

**TASEKO ANNOUNCES FIRST QUARTER 2011 EARNINGS RESULTS**

This release should be read with the unaudited financial statements and management's discussion and analysis available at [www.tasekomines.com](http://www.tasekomines.com) and filed on [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). Our financial results are prepared in accordance with IFRS and expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise noted. Sales and production volumes for the Company's 75%-owned Gibraltar mine are presented on a 100% basis unless otherwise indicated.

**June 9, 2011, Vancouver, BC** – Taseko Mines Limited (TSX: TKO; NYSE Amex: TGB) announces first quarter earnings of \$5.7 million, or \$0.03 per share. Adjusted earnings<sup>1</sup> were \$10.8 million, or \$0.06 per share, a 48% increase over the \$7.3 million reported in the first quarter of 2010.

**Highlights**

- Adjusted net earnings<sup>1</sup> for the first quarter were \$10.8 million, an increase over adjusted net earnings of \$7.3 million for the prior-year period. The increase in adjusted net earnings reflects higher cash margins realized on copper sales due to higher market copper prices, offset by the reduced ownership in Gibraltar. Adjusted EPS for the first quarter 2011 was \$0.06 compared to \$0.04 for the first quarter 2010.
- Operating profit<sup>1</sup> was \$18.6 million in the first quarter 2011 compared to \$24.6 million in the first quarter 2010.
- Cash margins<sup>1</sup> continue to benefit from higher copper prices, increasing 34% to US\$2.21 per pound from US\$1.64 per pound in the prior year period. This corresponds with a 51% gross margin in the first quarter of 2011 versus 50% in the first quarter of 2010.
- Gibraltar's copper production and sales volumes for first quarter 2011 were 19.2 million pounds and 17.0 million pounds, respectively. In first quarter 2010, copper production and sales volumes were 23.2 million pounds and 20.5 million pounds, respectively.
- During the quarter we announced plans to proceed with a \$325-million expansion at Gibraltar. Gibraltar Development Plan 3 ("GDP3") will increase annual production capacity to 180 million pounds of copper.
- In April, we completed a public offering of US\$200 million aggregate principal amount of senior notes. We intend to use the proceeds primarily to fund GDP3.
- In May, we announced an 80% increase in mineral reserves at the Gibraltar mine, adding approximately 1.8 billion pounds of recoverable copper to the previous reserve of 2.5 billion pounds for a total of 4.3 billion recoverable pounds of copper.

Russell Hallbauer, President and CEO of Taseko, remarked "Cash margins continue to be a focus for the Company as we balance stripping requirements with metal production. The site's primary focus has been completion of the SAG mill direct feed system which is now operational and we expect to see increasing mill throughput in the coming months. Unit operating cash costs for the quarter have increased as a result

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted net earnings, operating profit and cash margins are non-GAAP financial performance measures. See pages 15-18 of the MD&A.

of increased strip ratio, a stronger Canadian dollar, higher consumable costs including diesel, steel, and reagents as well as lower metal production. This is partially offset by significantly improved molybdenum production.”

### Gibraltar Operating Results

GIBRALTAR OPERATING STATISTICS (100% BASIS)	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Tons mined (millions)	14.0	11.5
Tons milled (millions)	3.2	3.6
Stripping ratio	2.5	2.2
Copper		
Grade (%)	0.337	0.355
Recovery (%)	89.8	89.8
Production (million pounds)	19.2	23.2
Sales (million pounds)	16.6	20.4
Molybdenum		
Grade (%)	0.013	0.014
Recovery (%)	36.7	21.5
Production (thousand pounds)	316.5	194.0
Sales (thousand pounds)	308.5	210.0
Copper cathode		
Production (million pounds)	0.1	0.0
Sales (million pounds)	0.4	0.1
Per unit data <sup>1</sup>		
Operating cash costs <sup>2</sup> (US\$ per pound)	\$2.08	\$1.41
By-product credits <sup>3</sup> (US\$ per pound)	(\$0.35)	(\$0.20)
Offsite costs for treatment & refining & transport <sup>3</sup> (US\$ per pound)	\$0.37	\$0.34
Total cash costs of production (US\$ per pound)	\$2.10	\$1.55
Total cash costs of production (Cdn\$ per pound)	\$2.07	\$1.62
Total cash costs of sales (US\$ per pound)	\$2.08	\$1.65
Total cash costs of sales (Cdn\$ per pound)	\$2.05	\$1.71

<sup>1</sup> Operating cash costs and total cash costs per pound produced are non-GAAP financial performance measures with no standard definition under IFRS. See pages 14-17 of the Company's MD&A.

<sup>2</sup> Operating cash costs are comprised of direct mining costs which include personnel costs, mine site general & administrative costs, non-capitalized stripping costs, maintenance & repair costs, operating supplies and external services. Non-cash costs, such as share-based compensation and depreciation, have been excluded.

<sup>3</sup> By-product credits are calculated based on actual sales of molybdenum and silver for the period, divided by the total pounds of copper produced during the period.

The Gibraltar mine's first quarter 2011 copper production was 19.3 million pounds, down 17% compared first quarter 2010. First quarter 2011 copper production was hampered by harsh winter conditions in January and February, an unscheduled four-day maintenance down and lower head grade. The Gibraltar concentrator, however, continued to perform well on copper recovery.

Molybdenum production during first quarter 2011 was 316.5 thousand pounds, up 63% compared to the prior-year quarter, largely due to a 71% increase in molybdenum recovery. The recovery increase was a result of operational and technical improvements to the molybdenum separation circuit.

In first quarter 2011, operating cash costs per pound of copper produced averaged US\$2.08, a 48% increase over the US\$1.41 averaged during first quarter 2010. Operating cash costs were adversely impacted in first quarter 2011 by the higher strip ratio, a reduction in copper production, the strengthened Canadian dollar compared to the US dollar, and increased mining consumables costs. Offsite costs for treatment and refining and transportation increased to US\$0.37 per pound of copper produced in first quarter 2011, compared to US\$0.34 per pound in the prior-year quarter. These cost increases were partially mitigated by a 77% increase in by-product credits during the first quarter 2011 to US\$0.35 per pound of copper produced. By-product credits are comprised of molybdenum and silver sales during the quarter, divided by the total pounds of copper produced during the same period.

### **Gibraltar Development Plan 3**

During the first quarter 2011, Taseko announced plans to proceed with an investment to significantly increase production at Gibraltar. GDP3 will include construction of a new concentrator to complement the existing 55,000 tons per day facility, increasing annual production capacity to 180 million pounds of copper at life of mine average grade. A new molybdenum recovery facility is also planned to increase annual molybdenum production to over two million pounds. The capital cost for the concentrator facility is estimated to be \$235 million and approximately \$90 million for the additional mining equipment. The estimated \$325 million total capital cost represents 100% of the outlays required; our share is expected to be 75% of that amount.

### **Gibraltar Reserve Update**

In May 2011, Taseko announced an 80% increase in mineral reserves at the Gibraltar mine, from 445 million tons to 802 million tons. The reserve evaluation maintained a 0.20% copper cut-off, incorporating a US\$2.25-per-pound pit shell design across the five pits that make up the Gibraltar deposit. The previous reserve update completed in 2008 used a US\$1.75-per-pound pit shell for the Gibraltar Extension and US\$1.50 per pound for all other areas. Approximately 1.8 billion pounds of recoverable copper were added to the previous reserve of 2.5 billion pounds for a total of 4.3 billion recoverable pounds of copper. Molybdenum reserves increased from 30 million pounds to nearly 60 million pounds.

After the completion of GDP3, the Gibraltar ore body will be capable of supporting mining operations of 30 million tons of ore per year with production capacity of 180 million pounds of copper and 2.2 million pounds of molybdenum. The 4.3 billion pounds of recoverable copper will sustain operations at Gibraltar over the next 27 years at the increased production capacity levels which are anticipated to be achieved by 2013.

### **Aley (100%)**

The Company's 2010 exploration program on the Aley deposit resulted in the January 2011 announcement that assay results from this program indicate strong potential for development of a major niobium deposit and mine operation.

Our 2010 exploration program comprised geological mapping and diamond drilling of 23 drill holes for a total of 4,460 metres. These holes intersected excellent grade niobium mineralization across an area measuring over 900 metres east-west and 350 metres north-south. Mineralized drill intercepts range up to over 200 metres in length; the true widths will be determined by further delineation drilling. The niobium mineralization intersected is close to surface, highly continuous and is open to expansion in at least three

directions and to depth. Please see the Company's press release dated January 10, 2011 and our website for further information on the 2010 program.

For 2011, Taseko plans to accelerate work on the project with a comprehensive work program including improved road access, exploration and geotechnical drilling, metallurgical test work and environmental baseline studies. We believe there is a strong market for niobium in steel production and an excellent opportunity for development if the deposit is confirmed.

### **New Prosperity (100%)**

In November 2010, the Federal Minister of Environment announced that the Prosperity project, as proposed, would not be granted Federal authorization to proceed. We have since that time reviewed and revised our plans for the project and have put forth a new design proposal which adds construction costs and life of mine operating expenditures of approximately \$300 million to the original design. The new plan responds to concerns identified during the Federal review process and in February 2011, the Company submitted a new Project Description to the Federal Government. The Federal Government subsequently requested additional information, which was supplied as a revised project description on June 6, 2011 (for more information, see Taseko Mines website [www.tasekomines.com](http://www.tasekomines.com)).

The Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA) is now expected to confirm the adequacy of the revised project description. Once confirmed, the Federal Government has up to 90 days to: coordinate with the Province of British Columbia; prepare a detailed background document, including project scope; and launch the Environmental Assessment review. We expect the Environmental Assessment review to commence by September 2011.

### **Summary Financial Results**

(Cdn\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
<b>Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 58,801</b>	<b>\$ 75,508</b>
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>\$ 18,604</b>	<b>\$ 24,570</b>
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$ 5,753</b>	<b>\$ 77,059</b>
Per share ("EPS")	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.42
Adjusted net earnings:		
Net earnings	\$ 5,753	\$ 77,059
Adjustments:		
Unrealized (gain)/loss on derivative instruments	486	(7,491)
Gain on sale of marketable securities	-	(349)
Changes in fair value of financial instruments	529	-
Foreign currency translation gains/losses	4,026	1,196
Loss on extinguishment of debt	-	2,136
Gain on contribution to joint venture, net of tax effect	-	(65,268)
<b>Adjusted net earnings</b>	<b>\$ 10,794</b>	<b>\$ 7,283</b>
Per share ("adjusted EPS")	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.04

Taseko will host a conference call on Friday, June 10, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time (8:00 a.m. Pacific) to discuss these results. The conference call may be accessed by dialing (877) 303-9079 in Canada or (970) 315-0461 internationally. A live and archived audio webcast will also be available at [www.tasekomines.com](http://www.tasekomines.com).

The conference call will be archived for later playback until June 17, 2011 and can be accessed by dialing (800) 642-1687 in Canada and the United States, or (706) 645-9291 internationally and using the passcode 69810711.

For further information on Taseko, please see the Company's website [www.tasekomines.com](http://www.tasekomines.com) or contact: Investor Relations - 778-373-4533, toll free 1-877-441-4533

Russell Hallbauer  
*President and CEO*

No regulatory authority has approved or disapproved of the information contained in this news release.

#### **CAUTION REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION**

This document contains "forward-looking statements" that were based on Taseko's expectations, estimates and projections as of the dates as of which those statements were made. Generally, these forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "outlook", "anticipate", "project", "target", "believe", "estimate", "expect", "intend", "should" and similar expressions.

Forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the Company's actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements.

These included but are not limited to:

- uncertainties and costs related to the Company's exploration and development activities, such as those associated with continuity of mineralization or determining whether mineral resources or reserves exist on a property;
- uncertainties related to the accuracy of our estimates of mineral reserves, mineral resources, production rates and timing of production, future production and future cash and total costs of production and milling;
- uncertainties related to feasibility studies that provide estimates of expected or anticipated costs, expenditures and economic returns from a mining project;
- uncertainties related to our ability to complete the mill upgrade on time estimated and at the scheduled cost;
- uncertainties related to the ability to obtain necessary licenses permits for development projects and project delays due to third party opposition;
- uncertainties related to unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings;
- changes in, and the effects of, the laws, regulations and government policies affecting our exploration and development activities and mining operations, particularly laws, regulations and policies;
- changes in general economic conditions, the financial markets and in the demand and market price for copper, gold and other minerals and commodities, such as diesel fuel, steel, concrete, electricity and other forms of energy, mining equipment, and fluctuations in exchange rates, particularly with respect to the value of the U.S. dollar and Canadian dollar, and the continued availability of capital and financing;
- the effects of forward selling instruments to protect against fluctuations in copper prices and exchange rate movements and the risks of counterparty defaults, and mark to market risk;
- the risk of inadequate insurance or inability to obtain insurance to cover mining risks;
- the risk of loss of key employees; the risk of changes in accounting policies and methods we use to report our financial condition, including uncertainties associated with critical accounting assumptions and estimates;
- environmental issues and liabilities associated with mining including processing and stock piling ore; and
- labour strikes, work stoppages, or other interruptions to, or difficulties in, the employment of labour in markets in which we operate mines, or environmental hazards, industrial accidents or other events or occurrences, including third party interference that interrupt the production of minerals in our mines.

For further information on Taseko, investors should review the Company's annual Form 40-F filing with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission [www.sec.com](http://www.sec.com) and home jurisdiction filings that are available at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

# **TASEKO MINES LIMITED**

## **Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A")**

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This management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") is intended to help the reader understand Taseko Mines Limited ("Taseko", "we", "our" or the "Company"), our operations, financial performance, and current and future business environment. This MD&A is intended to supplement and complement the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and notes thereto, prepared in accordance with IFRS for the three month period ended March 31, 2011 (collectively, the "Financial Statements"). You are encouraged to review the Financial Statements in conjunction with your review of this MD&A. This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the annual audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2010, prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP, the related MD&A, and the most recent Form 40-F/Annual Information Form on file with the US Securities and Exchange Commission and Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities.

This MD&A is prepared as of June 7, 2011. All dollar figures stated herein are expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise specified.

### **Cautionary Statement on Forward-Looking Information**

This discussion includes certain statements that may be deemed "forward-looking statements". All statements in this discussion, other than statements of historical facts, that address future production, reserve potential, exploration drilling, exploitation activities, and events or developments that the Company expects are forward-looking statements. Although we believe the expectations expressed in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward-looking statements include market prices, exploitation and exploration successes, continued availability of capital and financing and general economic, market or business conditions. Investors are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. All of the forward-looking statements made in this MD&A are qualified by these cautionary statements. We disclaim any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent required by applicable law. Further information concerning risks and uncertainties associated with these forward-looking statements and our business may be found in our most recent Form 40-F/Annual Information Form on file with the US Securities and Exchange Commission and Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities.

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### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL DATA (Cdn\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
<b>Financial Data</b>		
Revenues	\$ 58,801	\$ 75,508
Net earnings	5,753	77,059
Per share ("EPS") <sup>1</sup>	0.03	0.42
Adjusted net earnings <sup>2</sup>	10,794	7,283
Per share ("adjusted EPS") <sup>1</sup>	0.06	0.04
EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	14,863	123,689
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	19,904	20,906
Capital expenditures	6,799	8,399
	<b>March 31,</b>	<b>December 31,</b>
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Cash and equivalents	193,057	211,793
Non-cash working capital <sup>2</sup>	37,696	2,871
Net debt (cash) <sup>2</sup>	(156,592)	(173,460)
Equity	484,754	463,276

<sup>1</sup> Calculated using weighted average number of shares outstanding under the basic method.

<sup>2</sup> Adjusted net earnings, adjusted EPS, EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA, non-cash working capital and net debt (cash) are non-GAAP financial performance measures with no standard definition under IFRS. See pages 15-18 of this MD&A.

### FIRST QUARTER RESULTS

- Total revenues decreased 22% to \$58.8 million in the quarter compared to the prior-year quarter, reflecting our 75% share of the results for the Gibraltar mine this quarter compared to 100% last year. This impact was mitigated by higher realized prices in first quarter 2011.
- Adjusted net earnings for the first quarter were \$10.8 million, an increase over adjusted net earnings of \$7.3 million for the prior-year period. The increase in adjusted net earnings reflects higher realized cash margins realized on copper sales due to a higher market copper price, offset by the reduced ownership in Gibraltar. Adjusted EPS for the first quarter 2011 was \$0.06 compared to \$0.04 for the first quarter 2010.
- Adjusted EBITDA for the first quarter 2011 was \$19.9 million, a decrease over adjusted EBITDA of \$20.9 million for the prior-year period.
- Our share of Gibraltar's copper production and sales volumes for first quarter 2011 were 14.4 million pounds and 12.8 million pounds, respectively. In first quarter 2010, copper production and sales volumes were 23.2 million pounds and 20.5 million pounds, respectively. The decrease in production and sales volumes reflects the formation of the Gibraltar joint venture on March 31, 2010.
- Total cash costs of sales were US\$2.08 per pound, up US\$0.41 per pound or 25% compared to the first quarter 2010. Total cash costs were negatively impacted by the 17% decrease in copper production at Gibraltar, the strengthening of the Canadian dollar, and cost increases, but were positively impacted by higher by-product credits as a result of an increase in molybdenum production.

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### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

#### *Adoption of IFRS*

We adopted IFRS effective January 1, 2011. The financial results discussed in the MD&A were prepared in accordance with IFRS, including the relevant prior-year comparative amounts. While the conversion did not have a significant impact on our earnings for the period, certain components within the income statement have been reclassified. The conversion did result in a net decrease in net assets on the balance sheet primarily as a result of the increase in the provision for environmental rehabilitation, partially offset by a reversal of impairment adjustments made upon transition to IFRS. We also changed our depreciation accounting policy with respect to mining equipment and buildings and retrospectively applied the impact, which contributed to the decrease in net assets. The move to IFRS may result in greater volatility in our earnings due to the requirement to record and/or reverse impairments when market conditions dictate. For a discussion of our significant accounting policies, refer to note 2 of the Financial Statements.

#### *Gibraltar Development Plan 3*

During the first quarter 2011, we announced our plans to proceed with an expansion at Gibraltar. The Gibraltar Development Plan 3 ("GDP3") will include construction of a new concentrator to complement the existing 55,000 tons per day ("tpd") facility, increasing annual production capacity to 180 million pounds of copper at life of mine average grade. A new molybdenum recovery facility is also planned to increase annual molybdenum production to over two million pounds. The capital cost for the concentrator facility is estimated to be \$235 million and approximately \$90 million for the additional mining equipment. The estimated \$325 million total capital cost represents 100% of the outlays required; our share is expected to be 75% of that amount.

#### *Senior notes issuance*

In April 2011, we completed a public offering of US\$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of its senior notes due in 2019 (the "Notes"). We intend to use the net proceeds from the offering of the Notes primarily to fund GDP3.

#### *Gibraltar reserve update*

In May 2011, we announced an 80% increase in mineral reserves at the Gibraltar mine, from 445 million tons to 802 million tons. The reserve evaluation maintained a 0.20% copper cut-off, incorporating a US\$2.25-per-pound pit shell design across the five pits that make up the Gibraltar deposit. The previous reserve update completed in 2008 used a US\$1.75-per-pound pit shell for the Gibraltar Extension and US\$1.50 per pound for all other areas. Approximately 1.8 billion pounds of recoverable copper were added to the previous reserve of 2.5 billion pounds for a total of 4.3 billion recoverable pounds of copper. Molybdenum reserves increased from 30 million pounds to nearly 60 million pounds.

After the completion of GDP3, the Gibraltar ore body will be capable of supporting mining operations of 30 million tons of ore per year, production capacity of 180 million pounds of copper and 2.2 million pounds of molybdenum. The 4.3 billion pounds of recoverable copper will sustain operations at Gibraltar over the next 27 years at the increased production capacity levels.

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### FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

#### *Earnings*

In first quarter 2011, we recorded net earnings of \$5.8 million compared to net earnings of \$77.1 million in the first quarter 2010. Adjusted net earnings were \$10.8 million in first quarter 2011, compared to \$8.5 million in first quarter 2010. The decrease in net earnings compared to first quarter 2010 is primarily driven by the recognition of a pre-tax \$98.3 million gain realized on the formation of the Gibraltar joint venture at the end of first quarter 2010. The increase in adjusted net earnings compared to the prior-year quarter reflects higher realized cash margins on copper sales due to higher market copper prices, offset by our 75% share of the results for the Gibraltar mine this quarter compared to 100% in the prior year, lower copper production at Gibraltar and higher production costs.

The significant adjusting items in first quarter 2011 include: \$4.0 million of foreign currency translation losses related to our US-dollar denominated cash and accounts receivable balances; \$0.5 million of unrealized losses on our copper put option contracts; and a \$0.5 million change in fair value on warrants held in a public company. We remove the foreign currency translation impact and the unrealized losses on the derivative instruments from our adjusted net earnings measure as they are not indicative of a realized economic loss or the underlying performance of the business in the period. The realized gains/losses on these monetary items and derivative positions are reflected in net earnings in the period in which the position is settled.

EBITDA was \$14.8 million in first quarter 2011, compared to EBITDA of \$123.7 million in first quarter 2010. Adjusted EBITDA was \$19.9 million in first quarter 2011, compared to \$20.9 million in the prior-year quarter. The slight decrease in adjusted EBITDA compared to the prior-year quarter reflects lower copper sales volumes and higher total cash costs during first quarter 2011, mitigated by higher realized cash margins on copper sales due to higher market copper prices.

#### *Revenues*

In first quarter 2011, copper revenues totaled \$53.9 million, down 24% compared to the first quarter 2010, primarily due to lower copper sales volumes, partially offset by higher realized copper prices. Our share of the Gibraltar mine's sales volumes was down 38%, as a result of recognizing 75% of the Gibraltar mine's sales volumes in first quarter 2011 compared to 100% in the prior-year quarter and reduced Gibraltar mine copper production in first quarter 2011. Realized copper prices of US\$4.28 per pound in first quarter 2011 were up 30% compared to first quarter 2010, reflecting the increase in market copper prices, which averaged US\$4.38 per pound in first quarter 2011, compared to US\$3.29 per pound in the prior-year quarter.

Molybdenum revenues totaled \$4.0 million in first quarter 2011, down 5% compared to the prior-year quarter. There were silver sales of \$0.9 million during first quarter 2011.

#### *Cost of sales*

Cost of sales was \$33.6 million in first quarter 2011, which includes depreciation expense of \$2.4 million. This compares to \$43.6 million in cost of sales, including \$3.5 million in depreciation expense, recorded in first quarter 2010. The 23% decrease in cost of sales quarter over quarter reflects the 38% reduction in copper sales volumes in first quarter 2011 compared to the prior-year quarter (as explained above in *Revenues*), offset by higher direct mining costs including higher labour, repairs and maintenance, diesel, electricity, grinding media and explosives costs, as well as higher treatment, refining and transportation costs.

