

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2012

TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

000-21777

(Commission File Number)

GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CO. LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

British Columbia, Canada

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation  
No.)

Not Applicable

(IRS Employer Identification)

6411 Imperial Avenue  
West Vancouver, British Columbia  
V7W 2J5 Canada

(Address of principal executive offices)

Issuer's telephone number, including area code: (604) 921-7570

Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report: N/A

Check whether the registrant (1) filed all reports required to be filed by sections 13 or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Check whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Check whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company

Check whether the registrant is a shell company, as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Yes  No

State the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common equity, as of the latest practicable date: As of November 9, 2012 the registrant's outstanding common stock consisted of 97,978,383 shares.

**PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Financial Statements**

**GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CO. LTD.**  
**(A development stage company)**  
**Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements**  
**September 30, 2012**  
**(Unaudited - US dollars)**

**GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CO. LTD.**  
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**Condensed Consolidated Interim Balance Sheets**  
**(Unaudited – US dollars)**

	<u>September 30,</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2011</u>
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,445,110	\$ 7,922,255
Receivables	19,361	21,516
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	155,199	144,465
Total current assets	<u>5,619,670</u>	<u>8,088,236</u>
Property and equipment, net	300,962	308,450
Mineral properties (Note 7)	626,864	-
Reclamation financial assurance	299,492	296,180
Total Assets	<u>\$ 6,846,988</u>	<u>\$ 8,692,866</u>
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable (Note 5)	\$ 194,159	\$ 183,934
Accrued liabilities	25,427	83,579
Advance minimum royalties	16,351	13,723
Total current liabilities	<u>235,937</u>	<u>281,236</u>
Asset retirement obligations	252,460	227,212
Derivative liability (Note 6)	4,801,378	4,552,502
Total Liabilities	<u>5,289,775</u>	<u>5,060,950</u>
Shareholders' Equity:		
Preferred shares, no par value, 3,000,000 shares authorized; no shares outstanding		
Common shares, no par value, 150,000,000 shares authorized; September 30, 2012 – 97,978,383; (December 31, 2011 – 97,978,383) shares issued and outstanding (Note 3)	61,906,619	61,906,619
Additional paid-in capital	8,407,935	8,407,935
Deficit accumulated	<u>(68,757,341)</u>	<u>(66,682,638)</u>
Total Shareholders' Equity	<u>1,557,213</u>	<u>3,631,916</u>
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	<u>\$ 6,846,988</u>	<u>\$ 8,692,866</u>

Basis of presentation and ability to continue as a going concern (Note 1)  
Commitments and contingencies (Note 4)

Approved by the Directors:

“H. L. Klingmann”

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H. Lutz Klingmann, Director

“C. Shynkaryk”

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Chester Shynkaryk, Director

See Notes to Unaudited Interim Consolidated Financial Statements.

**GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CO. LTD.**  
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**Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss**  
(Unaudited – US dollars)

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2012	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011	Cumulative Amounts From Date of Inception (November 21, 1985) Through September 30, 2012
General and administrative expenses (Note 5)	\$ 14,775	\$ (1,112,049)	\$ (1,657,102)	\$ (2,787,818)	\$ (28,196,414)
Asset impairment loss	(20,426)	(306,992)	(193,340)	(925,547)	(33,678,389)
Adjustment to asset retirement obligation changes in cash flow estimates	-	-	-	-	223,583
Accretion expense	-	(4,355)	(16,832)	(13,065)	(121,861)
Change in fair value of derivative liability including change in foreign exchange	(1,832,050)	430,222	(248,876)	228,400	(7,705,669)
Gain on settlement of debt	-	-	-	-	136,627
	<u>(1,837,701)</u>	<u>(993,174)</u>	<u>(2,116,150)</u>	<u>(3,498,030)</u>	<u>(69,342,123)</u>
Interest expense	-	-	-	-	(913,098)
Interest income	<u>11,870</u>	<u>11,520</u>	<u>41,447</u>	<u>37,108</u>	<u>1,721,726</u>
Net and comprehensive loss for the period	<u>\$ (1,825,831)</u>	<u>\$ (981,654)</u>	<u>\$ (2,074,703)</u>	<u>\$ (3,460,922)</u>	<u>\$ (68,533,495)</u>
Loss per share:					
Basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.02)</u>	<u>\$ (0.01)</u>	<u>\$ (0.02)</u>	<u>\$ (0.04)</u>	
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	<u>97,978,383</u>	<u>95,465,644</u>	<u>97,978,383</u>	<u>95,013,548</u>	

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**Condensed Consolidated Interim Statement of Shareholders' Equity**  
**(Unaudited – US dollars)**

	Common Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Deficit Accumulated	Total Shareholders' Equity (Capital Deficit)
Balance, December 31, 2010	94,228,383	\$ 56,339,823	\$ 3,784,582	\$ (63,451,997)	\$ (3,327,592)
Issuance of common shares through exercise of options	1,250,000	972,559	-	-	972,559
Issuance of common shares through exercise of warrants	2,500,000	4,594,237	-	-	4,594,237
Reclassification of derivative liability on exercise of warrants	-	-	1,629,668	-	1,629,668
Reclassification of derivative liability on the exercise of stock options	-	-	2,993,685	-	2,993,685
Net loss for the year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,230,641)</u>	<u>(3,230,641)</u>
Balance, December 31, 2011	97,978,383	61,906,619	8,407,935	(66,682,638)	3,631,916
Net loss for the period	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,074,703)</u>	<u>(2,074,703)</u>
Balance, September 30, 2012	<u>97,978,383</u>	<u>\$ 61,906,619</u>	<u>\$ 8,407,935</u>	<u>\$ (68,757,341)</u>	<u>\$ 1,557,213</u>

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**GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CO. LTD.**  
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**Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Cash Flows**  
**(Unaudited – US dollars)**

