

## LIBERO COPPER & GOLD CORPORATION

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the three months ended March 31, 2022

This management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") focuses on significant factors that affected Libero Copper & Gold Corporation ("Libero" or the "Company") during the three months ended March 31, 2022 and to the date of this report. This MD&A is intended to supplement and complement the condensed unaudited interim consolidated financial statements ad notes thereto, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"), including International Accounting Standard 34 Interim Financial Reporting ("IAS 34"), for the three month period ended March 31, 2022 (collectively, the "Financial Statements"). This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2022, the annual audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021 and the notes thereto, the related annual MD&A, and the most recent Annual Information Form on file with the Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities. All amounts presented in this MD&A are in Canadian dollars unless otherwise indicated.

Additional information related to Libero is available on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u> and on the Company's website at <u>www.liberocopper.com</u>.

This MD&A contains information up to and including May 27, 2022.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

Certain statements in this report that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements involving known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to vary considerably from these statements. Readers are cautioned not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements. For more information on forward-looking information, please refer to page 13 of this MD&A.

#### **COMPANY OVERVIEW**

The Company was incorporated under the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia) on June 5, 2008. The Company is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange ("Exchange") as a Tier 2 Mining Company under the symbol "LBC" and on the OTCQB market under the symbol "LBCMF". The Company is engaged in the acquisition and exploration of mineral properties.

#### **QUALIFIED PERSONS**

The technical information contained in this MD&A has been reviewed and approved by Libero's Vice President of Exploration, Matthew Wunder, P.Geo., who is a Qualified Person, as defined under NI 43-101.

#### COMPANY DEVELOPMENTS AND OUTLOOK

The Company holds a collection of porphyry projects in the Americas. The portfolio includes the Big Red, and Big Bulk porphyry copper projects in the Golden Triangle, BC, Canada, the Esperanza porphyry copper-gold discovery in San Juan, Argentina and the Mocoa porphyry copper-molybdenum deposit in Colombia. A pit constrained resource at Mocoa contains 636 million tonnes of 0.45% copper equivalent at a cut-off of 0.25% copper equivalent containing 4.6 billion pounds of copper and 511 million pounds of molybdenum. Mocoa is open in both directions along strike and at depth.

### COMPANY DEVELOPMENTS AND OUTLOOK (CONTINUED)

A diamond drill program commenced at Mocoa in February 2022. The first drill hole intercepted 840 metres of 0.72% copper equivalent. Interpretation of the airborne magnetic and radiometric survey data was completed identifying significant expansion potential at Mocoa and the identification of nine additional porphyry targets. Drill permitting is ongoing at Esperanza. Mobilization for the 2022 field season at Big Red is underway.

#### **MINERAL PROPERTIES**

#### Mocoa Porphyry Copper-Molybdenum Deposit

In June 2018, the Company acquired 100% of the Mocoa porphyry copper-molybdenum deposit ("Mocoa") in Colombia from B2Gold Corp. ("B2Gold") in return for issuance of 2,080,000 common shares of the Company and a 2% net smelter return royalty ("NSR royalty") on the project. The Company has retained a right of first refusal on any sale of the royalty.

The Mocoa property is located 10 kilometres from the town of Mocoa, covering over 100,000 hectares, near the Ecuador border, in the Eastern Cordillera of Colombia. The Eastern Cordillera is a 30-kilometre-wide tectonic belt underlain by volcano-sedimentary, sedimentary and intrusive rocks that range in age from Triassic-Jurassic to Quaternary, and by remnants of Paleozoic metasediments and metamorphic rocks of Precambrian age. This belt hosts several other porphyry-copper deposits, such as Mirador, San Carlos, Panantza, and Warintza, located in Ecuador.

Copper-molybdenum mineralization is associated with a dacite porphyry intrusion of Middle Jurassic age emplaced into andesitic and dacitic volcanics. The Mocoa porphyry system exhibits the typical pattern of hydrothermal alteration and mineralization, with a deeper central core of potassic alteration which zones outward to phyllic alteration and propylitic alteration. Mineralization consists of disseminated and vein hosted chalcopyrite, molybdenite and local bornite associated with multiphase veins, stockworks and hydrothermal breccias. The highest copper and molybdenum grades are typically associated with multiple zones containing strong potassic alteration which locally completely overprints the rock texture. The Mocoa deposit forms a continuous zone of copper and molybdenum mineralization over an area measuring approximately 1,200 metres by 1,400 metres and extending to depths of more than 1,000 metres below surface.

