

**Golden Queen Mining Consolidated Ltd.  
(formerly “Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd.”)  
Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements  
September 30, 2019**

**(US dollars – Unaudited)**

**GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CONSOLIDATED LTD.**  
**(formerly "Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd.")**  
**Condensed Consolidated Interim Balance Sheets**  
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	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 4,155	\$ 5,725
Inventories (Note 5)	-	25,031
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	192	467
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>4,347</b>	<b>31,223</b>
Restricted cash (Note 6)	-	1,005
Deferred financing cost	-	3,314
Property, plant, equipment and mineral interests (Note 7)	-	135,818
Advance minimum royalties	-	497
Inventories (Note 5)	-	6,913
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 4,347</b>	<b>\$ 178,770</b>
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 30	\$ 6,899
Interest payable	-	773
Current portion of note payable (Note 14(ii))	-	24,690
Current portion of loan payable (Note 8)	-	6,578
Derivative liabilities (Note 8)	-	3,390
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>42,330</b>
Credit facility	-	5,000
Loan payable (Note 8)	-	5,622
Asset retirement obligation (Note 10)	-	2,497
Deferred tax liability	-	8,588
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>64,037</b>
<b>Temporary Equity</b>		
Redeemable portion of non-controlling interest (Note 14(iv))	-	24,286
<b>Shareholders' Equity</b>		
Common shares, no par value, unlimited shares authorized (2018 - unlimited); 13,532,267 (2018 - 30,010,146) shares issued and outstanding (Note 11)	39,080	95,575
Additional paid-in capital	97,521	44,002
Deficit accumulated	(132,284)	(95,559)
<b>Total shareholders' equity attributable to GQM Ltd.</b>	<b>4,317</b>	<b>44,018</b>
Non-controlling interest (Note 14(iv))	-	46,429
<b>Total Shareholders' Equity</b>	<b>4,317</b>	<b>90,447</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Temporary Equity and Shareholders' Equity</b>	<b>\$ 4,347</b>	<b>\$ 178,770</b>

Subsequent Events (Note 16)

Approved by the Directors:

"Paul M. Blythe"

Paul M. Blythe, Director

"Bryan A. Coates"

Bryan A. Coates, Director

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**GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CONSOLIDATED LTD.**  
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**Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss**  
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	Three Months Ended September 30, 2019	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018
<b>Revenues</b>				
Sales	\$ -	\$ 16,855	\$ 26,521	\$ 40,925
<b>Cost of Sales</b>				
Direct mining costs	-	(14,469)	(19,593)	(35,615)
Depreciation and depletion (Note 7)	-	(3,615)	(4,140)	(9,955)
<b>Income (loss) from mine operations</b>	-	(1,229)	2,788	(4,645)
General and administrative expenses (Note 12)	(306)	(839)	(4,568)	(2,972)
<b>Operating loss</b>	<u>(306)</u>	<u>(2,068)</u>	<u>(1,780)</u>	<u>(7,617)</u>
<b>Other income (expenses)</b>				
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments (Note 9)	3	136	(274)	204
Finance expense (Note 14 (iii))	-	(1,409)	(3,769)	(4,383)
Loss on sale of subsidiaries (Note 4)	-	-	(31,354)	-
Interest income	28	26	139	98
Other expenses	-	(42)	-	(118)
<b>Total other income (expenses)</b>	<u>31</u>	<u>(1,289)</u>	<u>(35,258)</u>	<u>(4,199)</u>
<b>Net and comprehensive loss for the period</b>	<u>\$ (275)</u>	<u>\$ (3,357)</u>	<u>\$ (37,038)</u>	<u>\$ (11,816)</u>
Less: Net and comprehensive loss attributable to the non-controlling interest for the period (Note 14 (iv))	-	954	313	3,364
<b>Net and comprehensive loss attributable to Golden Queen Mining Co Ltd. for the period</b>	<u>\$ (275)</u>	<u>\$ (2,403)</u>	<u>\$ (36,725)</u>	<u>\$ (8,452)</u>
<b>Loss per share – basic and diluted (Note 13)</b>	<u>\$ (0.02)</u>	<u>\$ (0.08)</u>	<u>\$ (1.68)</u>	<u>\$ (0.32)</u>
<b>Weighted average number of common shares outstanding – basic and diluted</b>	<u>13,386,648</u>	<u>30,010,146</u>	<u>21,797,455</u>	<u>26,341,832</u>