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011	Cumulative Amounts From Date of Inception (November 21, 1985) Through September 30, 2012
Operating activities:			
Net loss for the period	\$ (2,074,703)	\$ (3,460,922)	\$ (68,533,495)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to cash used in operating activities:			
Asset impairment loss	193,340	925,547	33,678,389
Amortization and depreciation	7,488	7,407	487,284
Amortization of debt discount	-	-	375,000
Adjustment to asset retirement obligation based on changes in cash flow estimates	-	-	(223,583)
Accretion expense (Note 3)	16,832	13,065	121,861
Change in fair value of derivative liability including change in foreign exchange	248,876	(228,400)	7,705,669
Gain on disposition of property and equipment	-	-	(10,032)
Stock option compensation	-	-	1,416,448
Financing charges related to modification of warrants	-	-	889,117
Mineral property expenditures	-	-	(22,395,449)
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Receivables	2,155	18,763	(19,361)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(10,734)	13,561	(242,109)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(210,124)	(146,637)	97,306
Advance minimum royalties	2,628	62,891	16,351
Cash used in operating activities	<u>(1,824,242)</u>	<u>(2,794,725)</u>	<u>(46,636,604)</u>
Investing activities:			
Mineral property expenditures	(649,591)	(925,547)	(9,525,153)
Deposits on mineral properties	-	-	(1,017,551)
Purchase of reclamation bonds	(3,312)	(9,527)	(299,492)
Purchase of property and equipment	-	-	(1,434,367)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	-	-	47,153
Cash used in investing activities	<u>(652,903)</u>	<u>(935,074)</u>	<u>(12,229,410)</u>
Financing activities:			
Borrowing under long-term debt	-	-	3,918,187
Payment of long-term debt	-	-	(2,105,905)
Proceeds from convertible debt	-	-	440,000
Issuance of common shares for cash	-	-	28,871,618
Share issuance costs	-	-	(733,866)
Issuance of special warrants	-	-	18,091,667
Issuance of common shares upon exercise of stock options	-	972,559	1,534,305
Issuance of common shares upon exercise of warrants	-	-	14,295,118
Cash provided by financing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>972,559</u>	<u>64,311,124</u>
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(2,477,145)	(2,757,240)	5,445,110
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning balance	<u>7,922,255</u>	<u>6,967,465</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, ending balance	<u>\$ 5,445,110</u>	<u>\$ 4,210,225</u>	<u>\$ 5,445,110</u>
Supplemental cash flow information (Note 8)			

See Notes to Unaudited Interim Consolidated Financial Statements.

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**For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012**  
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**1. Basis of Presentation and Ability to Continue as a Going Concern**

These interim consolidated financial statements are presented in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial statements, and are stated in US dollars. They do not include all the note disclosures required for annual financial statements. It is suggested that these consolidated interim financial statements be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2011 and the notes thereto included in the Company's annual report for the year ended December 31, 2011. The Company follows the same accounting policies as those used for its annual consolidated financial statements in the preparation of this interim financial statement, except for Mineral Properties as described under Note 2 below.

The Company has had no revenues from operations since inception and as at September 30, 2012 has a deficit accumulated of \$68,757,341. Management plans to control current costs and does not anticipate requiring additional financing to fund Company activities over the next twelve months.

The Company has not as yet made a production decision. The Company is evaluating various financing options for the construction of the operating facility at Soledad and these include:

- a. An equity financing;
- b. A combination of equity and debt and
- c. A merger with an established mining company.

The ability of the Company to obtain financing for its ongoing activities and thus maintain solvency, or to fund construction of the operating facility at Soledad, is dependent on equity market conditions, the market for precious metals, the willingness of other parties to lend the Company money or the ability to find a merger partner. While the Company has been successful at certain of these efforts in the past, there can be no assurance that future efforts will be successful. This raises substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

These interim consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for the fair presentation of the information contained therein. The results for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for any subsequent quarter or for the year ending December 31, 2012.

**2. Significant Accounting Policies**

***Mineral Properties***

In general, costs to acquire mineral properties are capitalized when incurred and mineral property exploration costs are expensed as incurred. When we determine that a mineral property can be economically developed based on proven and probable reserves, development costs will be capitalized as incurred. Once production has commenced, capitalized costs will be depleted using the units-of-production method over the estimated life of the proven and probable reserves. If mineral properties are subsequently abandoned or impaired, any capitalized costs will be charged to the Consolidated Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss in that period.

We assess the carrying cost of our mineral properties for impairment whenever information or circumstances indicate the potential for impairment. Such evaluations compare estimated future net cash flows with our carrying costs and future obligations on an undiscounted basis. If it is determined that the future undiscounted cash flows are less than the carrying value of the property, a write down to the estimated fair value is charged to the Consolidated Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss for the period. Where estimates of future net cash flows are not available and where other conditions suggest impairment, management assesses if the carrying value can be recovered.



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**2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

***Mineral Properties (Continued)***

Proceeds received under option agreements and/or earn-in agreements are recorded as a cost recovery against the carrying value of the underlying project until the carrying value is reduced to zero. Any proceeds received in excess of the carrying value of the project are recorded as a realized gain in the Consolidated Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss.

***Recent Accounting Pronouncements***

- i) On July 27, 2012, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2012-02, *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Testing Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets for Impairment*. The amendments allow an organization the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is necessary to perform the quantitative impairment test. An organization electing to perform a qualitative assessment is no longer required to calculate the fair value of an indefinite-lived intangible asset unless the organization determines, based on a qualitative assessment, that it is “more likely than not” that the asset is impaired. The amendments in this Update are effective for annual and interim impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2012. The Company is in the process of assessing the impact of this update on its consolidated interim financial statements.
- ii) In December 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2011-12 *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Reclassifications of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income* in ASU No. 2011-05. Entities will not be required to comply with the presentation requirements in ASU No. 2011-05 that this ASU is deferring. For this reason, the transition guidance in paragraph 220-10-65-2 is consistent with that for ASU 2011-05. The amendment is effective for interim and annual periods commencing December 15, 2011. Effective January 1, 2012, the Company adopted this standard which did not have any impact on the Company’s consolidated interim financial statements.
- iii) The FASB has issued ASU No. 2011-05, *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Presentation of Comprehensive Income*. This ASU amends the *FASB Accounting Standards Codification*™ (Codification) to allow an entity the option to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income and the components of other comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. In both choices, an entity is required to present each component of net income along with total net income, each component of other comprehensive income along with a total for other comprehensive income and a total amount for comprehensive income. ASU 2011-05 eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of changes in shareholders’ equity. The amendments to the Codification in the ASU do not change the items that must be reported in other comprehensive income or when an item of other comprehensive income must be reclassified to net income. ASU 2011-05 should be applied retrospectively. The amendment is effective for interim and annual periods commencing December 15, 2011. Effective January 1, 2012, the Company adopted this standard which did not have any impact on the Company’s consolidated interim financial statements.

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**2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

***Recent Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)***

- iv) The FASB has issued ASU No. 2011-04, *Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)*. This ASU represents the converged guidance of the FASB and the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) (the Boards) on fair value measurement. The collective efforts of the Boards and their staffs, reflected in ASU 2011-04, have resulted in common requirements for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements, including a consistent meaning of the term “fair value”. The Boards have concluded the common requirements will result in greater comparability of fair value measurements presented and disclosed in financial statements prepared in accordance with US GAAP and IFRS. The amendments to the Codification in this ASU are to be applied prospectively. The amendments are effective for interim and annual periods commencing December 15, 2011. Effective January 1, 2012, the Company adopted this standard which did not have any impact on the Company’s consolidated interim financial statements.

**3. Share Capital**

**Common Shares - 2012**

There were no stock option exercises or issuances of common shares during the nine month period ended September 30, 2012.

**Common Shares - 2011**

In January 2011, 100,000 stock options were exercised and the Company issued 100,000 common shares at C\$0.77 per share for proceeds of \$77,426 (C\$77,000).