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#### *Other expenses and income*

General and administrative expenses for first quarter 2011 were \$6.6 million, down from \$7.4 million in the prior-year quarter. The decrease is due to a \$1.2 million reduction in share-based compensation expense in 2011, partially offset by higher cash compensation costs due to headcount increases in our engineering group.

Exploration and evaluation expense in first quarter 2011 was \$0.4 million, down 62% compared to the same period last year. The decrease in exploration and evaluation expenses in first quarter 2011 is primarily a result of a decreased level spending on the Prosperity project, partially offset by an increase in activity on the Aley project.

Other operating expense was \$0.7 million in first quarter 2011 compared to \$0.2 million in first quarter 2010. Included in the first quarter 2011 expense is \$0.9 million of realized and unrealized losses on the derivatives used in our copper price protection program, offset by \$0.2 million in management fees earned in our capacity as operator for the Gibraltar mine. In first quarter 2010, realized losses on the derivatives used in our copper price protection program were largely offset by unrealized gains on copper derivatives, resulting in a net expense of \$0.2 million.

On March 31, 2010, we entered into an agreement with Cariboo Copper Corp. ("Cariboo") whereby we contributed certain assets and liabilities of the Gibraltar mine into an unincorporated joint venture and Cariboo paid the Company \$186.8 million to acquire a 25% interest in the joint venture. As a result of this transaction, we recognized a non-recurring gain in the amount of \$98.3 million in first quarter 2010.

Finance expenses incurred in the first quarter 2011 were \$6.2 million, up 32% compared to \$4.7 million in the first quarter 2010. Included in the first quarter 2011 finance expenses were net foreign exchange losses of \$4.5 million, whereas net foreign exchange gains were realized in first quarter 2010 and are therefore included in finance income for that period. Included in the first quarter 2010 finance expenses were \$2.1 million in non-recurring losses on the extinguishment of debt. Interest expense was \$1.0 million in first quarter 2011, down from \$2.1 million incurred in first quarter 2010 primarily as a result of the repayment of debt facilities during first quarter 2010. There was a \$0.5 million change in the fair value of warrants the Company holds within its portfolio of investments that was recognized as a finance cost during the first quarter 2011.

Finance income was \$1.9 million in first quarter 2011, down 27% compared to the prior-year quarter primarily due to the inclusion of \$0.6 million in foreign exchange gains and \$0.3 million in gains on the sale of marketable securities in the prior-year quarter.

#### *Income tax*

Income tax expense was \$7.4 million in first quarter 2011, consisting of a current tax estimate of \$4.1 million mainly due to taxable income generated at the Gibraltar mine and deferred tax expense of \$3.3 million. The underlying effective tax rate for income in first quarter 2011 was 56.3%. The difference in the effective tax rate from the expected statutory rate of 26.5% was primarily due to the movement in deferred taxes related to BC Mineral taxes, which accounted for approximately 20% of the difference. In addition, permanent differences such as share-based compensation accounted for approximately 10% of the difference. Other items such as the impact of the reduction of corporate tax rates had a minor impact on the effective tax rate.

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### REVIEW OF OPERATIONS AND PROJECTS

#### *Gibraltar mine*

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Molybdenum		
Grade (%)	0.013	0.014
Recovery (%)	36.7	21.5
Production (thousand pounds)	316.5	194.0
Sales (thousand pounds)	308.5	210.0
Copper cathode		
Production (million pounds)	0.1	nil
Sales (million pounds)	0.4	0.1
Per unit data <sup>1</sup>		
Operating cash costs <sup>2</sup> (US\$ per pound)	\$2.08	\$1.41
By-product credits <sup>3</sup> (US\$ per pound)	(\$0.35)	(\$0.20)
Offsite costs for treatment & refining and transport <sup>3</sup> (US\$ per pound)	\$0.37	\$0.34
Total cash costs of production (US\$ per pound)	\$2.10	\$1.55
Total cash costs of production (Cdn\$ per pound)	\$2.07	\$1.62
Total cash costs of sales (US\$ per pound)	\$2.08	\$1.65
Total cash costs of sales (Cdn\$ per pound)	\$2.05	\$1.71

<sup>1</sup> Operating cash costs, total cash costs of production and total cash costs of sales are non-GAAP financial performance measures with no standard definition under IFRS. See pages 15-18 of the Company's MD&A.

<sup>2</sup> Operating cash costs are comprised of direct mining costs which include personnel costs, mine site general & administrative costs, non-capitalized stripping costs, maintenance & repair costs, operating supplies and external services. Non-cash costs, such as share-based compensation and depreciation, have been excluded.

<sup>3</sup> By-product credits are calculated based on actual sales of molybdenum and silver for the period, divided by the total pounds of copper produced during the period.

The Gibraltar mine's first quarter 2011 copper production was 19.3 million pounds, down 17% compared to first quarter 2010. First quarter 2011 copper production was hampered by harsh winter conditions in January and February, an unscheduled four-day maintenance down and lower head grade. The Gibraltar concentrator, however, continued to perform well on copper recovery.

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Molybdenum production during first quarter 2011 was 316.5 thousand pounds, up 63% compared to the prior-year quarter, largely due to a 71% increase in molybdenum recovery. The recovery increase was a result of operational and technical improvements to the molybdenum separation circuit.

In first quarter 2011, operating cash costs per pound of copper produced averaged US\$2.08, a 48% increase over the US\$1.41 averaged during first quarter 2010. Operating cash costs are comprised of direct mining costs which include personnel costs, mine site general and administrative costs, maintenance and repair costs, operating supplies and external services. Operating cash costs were adversely impacted in first quarter 2011 by the higher strip ratio, reduction in copper production, the strengthening of the Canadian dollar compared to the US dollar, and increased direct mining costs including higher labour, repairs and maintenance, diesel, electricity, grinding media and explosives costs. Offsite costs for treatment and refining and transportation increased to US\$0.37 per pound of copper produced in first quarter 2011, compared to US\$0.34 per pound in the prior-year quarter. These cost increases were mitigated by a 77% increase in by-product credits during the first quarter 2011 to US\$0.35 per pound of copper produced. By-product credits are comprised of molybdenum and silver sales during the quarter, divided by the total pounds of copper produced during the same period.

<b>Total cash costs of production<sup>1</sup> for the three-months ended March 31, 2010</b>	<b>US\$1.55</b>
Impact of:	
Strengthening Canadian dollar	0.09
Lower copper production volumes	0.24
Cost increases:	
Labour	0.10
Repairs and maintenance	0.05
Diesel	0.04
Electricity	0.03
Grinding media	0.03
Explosives	0.02
Other	0.07
Treatment and refining costs and transportation costs	0.03
By-product credits:	
Molybdenum	(0.11)
Silver	(0.04)
<b>Total cash costs of production<sup>1</sup> for the three-months ended March 31, 2011</b>	<b>US\$2.10</b>

<sup>1</sup> Total cash costs of production is a non-GAAP financial performance measure with no standard definition under IFRS. See pages 15-18 of the Company's MD&A.

During the quarter, mine production was hindered by equipment availability along with adverse weather conditions during January and February. Explosives and diesel input costs also have risen sharply, resulting in a significant impact on the operation's costs in the mine.

The mill experienced throughput shortages during the quarter due to weather-related ore handling issues in the secondary crusher circuit. The completion of construction of the SAG direct feed system will eliminate the secondary crusher bottleneck and increase Gibraltar's daily milling capacity by more than 20% over that achieved in 2010, especially in winter conditions, and was completed in May 2011.

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As a result of the production shortfalls experienced in the first quarter 2011, our outlook for total copper production at the Gibraltar mine is now between 90 and 92 million pounds, down from the previously-announced estimate of 95 million pounds.

#### *Gibraltar Development Plan ("GDP3")*

During the first quarter 2011, Taseko announced plans to proceed with an investment at Gibraltar to significantly increase mill throughput. GDP3 will include construction of a new 30,000-tpd concentrator to complement the existing 55,000 tpd facility, increasing annual production capacity to 180 million pounds of copper at life of mine average grade. A new molybdenum recovery facility is also planned to increase annual molybdenum production to over two million pounds. The capital cost for the concentrator facility is estimated to be \$235 million and approximately \$90 million for the additional mining equipment. The estimated \$325 million total capital cost represents 100% of the outlays required; our share is expected to be 75% of that amount.

Engineering and procurement for GDP3 is well underway, with Ausenco being awarded the Engineering Procurement and Construction Management ('EPCM') contract for the infrastructure portion of the project. All major mining and milling equipment has been secured and delivery schedules are set. Construction activity is scheduled to commence in June, with commissioning scheduled for December of 2012.

#### *New Prosperity project*

In November 2010, the Federal Minister of Environment announced that the Prosperity project, as proposed, would not be granted Federal authorization to proceed. Taseko suspended work on detailed engineering and permitting after the Federal announcement. We have, since that time, reviewed and revised our plans for the project and have put forth a new design proposal which adds construction costs and life of mine operating expenditures of approximately \$300 million to the original design. The new plan responds to concerns identified during the Federal review process and in February 2011, the Company submitted a new Project Description to the Federal Government. The Federal Government subsequently requested additional information, which we have supplied as a revised project description on June 6, 2011.

With the project description in hand, we expect the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA) to confirm the adequacy of the revised project description. The Federal Government has up to 90 days to: coordinate with the Province of British Columbia, prepare a detailed background document, including project scope, and launch the Environmental Assessment review. We expect the Environmental Assessment review to commence by September 2011.

#### *Aley project*

The Company completed a significant exploration program on the Aley deposit in the summer of 2010 and, in January 2011, announced that assay results from this program indicate strong potential for development of a major niobium deposit and mine operation.

Our 2010 exploration program comprised geological mapping and diamond drilling of 23 drill holes for a total of 4,460 metres. These holes intersected excellent grade niobium mineralization across an area measuring over 900 metres east-west and 350 metres north-south. Mineralized drill intercepts range up to over 200 metres in length; the true widths will be determined by further delineation drilling. Niobium mineralization intersected is close to surface, highly continuous and is open to expansion in at least three directions and to depth. Please see the Company's press release dated January 10, 2011 and our website for further information on the 2010 program.

We plan to accelerate work on the project in 2011, with a comprehensive work program including improved road access, exploration and geotechnical drilling, metallurgical test work and environmental baseline studies. We

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believe there is a strong market for niobium in steel production and an excellent opportunity for development if the deposit is confirmed.

### FINANCIAL CONDITION REVIEW

#### *Balance Sheet review*

Total assets were \$695.7 million at March 31, 2011, representing a decrease of \$5.0 million from the total assets at December 31, 2010. The decrease was represented by modest net reductions in current assets and an increase of \$3.8 million in property, plant and equipment.

Our asset base is comprised principally of non-current assets including property, plant and equipment, reflecting the capital intensive nature of the mining business. Our current assets include cash, accounts receivable, marketable securities and inventories (supplies and production inventories), along with other current assets that are primarily prepaid expenses and deposits. Production inventories, accounts receivable and cash balances fluctuate in relation to our shipping and cash settlement schedules, which provide for payment typically either one or four months after the month of arrival at the receiving port.