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**Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Shareholders' Equity, Non-controlling Interest and Redeemable Portion of Non-controlling Interest**  
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	Common shares	Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Deficit Accumulated	Total Shareholders' Equity attributable to GQM Ltd	Non- controlling Interest	Total Shareholders' Equity	Redeemable Portion of Non- controlling Interest
<b>Balance, December 31, 2017</b>	<b>11,114,870</b>	<b>\$ 71,126</b>	<b>\$ 43,853</b>	<b>\$ (88,500)</b>	<b>\$ 26,479</b>	<b>\$ 36,321</b>	<b>\$ 62,800</b>	<b>\$ 24,214</b>
Issuance of common shares (Note 11)	18,895,276	24,368	-	-	24,368	-	24,368	-
Capital contribution from non-controlling interest	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000	-
Stock-based compensation	-	-	113	-	113	-	113	-
Net loss for the period	-	-	-	(8,452)	(8,452)	(2,018)	(10,470)	(1,346)
<b>Balance, September 30, 2018</b>	<b>30,010,146</b>	<b>\$ 95,494</b>	<b>\$ 43,966</b>	<b>\$ (96,952)</b>	<b>\$ 42,508</b>	<b>\$ 44,303</b>	<b>\$ 86,811</b>	<b>\$ 22,868</b>
<b>Balance, December 31, 2018</b>	<b>30,010,146</b>	<b>\$ 95,575</b>	<b>\$ 44,002</b>	<b>\$ (95,559)</b>	<b>\$ 44,018</b>	<b>\$ 46,429</b>	<b>\$ 90,447</b>	<b>\$ 24,286</b>
Sale of subsidiaries (Note 4)	-	-	-	-	-	(46,241)	(46,241)	(24,161)
Return to treasury (Note 4)	(17,817,573)	(56,745)	53,423	-	(3,322)	-	(3,322)	-
Issued for services (Note 4)	1,339,694	250	-	-	250	-	250	-
Stock-based compensation	-	-	96	-	96	-	96	-
Net loss for the period	-	-	-	(36,725)	(36,725)	(188)	(36,913)	(125)
<b>Balance, September 30, 2019</b>	<b>13,532,267</b>	<b>\$ 39,080</b>	<b>\$ 97,521</b>	<b>\$ (132,284)</b>	<b>\$ 4,317</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 4,317</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

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**GOLDEN QUEEN MINING CONSOLIDATED LTD.**  
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**Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Cash Flows**  
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	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018
<b>Operating Activities</b>		
Net loss for the period	\$ (37,038)	\$ (11,816)
<b>Adjustment to reconcile net loss to cash used in operating activities:</b>		
Depreciation and depletion	4,071	9,955
Amortization of debt discount and interest accrual	2,165	1,708
Accretion expense	69	125
Change in fair value of derivative liabilities (Note 9)	274	(205)
Stock based compensation	96	113
Unrealized foreign exchange gain	45	(37)
Transaction fee paid in shares (Note 4)	250	-
Loss on sale of subsidiaries (Note 4)	31,354	-
<b>Changes in non-cash working capital items:</b>		
Prepaid expenses & other current assets	(425)	390
Inventory	(8,196)	(11,299)
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	1,090	(124)
Interest payable	900	677
Cash used in operating activities	(5,345)	(10,513)
<b>Investment activities:</b>		
Additions to property, plant, equipment and mineral interests	(2,919)	(2,585)
Cash disposed of on sale of subsidiaries, net of cash received (Note 4)	(1,115)	-
Cash used in investing activities	(4,034)	(2,585)
<b>Financing activity:</b>		
Issuance of common shares (Note 11)	-	24,368
Proceeds from credit facility	10,000	-
Repayment of credit facility	-	(3,000)
Repayments of loan payable (Note 8)	(3,196)	(6,079)
Repayments of note payable and accrued interest (Note 14(ii))	-	(6,711)
Capital contribution from non-controlling interest	-	10,000
Cash generated from financing activities	6,804	18,578
Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(2,575)	5,480
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning balance	6,730	2,937
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, ending balance	\$ 4,155	\$ 8,417