In March 2011, 50,000 stock options were exercised and the Company issued 50,000 common shares at C\$0.77 per share for proceeds of \$39,390 (C\$38,500).

In April 2011, 1,050,000 stock options were exercised and the Company issued 1,050,000 common shares at C\$0.77 per share for proceeds of \$842,463 (C\$808,500).

In August 2011, 50,000 stock options were exercised and the Company issued 50,000 common shares at \$C0.26 per share for proceeds of \$13,280 (C\$13,000).

In November 2011, 2,500,000 warrants were exercised and the Company issued 1,250,000 common shares at C\$1.75 per share and 1,250,000 common shares at C\$2.00 per share for total proceeds of \$4,594,237 (C\$4,687,500).

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**3. Share Capital (Continued)**

*Stock options*

The Company has elected to use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to determine the fair value of stock options granted. For employees, the compensation expense is amortized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, which approximates the vesting period. Compensation expense for stock options granted to non-employees is amortized over the contract services period or, if none exists, from the date of grant until the options vest. Compensation associated with unvested options granted to non-employees is re-measured on each balance sheet date using the Black-Scholes option pricing model.

As of September 30, 2012, the Company has the following outstanding and exercisable options:

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Weighted Average Exercise Price</u>
Options outstanding and exercisable, January 1, 2011	3,050,000	C\$0.48
Exercised	<u>(1,250,000)</u>	<u>C\$0.75</u>
Options outstanding and exercisable, December 31, 2011 and September 30, 2012	<u>1,800,000</u>	<u>C\$0.29</u>

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding at September 30, 2012:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)</u>	<u>Expiry Date</u>
1,750,000	C\$0.26	1.33	January 28, 2014
50,000	C\$1.24	2.55	April 18, 2015
<u>1,800,000</u>	<u>C\$0.29</u>	<u>1.36</u>	

As at September 30, 2012, the aggregate intrinsic value of the outstanding exercisable options was approximately \$4,783,421 (September 30, 2011 - \$4,521,000). No options were exercised during the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The total intrinsic value of 1,250,000 options exercised during the nine month period ended September 30, 2011 was \$2,990,000.

There is no unamortized compensation expense as at September 30, 2012 as all the outstanding options vested at the grant date.

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**3. Share Capital (Continued)**

*Warrants*

The following summarizes information about warrants status as at September 30, 2012:

	Number	Weighted- Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Expiry Date
Outstanding and exercisable, January 1, 2011	2,500,000	C\$1.88	-	-
Exercised				
Class A	(1,250,000)	C\$1.75	-	December 1, 2011
Class B	(1,250,000)	C\$2.00	-	December 1, 2011
Outstanding and exercisable, December 31, 2011 and September 30, 2012	-	-	-	

**4. Commitments and Contingencies**

The Company has acquired a number of mineral properties outright and has acquired exclusive rights to explore, develop and mine the Property under various agreements with landowners.

The Company is required to make advance minimum royalty payments related to its mineral properties. The total advance minimum royalty for the year ended December 31, 2011 was \$245,970 and the Company is expected to make approximately \$188,000 in 2012 to various landowners on the existing lease agreements.

A mining lease agreement with a group of landowners expired in 2004. Negotiations with the group were completed in 2011 and the agreements extended to 2041. Under the amended agreements, the Company paid advance minimum royalties of \$7,500 per year for eight years for a total amount of \$60,000 in August 2011 to bring the advance minimum royalties owing current as at September 30, 2012.

In addition to the leases noted above, there were a number of lease agreements with other landowners that had expired in 2010 and 2011. One set of the expired lease agreements is considered material by the Company as it comprises a 50% interest in a claim group. The Company continues to negotiate to renew the leases and maintains a good relationship with the landholders involved. As the amounts cannot be reasonably estimated, the Company has not accrued any amounts in connection with the expired leases until such time the agreements are in place and the amounts are reasonably estimated.

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**4. Commitments and Contingencies (Continued)**

The Company has agreed to issue 100,000 common shares as a finder's fee upon commencement of commercial production on the Property in connection with certain property acquisitions. As of September 30, 2012, commercial production has not commenced and no shares have been issued.

In 2004, the Company entered into an agreement with the President of the Company to issue 300,000 bonus shares upon completion of certain milestones. Upon receipt by the Company of a bankable feasibility study and the decision to place the Property into commercial production, a bonus of 150,000 common shares would be issued. Upon commencement of commercial production on the Property, a further bonus of 150,000 common shares would be issued. In May 2010, the Company entered into an amendment to the agreement whereby the 300,000 bonus shares would alternatively be issuable upon a change of control transaction, or upon a sale of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, having a value at or above C\$1.00 per share of the Company, with a further 300,000 bonus shares being issuable in the event the change of control transaction or asset sale occurred at a value at or above C\$1.50 per share. This amended agreement is for a term of three years and shall automatically renew for two years.

As at September 30, 2012, none of the milestones had been reached and no commitment to issue the common shares has been recorded in connection with these arrangements.

**5. Related Party Transactions**

Except as noted elsewhere in these interim consolidated financial statements, related party transactions are disclosed as follows:

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, \$37,300 and \$105,700 (2011 - \$32,400 and \$105,500) was paid to Mr. H. L. Klingmann for services as President of the Company, of which \$nil is payable as at September 30, 2012 (2011 - \$nil); \$6,800 and \$20,200 (2011 - \$6,900 and \$20,700) was paid to Mr. Chester Shynkaryk for consulting services to the Company, of which \$nil is payable as at September 30, 2012 (2011 - \$nil); and \$7,500 and \$22,400 (2011 - \$7,700 and \$12,800) was paid to Mr. Ross McDonald for consulting services of which \$nil is payable as at September 30, 2012 (2011 - \$2,400).

All of the above transactions and balances are recorded at amounts established and agreed to between the related parties.

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**6. Derivative Liability**

During the nine months ended September 30, 2012, none of the stock options included in the derivative liability were exercised.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, a total of 1,250,000 stock options included in the derivative liability were exercised. Upon exercise of these options, the portion of the derivative liability that pertained to these options was re-measured and recorded at its fair value of \$2,993,685. The Company measured the fair value of the derivative liability pertaining to the options exercised using the Black-Scholes pricing model with the following range of assumptions: expected volatility – 43.70% to 78.82% expected life – 0.01 to 2.47 years, risk-free discount rate – 1.04% to 1.88%, dividend yield – 0.00%.

As at September 30, 2012, the Company re-measured the remaining outstanding stock options and determined the fair value of the derivative liability to be \$4,801,378 (December 31, 2011 – \$4,552,502) using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
Risk-free interest rate	1.08% - 1.105%	0.99% - 1.27%
Expected life of derivative liability	1.33 to 2.55 years	2.08 to 3.30 years
Expected volatility	61.56% - 63.74%	76.66% - 115.11%
Dividend rate	0.00%	0.00%

Since all of the warrants originally included as part of derivative liability were exercised as at December 31, 2011, no further adjustments to the derivative liability as at September 30, 2012, were necessary.