Total liabilities decreased by \$26.5 million, or 11%, from \$237.4 million at December 31, 2010 to \$210.9 million at March 31, 2011. This reduction was primarily the result of an income tax payment of \$24.2 million made during the first quarter related to the impact of the joint venture transaction on 2010 taxable income.

As at June 7, 2011, there were 195,234,595 common shares outstanding. In addition, there were 12,643,300 director, employee and contractor stock options outstanding with exercise prices ranging between \$1.00 and \$5.74 per share. More information on these instruments and the terms of their conversion is set out in note 14 of our 2010 year-end financial statements.

#### *Liquidity, Cash Flow and Capital Resources*

At March 31, 2011, the Company had cash and equivalents of \$193.1 million, as compared to \$211.8 million at December 31, 2010. We maintained our strategy of retaining significant liquidity to fund operations and the GDP3 expansion. The US\$200.0 million Notes offering which we closed in April 2011 further augments this liquidity.

The Company's primary source of liquidity is operating cash flow. In the first quarter of 2011, operating cash flow was a negative \$0.3 million primarily as a result of the income tax payment referenced in the Balance Sheet review discussion. Additionally, the operating cash flow in the first quarter of 2011 reflects the formation of the Gibraltar joint venture on March 31, 2010 and the corresponding 25% decrease in our share of the Gibraltar mine's operating cash flow from first quarter 2010 to first quarter 2011.

The principal use of operating cash flows is capital expenditures. With the issuance of the Notes, a future use of operating cash flow may be repayment of debt.

Future changes in market copper and molybdenum prices could impact the timing and amount of cash available for future investment in capital projects and/or other uses of capital. Alternative sources of funding for future capital or other liquidity needs include future operating cash flow, strategic partnerships, such as the Gibraltar joint venture and the Franco-Nevada gold stream transaction, and debt or equity financings. These alternatives are continually evaluated to determine the optimal mix of capital resources to address our capital needs and minimize our weighted average cost of capital.

Cash used in investing activities in the first quarter of 2011 amounted to \$15.9 million principally due to capital expenditures of \$6.8 million and investments in marketable securities of \$9.1 million. The comparable for the first

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quarter of 2010 was \$180.8 million of cash generated by investing activities principally reflecting the \$187.7 million of cash received for the 25% contribution to the joint venture, offset by capital expenditures of \$8.4 million.

Cash provided by financing activities was \$3.7 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2011. This reflects the proceeds from common shares issued under the at-the-market facility (one million shares at US\$6.05) along with employee stock options exercised, offset by debt repayments on capital leases and related interest expense. This compares to a use of cash used in financing activities for the corresponding period last year of \$51.6 million primarily related to the prepayment of the senior credit facility.

### *Commitments and Contingencies*

The Company expects to incur capital expenditures during the next five years for both the Gibraltar mine and projects. The other projects are at various stages of development, from preliminary exploration through to permitting. The ultimate decision to incur capital expenditures at each potential site is subject to positive results which allow the project to advance past decision hurdles.

The Company announced during the first quarter 2011 its plans to proceed with an expansion at Gibraltar. The Gibraltar Development Plan 3 ("GDP3") will include construction of a new concentrator to complement the existing 55,000 tons per day ("tpd") facility, increasing annual production capacity to 180 million pounds of copper at life of mine average grade. A new molybdenum recovery facility is also planned to increase annual molybdenum production to over two million pounds. The capital cost for the concentrator facility is estimated to be \$235 million and approximately \$90 million for the additional mining equipment. The estimated \$325 million total capital cost represents 100% of the outlays required; the Company's share is expected to be 75% of that amount. However, proceeding with GDP3 will require the consent of Cariboo, which has a consent right over the approval of any operating plan and budget or capital budget, which results in 30% or greater variance from the long-term mine plan which was provided to Cariboo prior to establishing the joint venture. On March 29, 2011, Taseko made a proposal to Cariboo that Taseko would fund 100% of the GDP3 expansion pending Cariboo either electing to pay its 25% share prior to completion of construction, plus interest, or if Cariboo did not so elect by that time, Taseko would recover Cariboo's share of the project costs that it had funded through priority on all the positive cash flow from the expansion after which the parties would revert back to 75:25 for all of the Gibraltar mine operations. On April 4, 2011, Cariboo confirmed that, based on the GDP3 presentation made by Taseko, but subject to any subsequent changes in circumstances that would have an adverse effect on the Gibraltar mine or Cariboo's rights under the Joint Venture Operating Agreement (as determined in Cariboo's reasonable discretion), Cariboo does not intend to veto or otherwise prevent Taseko from proceeding with the expansion project while Taseko's proposal remains under consideration by Cariboo.

As at March 31, 2011, capital commitments totaled \$35 million on a 100% basis. There have been no other material changes to the Company's contractual obligations during the first quarter 2011.

### **SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS**

(Cdn\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	2011		2010		2009 <sup>2</sup>			
	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2
Revenues	58,801	108,959	37,540	56,453	75,508	55,966	40,132	52,632
Net earnings (loss)	5,753	25,840	999	44,936	77,059	(2,003)	(2,349)	11,405
EPS <sup>1</sup>	0.03	0.14	0.01	0.24	0.42	(0.01)	(0.01)	0.07

<sup>1</sup> Calculated using weighted average number of shares outstanding under the basic method.

<sup>2</sup> Information for 2009 is presented in accordance with Canadian GAAP and was not required to be restated to IFRS.

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Our financial results for the last eight quarters reflect: volatile copper and molybdenum prices that impact realized sales price; variability in the quarterly sales volumes due to timing of shipments which impacts revenue recognition; and a trend of increasing production costs primarily caused by inflationary pressures. The net earnings in first quarter 2010 include a pretax gain of \$98.3 million on the contribution to the joint venture.

### IFRS

We adopted IFRS effective January 1, 2011. Due to the requirement to present comparative financial information, the effective transition date is January 1, 2010. The three months ended March 31, 2011 is our first reporting period under IFRS. For a discussion of our significant accounting policies, refer to note 2 of the Financial Statements.

#### *Elected exemptions*

IFRS 1 provides for certain mandatory exceptions and optional exemptions for first time adopters of IFRS. We elected to take the following IFRS 1 optional exemptions as of the transition date of January 1, 2010:

- Not to apply the requirements of IFRS 3, *Business Combinations*, and restate business combinations that occurred prior to the transition date.
- To apply the requirements of IFRS 2, *Share-based Payments*, to share options granted which had not vested as at the transition date.
- To apply the borrowing cost exemption and to prospectively apply IAS 23, *Borrowing Costs*.
- To not retrospectively apply IFRIC 1, *Changes in Existing Decommissioning, Restoration and Similar Liabilities*. The simplified approach to calculating the net book value of the asset related to the provision for environmental rehabilitation ("PER") was applied. The PER calculated on the transition date in accordance with IAS 37, *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*, was discounted back to the date the liability first arose, at which date the corresponding asset was set up, and then accumulated depreciation was recalculated as at the transition date.

#### *Impact of adoption of IFRS on financial reporting*

The following tables contain summaries of the adjustments to equity and to total comprehensive income as a result of the adoption of IFRS. The transition to IFRS has resulted in numerous financial statement presentation changes. A description of each of the adjustments and financial statement presentation change is outlined in note 19 of the Financial Statements.

(Cdn\$ in thousands)	December 31, 2010	March 31, 2010	January 1, 2010
<b>Equity under GAAP</b>	\$469,951	\$388,452	\$296,693
Change in accounting policy for depreciation	(4,253)	(3,309)	(3,585)
Reversal of impairment	3,338	3,410	4,574
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	(6,822)	(6,404)	(8,385)
Share-based compensation	-	-	-
Deferred income tax	1,062	563	1,684
<b>Equity under IFRS</b>	<b>\$463,276</b>	<b>\$382,712</b>	<b>\$290,981</b>

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(Cdn\$ in thousands)	Three months ended March 31, 2010	Year ended December 31, 2010
<b>Total Comprehensive Income under GAAP</b>	\$ 76,164	\$150,271
Change in accounting policy for depreciation	(827)	(1,771)
Reversal of impairment	(27)	(99)
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	(155)	(572)
Share-based compensation	638	1,149
Deferred income tax	88	586
Gain on contribution to joint venture	893	893
<b>Total Comprehensive Income under IFRS</b>	<b>\$ 76,774</b>	<b>\$150,457</b>

The conversion to IFRS did not have an impact on total cash costs of production per pound of copper or total cash costs of sales per pound of copper.

### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

The Company's significant accounting policies are presented in note 2 of the Financial Statements. The preparation of the Financial Statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Significant areas where judgment is applied include reserve and resource estimation; asset valuations and the measurement of impairment charges or reversals; finished and in-process inventory quantities; plant and equipment lives; tax provisions; provisions for environmental rehabilitation; and share-based compensation. Key estimates and assumptions made by management with respect to these areas have been disclosed in the notes to the Financial Statements as appropriate.

The accuracy of reserve and resource estimates is a function of the quantity and quality of available data and the assumptions made and judgment used in the engineering and geological interpretation, and may be subject to revision based on various factors. Changes in reserve and resource estimates may impact the carrying value of property, plant and equipment; the calculation of depreciation expense; the capitalization of stripping costs incurred during production; and the timing of cash flows related to the provision for environmental rehabilitation.

Changes in forecast prices of commodities, exchange rates, production costs and recovery rates may change the economic status of reserves and resources. Forecast prices of commodities, exchange rates, production costs and recovery rates, and discount rates assumptions, either individually or collectively, may impact the carrying value of derivative financial instruments, inventory, property, plant and equipment, and intangibles, as well as the measurement of impairment charges or reversals.

### INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting and disclosure controls and procedures.

Our internal control system over financial reporting was designed to provide reasonable assurance to management and the Board of Directors regarding the preparation and fair presentation of published financial statements. Internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

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- (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;
- (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Company; and
- (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Our internal control system over disclosure controls and procedures was designed to provide reasonable assurance that other financial information disclosed publicly fairly presents in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Company. Our processes were designed to ensure that the information disclosed by the Company is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the appropriate time periods and is accumulated and communicated to management, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial reporting and disclosure.

Other than changes related to our conversion to IFRS, there have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting and disclosure during the period ended March 31, 2011 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, internal control over financial reporting and disclosure.

### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Hunter Dickinson Services Inc. ("HDSI") is a private company which has certain directors in common with the Company. HDSI carries out geological, engineering, corporate development, administrative, financial management, investor relations, and other management activities for the Company. The terms and conditions of the transactions are similar to transactions conducted on an arm's length basis. During first quarter 2011, the Company incurred general and administrative expenses of \$0.5 million, exploration and evaluation expenses of \$0.2 million, and prepaid rent of \$1.0 million with HDSI.

The Gibraltar joint venture pays a management fee to the Company for services rendered as operator of the Gibraltar mine. During first quarter 2011, the Company has earned \$0.2 million of other operating income for these services rendered.

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### NON-GAAP PERFORMANCE MEASURES

This document includes certain non-GAAP performance measures that do not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS. These measures may differ from those used by, and may not be comparable to such measures as reported by, other issuers. The Company believes that these measures are commonly used by certain investors, in conjunction with conventional IFRS measures, to enhance their understanding of the Company's performance. These measures have been derived from the Company's financial statements and applied on a consistent basis. The following tables below provide a reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable IFRS measure.