***Supplementary Disclosure of Cash Flow Information***

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018
<b>Cash paid during the period for:</b>		
Interest on loan and note payable	\$ 221	\$ 2,037
<b>Non-cash financing and investing activities:</b>		
Asset retirement costs charged to mineral property interests	\$ 417	\$ 617
Mining equipment acquired through issuance of debt	\$ -	\$ 3,113
Mineral property expenditures included in accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 102
Extension fee added to principal balance	\$ 75	\$ -
Non-cash amortization of discount and interest expense	\$ 2,165	\$ 1,708

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**1. Nature of Business**

Golden Queen Mining Consolidated Ltd. (“Golden Queen”, “GQM Ltd.” or the “Company”) was previously engaged in the operation of the Soledad Mountain Mine (“the Mine”), located in the Mojave Mining District, Kern County, California. The Company owned 50% of Golden Queen Mining Company, LLC (“GQM LLC”), the operator of the Mine. The remaining 50% was owned by Gauss LLC (“Gauss”). On May 22, 2019, the Company completed the sale of its subsidiaries including its interest in GQM LLC (Note 4). On July 26, 2019, the Company changed its name from “Golden Queen Mining Co. Ltd.” to “Golden Queen Mining Consolidated Ltd.” and the Company’s common shares were delisted from the Toronto Stock Exchange and were listed on the NEX board of the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol “GQM.H” and the OTCQB under the symbol “GQMND”.

**2. Basis of Presentation**

These unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (“US GAAP”) applicable to going concern. The accounting policies followed in preparing these condensed consolidated interim financial statements are those used by the Company as set out in the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018 other than noted below.

Certain information and note disclosures normally included in annual consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with US GAAP have been omitted. These unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements should be read together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2018.

In the opinion of Management, all adjustments considered necessary (including reclassifications and normal recurring adjustments) to present fairly the financial position, results of operations and cash flows as at September 30, 2019 and for all periods presented, have been included in these unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements. The interim results are not necessarily indicative of results for the year ending December 31, 2019, or future operating periods.

**3. Summary of Accounting Policies and Estimates and Judgements**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates and judgements have been made by Management in several areas including the derivative liability – warrants. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

***New Accounting Pronouncements***

**Adopted**

- (i) February 2016, FASB issued ASC 842 that requires lessees to recognize lease assets and corresponding lease liabilities on the balance sheet for all leases with terms of more than 12 months. The update, which supersedes existing lease guidance, will continue to classify leases as either finance or operating, with the classification determining the pattern of expense recognition in the income statement.

The ASU was effective for annual and interim periods beginning January 1, 2019 and is applicable on a modified retrospective basis. The Company adopted the guidance effective January 1, 2019 and has applied the guidance on a modified retrospective basis. There was no impact on the financial statements from the adoption of this guidance.

**4. Sale of Subsidiaries**

On February 7, 2019, the Company entered into a binding share purchase agreement with a group of purchasers including Thomas M. Clay and certain members of the Clay family and associated entities (the “Purchaser”), whereby the Purchaser would acquire 100% of the Company’s 50% ownership interest in the Soledad Mountain Project (the “Transaction”).

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**4. Sale of Subsidiaries (continued)**

The Transaction was subject to the approval of the shareholders of the Company. The shareholders voted for the Transaction at the Annual General and Special meeting held on May 13, 2019. On May 22, 2019, the Transaction closed.

The consideration from the Purchasers was comprised of (1) \$4.25 million in cash; (2) the extinguishment of all amounts owing to the Purchasers by the Company under Clay Group Loan (Note 14(ii)); and (3) the cancellation of all of the Purchasers’ ownership interest in the Company (consisting of 17,817,573 Shares, 45,750 options and 1,800,000 share purchase warrants). In addition, the Purchasers may pay a contingent payment to the Company if the Soledad Mountain Project is subsequently sold or transferred to a third party in certain circumstances.