As of September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the changes in derivative liability for options and warrants are as follows:

	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 4,552,502	\$ 10,389,768
Fair value of options exercised	-	(2,993,685)
Fair value of warrants exercised		(1,629,668)
Change in fair value of options and warrants including foreign exchange	248,876	(1,213,913)
Balance, end of the period	\$ 4,801,378	\$ 4,552,502

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**7. Mineral Properties**

	Pre July 2012	Post July 2012	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
Deferred exploration and development expenditures, beginning of the period	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Costs capitalized during the year:				
Engineering/consulting	-	354,780	354,780	-
Geology/drilling	-	52,019	52,019	-
Permitting/environmental	-	89,124	89,124	-
Site maintenance	-	35,377	35,377	-
Other direct costs	-	74,148	74,148	-
Deferred exploration and development expenditures, end of the period	\$ -	\$ 605,449	\$ 605,449	\$ -
Mineral properties	172,914	20,426	193,340	938,770
Advanced minimum royalties	73,167	13,000	86,167	232,247
Asset retirement obligations	16,832	8,416	25,248	33,667
Write off of exploration expenditures	(262,913)	-	(262,913)	(1,204,684)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 626,864</b>	<b>\$ 626,864</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

In July 2012, the Company received notice that it had met all remaining major conditions of the conditional use permits for development of the Company's Soledad Mountain Project. As a result, Management made the decision to begin capitalizing all expenditures related to Soledad Mountain Project.

The recoverability of the carrying values of mineral properties is dependent upon economic reserves being discovered or developed on the properties, permitting, financing, start-up, and commercial production from, or the sale or lease, of these properties. Development and/or start-up of any of these projects will depend on, among other things, management's ability to raise additional capital for these purposes. Although the Company has successfully raised capital in the past, there can be no assurance that they will be able to do so in the future.

We have determined that no impairment provision is currently required for development expenditures capitalized post July 2012. A write down in the carrying values of one or more of our mineral properties may be required in the future as a result of events and circumstances, such as our inability to obtain all the necessary permits, changes in the legal status of our mineral properties, government actions, the results of exploration activities and technical evaluations and changes in economic conditions, including the price of gold and other commodities or input prices.

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**8. Supplemental Cash Flow Information**

	Nine months ended September 30, 2012	Nine months ended September 30, 2011	Cumulative From Date of Inception (November 21, 1985) through September 30, 2012
Cash paid during period for:			
Interest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,192,911
Income taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Non-cash financing and investing activities:			
Reclassification of derivative liability for exercised stock options and warrants	\$ -	\$ 2,993,685	\$ 5,434,220
Stock option compensation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,416,448
Financing charges related to modification of warrant's term	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 889,117
Exchange of notes for common shares	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,727,282
Exchange of note for future royalty payments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000
Common shares issued for mineral property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 304,811
Mineral property acquired through the issuance of long-term debt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,084,833
Common shares issued upon conversion of convertible debt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 414,917
Asset retirement obligations	\$ 16,832	\$ 13,065	\$ 244,044
Asset retirement obligation capitalized to Mineral properties	\$ 8,416	\$ -	\$ 8,416
Mineral property expenditures included in accounts payable	\$ 162,197	\$ -	\$ 162,917



## **Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation**

The following discussion of the operating results and financial condition of Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd. (the "Company") is as at November 8, 2012 and should be read in conjunction with the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of the Company for the quarter ended September 30, 2012 and the notes thereto.

The information in this Management Discussion and Analysis and Plan of Operations is prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and all amounts herein are in U.S. dollars unless otherwise noted.

### ***The Soledad Mountain Project***

#### ***Overview***

The Company plans to develop a gold-silver, open pit, heap leach operation on its Soledad Mountain property, located just outside the town of Mojave in Kern County in southern California. The Project will use conventional open pit mining methods and the cyanide heap leach and Merrill-Crowe processes to recover gold and silver from crushed, agglomerated ore. The planned, average ore and waste mining rates are 4.71 million tons and 7.03 million tons per year with a stripping ratio of 1.49:1 for a combined mining rate of ore and waste of 11.74 million tons per year. The permitted combined ore and waste mining rate is 14 million tons per year. Gold and silver production is projected to average approximately 77,000oz and 890,000oz respectively per year although this is expected to fluctuate considerably from year to year depending upon the ore head grades. Gold and silver production is projected to be 1,067,000 oz of gold and 12,039,000 oz of silver over a period of 15 years.

#### ***Updated Feasibility Study And Technical Report For The Project***

The Company announced in a news release dated October 25, 2012 that, in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 and in support of the Company's September 6, 2012 news release, it had filed a technical report entitled "Soledad Mountain Project – Technical Report" dated October 17, 2012 (the "Technical Report"). The Technical Report was prepared by Norwest Corporation ("Norwest") of Vancouver with updated mineral resource estimates prepared by AMEC E&C Services, Inc. ("AMEC") of Reno, Nevada. The Technical Report is available on the SEDAR website at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com), and on the Company's website.

#### ***Cash Flow Analysis***

The cash flow analysis in the Technical Report is done on a constant US dollar, stand-alone basis. The following are economic estimates for the Project:

At gold and silver prices of \$1,438/oz and \$27.65/oz respectively, the trailing 36-month average precious metals prices to the end of September 2012, the Project has a pre-tax indicated internal rate of return ("IRR") of 64.4%, a net present value ("NPV") of \$735 million with a discount rate of 5% and the undiscounted, cumulative net cash flow is approximately \$1.13 billion and this is considered the base case. The all-inclusive average cash cost per ounce of gold produced including sustaining capital and net of silver credits, is \$285/oz. The after-tax IRR is 52.2%, the NPV is \$517 million with a discount rate of 5% and the undiscounted, cumulative net cash flow is \$800 million.

The tax model allows for federal and state taxes and treats the Company and the Project as stand-alone for tax calculations.

The trailing 36-month average precious metals prices are accepted by the U.S. Securities And Exchange Commission when reporting mineral reserves.

At gold and silver prices of \$1,749/oz and \$33.03/oz respectively, the London p.m. fix for precious metals on October 17, 2012 and the date of the Technical Report, the Project has a pre-tax indicated IRR on capital employed of 82.9%. The NPV is \$986 million with a discount rate of 5%, and the undiscounted, cumulative net cash flow is approximately \$1.49 billion. The indicated contribution of gold and silver to gross revenues is 83% and 17% respectively. The all-inclusive average cash cost per ounce of gold produced including sustaining capital and net of silver credits, is \$256/oz. The after-tax IRR is 65.6%, the NPV is \$685 million with a discount rate of 5% and the undiscounted, cumulative net cash flow is \$1.04 billion.

