lue	Fair Value
	FVTPL	FVTOCI	<b>Amortized Cost</b>	Total
Financial Assets and Liabilities			\$	\$
Cash	-	-	121,179	121,179
Investments	-	-	5,750	5,750
Amounts receivable	-	-	14,884	14,884
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	-	-	(1,064,875)	(1,064,875)

At October 31, 2022				
		Carrying Val	ue	Fair Value
	FVTPL	FVTOCI	<b>Amortized Cost</b>	Total
Financial Assets and Liabilities			\$	\$
Cash	-	-	3,219	3,219
Investments	-	-	57,500	57,500
Amounts receivable	-	-	52,071	52,071
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	_	_	(1,463,534)	(1,463,534)



### 6.0 CRITICAL ESTIMATES

Significant assumptions about the future and other sources of estimation uncertainty that management has made during the reporting period could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the event that actual results differ from assumptions made. These critical estimates relate to i) exploration and evaluation expenditures, ii) income, value-added, withholding, and other tax-related estimates, iii) estimations of restoration, rehabilitation, and environment obligations, and iv) share-based payments.

A detailed description of Management's estimates can be found in note 3 – *Significant Accounting Policies* – in the Annual Financial Statements.

#### 6.1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A detailed description of the accounting policies applied by the Company can be found in note 3 – *Significant Accounting Policies* – in the Annual Financial Statements.

**New Accounting Standards** 

IAS 16 – Property, Plant and Equipment ("IAS 16") was amended. The amendments introduce new guidance, such that the proceeds from selling items before the related property, plant and equipment is available for its intended use can no longer be deducted from the cost. Instead, such proceeds are to be recognized in profit or loss, together with the costs of producing those items. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

IAS 37 – Provisions, Contingent Liabilities, and Contingent Assets ("IAS 37") was amended. The amendments clarify that when assessing if a contract is onerous, the cost of fulfilling the contract includes all costs that relate directly to the contract – i.e. a full-cost approach. Such costs include both the incremental costs of the contract (i.e. costs a company would avoid if it did not have the contract) and an allocation of other direct costs incurred on activities required to fulfill the contract – e.g. contract management and supervision, or depreciation of equipment used in fulfilling the contract. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

These amendments were adopted on November 1, 2022. The adoption of these standards did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

Standards issued and effective for annual periods beginning on or after November 1, 2023

IFRS 10 – Consolidated Financial Statements ("IFRS 10") and IAS 28 – Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures ("IAS 28") were amended in September 2014 to address a conflict between the requirements of IAS 28 and IFRS 10 and clarify that in a transaction involving an associate or joint venture, the extent of gain or loss recognition depends on whether the assets sold or contributed constitute a business. The effective date of these amendments is yet to be determined; however early adoption is permitted.

**IAS 1** – In February 2021, the IASB issued 'Disclosure of Accounting Policies' with amendments that are intended to help preparers in deciding which accounting policies to disclose in their financial statements. **Presentation of Financial Statements ("IAS 1")** was amended in January 2020 to provide a more general approach to the classification of liabilities under IAS 1 based on the contractual arrangements in place at the reporting date. The amendments clarify that the classification of liabilities as current or noncurrent is based solely on a company's right to defer settlement at the reporting date. The right needs to be unconditional and must have substance. The amendments also clarify that the transfer of a company's own equity instruments is regarded as settlement of a



liability, unless it results from the exercise of a conversion option meeting the definition of an equity instrument. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024.

**IAS 8** – In February 2021, the IASB issued 'Definition of Accounting Estimates' to help entities distinguish between accounting policies and accounting estimates. The amendments are effective for year ends beginning on or after January 1, 2023.

The Company is currently assessing the impact of these standards.

#### 7.0 RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Company is in the business of acquiring and exploring natural resource properties in Canada. Due to the highrisk nature of the Company's proposed business and the present stage of exploration of its resource properties, which are at very early stages, the following risk factors, amongst others, may apply:

### **Exploration Stage Company**

The Company does not hold any known mineral reserves of any kind and does not generate any revenues from production. The Company's success depends largely upon its ability to locate commercially productive mineral reserves. Mineral exploration is highly speculative in nature, involves many risks and frequently is non-productive. There is no assurance that exploration efforts will be successful.

Success in establishing reserves is a result of several factors, including the quality of management, the level of geological and technical expertise, and the quality of property available for exploration. Once mineralization is discovered, it may take several years in the initial phases of drilling until production is possible, during which time the economic feasibility of production may change.

Substantial expenditures are required to establish proven and probable reserves through drilling and bulk sampling, to determine the optimal metallurgical process to extract the metals from the ore and, in the case of new properties, to construct mining and processing facilities. Because of these uncertainties, no assurance can be given that any future exploration programs will result in the establishment or expansion of resources or reserves.

### **Exploration and Development Risks**

The business of exploring for minerals and mining involves a high degree of risk. There is no assurance the Company's mineral exploration activities will be successful. Few properties that are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. In exploring and developing any future mineral deposits, the Company could be subject to an array of complex economic factors and technical considerations. Delays in obtaining governmental approvals, inability to obtain financing or other factors could cause delays in exploring and developing properties. Such delays could materially adversely affect the financial performance of the Company. Unusual or unexpected formations, formation pressures, power outages, labour disruptions, flooding, explosions, cave-ins, landslides, environmental hazards, the discharge of toxic chemicals and the inability to obtain suitable or adequate machinery, equipment or labour are other risks involved in the operation of mines and the conduct of exploration programs. The Company has limited experience in the development and operation of mines and in the construction of facilities required to bring mines into production. The Company has relied and may continue to rely upon consultants and others for operating expertise. Depending on the price of minerals produced, the Company may determine that it is impractical to commence or continue commercial production.