The Company incurred \$1,046 of costs relating to the Transaction during the nine months ended September 30, 2019, including 1,339,694 common shares issued as a financial advisory fee. The common shares were recorded at the fair value of \$250.

Proceeds:

Cash	\$	4,250
17,817,573 shares returned to treasury at the fair value of C\$0.25 per share		3,322
Clay Group Loan principal (Note 14 (ii))		25,700
Clay Group Loan interest payable (Note 14 (ii))		1,700
Clay Group Share Purchase Warrants (Note 9)		79
		<u>35,051</u>
Book value of net assets disposed of		136,807
Redeemable portion of non-controlling interest		(24,161)
Non-controlling interest		<u>(46,241)</u>
		66,405
Loss on sale of subsidiaries	<u>\$</u>	<u>(31,354)</u>

The excess of the book over the fair market value of the shares returned to treasury on May 22, 2019 of \$53,423 was allocated to additional paid-in capital.

**5. Inventories**

Inventories consisted primarily of production from the Company’s operation, in varying stages of the production process and supplies and spare parts, all of which were presented at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Inventories of the Company were comprised of:

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Stockpile inventory	\$ -	\$ 6,913
In-process inventory	-	21,607
Dore inventory	-	761
Supplies and spare parts	-	2,663
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 31,944</u>
Current portion	\$ -	\$ 25,031
Non-current portion	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,913</u>





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**8. Loan Payable**

As at September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, equipment financing balances are as follows:

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 12,200	\$ 17,243
Additions	-	3,751
Principal repayments	(3,196)	(8,156)
Down payments and taxes	-	(638)
Sale of subsidiaries	(9,004)	-
Balance, end of the period	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 12,200</u>
Current portion	\$ -	\$ 6,578
Non-current portion	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5,622</u>

**9. Derivative Liabilities**

Share Purchase Warrants

The Company had 1,000,000 share purchase warrants outstanding exercisable at \$7.831 per share and 800,000 share purchase warrants outstanding exercisable at \$6.65 per share (the “Clay Group share purchase warrants”). As part of the sale of subsidiaries, the Clay Group share purchase warrants were cancelled (Note 4).

The Company had an additional 631,770 share purchase warrants outstanding with an exercise price of C\$20.00 per share which expired, unexercised, on July 25, 2019. The share purchase warrants met the definition of a derivative liability instrument as the exercise price is not a fixed price as described above. Therefore, the settlement feature did not meet the “fixed-for-fixed” criteria outlined in ASC 815-40-15.

The fair value of the derivative liabilities related to the share purchase warrants as at September 30, 2019 was \$nil (December 31, 2018 – \$76).

GQM LLC Warrants

In connection with the 2018 Credit Facility, GQM LLC issued 21,486 warrants (the “GQM LLC Warrants”), with each warrant entitling the holder to purchase a unit of GQM LLC for a period of five (5) years at an exercise price of \$475.384 per unit. The warrants were classified as a derivative liability due to a clause in the warrant agreement that offers the warrant holders price protection. As part of the sale of subsidiaries, the GQM LLC Warrants were disposed of. The fair value of the derivative liabilities related to the warrants as at the date of sale of subsidiaries, May 22, 2019 was \$3,585 (December 31, 2018 - \$3,314). The derivative liability was calculated using the Black-Scholes pricing valuation model.

<b>GQM LLC Warrants derivative liability</b>	May 22, 2019	December 31, 2018
Risk-free interest rate	2.23%	2.65%
Expected life of derivative liability	4.60 years	4.89 years
Expected volatility	20.00%	20.00 %
Dividend rate	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00 %</u>

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**9. Derivative Liabilities (continued)**

The change in the derivative liabilities is as follows:

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 3,390	\$ 441
GQM LLC Warrants	-	3,314
Change in fair value	195	(365)
Sale of subsidiaries (Note 4)	(3,585)	-
Balance, end of the period	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,390</u>

**10. Asset Retirement Obligations**

The following is a summary of asset retirement obligations:

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 2,497	\$ 1,838
Accretion	69	167
Changes in cash flow estimates	417	492
Sale of subsidiaries (Note 4)	(2,983)	-
Balance, end of the period	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,497</u>

**11. Share Capital**

The Company’s common shares outstanding are no par value, voting shares with no preferences or rights attached to them.