Gold Price	Silver Price	Pre-Tax			After-Tax		
		NPV @ 5%	NPV @ 5%	IRR	NPV @ 5%	NPV @ 5%	IRR
\$/oz	\$/oz	\$ million	\$/share	%	\$ million	\$/share	%
1,749	33.03	986	9.81	82.9	685	6.82	65.6
1,438	27.65	735	7.31	64.4	517	5.15	52.2

### Mineral Resources

AMEC has integrated the results from the 2011 infill drill program into updated mineral resource estimates. The estimate differs from previous estimates because the update has used a lower gold-equivalent cutoff grade, higher gold and silver prices, and current estimates of operating costs and recoveries for gold and silver. The previous estimates were based on gold and silver prices and technical parameters from the late 1990s.

The Mineral Resources prepared by AMEC are set out in Table 1 below. Mr. Mark Hertel, an AMEC Principal Geologist, is the Qualified Person for the Mineral Resources for the Project. The Mineral Resources are determined with precious metals prices of \$1,310/oz gold and \$24.05/oz silver, a cutoff grade of 0.004 oz/ton AuEq, and have an effective date of 29 February, 2012.

Note that mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.

**Table 1 - Mineral Resources**  
**Effective Date: February 29, 2012**

Classification	tonnes	ton	In-situ Grade				Contained Metal	
			Gold		Silver		Gold	Silver
			g/t	oz/ton	g/t	oz/ton	oz	oz
Measured	26,727,000	29,400,000	0.850	0.025	13.29	0.39	729,000	11,403,000
Indicated	118,090,000	129,900,000	0.442	0.013	8.53	0.25	1,675,000	32,301,000
<b>Total &amp; Average</b>	<b>144,817,000</b>	<b>159,300,000</b>	<b>0.517</b>	<b>0.015</b>	<b>9.42</b>	<b>0.27</b>	<b>2,404,000</b>	<b>43,704,000</b>
Inferred	14,545,000	16,000,000	0.362	0.011	7.89	0.23	169,000	3,681,000

Notes:

1. The qualified person for the mineral reserve is Mark Hertel, SME Registered Member, and an employee of AMEC.
2. Mineral Resources are inclusive of Mineral Reserves.
3. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.
4. Mineral Resources are reported at a 0.004 oz/ton (0.137 g/t) AuEq cut-off.
5. Mineral Resources are reported as undiluted.
6. Mineral Resources are reported within a conceptual pit shell that has been merged with the Mineral Reserve pit.
7. Mineral Resources are reported using a long-term gold price of US\$1310/oz, silver price of \$24.05/oz, mining and processing costs and variable recoveries that are based on rock type classification.
8. Gold equivalent grades were calculated based on the equation:  

$$\text{AuEq(oz/ton)} = \text{Au(oz/ton)} + (\text{Ag(oz/ton)} * [(\text{Ag price(US$/oz)/Au price(US$/oz)} * (\text{Ag recovery(%)}/\text{Au recovery(%)})])$$
9. Rounding as required by reporting guidelines may result in summation differences between tons, grade and contained metal content.
10. Tonnage and grade measurements are in US and metric units. Grades are reported in troy ounces per short tons and in grams per tonne.
11. Mineral zones were shaped manually with a cutoff grade of 0.004 oz/ton (0.137 g/t) AuEq.

## ***Mineral Reserves***

Norwest Corporation of Vancouver, British Columbia has used the information provided by AMEC to update the mineral reserve estimates and these are set out in Table 2 below.

**Table 2 - Mineral Reserves**  
**Effective Date: August 31, 2012**

Reserve Category	tonnes	ton	In-situ Grade				Contained Metal	
			Gold		Silver		Gold	Silver
			g/t	oz/ton	g/t	oz/ton	oz	oz
Proven	18,371,000	20,250,000	0.910	0.027	14.49	0.423	537,700	8,558,500
Probable	42,237,000	46,558,000	0.529	0.015	10.58	0.309	717,900	14,372,500
<b>Total &amp; Average</b>	<b>60,608,000</b>	<b>66,808,000</b>	<b>0.644</b>	<b>0.019</b>	<b>11.77</b>	<b>0.343</b>	<b>1,255,600</b>	<b>22,931,000</b>

Notes:

1. The qualified person for the mineral reserve is Sean Ennis, Vice President, Mining, P.Eng., APEGBC Registered Member who is employed by Norwest Corporation.
2. A gold-equivalent cut-off grade of 0.240 g/t (0.007 oz/ton) was used to estimate the mineral reserves.
3. AuEq is the gold-equivalent grade, which is calculated as follows:
  - a.  $AuEq\ g/t = Au\ g/t + \{(Ag/R_1) \times R_2\} g/t$
  - b.  $R_1 = Au\ price\ in\ \$/oz / Ag\ price\ in\ \$/oz$ ;  $R_2 = Ag\ recovery\ in\ \% / Au\ recovery\ in\ \%$ .

## ***Permitting Update***

A detailed review of approvals and permits required for the Project is provided in the Company's latest Form 10-K filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), dated March 29, 2012.

The Company announced that the Kern County Planning and Community Development Department (the "Planning Department") had approved the additional information submitted by the Company in regards to Condition 107 of the Conditional Use Permits for the Project in a news release dated July 12, 2012..

Under Condition 107 of the Conditional Use Permits, the Company was required to submit, prior to the commencement of mining, additional information relating to closure and closing reclamation. The Company submitted the required information to the Planning Department on November 28, 2011 and June 8, 2012. In accordance with the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975, the Planning Department consulted the State Department of Conservation/Office of Mine Reclamation ("OMR"). The OMR confirmed in a letter to the Planning Department dated June 29, 2012 that the additional information provided by the Company adequately demonstrated compliance with Condition 107.

The Project is now fully permitted.

## ***Golden Queen Begins Trading On OTCQX International***

The Company announced that it had commenced trading on the OTCQX International under the symbol "GQMNF" in a news release dated September 11, 2012. The OTCQX is the highest tier of the OTC Markets group and the Company expects that this will increase accessibility for U.S. investors.

## ***Results of Operations***

The following are the results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, and the corresponding periods ended September 30, 2011.

The Company had no revenue from operations.

The Company incurred general and administrative expenses of \$14,775 and \$1,657,102 (2011 - \$1,112,049 and \$2,787,818) during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, and the

corresponding period ended September 30, 2011. Costs were lower by \$1,097,274 for the three months ended September 30, 2012 when compared with the same period in 2011.