#### *Total cash costs per pound*

Total cash costs of sales include all costs absorbed into inventory, as well as by-product credits, treatment & refining costs and transportation costs, less non-cash items such as depreciation and share-based compensation. Total cash costs per pound sold are calculated by dividing the aggregate of the applicable costs by copper pounds sold. Total cash costs of production are total cash costs of sales adjusted for the net movement in inventory during the period. Total cash costs per pound produced are calculated by dividing the aggregate of the applicable costs by copper pounds produced. These measures are calculated on a consistent basis for the periods presented.

	Three months ended March 31,	
(Cdn\$ in thousands, unless otherwise indicated)	2011	2010
<b>Cost of sales</b>	<b>\$ 33,575</b>	<b>\$ 43,572</b>
Less non-cash items:		
Depreciation	2,400	3,496
Share-based compensation	86	-
Less by-product credits:		
Molybdenum	4,066	4,291
Other metal sales	878	665
<b>Total cash costs of sales</b>	<b>\$ 26,145</b>	<b>\$ 35,120</b>
Total copper sold (thousand pounds)	12,755	20,490
Total cash costs per pound sold	\$ 2.05	\$ 1.71
Average exchange rate for the period (CAD/USD)	0.9859	1.0409
<b>Total cash costs of sales (US\$ per pound)</b>	<b>\$ 2.08</b>	<b>\$ 1.65</b>
<b>Total cash costs of sales</b>	<b>\$ 26,145</b>	<b>\$ 35,120</b>
Net change in inventory	3,774	2,324
<b>Total cash costs of production</b>	<b>\$ 29,919</b>	<b>\$ 37,444</b>
Total copper produced (thousand pounds)	14,437	23,154
Total cash costs per pound produced	\$ 2.07	\$ 1.62
Average exchange rate for the period (CAD/USD)	0.9859	1.0409
<b>Total cash costs of production (US\$ per pound)</b>	<b>\$ 2.10</b>	<b>\$ 1.55</b>

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#### *Cash margins*

Cash margins represent average realized copper price per pound sold less total cash costs of sales per pound.

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	<b>Three months ended March 31,</b>	
(Cdn\$ in thousands, unless otherwise indicated)	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Average realized copper price sales (US\$ per pound)	\$ 4.28	\$ 3.29
Less:		
Total cash costs of sales (US\$ per pound)	\$ 2.08	\$ 1.65
<b>Cash margin (US\$ per pound)</b>	<b>\$ 2.20</b>	<b>\$ 1.64</b>

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#### *Operating profit*

Operating profit represents gross profit less general and administrative expenses.

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	<b>Three months ended March 31,</b>	
(Cdn\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Gross profit</b>	<b>\$ 25,226</b>	<b>\$ 31,936</b>
Less:		
General and administrative	6,622	7,366
<b>Total cash costs of sales</b>	<b>\$ 18,604</b>	<b>\$ 24,570</b>

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#### *Adjusted net earnings*

Adjusted net earnings removes the effect of the following transactions from net earnings as reported under IFRS:

- Unrealized gains/losses on derivative instruments;
- Gains/losses on the sale of marketable securities;
- Changes in the fair value of financial instruments;
- Foreign currency translation gains/losses; and
- Non-recurring transactions, including non-recurring tax adjustments.

Management believes these transactions do not reflect the underlying operating performance of our core mining business and are not necessarily indicative of future operating results. Furthermore, unrealized gains/losses on derivative instruments, changes in the fair value of financial instruments, and foreign currency translation gains/losses are not necessarily reflective of the underlying operating results for the reporting periods presented.

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	Three months ended March 31,	
(Cdn\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	2011	2010
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$ 5,753</b>	<b>\$ 77,059</b>
Unrealized (gain)/loss on derivative instruments	486	(7,491)
Gain on sale of marketable securities	-	(349)
Changes in fair value of financial instruments	529	-
Foreign currency translation losses	4,026	1,196
Loss on extinguishment of debt	-	2,136
Gain on contribution to joint venture, net of tax effect	-	(65,268)
<b>Adjusted net earnings</b>	<b>\$ 10,794</b>	<b>\$ 7,283</b>
<b>Adjusted EPS</b>	<b>\$0.06</b>	<b>\$0.04</b>

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### *EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA*

EBITDA represents net earnings before interest, income taxes, and depreciation. We present EBITDA because we consider it an important supplemental measure of our performance and believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of companies in our industry, many of which present EBITDA when reporting their results. We believe issuers of "high yield" securities also present EBITDA because investors, analysts and rating agencies consider it useful in measuring the ability of those issuers to meet debt service obligations. We believe EBITDA is an appropriate supplemental measure of debt service capacity, because cash expenditures on interest are, by definition, available to pay interest, and tax expense is inversely correlated to interest expense because tax expense goes down as deductible interest expense goes up; depreciation is a non-cash charge.

We present adjusted EBITDA as a further supplemental measure of our performance and ability to service debt. We prepare adjusted EBITDA by adjusting EBITDA to eliminate the impact of a number of items we consider non-recurring or do not consider indicative of our ongoing operating performance. You are encouraged to evaluate each adjustment and the reasons we consider them appropriate for supplemental analysis.

Adjusted EBITDA is calculated by adding to EBITDA certain items of expense and deducting from EBITDA certain items of income that we believe are not likely to recur or are not indicative of our future operating performance consisting of:

- Unrealized gains/losses on derivative instruments;
- Gains/losses on the sale of marketable securities;
- Changes in the fair value of financial instruments;
- Foreign currency translation gains/losses; and
- Non-recurring transactions, including non-recurring tax adjustments.

While some of the adjustments are recurring, we believe the elimination of the gain on the contribution to the joint venture, loss on the extinguishment of debt, and gains/losses on the sale of marketable securities do not reflect the underlying performance of our core mining business and are not necessarily indicative of future results. Furthermore, unrealized gains/losses on derivative instruments, foreign currency translation gains/losses and changes in the fair value of financial instruments are not necessarily reflective of the underlying operating results for the reporting periods presented.

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	Three months ended March 31,	
(Cdn\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	2011	2010
<b>Net earnings</b>	<b>\$ 5,753</b>	<b>\$ 77,059</b>
Add:		
Depreciation	2,594	3,518
Interest expense	955	2,101
Interest income	(1,878)	(1,630)
Income tax expense	7,439	42,641
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 14,863</b>	<b>\$ 123,689</b>
Adjustments:		
Unrealized loss (gain) on derivative instruments	486	(7,491)
Gain on sale of marketable securities	-	(349)
Changes in fair value of financial instruments	529	-
Foreign currency translation losses	4,026	1,196
Loss on extinguishment of debt	-	2,136
Gain on contribution to joint venture	-	(98,275)
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 19,904</b>	<b>\$ 20,906</b>

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## Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (unaudited)

(Cdn\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	Note	Three months ended March 31,	
		2011	2010
Revenues	4	\$ 58,801	\$ 75,508
Cost of sales	5	(33,575)	(43,572)
Gross profit		25,226	31,936
General and administrative		(6,622)	(7,366)
Exploration and evaluation		(372)	(981)
Other operating expenses	6	(727)	(170)
Gain on contribution to joint venture	3	-	98,275
		17,505	121,694
Finance expenses	7	(6,191)	(4,563)
Finance income	8	1,878	2,569
Earnings before income taxes		13,192	119,700
Income tax expense	9	(7,439)	(42,641)
<b>Net earnings for the period</b>		<b>\$ 5,753</b>	<b>\$ 77,059</b>
Other comprehensive income (loss)			
Available-for-sale financial assets, net of tax		4,957	(285)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>		<b>\$ 10,710</b>	<b>\$ 76,774</b>
<b>Earnings per share</b>			
Basic		\$ 0.03	\$ 0.42
Diluted		\$ 0.03	\$ 0.41
<b>Weighted average shares outstanding (thousands)</b>			
Basic		188,319	184,138
Diluted		201,951	190,164

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited)

(Cdn\$ in thousands)	Note	Three months ended March 31,	
		2011	2010
<b>Operating activities</b>			
Net earnings for the period		\$ 5,753	\$ 77,059
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation		2,594	3,518
Income tax expense	9	7,439	42,641
Income tax paid		(24,390)	(795)
Share-based compensation	14(c)	3,741	4,816
Unrealized loss (gain) on derivative instruments	6	486	(7,491)
Finance expenses		4,913	3,975
Finance income		(610)	(1,087)
Gain on contribution to joint venture	3	-	(98,275)
Other operating activities	17	385	496
Net change in non-cash working capital items	17	(3,328)	7,468
Cash provided by (used for) operating activities		(3,017)	32,325
<b>Investing activities</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(6,799)	(8,399)
Purchase of investments and other assets		(9,082)	-
Interest received		610	151
Proceeds from sale of investments and other assets	3	-	187,670
Other investing activities	17	(675)	1,346
Cash provided by (used for) investing activities		(15,946)	180,768
<b>Financing activities</b>			
Repayment of debt		(2,551)	(52,141)
Interest paid		(637)	(1,302)
Common shares issued for cash, net of issue costs		6,913	1,825
Cash provided by (used for) financing activities		3,725	(51,618)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and equivalents		(3,498)	(1,173)
Increase (decrease) in cash and equivalents		(18,736)	160,302
Cash and equivalents, beginning of period		211,793	35,082
<b>Cash and equivalents, end of period</b>		<b>\$ 193,057</b>	<b>\$ 195,384</b>

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## Consolidated Balance Sheets

(unaudited)

(Cdn\$ in thousands)	Note	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010	January 1, 2010
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Current assets				
Cash and equivalents		\$ 193,057	\$ 211,793	\$ 35,082
Marketable securities		29,875	18,521	11,856
Accounts receivable		15,923	21,918	12,505
Inventories	10	28,681	21,286	21,792
Other current assets		5,477	7,782	9,962
		273,013	281,300	91,197
Property, plant and equipment	11	323,845	320,091	352,443
Intangibles		5,438	5,438	5,438
Other assets	12	93,355	93,825	102,821
		<b>\$ 695,651</b>	<b>\$ 700,654</b>	<b>\$ 551,899</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		\$ 23,043	\$ 23,137	\$ 14,834
Current portion of long-term debt		10,567	10,315	27,678
Income tax liabilities		4,228	24,528	370
Other current liabilities		2,119	7,648	30,318
		39,957	65,628	73,200
Long-term debt		25,898	28,018	46,525
Provision for environmental rehabilitation		27,311	28,240	32,082
Deferred tax liabilities		67,308	63,366	50,834
Other liabilities	13	50,423	52,126	58,277
		210,897	237,378	260,918
<b>EQUITY</b>				
Share capital	14(a)	373,485	365,553	350,376
Contributed surplus		29,029	26,193	19,532
Accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI")	14(d)	11,206	6,249	4,576
Retained earnings (deficit)		71,034	65,281	(83,503)
		484,754	463,276	290,981
		<b>\$ 695,651</b>	<b>\$ 700,654</b>	<b>\$ 551,899</b>
Commitments and contingencies	18			
Subsequent events	20			

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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### Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity

(unaudited)

(Cdn\$ in thousands)	Note	Share capital	Contributed surplus	AOCI	Retained earnings (deficit)	Total
Balance at January 1, 2010		\$ 350,376	\$ 19,532	\$ 4,576	\$ (83,503)	\$ 290,981
Exercise of options		1,825	–	–	–	1,825
Transfer to share capital for options exercised		1,375	(1,375)	–	–	–
Shares issued		8,316	–	–	–	8,316
Share-based compensation		–	4,816	–	–	4,816
Total comprehensive income for the period		–	–	(285)	77,059	76,774
Balance at March 31, 2010		<b>\$ 361,892</b>	<b>\$ 22,973</b>	<b>\$ 4,291</b>	<b>\$ (6,444)</b>	<b>\$ 382,712</b>
Balance at January 1, 2011		\$ 365,553	\$ 26,193	\$ 6,249	\$ 65,281	\$ 463,276
Exercise of options		1,354	–	–	–	1,354
Transfer to share capital for options exercised		905	(905)	–	–	–
Shares issued	14(b)	5,673	–	–	–	5,673
Share-based compensation	14(c)	–	3,741	–	–	3,741
Total comprehensive income for the period		–	–	4,957	5,753	10,710
Balance at March 31, 2011		<b>\$ 373,485</b>	<b>\$ 29,029</b>	<b>\$ 11,206</b>	<b>\$ 71,034</b>	<b>\$ 484,754</b>

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### 1. REPORTING ENTITY

Taseko Mines Limited (the "Company") is a corporation governed by the *British Columbia Business Corporations Act*. The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company as at and for the period ended March 31, 2011 comprise the Company, its subsidiaries and its 75% interest in the Gibraltar joint venture since its formation on March 31, 2010. The Company is principally engaged in the production and sale of metals, as well as related activities such as exploration and mine development, within the province of British Columbia. Seasonality does not have a significant impact on the Company's operations.

### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) *Statement of compliance*

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*. These are the Company's first IFRS condensed interim consolidated financial statements for part of the period covered by the first IFRS annual financial statements and IFRS 1, *First Time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards* has been applied. These condensed interim consolidated financial statements do not include all of the information required for full consolidated annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements of the Company as at and for the year ended December 31, 2010 prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP ("GAAP") and in consideration of the IFRS disclosures in note 19.

Note 19 provides an explanation of how the transition to IFRS has affected the reported financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the Company. This note includes disclosure of the Company's elected transition exemptions and reconciliations of equity and total comprehensive income for comparative periods and of equity at the date of transition reported under GAAP to those reported for those periods and at the date of transition under IFRS.

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these condensed consolidated interim financial statements and in preparing the opening IFRS balance sheet at January 1, 2010 for the purposes of the transition to IFRS. Preparation on this basis resulted in changes to the accounting policies as compared with the most recent annual financial statements prepared under GAAP.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements were authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on June 7, 2011.

#### (b) *Basis of measurement*

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for available-for-sale and derivative financial instruments which are measured at fair value.

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Company's functional currency. Non-Canadian dollar monetary assets and liabilities are translated into Canadian dollars at the closing exchange rate as at the balance sheet date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses are translated in Canadian dollars at the prevailing rate of exchange on the dates of the transactions. All financial information presented in Canadian dollars has been rounded to the nearest thousand, unless otherwise noted.

The preparation of these consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. Estimates and

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underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Significant areas where judgment is applied include reserve and resource estimation; asset valuations and the measurement of impairment charges or reversals; finished and in-process inventory quantities; plant and equipment lives; tax provisions; provisions for environmental rehabilitation; and share-based compensation. Key estimates and assumptions made by management with respect to these areas have been disclosed in the notes to these consolidated financial statements as appropriate.

The accuracy of reserve and resource estimates is a function of the quantity and quality of available data and the assumptions made and judgment used in the engineering and geological interpretation, and may be subject to revision based on various factors. Changes in reserve and resource estimates may impact the carrying value of property, plant and equipment; the calculation of depreciation expense; the capitalization of stripping costs incurred during production; and the timing of cash flows related to the provision for environmental rehabilitation.

Changes in forecast prices of commodities, exchange rates, production costs and recovery rates may change the economic status of reserves and resources. Forecast prices of commodities, exchange rates, production costs and recovery rates, and discount rates assumptions, either individually or collectively, may impact the carrying value of derivative financial instruments, inventory, property, plant and equipment, and intangibles, as well as the measurement of impairment charges or reversals.

### *(c) Basis of consolidation*

#### *Subsidiaries*

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Company, either directly or indirectly. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in these consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. All intercompany balances, transactions, income and expenses are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

#### *Joint ventures*

A joint venture is a contractual arrangement whereby the Company and other parties undertake an economic activity that is subject to joint control (i.e., when the strategic financial and operating policy decisions relating to the activities of the joint venture require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control).

Joint venture arrangements that involve the joint control, and often the joint ownership, by the venturers of one or more assets contributed to, or acquired for the purpose of, the joint venture and dedicated to the purposes of the joint venture are referred to as jointly controlled assets ("JCA"). The assets are used to obtain benefits for the venturers. Each venturer may take a share of the output from the assets and each bears an agreed share of the expenses incurred. These joint ventures do not involve the establishment of a corporation, partnership or other entity, or a financial structure that is separate from the venturers themselves. Each venturer has control over its share of future economic benefits through its share of the JCA.

The Company reports its interests in a JCA using the proportionate consolidation method. The Company combines its proportionate share of the joint venture's individual income and expenses, assets and liabilities and cash flows on a line-by-line basis with similar items in the consolidated financial statements. Unrealized income and expenses resulting from transactions between the Company and the joint venture are eliminated to the extent of the interest in the joint venture.

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### *(d) Revenue recognition*

Revenue is recognized when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred and the amount of revenue is reasonably determinable. These conditions are generally satisfied when title passes to the customer. Cash received in advance of meeting these conditions is recorded as deferred revenue.

Under the terms of the Company's concentrate and cathode sales contracts, the final sales amount is based on final assay results and quoted market prices in a period subsequent to the date of sale. Revenues for these sales are recorded at the time of shipment, which is also when the risks and reward of ownership transfer to the customer, based on an estimate of metal contained using initial assay results and forward market prices on the expected date that final sales prices will be fixed. The period between provisional pricing and final settlement can be between one and four months. This provisional pricing mechanism represents an embedded derivative. The embedded derivative is recorded at fair value each reporting period by reference to forward market prices until the date of final pricing, with the changes in fair value recorded as an adjustment to revenue.

### *(e) Financial instruments*

Financial assets and liabilities are recognized on the balance sheet when the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The classification of financial instruments dictates how these assets and liabilities are measured subsequently in the Company's financial statements.

#### *Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")*

Financial instruments are classified as FVTPL when they are held for trading. A financial instrument is held for trading if it was acquired for the purpose of selling in the near term. Derivative financial instruments that are not designated and effective as hedging instruments are classified as FVTPL. Financial instruments classified as FVTPL are stated at fair value with any changes in fair value recognized in earnings for the period. Financial assets in this category include cash and equivalents and derivatives.

The Company may enter into derivative financial instruments to manage exposure to commodity price fluctuations (primarily copper) and to improve the returns on its cash assets. These instruments are designated as non-hedge derivative instruments.

#### *Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Subsequent to initial recognition, these financial assets are recorded at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method, except for short-term receivables when the recognition of interest would be immaterial. Accounts receivable are assessed for evidence of impairment at each reporting date, with any impairment recognized in earnings for the period. Financial assets in this category include accounts receivable and the promissory note.

#### *Available-for-sale financial assets*

Marketable securities, except for those marketable securities that are derivative instruments, and reclamation deposits are designated as available-for-sale and recorded at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses are recognized in other comprehensive income until the securities are disposed of or when there is evidence of impairment in value. If impairment in value has been determined, it is recognized in earnings for the period.

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### *Financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. The Company has accounted for accounts payable and accrued liabilities, debt and the royalty obligation under this method.

### *Fair value measurement*

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value hierarchy establishes three levels to classify the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value, by reference to the reliability of the inputs used to estimate the fair values.

Level 1 – quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2 – inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and

Level 3 – inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

### *(f) Exploration and evaluation*

Exploration and evaluation expenditures relate to the initial search for a mineral deposit and the subsequent evaluation to determine the economic potential of the mineral deposit. The exploration and evaluation stage commences when the Company obtains the legal right or license to begin exploration. This stage ends when management determines that there is sufficient evidence to support probability of future mining operations of economically recoverable reserves, and requires significant judgment on the part of management.

Exploration and evaluation expenditures are recognized in earnings in the period in which they are incurred. Once it is expected that expenditures can be recovered by future exploitation or sale, they are considered development costs and capitalized as part of mineral properties within property, plant and equipment.

Exploration activities primarily consist of expenditures relating to drilling programs and include: researching and analyzing existing exploration data; conducting geological mapping studies; and taking core samples for analysis. Evaluation activities include: examination and testing of extraction methods and metallurgical/treatment processes; studies related to assessment of transportation and infrastructure requirements; market and finance studies; and detailed economic evaluations to determine whether development of the reserves is commercially justifiable, including the preparation of scoping, preliminary feasibility and final feasibility studies.

### *(g) Inventory*

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined on a weighted average basis and includes direct labour and materials; non-capitalized stripping costs; depreciation; freight; and directly attributable overhead costs. Net realizable value is determined with reference to relevant market prices, less applicable variable selling costs and estimated remaining costs of completion to bring the inventory into its saleable form.

Work in process represents stockpiled ore and metals in the processing circuits that have not yet completed the production process, and are not yet in a saleable form. Finished goods inventory represents metals in saleable form that have not yet been sold. Materials and supplies inventories represent consumables used in the production process, as well as spare parts and other maintenance supplies that are not classified as capital items.

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The quantity of recoverable metal in stockpiled ore and in the processing circuits is an estimate which is based on the tons of ore added and removed, expected grade and recovery. The quantity of recoverable metal in concentrate is an estimate using initial assay results.

### *(h) Property, plant and equipment*

#### *Land, buildings, plant and equipment*

Land, buildings, plant and equipment are recorded at cost, including all expenditures incurred to prepare an asset for its intended use.

Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to expense as incurred, except when these repairs significantly extend the life of an asset or result in an operating improvement. In these instances, the portion of these repairs relating to the betterment is capitalized as part of plant and equipment.

Depreciation is based on the cost of the assets less residual value. Where an item of plant and equipment is comprised of major components with different useful lives, the components are accounted for as separate items and depreciated separately. Depreciation commences when an asset is available for use. Estimates of remaining useful lives and residual values are reviewed annually. Changes in estimates are accounted for prospectively.

The depreciation rates of the major asset categories are as follows:

Land	Not depreciated
Buildings	Straight-line basis over 10-25 years
Plant and equipment	Units-of-production basis
Mining equipment	Straight-line basis over 5-20 years
Light vehicles and other mobile equipment	Straight-line basis over 2-5 years
Furniture, computer and office equipment	Straight-line basis over 2-3 years

#### *Mineral properties*

Mineral properties consist of the cost of acquiring and developing mineral properties. Once in production, mineral properties are amortized on a units-of-production basis.

Acquisition costs arise either as an individual asset purchase or as part of a business combination, and may represent a combination of either proven and probable reserves, resources, or future exploration potential. The estimated fair values attributable to proven and probable reserves and resources are recorded as mineral properties within property, plant and equipment. Exploration potential is recorded as an intangible asset.

Mineral property development costs include: stripping costs incurred in order to provide initial access to the ore body; stripping costs incurred during production that generate a future economic benefit by increasing the productive capacity or extending the productive life of the mine; capitalized exploration and evaluation costs; and capitalized interest.

#### *Construction in progress*

Construction in progress includes the purchase price and any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for its intended use. Construction in progress includes advances on long-lead items. Construction in progress is not depreciated. Once the asset is complete and available for use, the costs of construction are transferred to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment, and depreciation commences.