Effective July 26, 2019, the Company consolidated its common shares on the basis of one new common share for every ten old common shares issued and outstanding at that time. All references to share and per share amounts in these financial statements have been retroactively restated to reflect the share consolidation.

*Common shares*

On February 22, 2018, the Company closed a rights offering and issued 18,895,276 shares for total gross proceeds of \$25,036. The Company paid associated fees of \$587 which were classified as share issue costs.

On May 22, 2019, as part of the sale of subsidiaries (Note 4), 17,817,573 common shares were returned to treasury and cancelled.

On July 10, 2019, the Company issued 1,339,694 common shares as a financial advisory fee (Note 4).

*Stock options*

The Company’s current stock option plan (the “Plan”) was adopted by the Company in 2013 and approved by shareholders of the Company in 2013. The Plan provides a fixed number of 720,000 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 (the “Board”) but shall not be less than the volume-weighted, average trading price of the Company’s shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange (“TSX”) for the five (5) 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 (5) years.

The Company has elected to use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to determine the fair value of stock options granted. The compensation expense is amortized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, which approximates the vesting period.

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**11. Share Capital (continued)**

*Stock options (continued)*

The following is a summary of stock option activity during the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and the year ended December 31, 2018:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price per Share
Options outstanding, December 31, 2017	260,000	\$ 5.37
Options forfeited	(7,500)	\$ 2.90
Options expired	(20,000)	\$ 14.83
Options outstanding, December 31, 2018	232,500	\$ 4.64
Options cancelled on sale of subsidiaries	(45,750)	4.39
Options outstanding, September 30, 2019	<u>186,750</u>	<u>\$ 4.70</u>

During the nine months ended September 30, 2019, the Company recognized \$96 (2018 - \$113) in stock-based compensation relating to the vesting of employee stock options.

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable as at September 30, 2019:

Expiry Date	Number Outstanding	Number Exercisable	Remaining Contractual Life (years)	Exercise Price
September 8, 2020	32,250	32,250	0.94	\$ 5.80
November 30, 2021	26,500	17,666	2.17	\$ 6.60
March 20, 2022	40,000	26,667	2.47	\$ 6.50
October 20, 2022	88,000	29,333	3.06	\$ 2.90
	<u>186,750</u>	<u>105,916</u>	<u>2.44</u>	

As at September 30, 2019, the aggregate intrinsic value of the outstanding exercisable options was \$nil (December 31, 2018 – \$nil).

*Warrants*

As at September 30, 2019, nil warrants were outstanding (December 31, 2018 – 2,431,770). As part of the sale of subsidiaries, 1,800,000 Clay Group share purchase warrants were cancelled (Note 4) and on July 25, 2019 the remaining 631,770 share purchase warrants exercisable at C\$20.00 per share expired, unexercised.

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**12. General and Administrative Expenses**

General and administrative expenses are incurred to support the administration of the business that are not directly related to production. Significant components of general and administrative expenses are comprised of the following:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2019	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018
Audit, legal and professional fees	\$ 53	\$ 115	\$ 441	\$ 524
Salaries and benefits and director fees	136	297	2,141	980
Regulatory fees and licenses	30	28	64	153
Insurance	23	163	293	446
Transaction expenses (Note 4)	56	-	1,046	-
Corporate administration	8	236	583	869
	<u>\$ 306</u>	<u>\$ 839</u>	<u>\$ 4,568</u>	<u>\$ 2,972</u>

**13. Loss Per Share**

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2019	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018
<b>Numerator:</b>				
Net loss attributable to the shareholders of the Company - numerator for basic and diluted	\$ (275)	\$ (2,403)	\$ (36,725)	\$ (8,452)
<b>Denominator:</b>				
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding -basic and diluted	<u>13,386,648</u>	<u>30,010,146</u>	<u>21,797,455</u>	<u>26,341,832</u>
Loss per share – basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.02)</u>	<u>\$ (0.08)</u>	<u>\$ (1.68)</u>	<u>\$ (0.32)</u>

Weighted average number of shares for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 excludes 1,867,501 options (December 31, 2018 – 2,325,001) and nil warrants (December 31, 2018 – 24,317,700) that were antidilutive.