The following significant general and administrative expenses were incurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2012 with a comparison to costs incurred during the same quarter in 2011:

- \$359,701 (2011 – 454,081) for detailed engineering of the Phase 1, Stage 1 heap leach pad and the associated site drainage plans, detailed engineering of site grading plans, detailed engineering of the sub-station and site power distribution and ongoing mine design and drafting support. Work was also done on an updated feasibility study and a NI 43-101 Technical Report. Of the \$359,701 expense incurred, \$354,780 was capitalized to mineral properties while the remaining \$4,921 was expensed.
- \$55,306 (2011 - \$56,231) for sampling and analysis of groundwater from monitoring and production wells to meet the requirements set in the Waste Discharge Requirements by the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board. The evaluation of alternative methods of sampling groundwater was approved by the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board and the necessary equipment was purchased and installed in four groundwater monitoring wells during the quarter. Of the \$55,306 expense incurred, \$53,936 was capitalized to mineral properties while the remaining \$1,370 was expensed.
- \$21,556 (2011 – 20,486) for ongoing monitoring, maintenance and data recovery from the meteorological station on site which was capitalized to mineral properties.
- \$35,377 (2011 - \$30,810) for costs incurred by a contractor for ongoing cleanup on site, maintenance of houses owned by the Company and weekly safety inspections which was capitalized to mineral properties.
- \$112,234 (2011 - \$29,671) for legal fees incurred in preparing an application for a listing on the OTCQZ, in negotiations with landholders to extend mining lease agreements and for general corporate legal fees. Of the \$112,234 in legal fees during the quarter, \$72,198 was capitalized to mineral properties with the remaining \$40,036 being expensed.
- \$35,167 (2011 – \$38,180) for accounting and audit fees and fees incurred for the preparation of tax returns.
- \$186,506 (2011 – (\$353,132)) for fluctuations in unrealized foreign exchange gain (loss). The unrealized gain this period is the main contributor to the overall general and administrative recovery for the three month period ended September 30, 2012.

The Company recorded a change in fair value of a derivative liability including an increase in foreign exchange of \$1,832,050 as a result of a significant increase in share price for the quarter compared to a decrease of \$430,222 for the same quarter in 2011. This item is a non-cash item and was recorded in accordance with accounting pronouncement ASC 850-40-15. Refer to Note 6 Derivative Liability of the Interim Consolidated Financial Statements for a detailed analysis of the changes in fair value of the derivative liability.

Interest income of \$11,870 (2011 - \$11,520) was marginally higher by \$350. Interest rates remained low during the quarter and are projected to remain low for the remainder of 2012 at least. There was no interest expense during the quarter.

The Company recorded a net and comprehensive loss of \$1,825,831 (or \$0.02 per share) during the quarter as compared to a net and comprehensive loss of \$981,654 (or \$0.01 per share) during the same quarter of 2011. Refer again to the impact of the change in the fair value of a derivative liability on the

net and comprehensive loss for both periods as per Note 6 Derivative Liability of the Interim Consolidated Financial Statements. Refer also to the note on **Mineral Properties** below.

### *Summary of Quarterly Results*

Results for the eight most recent quarters are set out in the table below:

<b>Results for the quarter ended on:</b>	<b>Sept. 30, 2012</b>	<b>June 30, 2012</b>	<b>March 31, 2012</b>	<b>Dec. 31, 2011</b>
<b>Item</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Revenue	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Net loss for the quarter	-1,825,831	+183,733	-432,606	-230,281
Net loss per share	-0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00

<b>Results for the quarter ended on:</b>	<b>Sept. 30, 2011</b>	<b>June 30, 2012</b>	<b>March 31, 2011</b>	<b>Dec. 31, 2010</b>
<b>Item</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Revenue	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Net loss for the quarter	-981,654	-1,758,400	-720,868	-4,126,127
Net loss per share	-0.01	-0.02	-0.01	-0.04

The results of operations can vary from quarter to quarter depending upon the nature, timing and cost of activities undertaken during the quarter, whether or not the Company incurs gains or losses on foreign exchange or grants stock options, and the movements in its derivative liability.

### *Reclamation Financial Assurance*

The Company provided reclamation financial assurance in the form of a Payment Bond Certificate backed by a Certificate Of Deposit with Union Bank, N.A. in the amount of \$296,180 effective October 2011. The deposit with Union Bank, N.A. earns interest at 0.1% per annum and is not available for working capital purposes. The estimate for reclamation financial assurance is \$335,726 for 2012 and this estimate was approved by the Kern County Engineering, Surveying & Permit Services Department in a letter dated October 9, 2012.

### *Advance Minimum Royalties*

The Company continues to pay advance minimum royalties to landholders and paid \$13,000 in the third quarter of 2012.

### *Off-balance Sheet Arrangements*

The Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

### *Stock Option Plan*

The Company's current stock option plan (the "Plan") was adopted by management of the Company in 2008 and approved by shareholders of the Company in 2009. The Plan provides a fixed number of 7,200,000 common shares of the Company that may be issued pursuant to the grant of stock options. The exercise price of stock options granted under the Plan shall be determined by the Company's Board of Directors, but shall not be less than the volume weighted average trading price of the Company's shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange for the five trading days immediately prior to the date of the grant. The expiry date of a stock option shall be the date so fixed by the Board subject to a maximum term of five years. The Plan provides that stock options will terminate on the earlier of the expiry of the term and (i) 12 months from the date an option holder dies, (ii) 90 days from the date from the date the option holder

ceases to act as a director or officer of the Company, or (iii) 60 days from the date the option holder ceases to be employed, or engaged as a consultant, by the Company.

The Company granted 1,950,000 stock options to directors, officers and consultants of the Company pursuant to the Plan on January 28, 2009. The options are exercisable at a price of CAD\$0.26 per share for a period of 5 years from the date of grant. The Company also granted 50,000 stock options to a consultant of the Company pursuant to the Plan on April 19, 2010. The options are exercisable at a price of CAD\$1.24 per share for a period of 5 years from the date of grant.

### ***Transactions with Related Parties***

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, \$37,300 and \$105,700 (2011 - \$32,400 and \$105,500) was paid to Mr. H. L. Klingmann for services as President of the Company, of which \$nil is payable as at September 30, 2012; \$6,800 and \$20,200 (2011 - \$6,900 and \$20,700) was paid to Mr. Chester Shynkaryk for consulting services to the Company, of which \$nil is payable as at September 30, 2012; and \$7,500 and \$22,400 (2011 - \$7,700 and \$12,800) was paid to Mr. Ross McDonald for consulting services of which \$nil is payable as at September 30, 2012 (2011 - \$2,400).

The Company amended a consulting services agreement originally entered into in 2004 with Mr. H.L. Klingmann, the President of the Company, in May of 2010. Under the original agreement, upon receipt by the Company of a feasibility study and a production decision made by the Company, a bonus of 150,000 common shares would be issued and upon commencement of commercial production on the Property, a bonus of 150,000 common shares would be issued. Pursuant to the amended agreement, an alternative 300,000 bonus shares would be issuable upon a change of control transaction or upon a sale of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, having a value at or above CAD\$1.00 per share of the Company, with a further 300,000 bonus shares being issuable in the event the change of control transaction or asset sale occurred at a value at or above CAD\$1.50 per share. As at September 30, 2012, the milestones had not been reached and no accrual was made in connection with these arrangements.