Mocoa was discovered in 1973 by the predecessor of the El Servicio Geológico Colombiano. Between 1978 and 1983, 18,321 metres of diamond drilling in 31 holes and a prefeasibility study were completed. In 2008 and 2012, B2 Gold completed 6,891 metres in 12 holes.

The resource estimate for Mocoa consists of an Inferred mineral resource of 636 million tonnes at a grade of 0.45% copper equivalent containing 4.6 billion pounds of copper and 511 million pounds of molybdenum. Table 1 shows the sensitivity of the resource, listed at a variety of cut-off grades for comparison purposes, contained inside a resource limiting pit shell that has been generated based on a copper price of US \$3/lb and a molybdenum price of US \$10/lb. The base case resource assumes a cut-off grade of 0.25% copper equivalent.

#### **MINERAL PROPERTIES (CONTINUED)**

Table 1: Sensitivity of Inferred Mineral Resource at Mocoa								
				Contained Metal				
Cut-off (CuEq%)*	Million Tonnes	Copper (%)	Molybdenum (%)	Copper (Blbs)	Molybdenum (Mlbs)			
0.15	721	0.31	0.035	4.85	550			
0.20	683	0.32	0.035	4.77	530			
0.25	636	0.33	0.036	4.60	511			
0.30	553	0.35	0.039	4.24	470			
0.35	433	0.38	0.042	3.62	405			
0.40	330	0.41	0.047	2.99	342			
0.45	259	0.44	0.051	2.50	293			
0.50	201	0.46	0.056	2.04	248			
0.55	148	0.49	0.061	1.60	200			
0.60	106	0.52	0.067	1.21	156			

Table 1: Sensitivity of Inferred Mineral Resource at Mocoa

#### Mocoa Porphyry Copper-Molybdenum Deposit (continued)

For further details, refer to technical report entitled "NI 43-101 Technical Report for the Mocoa Copper-Molybdenum Project, Colombia", dated effective November 1, 2021, and authored by Michel Rowland, FAusIMM, Robert Sim, P.Geo., and Bruce Davis, FAusIMM, all independent "qualified persons" as defined by Canadian Securities Administrators *National Instrument 43-101 ("NI-43101")*, which is available on <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

A diamond drill program commenced at Mocoa in February 2022. The first drill hole intercepted 840 metres of 0.72% copper equivalent. Interpretation of the airborne magnetic and radiometric survey data was completed identifying significant expansion potential at Mocoa and the identification of nine additional porphyry targets. Previous work from rock outcrop sampling in the Mocoa deposit area returned elevated copper-molybdenum values over an area greater than 2,000 meters (east-west) by greater than 1,500 meters (north-south) indicating significant expansion potential for the Mocoa deposit.

#### Esperanza Porphyry Gold-Copper Project

In January 2021, the Company entered into an option agreement with Latin Metals Inc. to earn-in to 70% of the Esperanza porphyry gold-copper project ("Esperanza") in Argentina. The Company must make the following option payments to the original project vendors and incur US \$2,000,000 of exploration expenditures in order to maintain its rights under the option agreement:

- US \$220,000 on July 14, 2021 (paid);
- US \$250,000 on December 15, 2021 (*paid*);
- US \$200,000 30 days after a drill permit is issued; No permit has been received to date.
- US \$250,000 6 months after a drill permit is issued;
- US \$600,000 12 months after a drill permit is issued;
- US \$433,000 18 months after a drill permit is issued; and
- US \$450,000 24 months after a drill permit is issued.

Drill permitting is on-going. Upon the exercise of the option, the Company and Latin Metals will form a 70/30 joint venture for the continued exploration and development of the project. In November 2021, the Company entered

#### **MINERAL PROPERTIES (CONTINUED)**

#### Esperanza Porphyry Gold-Copper Project (continued)

into an option agreement with Golden Arrow Resources to earn-in to 75% of the Huachi claims adjacent to the Company's existing Esperanza claims. The Company must incur US \$1,000,000 of exploration expenditures over four years from the date that a drill permit is received to exercise the option. Upon the exercise of the option, the Company and Golden Arrow Resources will form a 75/25 joint venture for the continued exploration and development of the project.

Esperanza is located in the Huachi Mining district, San Juan Province, Argentina at an elevation of only 3,200 metres. San Juan also hosts McEwan Mining's Los Azules deposit, Glencore's El Pachon mine and Lundin's Filo del Sol project. The advanced stage Esperanza project is road accessible, contains multiple copper-gold drill targets supported by numerous high-grade surface rock samples across a large alteration footprint and numerous drill intercepts including 387 metres of 0.78% copper equivalent from surface through end of hole. This hole was not followed up on due to market conditions. Mineralization is open at depth and laterally, with priority targets located west and south. There are multiple drill-ready, untested targets.