**14. Related Party Transactions**

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

(i) Compensation of Key Management Personnel, Transactions with Related Parties and Related Party Balances

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, the Company recognized \$108 and \$1,385 (for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 –\$125 and \$424) salaries and fees for Officers and Directors. Included in this compensation was \$758 of termination payments made to the CEO and the Corporate Secretary on completion of the Transaction.

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**14. Related Party Transactions (continued)**

(ii) Note Payable

As at December 31, 2018, The Company had a loan with the Clay Group with a principal balance of \$25,625 (the “Clay Group Loan”). The Clay Group Loan had principal and accrued interest due as follows: \$1.7 million of principal and accrued interest on January 1, 2019; \$3.9 million of principal and accrued interest on April 1, 2019; and the balance due on May 21, 2019. On December 27, 2018, the Company and the Clay Group agreed to amend the Clay Group Loan, extending the due date of \$1.7 million of principal as well as interest from the original due date of January 1, 2019 to February 1, 2019. An extension fee of \$125 was added to the principal amount owing. On February 1, 2019, the due date was extended to February 8, 2019 for an extension fee of \$75 that was added to the principal amount owing. On February 8, 2019, the due dates of principal and interest on the Clay Group Loan were extended until completion of the Transaction (Note 4). The amendments were accounted for as debt modifications. The Loan was settled as part of the Transaction (Note 4).

The following table summarizes activity on the notes payable:

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 24,690	\$ 30,099
Accretion of discount on loans	568	2,040
Capitalized financing, extension and legal fees	(75)	(125)
Extension fee added to principal	75	125
Accretion of capitalized financing, extension and legal fees	442	262
Repayment of loans and interest	-	(7,711)
Settled on sale of subsidiaries	(25,700)	-
Balance, end of the period	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 24,690</u>

(iii) Amortization of Discounts and Interest Expense

The following table summarizes the amortization of discount and interest on loans:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2019	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018
Accretion of the Clay Group Loan discount	\$ -	\$ 518	\$ 568	\$ 1,512
Accretion of capitalized financing and legal fees	-	66	442	196
Amortization of deferred financing fees	-	-	1,128	-
Interest expense related to the Clay Group Loan	-	678	1,048	2,087
Interest expense related to the 2018 Credit Facility	-	-	322	-
Closing and commitment fees related to the Credit Facility	-	-	40	40
Interest expense related to Komatsu financial loans <sup>(1)</sup>	-	147	221	548
Accretion of discount and interest on loan	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,409</u>	<u>\$ 3,769</u>	<u>\$ 4,383</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Komatsu is not a related party and has only been included in the above table to reconcile the total interest expense incurred for the period to the amounts capitalized and expensed.

(iv) Joint Venture Transaction

The Company was presented Gauss’ ownership in GQM LLC as a non-controlling interest amount on the balance sheet within the equity section. However, there were terms in the agreement that provided for the exit from the investment in GQM LLC for an initial member whose interest in GQM LLC becomes less than 20%.

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**14. Related Party Transactions (continued)**

(iv) Joint Venture Transaction (continued)

If a member became less than a 20% interest holder, its remaining interest would (ultimately) be terminated through one of 3 events at the non-diluted member’s option:

- a. Through conversion to a net smelter royalty (“NSR”);
- b. Through a buy-out (at fair value) by the non-diluted member; or
- c. Through a sale process by which the diluted member’s interest is sold.

The net assets of GQM LLC as at May 22, 2019 (the date of sale of subsidiaries – Note 4) and December 31, 2018 were as follows:

	May 22, 2019	December 31, 2018
Assets, GQM LLC	\$ 179,353	\$ 171,334
Liabilities, GQM LLC	(38,547)	(29,904)
Net assets, GQM LLC	<u>\$ 140,806</u>	<u>\$ 141,430</u>

*Non-Controlling Interest*

The carrying value of the non-controlling interest is adjusted for net income and loss, distributions and contributions pursuant to ASC 810-10 based on the same percentage allocation used to calculate the initial book value of temporary equity.