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### *Capitalized interest*

Interest is capitalized for qualifying assets. Qualifying assets are assets that require a substantial period of time to prepare for their intended use. Capitalization ceases when the asset is substantially complete or if construction is interrupted for an extended period. Where the funds used to finance a project form part of general borrowings, the amount capitalized is calculated using a weighted average of rates applicable to relevant general borrowings of the Company during the period.

### *Leased assets*

Leased assets in which the Company receives substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset are capitalized as finance leases at the lower of the fair value of the asset or the estimated present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding lease obligation is recorded within debt on the balance sheet. Assets under operating leases are not capitalized and rental payments are included in earnings.

### *Impairment*

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets are reviewed for impairment whenever circumstances suggest that the carrying value may not be recoverable. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment, if any. These assessments require the use of estimates and assumptions such as long-term commodity prices, discount rates, future capital requirements, exploration potential and operating performance.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash generating unit ("CGU") is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Fair value is determined as the amount that would be obtained from the sale of the asset in an arm's-length transaction between knowledgeable and willing parties. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash flows of other assets or CGU's. If the recoverable amount of an asset or its related CGU is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset or CGU is reduced to its recoverable amount and the impairment loss is recognized in earnings for the period.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset or CGU is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but to an amount that does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset or CGU in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in earnings.

### *(i) Intangibles*

Mineral property acquisition costs arise either as an individual asset purchase or as part of a business combination, and may represent a combination of either proven and probable reserves, resources, or future exploration potential. When management has not made a determination that there is probable future economic benefit and the property is not imminently expected to move into development, the entire amount is considered acquired exploration potential and is classified as an intangible asset. When such property moves into development, the acquired exploration intangible asset is transferred to non-depreciable mineral properties within property, plant and equipment.

### *(j) Income taxes*

Income tax on the earnings for the periods presented comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in earnings except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity or in other

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comprehensive income. Income tax is calculated using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date applicable to the period of expected realization or settlement.

Current tax expense is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, adjusted for amendments to tax payable with regards to previous years.

Deferred tax is determined using the balance sheet liability method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not provided for: the initial recognition of assets or liabilities acquired (not in a business combination) that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit on acquisition; and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries, associates, and joint ventures to the extent that they are not probable to reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities. A deferred tax asset is recognized only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

### *(k) Share-based compensation*

The fair-value method of accounting is used for the Company's share option plan. Fair value is measured at grant date using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and is recognized in earnings on a straight-line basis over the option vesting period, with a corresponding increase in equity. The amount recognized as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of share options that are expected to vest.

### *(l) Provisions*

#### *Environmental rehabilitation*

The Company records the present value of estimated costs of legal and constructive obligations required to retire an asset in the period in which the obligation occurs. Environmental rehabilitation activities include facility decommissioning and dismantling; removal and treatment of waste materials; site and land rehabilitation, including compliance with and monitoring of environmental regulations; and related costs required to perform this work and/or operate equipment designed to reduce or eliminate environmental effects. The provision for environmental rehabilitation ("PER") is adjusted each period for new disturbances, and changes in regulatory requirements, the estimated amount of future cash flows required to discharge the liability, the timing of such cash flows and the pre-tax discount rate specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognized in earnings as a finance cost.

When a PER is initially recognized, the corresponding cost is capitalized by increasing the carrying amount of the related asset, and is amortized to earnings on the same basis as the related asset. Costs are only capitalized to the extent that the amount meets the definition of an asset and represents future economic benefits to the operation.

Significant estimates and assumptions are made in determining the provision for environmental rehabilitation as there are numerous factors that will affect the ultimate liability payable. These factors include estimation of the extent and cost of rehabilitation activities; timing of future cash flows that are impacted by changes in discount rates; inflation rate; and regulatory requirements.

#### *Other provisions*

Other provisions are recognized when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) that has arisen as a result of a past event and it is probable that a future outflow of resources will be required to settle the

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obligation, provided that a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Where the effect is material, the provision is discounted using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risk specific to the obligation. The accretion expense is included in finance expense.

### *(m) Finance income and expenses*

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, gains on the disposal of marketable securities, and changes in the fair value of financial assets. Interest income is recognized as it accrues in earnings, using the effective interest rate method.

Finance expenses comprise interest expense on borrowings, unwinding of the discount on provisions, losses on the disposal of marketable securities, changes in the fair value of financial assets, and impairment losses recognized on financial assets. Borrowing costs that are not directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are recognized in earnings using the effective interest rate method.

Foreign currency gains and losses are reported on a net basis.

### *(n) Earnings per share*

The Company presents basic and diluted earnings per share data for its common shares, calculated by dividing the earnings attributable to common shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is determined by adjusting the earnings attributable to common shareholders and the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential common shares, which comprise preferred shares and share options granted.

## **3. INTEREST IN JOINT VENTURE**

On March 31, 2010, the Company entered into an agreement with Cariboo Copper Corp. ("Cariboo") whereby the Company contributed certain assets and liabilities of the Gibraltar mine into an unincorporated joint venture and Cariboo paid the Company \$186,811 to acquire a 25% interest in the joint venture. The Company recognized a gain on contribution to the joint venture of \$98,275.

The assets and liabilities contributed by the Company to the joint venture were mineral property interests, plant and equipment, inventory, prepaid expenses, reclamation deposits, capital lease obligations, and site closure and reclamation obligations.

Certain key strategic, operating, investing and financing policies of the joint venture require unanimous approval such that neither venturer is in a position to exercise unilateral control over the joint venture. The Company continues to be the operator of the Gibraltar mine.

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## 4. REVENUE

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Copper concentrate	\$52,434	\$70,101
Copper cathode	1,423	451
Total copper sales	\$53,857	\$70,552
Molybdenum concentrate	4,066	4,291
Other metal sales	878	665
	\$58,801	\$75,508

## 5. COST OF SALES

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Direct mining costs	\$25,857	\$31,817
Depreciation	2,400	3,496
Treatment and refining costs	2,552	3,409
Transportation costs	2,766	4,850
	\$33,575	\$43,572

Cost of sales consists of direct mining costs (which include personnel costs, mine site general & administrative costs, non-capitalized stripping costs, maintenance & repair costs, operating supplies and external services), depreciation, and offsite costs comprised of treatment & refining costs and transportation costs.

## 6. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE (INCOME)

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Realized loss on copper derivative instruments	\$ 429	\$7,661
Unrealized loss (gain) on copper derivative instruments	486	(7,491)
Management fee income	(188)	-
	\$ 727	\$ 170

## 7. FINANCE EXPENSES

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Interest expense	\$ 955	\$2,101
Accretion on PER	249	326
Change in fair value of warrants	529	-
Loss on extinguishment of debt	-	2,136
Foreign exchange loss	4,458	-
	\$6,191	\$4,563

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## 8. FINANCE INCOME

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Interest income	\$1,878	\$1,630
Gain on sale of marketable securities	-	349
Foreign exchange gain	-	590
	\$1,878	\$2,569

## 9. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Current	\$ 4,090	\$32,425
Deferred	3,349	10,216
	\$ 7,439	\$42,641

## 10. INVENTORIES

	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010	January 1, 2010
Work in process	\$ 4,430	\$ 1,514	\$ 1,896
Finished goods			
Copper concentrate	10,043	7,515	5,831
Copper cathode	323	982	178
Molybdenum concentrate	159	53	70
Materials and supplies	13,726	11,222	13,817
	\$28,681	\$21,286	\$21,792

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## 11. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010	January 1, 2010
Depreciable assets:			
Mineral properties	\$ 65,525	\$ 67,417	\$ 88,085
Plant and equipment	139,885	139,953	115,785
Mining equipment	91,231	92,638	82,359
Other	3,000	3,103	2,357
	\$299,641	\$303,111	\$288,586
Non-depreciable assets:			
Construction in progress	24,204	16,980	63,857
	\$ 24,204	\$ 16,980	\$ 63,857
	\$323,845	\$320,091	\$352,443

The amounts in the table above are reported net of accumulated depreciation.

## 12. OTHER ASSETS

	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010	January 1, 2010
Reclamation deposits	\$ 23,123	\$ 23,266	\$ 29,421
Promissory note	69,681	70,559	73,400
Long-term portion prepaid lease	551	-	-
	\$ 93,355	\$ 93,825	\$102,821

## 13. OTHER LIABILITIES

	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010	January 1, 2010
Royalty obligations	\$ 49,985	\$ 51,645	\$ 57,621
Deferred revenue related to royalty agreement	438	481	656
	\$ 50,423	\$ 52,126	\$ 58,277

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### 14. EQUITY

#### (a) Share capital

The Company's authorized share capital consists of an unlimited number of common shares (189,158,687 issued at March 31, 2011) with no par value; and 12,483,916 tracking preferred shares.

	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010	January 1, 2010
Common shares	\$ 346,843	\$ 338,911	\$ 323,734
Tracking preferred shares	26,642	26,642	26,642
	\$ 373,485	\$ 365,553	\$ 350,376

#### (b) Equity issued

During the first quarter of 2011, the Company sold one million of its common shares through at-the-market issuance for net proceeds of \$5,673.

#### (c) Share-based compensation

During the first quarter of 2011, the Company granted 1,960,000 share options to executives and directors. These options have an exercise price of \$5.13, with a term of 5 years and vest in equal amounts over three years. The weighted-average fair value of the share option issues was estimated at \$3.11 per share option. The option valuations were based on an average expected option life of 5 years, a risk-free interest rate of 2.24% and an expected volatility of 76.80%.

The Company granted 310,000 share options to employees. These options have an exercise price of \$5.13, with a term of 3 years and vest in equal amounts over three years. The weighted-average fair value of the share option issues was estimated at \$2.69 per share option. The option valuations were based on an average expected option life of 3 years, a risk-free interest rate of 2.24% and an expected volatility of 83.76%.

#### (d) Accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI")

AOCI is comprised of the cumulative net change in the fair value of available-for-sale financial assets, net of taxes, until the investments are sold or impaired.

### 15. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

#### (a) Overview

In the normal course of business, the Company is inherently exposed to currency and commodity price risk. The timeframe and manner in which we manage these risks varies based upon management's assessment of the risk and available alternatives for mitigating risk. The Company uses certain derivative instruments in order mitigate these inherent business risks.

To manage the Company's operating margins effectively in volatile metals markets, the Company enters into copper put option contracts.

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To improve the returns on its cash assets, the Company invests in dual currency deposits (“DCD”). A DCD is a derivative instrument which combines a money market deposit with a currency option to provide a higher yield than that available for a standard deposit. The currency in which the Company receives upon maturity of the DCD is dependent on the prevailing spot foreign exchange rate at maturity.

The derivative instruments employed by the Company are not designated as hedges.

### (b) Summary of derivatives at March 31, 2011

	Notional amount	Strike price	Term to maturity	Fair value	Presentation
<b>Commodity contracts</b>					
Copper put option contracts	17.2 million lbs	US\$3.00/lb	Q2 2011	\$ 13	Current asset
Copper put option contracts	16.5 million lbs	US\$4.00/lb	Q3 2011	\$2,635	Current asset
<b>Dual currency deposits</b>					
USD/CAD 5.0% DCD	US\$45 million	0.989 to 0.990	Q2 2011	\$ (83)	Current asset
<b>Share purchase warrants</b>					
Publicly-traded company	1 million shares	\$1.20	Q2 2012	\$ 70	Current asset

### (c) Losses (gains) on non-hedge derivatives

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Copper put option contracts	\$916	\$170
Dual currency deposits	-	-
Share purchase warrants	529	-
	\$1,445	\$170

## 16. RELATED PARTIES

The terms and conditions of the transactions with related parties are similar to transactions conducted on an arm's length basis.