There were no other transactions with related parties during the quarter ended September 30, 2012.

### ***Fair Value of Financial Instruments***

The carrying amount reported in the balance sheets for cash and cash equivalents, receivables, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximates fair value because of the immediate or short-term maturity of these financial instruments. The Company does not hold any bank or non-bank asset-backed commercial paper. The fair value of the reclamation financial assurance approximates carrying value because the stated interest rate reflects recent market conditions. It is the opinion of management that the Company is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risk arising from the use of these financial instruments.

Refer also to the note on fair value of derivative liability under **Results of Operations** above.

### ***Liquidity and Capital Resources***

The Company held \$5,445,110 in cash and cash equivalents on September 30, 2012.

#### ***Cash used in Operating Activities:***

Cash was used mainly for the ongoing development of the Project with major expenditures in three areas:

- Consulting engineering fees remained high due to the significant amount of ongoing, detailed engineering for Project facilities;
- Costs were incurred for ongoing sampling and analysis of groundwater from monitoring and production wells to meet the requirements set in the Waste Discharge Requirements by the

Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board. The evaluation of alternative methods of sampling groundwater was approved by the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board and the necessary equipment was purchased and installed in four groundwater monitoring wells during the quarter.

- Legal fees were incurred in preparing an application for a listing on the OTCQX, in negotiations with landholders to extend mining lease agreements and for corporate legal fees.

*Cash from Financing Activities:*

No cash was received from financing activities during the three months ended September 30, 2012 (2011 - \$13,280).

*Cash used in Investing Activities:*

The Company purchased fee land and interests in patented lode mining claims for \$20,426 (2011 - \$306,992) during the quarter. Cash used in investing activities will vary from quarter to quarter as willing sellers are found and acceptable prices can be negotiated during the quarter. Further purchases of fee land are being considered to provide room for a possible future expansion of heap leach pads and future expansion of the area required for the construction of facilities for the aggregate production component of the Project.

*Working Capital:*

As at September 30, 2012, the Company had current assets of \$5,619,670 and current liabilities of \$235,937 or working capital of \$5,383,733.

Management does not expect that additional cash will be required beyond cash currently on hand for ongoing work on approvals and permits for the Project, for paying advance minimum royalties, for detailed engineering of facilities for the Project, for ongoing work on site, for additional land purchases and for general corporate purposes to the end of 2012. Refer also to “**Outlook**” below.

***Outstanding Share Data***

The number of shares issued and outstanding and the fully diluted share position are set out in the table below:

<b>Item</b>	<b>No. of Shares</b>		
Shares issued and outstanding on December 31, 2010	94,228,383		
Shares issued pursuant to the exercise of stock options	1,250,000		
AuRico Gold Inc. warrants	<u>2,500,000</u>		
<b>Shares issued and outstanding on September 30, 2012</b>	<b>97,978,383</b>	<b>Exercise Price</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>
Director and consultants stock options	1,800,000	C\$0.26 & C\$1.24	28/01/14 & 19/04/15
Shares to be issued as a finder’s fee	100,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Bonus shares to H.L. Klingmann	600,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<b>Fully diluted on September 30, 2012</b>	<b>100,478,383</b>		
The company's authorized share capital is 150,000,000 common shares with no par value.			

***Outlook***

The Project is now fully permitted.

Once a production decision is made, the Company will need significant additional financing to develop the Project into an operating mine. Estimated capital costs, including working capital and assuming lease financing of the mining equipment, are \$107 million. The Company believes that financing for the Project can be secured if gold and silver prices remain at or near \$1,749.00/oz and \$33.03/oz respectively, the London p.m. fix for precious metals on October 17, 2012. Gold and silver prices averaged \$1,224.53/oz and \$20.19/oz in 2010, \$1,563.93 and \$36.61 in 2011 and the London p.m. fix for gold and silver was \$1,715.25.00/oz and \$31.70/oz respectively on November 8, 2012.

The Company estimates that construction can be completed in approximately fifteen months once Project financing has been secured.

The Company is evaluating various financing options for the Project:

- a. An equity financing;
- b. A combination of equity and debt; and
- c. A merger with an established mining company.

It is not expected that the Company will hedge any of its gold or silver production.

The ability of the Company to develop a mine on the Property is subject to numerous risks, certain of which are disclosed in the Company's latest Form 10-K filing with the SEC, dated March 29, 2012. Readers should evaluate the Company's prospects in light of these and other risk factors.

### ***Mineral Properties***

In July 2012, the Company received notice that it had met all remaining major conditions of the conditional use permits for the Company's Soledad Mountain Project. As a result, Management made the decision to begin capitalizing all expenditures related to Soledad Mountain Project. Refer also to Note 7 Mineral Properties of the Interim Consolidated Financial Statements for a more detailed discussion.

### **Subsequent Event**

There are no subsequent events to report.

### ***Application of Critical Accounting Estimates***

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. Because a precise determination of many assets and liabilities is dependent upon future events, the preparation of financial statements for a period necessarily involves the use of estimates which have been made using careful judgment.

The financial statements have, in management's opinion, been properly prepared within reasonable limits of materiality and within the framework of the significant accounting policies summarized below.

### ***Mineral Property and Exploration Costs***

Exploration costs are expensed as incurred. Development costs are expensed until it has been established that a mineral deposit is commercially mineable and receipt of required permits are obtained, at which point the costs subsequently incurred to develop the mine on the property before to the start of mining operations are capitalized.



The Company capitalizes the cost of acquiring mineral property interests, including undeveloped mineral property interests, until the viability of the mineral interest is determined. Capitalized acquisition costs are expensed if it is determined that the mineral property has no future economic value. Mineral property interests are interests in properties that are believed to potentially contain (i) measured, indicated or inferred resources with insufficient drill hole spacing to qualify as proven and probable mineral reserves or (ii) other mine-related or green field exploration potential that cannot be classified as a mineral resource.

Capitalized amounts (including capitalized development costs) are also written down if future cash flows, including potential sales proceeds, related to the mineral property are estimated to be less than the property's total carrying value. Management reviews the carrying value of each mineral property periodically, and, whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable makes the necessary adjustments. Reductions in the carrying value of a property would be recorded to the extent that the total carrying value of the mineral property exceeds its estimated fair value.

There was a \$20,426 asset impairment loss related to property interests recorded for the quarter ended September 30, 2012 (2011 - \$306,992).

#### *Asset Retirement Obligations*

The Company's liability for reclamation of the property is estimated each year by an independent civil engineer. This estimate, once approved by federal, state and county authorities, forms the basis for a cash deposit of reclamation financial assurance. This estimate is the current obligation of the Company to reclaim historical disturbances on land included within the Approved Project Boundary.