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2019	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018
Net and comprehensive loss in GQM LLC	\$ -	\$ (1,909)	\$ (626)	\$ (6,728)
Non-controlling interest percentage	<u>50%</u>	<u>50%</u>	<u>50%</u>	<u>50%</u>
Net and comprehensive loss attributable to non-controlling interest	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (954)</u>	<u>\$ (313)</u>	<u>\$ (3,364)</u>
Net and comprehensive loss attributable to permanent non-controlling interest	\$ -	\$ (572)	\$ (188)	\$ (2,018)
Net and comprehensive loss attributable to temporary non-controlling interest	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (382)</u>	<u>\$ (125)</u>	<u>\$ (1,346)</u>

	Permanent Non-Controlling Interest	Temporary Non-Controlling Interest
Carrying value of non-controlling interest, December 31, 2017	\$ 36,321	\$ 24,214
Capital contribution	10,000	-
Net and comprehensive income for the year	<u>108</u>	<u>72</u>
Carrying value of non-controlling interest, December 31, 2018	\$ 46,429	\$ 24,286
Net and comprehensive income for the period	(188)	(125)
Sale of subsidiaries (Note 4)	<u>(46,241)</u>	<u>(24,161)</u>
Carrying value of non-controlling interest, September 30, 2019	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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**15. Financial Instruments**

*Fair Value Measurements*

All financial assets and financial liabilities are recorded at fair value on initial recognition. Transaction costs are expensed when they are incurred, unless they are directly attributable to the acquisition of qualifying assets, in which case they are added to the costs of those assets until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1	Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;
Level 2	Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;
Level 3	Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (supported by little or no market activity).

	September 30, 2019			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Liabilities:				
Share purchase warrants – derivative liabilities (Note 9)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
	December 31, 2018			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Liabilities:				
Share purchase warrants – derivative liabilities (Note 9)	\$ 76	\$ -	\$ 76	\$ -
GQM LLC Warrants (Note 9)	3,314	-	3,314	-
	<u>\$ 3,390</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,390</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Under fair value accounting, assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The fair value measurement of the financial instruments above use observable inputs in option price models such as the binomial and the Black-Scholes valuation models.

*Credit Risk*

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the Company by failing to discharge its obligations. To mitigate exposure to credit risk on financial assets the Company has established policies to ensure liquidity of funds and ensure counterparties demonstrate minimum acceptable credit worthiness.

The Company maintains its US Dollar and Canadian Dollar cash in bank accounts with major financial institutions with high credit standings. Cash deposits held in the United States are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”) for up to \$250 and Canadian Dollar cash deposits held in Canada are insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation (“CDIC”) for up to C\$100. The Company has not experienced any losses on such accounts and management believes that using major financial institutions with high credit ratings mitigates the credit risk in cash.

*Interest Rate Risk*

The Company holds approximately its cash in bank deposit accounts with major financial institutions. The interest rates received on these balances may fluctuate with changes in economic conditions. Based on the average cash balances during the nine months ended September 30, 2019, a 1% decrease in interest rates would have reduced the interest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2019, by an immaterial amount.

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***15. Financial Instruments (continued)***

*Foreign Currency Exchange Risk*

Certain purchases of corporate overhead items are denominated in Canadian Dollar. As a result, currency exchange fluctuations may impact the costs of operations. Specifically, the appreciation of the Canadian Dollar against the US Dollar may result in an increase in the Canadian operating expenses in US dollar terms. As at September 30, 2019, the Company maintained the majority of its cash balance in US dollars. The Company currently does not engage in any currency hedging activities.

***16. Subsequent Events***

***The Proposed GAME Transaction***

On October 28, 2019, the Company announced that it had entered into a binding letter agreement (the "Letter Agreement") with Great American Minerals Exploration, Inc., a Nevada corporation ("GAME"), with respect to a business combination transaction (the "Proposed Transaction"), whereby Golden Queen was anticipated to be the publicly traded entity representing the combined company at closing.

On November 18, 2019, Golden Queen and GAME mutually agreed to terminate the Letter Agreement and as a result the Proposed Transaction will not proceed.