Esperanza lies within the pre-cordillera tectonostratigraphic belt of northern Argentina, in a region dominated by Paleozoic to Lower Mesozoic sedimentary and volcanic rocks. At Esperanza, these rocks are cut by the Cretaceous or Tertiary sub-volcanic stocks and dykes known as the Huachi Intrusions. The miocene mineralization at Esperanza is centered on a large and intense porphyry-style alteration footprint exposed over a 2 km by 1.2 km area where copper and gold mineralization is associated with hypabyssal feldspar porphyry intrusions, an early phase of the Huachi Intrusions. At Esperanza epithermal gold +/- polymetallic base metal mineralization and porphyry copper-gold mineralization occur together, which suggests possible overprinting of the two styles, and thus increases the potential for high-grades. Porphyry-style copper-gold mineralization consists of dissemination and fracture fill chalcopyrite with subordinate magnetite and pyrite within a broad potassic alteration envelope. Historical exploration includes diamond drilling, rock and silt sampling, IP, and magnetic geophysics. Rock sampling at surface has defined copper and gold mineralization over much of the project. A review of the historic drill core indicates that the majority of the holes that intersected the copper-gold porphyry style mineralization were terminated in mineralization.

#### **Big Red Porphyry Gold-Copper Property**

In February 2019, the Company closed an option agreement to acquire 100% of the Big Red porphyry gold-copper property in the Golden Triangle in British Columbia, Canada ("Big Red"), and incurred a total of \$284,980 of acquisition costs as at March 31, 2022 (December 31, 2021: \$196,580). The Company, at its option, may acquire

100% of Big Red in return for the issuance of 400,000 common shares of the Company and cash payments of \$440,000 over four years (the "Option") as follows:

- \$20,000 and 20,000 common shares on January 25, 2019 (paid and issued, respectively);
- \$30,000 and 40,000 common shares on January 25, 2020 (paid and issued, respectively);
- \$40,000 and 60,000 common shares on January 25, 2021 (paid and issued, respectively);
- \$50,000 and 80,000 common shares on January 25, 2022 (paid and issued, respectively); and
- \$300,000 and 200,000 common shares on January 25, 2023.

#### **MINERAL PROPERTIES (CONTINUED)**

#### Big Red Porphyry Gold-Copper Property (continued)

The vendors have retained a 1% NSR royalty, 0.5% of which may be repurchased by the Company at any time for \$10 million.

Big Red comprises 20 contiguous claims totaling 26,000 hectares in northwestern British Columbia, 45 kilometres southwest of Telegraph Creek along the Barrington Road. Big Red lies within the Golden Triangle 70 kilometres north of Teck & Newmont's Galore Creek and 80 kilometres west of Newmont's Saddle deposit, and Newcrest's Red Chris mine.

At Big Red, the Terry porphyry copper target is peripheral to a distinct large magnetic-high feature over the Limpoke Pluton that coincides with a radiometric potassium anomaly, magnetic low, conductivity high, copper, gold, silver and molybdenum anomalies and a mapped Jurassic aged porphyry intrusion. The discovery hole drilled in Terry in October 2020 returned 120 metres of 0.41% copper equivalent from surface to end of hole including 73 metres of 0.49% copper equivalent from surface. The discovery is located just 8 km from road access.

Mineralization is associated with a porphyritic dyke swarm hosted in intermediate volcanic rocks. Chalcopyrite mineralization occurs as fine disseminations within the porphyritic dykes and volcanic host rocks, with higher concentrations along the margins. Malachite mineralization is present locally along fracture surfaces.

Preparation for the field season is underway with mobilization of the crew anticipated in early June. Data analysis is ongoing to assist with target evaluation and hydrothermal vectoring.

#### **Big Bulk Porphyry Gold-Copper Property**

In January 2021, the Company entered into an option agreement to acquire 100% of the Big Bulk porphyry goldcopper property in the Golden Triangle in British Columbia, Canada ("Big Bulk"). The Company has a five year option until December 31, 2025 to acquire 100% of Big Bulk for \$1,000,000 in cash or the issuance of common shares of the Company. The Company must incur \$750,000 of exploration expenditures (completed) and make the following cash payments of \$625,000 over five years in order to maintain its rights under the option agreement:

- \$50,000 in cash on October 7, 2020 (paid);
- \$75,000 in cash on December 31, 2021 (paid);
- \$100,000 in cash on December 31, 2022;
- \$150,000 in cash on December 31, 2023; and
- \$250,000 in cash on December 31, 2024.