	Transaction value for the three months ended		Balance outstanding	
	March 31 2011	March 31 2010	March 31 2011	December 31 2010
Hunter Dickinson Services Inc.:				
General and administrative expenses	\$495	\$530		
Exploration and evaluation expenses	158	52		
Prepaid rent	995	-		
	\$1,648	\$582	\$ (157)	\$ (154)
Gibraltar joint venture:				
Other operating income (management fee)	\$188	\$ -		
Due from (to) joint venture			\$(1,680)	\$1,764
	\$188	\$ -	\$(1,680)	\$1,764

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## 17. SUPPLEMENTARY CASH FLOW INFORMATION

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
<b>Change in non-cash working capital items</b>		
Accounts receivable	\$ 5,995	\$(2,915)
Inventories	(7,395)	(3,327)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(94)	5,311
Other	(1,834)	8,399
	<b>\$(3,328)</b>	<b>\$ 7,468</b>
<b>Operating cash flows – other items</b>		
Non-cash donation expense	\$ -	\$ 503
Realized loss on copper derivative instruments	429	-
Reclamation expenditures	(44)	(7)
	<b>\$ 385</b>	<b>\$ 496</b>
<b>Investing cash flows – other items</b>		
Accrued interest on reclamation deposit	\$ (124)	\$ (268)
Long-term portion of prepaid lease	(551)	-
Restricted cash	-	1,614
	<b>\$ (675)</b>	<b>\$ 1,346</b>

## 18. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### (a) Commitments

The Gibraltar Development Plan 3 expansion (“GDP3”) requires the consent of Cariboo under the joint venture agreement because GDP3 represents a mine expansion of more than 30%. Pending Cariboo's consideration of its ultimate consent for, and participation in, GDP3, the Company made a commercial proposal to Cariboo in order to expedite progress on GDP3. The commercial proposal provides that the Company would fund 100% of GDP3 pending Cariboo either electing to pay its 25% share prior to completion of construction, plus interest, or if Cariboo did not so elect by that time, Taseko would recover Cariboo's 25% share of the project costs (plus interest) which is funded by Taseko, through priority on all the positive cash flow from the expansion, after which the parties would revert back to 75:25 for all of the Gibraltar mine operations. Cariboo is considering the proposal pending which Cariboo has advised the Company that while the commercial proposal is under consideration Cariboo has no objection to the Company proceeding with the expansion at Taseko's sole cost.

As at March 31, 2011, capital commitments totaled \$35,259 on a 100% basis, including GDP3. Cariboo's decision remains pending.

### (b) Contingency

As at March 31, 2011, the Company has guaranteed 100% of debt totaling \$32,352 and 75% of debt totaling \$12,201.

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### 19. TRANSITION TO IFRS

#### (a) Elected exemptions

IFRS 1 provides for certain mandatory exceptions and optional exemptions for first time adopters of IFRS. The Company elected to take the following IFRS 1 optional exemptions as of the transition date of January 1, 2010:

- Not to apply the requirements of IFRS 3, *Business Combinations*, and restate business combinations that occurred prior to the transition date.
- To apply the requirements of IFRS 2, *Share-based Payments*, to share options granted which had not vested as at the transition date.
- To apply the borrowing cost exemption and to prospectively apply IAS 23, *Borrowing Costs*.
- To not retrospectively apply IFRIC 1, *Changes in Existing Decommissioning, Restoration and Similar Liabilities*. The simplified approach to calculating the net book value of the asset related to the PER was applied. The PER calculated on the transition date in accordance with IAS 37, *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*, was discounted back to the date the liability first arose, at which date the corresponding asset was set up, and then accumulated depreciation was recalculated as at the transition date.

#### (b) Reconciliation of Equity

	Ref.	December 31, 2010	March 31, 2010	January 1, 2010
<b>Equity under GAAP</b>		\$469,951	\$388,452	\$296,693
Change in accounting policy for depreciation	(i)	(4,253)	(3,309)	(3,585)
Reversal of impairment	(ii)	3,338	3,410	4,574
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	(iii)	(6,822)	(6,404)	(8,385)
Share-based compensation	(iv)	-	-	-
Deferred income tax	(v)	1,062	563	1,684
<b>Equity under IFRS</b>		\$463,276	\$382,712	\$290,981

#### (c) Reconciliation of Total Comprehensive Income

	Ref.	Three months ended March 31, 2010	Year ended December 31, 2010
<b>Total Comprehensive Income under GAAP</b>		\$ 76,164	\$150,271
Change in accounting policy for depreciation	(i)	(827)	(1,771)
Reversal of impairment	(ii)	(27)	(99)
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	(iii)	(155)	(572)
Share-based compensation	(iv)	638	1,149
Deferred income tax	(v)	88	586
Gain on contribution to joint venture	(vi)	893	893
<b>Total Comprehensive Income under IFRS</b>		\$ 76,774	\$150,457

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### *References for (b) and (c)*

i) Change in accounting policy for depreciation

Effective January 1, 2011, the Company changed its depreciation accounting policy with respect to certain components of property, plant and equipment as management believes it more appropriately reflects the use of the corresponding assets thereby resulting in more reliable and relevant presentation. The impact of this change in accounting policy has been retrospectively applied.

Mining equipment was previously depreciated using the units-of-production method based on tons mined which resulted in variability in the amount depreciated period to period. Mining equipment assets are usually fully deployed in day-to-day activities and have a readily determinable useful life. As such, management adopted a policy to depreciate these assets using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives.

Buildings were previously depreciated using the declining balance method which results in more depreciation being taken in the initial years. Management views the utility of buildings to be relatively consistent over the lives of the buildings and has adopted a policy to depreciate these assets using the straight-line method.

ii) Reversal of impairment

Under IFRS, the Company is required to reconsider whether impairment losses recognized in prior periods no longer exist, or have decreased on transition and thereafter on an annual basis. If such indicators exist, a new recoverable amount should be calculated and all or part of the impairment charge should be reversed to the extent the recoverable amount exceeds carrying value. This is not permitted under GAAP.

Based on the Company's analysis, an adjustment of \$4,574 has been recorded on transition to IFRS to fully reverse an impairment loss recognized for the Gibraltar mine in fiscal 2001, as the mine subsequently restarted operations and is expected to continue to generate economic benefits for the foreseeable future. The Company concluded that the historical impairments recognized for Prosperity and Harmony should not be reversed.

As at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2010, no additional impairment reversals were identified under IFRS; however, the transition adjustment had been reduced by 25% to reflect the formation of the Joint Venture. The amounts recorded in the table above include the incremental depreciation as a result of the impairment reversal on transition date.

iii) Provision for environmental rehabilitation

The Company has re-measured its PER as of the transition date and estimated the amount to be included in the cost of the related asset by discounting the liability to the date at which the liability first arose. This calculation was done using best estimates of the historical risk-adjusted discount rates. Accumulated depreciation under IFRS was recalculated up to the transition date.

Under GAAP, the Company reduced the amount of its PER by expected cash inflows associated with future anticipated revenue-generating activities. Under IFRS, these amounts are recognized as a separate asset when recovery is virtually certain. The Company concluded that the conditions for virtual certainty do not exist and have excluded these revenues from its calculations under IFRS.

Accordingly, an adjustment was made to increase the asset by \$13,890, to increase the PER by \$22,275 and to decrease deferred income taxes by \$2,914, for a total adjustment that decreased equity by \$5,471 on the transition date.

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As at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2010, the adjustments were updated for changes in discount rates and incremental depreciation. There were no other changes in estimates.

iv) Share-based compensation

For the purpose of accounting for share-based payment transactions, certain individuals previously classified as contractors under GAAP are now classified as employees under IFRS, and the Company records a lower expense each period, with an equal and offsetting adjustment to contributed surplus. Additional adjustments were made as at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2010.

v) Income tax

Under IFRS, the Company has derecognized deferred tax liabilities previously recognized on temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of the Aley property and Oakmont net profit interest (where the accounting basis of the asset acquired exceeded its tax basis) in a transaction which was not a business combination and affected neither accounting income nor taxable income. Accordingly, mineral property interests were reduced by \$1,955, intangibles were reduced by \$2,907 and deferred income tax decreased by \$3,975, with a decrease to equity of \$887.

Under IFRS, the Company has reversed the deferred tax asset previously recognized under GAAP related to the "new mine allowance" for British Columbia mineral tax purposes. Accordingly, property, plant and equipment and deferred income tax liability both increased by \$6,786.

In addition, deferred taxes have been adjusted for the changes to net book values arising as a result of the adjustments for first-time adoption of IFRS as discussed above, resulting in an increase to equity of \$2,570. Additional adjustments were made as of March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2010.

vi) Gain on contribution to joint venture

The gain on the contribution to joint venture has been recalculated under IFRS to reflect adjustments to the carrying values of certain assets and liabilities of the Gibraltar mine contributed to the joint venture, as described in references (i), (ii), (iii) and (v).

*(d) Reconciliation of Cash Flows*

The IFRS transition adjustments noted above did not have an impact on cash and equivalents.

Cash interest paid is presented as a financing activity, cash interest received is presented as an investing activity, and the effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash and equivalents has been presented separately in the statements of cash flows under IFRS. Under GAAP, all of these were included as operating activities. As a result of these changes in classification under IFRS, cash flow from operating activities increased by \$2,324, cash flow from financing activities decreased by \$1,302 and cash flow from investing activities increased by \$151, with the effect of the foreign exchange decreasing cash by \$1,173 for the three months ended March 31, 2010 compared to GAAP. There is no net impact on cash and equivalents as a result of this presentation change.

*(e) Financial Statement presentation changes*

The transition to IFRS has resulted in numerous financial statement presentation changes. The changes to the consolidated statement of cash flow are outlined above. The following is a summary of the significant changes to the consolidated statement of income:

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- Expenses on the statement of income have been classified according to function. Accordingly, depreciation and stock-based compensation are no longer presented as a separate item on the statement of income but are included in cost of sales and general and administrative expenses.
- Other operating expenses include items related to the operation of the business such as gains and losses (realized and unrealized) on copper derivative instruments and management fee income related to the joint venture.
- Finance expenses comprise interest expense on borrowings, unwinding of the discount on provisions, losses on the disposal of marketable securities, changes in the fair value of financial assets, and impairment losses recognized on financial assets.
- Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, gains on the disposal of marketable securities, and changes in the fair value of financial assets. Interest income is recognized as it accrues in earnings, using the effective interest rate method.
- Foreign currency gains and losses are reported on a net basis in finance expense and/or finance income.

There have been no changes to the presentation of the balance sheet as a result of IFRS.

## 20. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

### *(a) Debt issuance*

On April 15, 2011, the Company completed a public offering of US\$200 million aggregate principal amount of senior notes due in 2019, bearing interest at an annual rate of 7.75%.

### *(b) Redemption of preferred shares*

On April 29, 2011, Continental Minerals Corporation ("Continental") completed its previously-announced plan of arrangement with Jinchuan Group Ltd. Pursuant to the plan of arrangement, each outstanding preferred share of Continental was exchanged for 0.5028 of a common share of the Company, resulting in the issuance of 6,277,000 common shares.

### *(c) Gain on marketable securities*

On May 4, 2011, the Company received proceeds of \$11,652 from tendering common shares held in Continental to Jinchuan Group Ltd. and realized a gain of \$5,995 on the transaction.