# **Permits and Licenses**

The operations of the Company require licenses and permits from various governmental authorities. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain all necessary licenses and permits that may be required to carry out exploration, development, and mining operations at its projects, on reasonable terms or at all. Delay or failure to obtain such licenses and permits or failure to comply with the terms of any such licenses and permits that the Company does obtain, could have a material adverse effect on the Company.

### **Claim Title Matters**

Often, the mining claims in which the Company could acquire an interest in have not been surveyed and, accordingly, the precise location of the boundaries of the claims and ownership of mineral rights on specific tracts of land comprising the claims may be in doubt. Such claims would not be converted to lease and tenure, and are, accordingly, subject to annual compliance with assessment work requirement. Other parties may dispute the Company's title to its mining properties. While the Company has diligently investigated title to all mineral claims and, to the best of its knowledge, title to all properties is in good standing; this should not be construed as a guarantee of title. The properties may be subject to prior unregistered agreements, first nation's land claim or transfers of land claims and titles which may be affected by undetected defects.

# **Environmental and Other Regulatory Requirements**

Existing and possible future environmental legislation, regulations and actions could cause additional expense, capital expenditures, restrictions, and delays in the activities of the Company, the extent of which cannot be predicted. Before production can commence on any properties, the Company must obtain regulatory approval and there is no assurance that such approvals will be obtained. Although the Company believes its mineral and exploration activities are currently carried out in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations, no assurance can be given that new rules and regulations will not be enacted or that existing rules and regulations will not be applied in a manner which could limit or curtail production or development.

# Operating Hazards including Insurance Risks

Mineral exploration involves many risks, which even a combination of experience, knowledge and careful evaluation may not be able to overcome. Operations in which the Company has a direct or indirect interest could be subject to all the hazards and risks normally incidental to exploration, development, and production of base metals, any of which could result in work stoppages, damage to property, and possible environmental damage. Although the Company currently holds certain insurance coverage, the nature of these risks is such that liabilities might exceed policy limits, the liabilities and hazards might not be insurable, or the Company might not elect to insure itself against such liabilities due to high premium costs or other reasons, in which event the Company could incur significant costs that could have a materially adverse effect upon its financial condition.

#### Key Personnel

Attracting and retaining experienced senior officers are critical to Signature's success. Recruiting qualified personnel as the Company grows is also critical to its success. The number of persons skilled in the acquisition, exploration and development of mining properties is limited and competition for such persons, is intense. As the Company's business activity grows, so may the requirement for additional key financial, administrative, regulatory and mining personnel as well as additional operations staff. If the Company is unsuccessful in attracting and training qualified personnel, the efficiency of its operations could be affected, which could have an adverse impact on future cash flows, earnings, results of operations and the financial condition of the Company.



# **Financing**

To fund future exploration on its mining interests, the Company requires capital. Dependent on exploration success results, the Company may not have sufficient working capital and may have to access the capital markets. There is no assurance that such funding will be available to the Company, or that it may be obtained on terms favourable to the Company. Failure to obtain sufficient financing may result in delaying or indefinite postponement of exploration, development, or production on any or all of the Company's properties, or even a loss of property interests. The Company has no formal credit facilities at this time and given the Company's current stage of development, it is not expected that such credit facilities would be available to the Company.

# Competition

There is aggressive competition within the mining industry for the identification, evaluation and acquisition of properties considered to have commercial potential. The Company competes with other mineral exploration companies, many of which have greater financial resources than the Company, for the acquisition of mineral claims, leases, and other mineral interests as well as for the recruitment and retention of qualified employees and other personnel. The Company's inability to compete with other mineral exploration companies for these resources may have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and business.

#### **Share Price Volatility**

Similar to other mineral exploration companies, Signature's share price is subject to certain volatility which is not necessarily related to the operating performance, underlying asset values or prospects of the Company. The Company's share price may be influenced by external factors that are beyond the control of management. There can be no assurance that fluctuations in the Company's share price will not occur.

### **Fluctuation of Metal Prices**

The market price of precious metals and other minerals is volatile and cannot be controlled. If the price of precious metals and other minerals should drop significantly, the economic prospects of the projects which the Company has an interest in could be significantly reduced or rendered uneconomic. There is no assurance that, even if commercial quantities of ore are discovered, a profitable market may exist for the sale of same. Factors beyond the control of the Company may affect the marketability of any minerals discovered. The marketability of minerals is also affected by numerous other factors beyond the control of the Company, including government regulations relating to royalties, allowable production and importing and exporting of minerals, the effect of which cannot be accurately predicted.

### **Community Relations**

The Company's relationship with the local communities and First Nations ("Interested Parties") where it operates is critical to ensure the future success of its existing activities and the potential development and operations of its Lingman Lake project. Failure by the Company to maintain good relations with these Interested Parties could result in adverse claims and difficulties for the Company.

#### 8.0 QUALIFIED PERSON

The scientific and technical content presented in this MD&A has been prepared, reviewed, and approved by Mr. Walter Hanych, P. Geo., who is a Qualified Person under NI 43-101 regulations and is a consultant of the Company.



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