The asset retirement obligation recorded as a liability on the Interim Consolidated Balance Sheet is \$252,460 (December 31, 2011 - \$227,212). The actual obligation could differ materially from these estimates.

#### *Derivative Liabilities*

Our stock options and warrants are denominated in a currency other than our reporting currency and the instruments were required to be accounted for as separate derivative liabilities. These liabilities were required to be measured at fair value. These instruments were adjusted to reflect fair value at each period end. Any increase or decrease in the fair value was recorded in results of operations as change in fair value of derivative liabilities. In determining the appropriate fair value, we used the Black-Scholes pricing model.

#### *Recently Issued Accounting Standards*

A summary of Recently Issued Accounting Standards is provided under the *Significant Accounting Policies* header of the Notes to the Interim Consolidated Financial Statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2012.

#### ***Qualified Person and Caution With Respect to Forward-looking Statements***

Mr. H.L. Klingmann, P.Eng., the President of the Company, is a qualified person for the purposes of NI 43-101 and has reviewed and approved the technical information in this report.

This Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements, which relate to the intent, belief and current expectations of the Company's management, as well as assumptions and parameters used in the feasibility study referenced in this report. These forward-looking statements are based upon numerous assumptions that involve risks and uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include among other things the receipt and compliance with the terms of required approvals and permits, the costs of and availability of

sufficient capital to fund the projects to be undertaken by the Company and commodity prices. In addition, projected mining results, including quantity of ore, grade, production rates, and recovery rates, are subject to numerous risks normally associated with mining activity of the nature described in this report and in the feasibility study, and as a result actual results may differ substantially from projected results. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date the statements were made.

### ***Caution to U.S. Investors***

Management advises U.S. investors that while the terms “measured resources”, “indicated resources” and “inferred resources” are recognized and required by Canadian regulations, the SEC does not recognize these terms. U.S. investors are cautioned not to assume that any part or all of the material in the mineral resource categories will be converted into mineral reserves. References to such terms are contained in the Company’s Form 10-K and other publicly available filings. We further advise U.S. investors that the mineral reserve estimates disclosed in this report have been prepared in accordance with Canadian regulations and may not qualify as “reserves” under the SEC Industry Guide 7. Accordingly, information concerning mineral resources and reserves set forth herein may not be comparable with information presented by companies using only U.S. standards in their public disclosure.

### ***Additional Information***

Further information on Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd. is available on the SEDAR web site at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and on the Company’s web site at [www.goldenqueen.com](http://www.goldenqueen.com).

### **Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

We hold all of our cash in bank deposits with a single major Canadian financial institution. Based on the average cash balances during the three months ended September 30, 2012, a 1% decrease in interest rates would have reduced the interest income for the quarter ended September 30, 2012 to \$Nil.

#### **Foreign Currency Exchange Risk**

Currency exchange fluctuations may impact the costs of our operations. Specifically, the appreciation of the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar may result in an increase in our Canadian operating costs in U.S. dollar terms. We typically maintain approximately 95% of our cash balances in Canadian funds.

We currently do not engage in any currency hedging activities.

#### **Commodity Price Risk**

Our primary business activity is the development of a gold-silver, open pit, heap leach operation on the Soledad Mountain property. Decreases in the price of either gold or silver from current levels has the potential to negatively impact our ability to secure the significant additional financing required to develop the Project into an operating mine. We do not currently engage in hedging transactions and we have no hedged mineral resources.

### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

#### *Timely Disclosure*

The term “disclosure controls and procedures” is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the “Exchange Act.” These rules refer to the controls and other procedures of a company that are designed to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by a company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the required time periods. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act reports is accumulated and communicated to management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. It is management’s responsibility to establish and maintain adequate internal control over financial reporting for the Company.

As of December 31, 2011 our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and our external Sarbanes-Oxley consultants carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based upon this evaluation, and the material weaknesses outlined below, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective to ensure that information we are required to disclose in the reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC’s rules and forms.

#### *Internal Control over Financial Reporting*

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. Under the supervision of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the Company conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011 using the criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Company's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. In its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2012, the Company determined that there were deficiencies that constituted material weaknesses, as described below:

1. Cash management of the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary is conducted by one officer, which may result in misappropriation of funds.
2. General expenditures, project-related expenditures, asset acquisitions and fund transfers to the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary are initiated by one officer, which may result in payments being made for fictitious or inappropriate transactions.
3. The Company is in the developmental stage with limited resources and limited monitoring of internal control is conducted.

Management is currently evaluating and implementing remediation plans for control deficiencies.

In light of the existence of these control deficiencies, management concluded that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis by the Company's internal controls.

As a result, management has concluded that the Company did not maintain effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2012 based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by COSO.

#### *Changes in Internal Control*

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and Rule 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended September 30, 2012 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## **PART II – OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Item 6. Exhibits**

- 31.1 Certification of the Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 31.2 Certification of the Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 32.1 Section 1350 Certification of the Principal Executive Officer.
- 32.2 Section 1350 Certification of the Principal Financial Officer.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 8, 2012

**GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CO. LTD.**  
(Registrant)

By:     /s/ H. Lutz Klingmann      
H. Lutz Klingmann  
Principal Executive Officer

By:     /s/ G. Ross McDonald      
G. Ross McDonald  
Principal Financial Officer

Exhibit 31.1

**CERTIFICATION  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14(a) OR 15d-14(a)  
OF THE U.S. SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

I, Lutz Klingmann, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2012 of Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd.
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which the annual report is being prepared;
  - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect the registrant's internal control over financial reporting;
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
  - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's control over financial reporting.

Date: November 8, 2012

By: /s/ Lutz Klingmann  
Lutz Klingmann  
Principal Executive Officer

Exhibit 31.2

**CERTIFICATION  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14(a) OR 15d-14(a)  
OF THE U.S. SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

I, G. Ross McDonald, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2012 of Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd.
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which the annual report is being prepared;
  - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect the registrant's internal control over financial reporting;
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
  - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's control over financial reporting.

Date: November 8, 2012

By: /s/ G. Ross McDonald  
G. Ross McDonald  
Principal Financial Officer

EXHIBIT 32.1

**CERTIFICATION  
PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350  
AND RULE 13a-14(b) OR RULE 15d-14(b)  
OF THE U.S. SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2012 (the "Report"), the undersigned, in the capacities and on the date indicated below, hereby certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to his knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 8, 2012

/s/ Lutz Klingmann  
Lutz Klingmann  
Principal Executive Officer



EXHIBIT 32.2

**CERTIFICATION  
PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350  
AND RULE 13a-14(b) OR RULE 15d-14(b)  
OF THE U.S. SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2012 (the "Report"), the undersigned, in the capacities and on the date indicated below, hereby certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to his knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 8, 2012

/s/ G. Ross McDonald

G. Ross McDonald  
Principal Financial Officer