The vendors have retained a 0.5% NSR, 50% of which may be repurchased by the Company at any time for \$100,000. In addition, Sandstorm Gold Ltd. is entitled to a 1.5% NSR, which the Company has the right to reduce to a 0.75% NSR upon payment of \$1,000,000.

Big Bulk is located 50 km southeast of Stewart, BC in the Golden Triangle. Big Bulk is a multiphase late Triassic intrusion hosted in Hazelton and Stuhini volcanics and sediments analogous to Galore Creek and KSM. The project was initially explored by Teck and Canadian Empire from 2001 to 2003. Drilling in 2003 intercepted 21 metres of 0.86% Cu and 0.4 g/t Au from a depth of 12 metres and 53 metres of 0.31% Cu and 0.2 g/t Au from 143 metres depth to end of hole, which was not followed up on. New interpretations indicate that the target is a much larger calc-alkaline porphyry system tilted on its side with higher grade mineralization in a discreet mineralized phase that was not targeted by historic drilling.

At Big Bulk a 1,743 metre diamond drill program was completed in September 2021, which successfully intercepted the targeted mineralized phase over a strike length of 2 km. Intercepts included 37.44 metres of 0.3% Cu, 0.59 g/t Ag, 0.15 g/t Au and 97 metres of 0.19% Cu, 0.97 g/t Ag, 0.18 g/t Au

## **MINERAL PROPERTIES (CONTINUED)**

#### Exploration

The following is a summary of the Mocoa, Tomichi, Big Red, Big Bulk, and Esperanza exploration expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021:

For the three months ended											
March 31, 2022		Мосо	а		Big	Red	Big B	ulk	Espe	ranza	Total
Technical and geological consulting		928	,973		102	,303	1	,925	5	37,420	1,120,621
Drilling		270,365				-		-		-	270,365
Field and camp		202	,431		-			-		-	202,431
Geochemical and mapping		107	,456		7	,469		-		-	114,925
Environmental, social and governance		99	,709			-		-		-	99,709
Legal and office administration		71	,341			-	-			-	71,341
License and permits		21	,299			738	(16,	000)		-	6,037
		1,701	,574		110	,510	(14,	075)	8	37,420	1,885,429
Foreign exchange translation			-			-		-		(388)	(388)
Total exploration expenses		1,701	,574		110	,510	(14,	075)	8	37,032	1,885,041
For the three months ended											
March 31, 2021	Ν	Лосоа	То	michi		Big Red	Bi	ig Bulk	Es	peranza	Total
Technical and geological consulting	\$	87,293	\$	-	\$	64,890	\$	3,841	\$	31,608	\$ 187,632
License and permits		7,234		392		2,263		-		-	9,889
Field and camp		7,147		31		-		-		-	7,178
Total exploration expenses	\$	101,674	\$	423	\$	67,153	\$	3,841	\$	31,608	\$ <b>204,699</b>

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

#### THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2022 COMPARED TO THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2021

The Company reported a net loss of \$2,730,503 for the three months ended March 31, 2022, compared to a net loss of \$270,735 for the three months ended March 31, 2021.

The following is an analysis of the significant items and variances between the three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021:

For the three months ended	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021	
Exploration	1,885,041	204,699	Increase in exploration activities at the Mocoa project as drilling commenced during the quarter.
General and administration	170,747	88,506	Increase in overall business activity of the Company.
Professional fees	106,374	38,485	Increase in professional fees due to higher level of corporate activities.
Salaries and benefits	111,019	89,849	Increase due to increased number of employees
Share-based compensation	435,313	236,069	Increase in stock options granted and vested during the period.
Gain on sale of subsidiary	-	(609,697)	Sale of Tomichi in Q1 2021

#### SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS

Following is a summary of quarterly results for the eight most recently completed quarters. These results are derived from the interim consolidated financial statements of the Company, which are prepared in accordance with IFRS applicable to interim financial statements.

For the three months ended:	Mar	ch 31, 2022	Decemb	oer 31, 2021	Septe	mber 30, 2021	Ju	ine 30, 2021
Net loss		\$2,730,503		\$3,788,610	\$	4,666,820	\$	1,413,026
Basic and diluted								
loss per share <sup>(1)</sup>		0.04		0.08		0.10		0.03
	Mar	ch 31, 2021	Decemb	per 31, 2020	Septe	mber 30, 2020	Ju	ine 30, 2020
	Mar \$	r <b>ch 31, 2021</b> 270,735	Decemb \$	<b>ber 31, 2020</b> 1,191,285	Septe	mber 30, 2020 2,696,383	Ju \$	i <b>ne 30, 2020</b> 726,602
For the three months ended: Net loss Basic and diluted		,		,		-		,

(1) Basic/Diluted (loss) per share has been adjusted to reflect a 5 for 1 common share consolidation that occurred on February 22, 2021.

#### SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS

The analysis provided in the Results of Operations section above provides information regarding the significant movements during the three months ended March 31, 2022, compared with the three months ended March 31, 2021. During the three months ended June 30, 2020, the Company started incurring exploration expenses on the Big Red property. During the three months ended September 30, 2020, the Company continued incurring exploration expenses on the Big Red property, including geochemical, mapping and drilling. During the three months ended December 31, 2020 and March 31, 2021, net loss decreased compared to the three months ended September 30, 2020 due to the seasonal nature of exploration at Big Red. During the three months ended September 30, 2021 and June 30, 2021, net loss increased compared to the three months ended December 31, 2020 and March 31, 2021 due to the exploration activity increasing following the commencement of the 2021 drill programs on the Big Red and Big Bulk properties. Exploration expenses also increased in relation to the Mocoa project during the three months ended September 30, 2021 compared to June 30, 2021 primarily due to technical and geological consulting expenses. During the three months ended March 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021 net loss decreased compared to the three months ended September 30, 2021, due to the completion of the seasonal drill program at Big Red and Big Bulk. Exploration expenses increased for the Mocoa project for the first three months of March 31, 2022 due to the start of the drill program and increase in environmental, social and governance activities at the project.

As at	March 31, 2022	Dece	ember 31, 2021	Dee	cember 31, 2020
Working capital <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 3,807,369	\$	3,230,461	\$	553,032
Total assets	9,263,549		7,476,803		2,795,530
Total liabilities	1,467,576		903,102		646,597
Share capital	28,334,544		25,527,872		13,633,487
Contributed surplus	7,465,449		6,319,734		3,655,856
Deficit	(28,010,104)		(25,279,601)		(15,140,410)

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

(1) Working capital is calculated as current assets less current liabilities

The Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$4,458,720 as at March 31, 2022 (December 31, 2021: \$3,397,568) and a working capital of \$3,807,369 (December 31, 2021: \$3,230,461).

At present, the Company has no operations that generate cash flow and its financial success is dependent on the Company's ability to successfully acquire mineral properties and develop economically viable mineral deposits, and to raise required funding through future equity issuances, asset sales, or a combination thereof.

The Company relies on equity financings and the exercise of options and warrants to fund its mineral property acquisitions, exploration activities, and its general and administrative expenses. During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement for aggregate gross proceeds of \$3,000,000 a flow-through financing for gross proceeds of \$4,000,000 and closed two tranches of a non-brokered private placement for gross proceeds of \$4,800,000. During January 2022, the Company closed the third and final tranche of the non-brokered private placement for gross proceeds of \$3,500,000.

Many factors influence the Company's ability to raise funds, including the health of global commodity prices, the climate for mineral exploration investment, the Company's track record, and the experience and quality of its management team. Actual funding requirements may vary from those expected due to a number of factors, including the progress of exploration activities.

There is no guarantee that the Company will be able to secure additional financing in the future or at terms that are favourable to the Company. To date, the Company has not used debt to further its exploration programs, and the Company has no plans to use debt financing at the present time.

#### Common shares

As at March 31, 2022, the Company had 63,527,813 common shares issued and outstanding (December 31, 2021: 56,447,813). As at the date of this MD&A, the Company had 64,317,433 common shares issued and outstanding.

#### Warrants

As at March 31, 2022, the Company had 22,146,681 warrants outstanding. Subsequent to March 31, 2022, 6,924,416 warrants expired at \$0.75 per warrant and 639,620 warrants were exercised at an exercise price of \$0.75 per warrant for total proceeds of \$479,715, resulting in 14,582,645 warrants outstanding at the date of this MD&A.

#### Share purchase options

As at March 31, 2022, the Company had 6,150,000 options outstanding. Subsequent to March 31, 2022, 150,000 options were exercised at an average exercise price of \$0.47 per option for total proceeds of \$70,000, and 50,000 options were forfeited resulting in 5,950,000 options outstanding as at the date of this MD&A.

#### TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

Key management, directors, and officers received the following salaries and benefits during the three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021:

For the three months ended	March 31, 2022			March 31, 2021	
Employee salaries and benefits	\$	111,019	\$	193,253	
Share-based compensation		280,721		88,608	
	\$	391,740	\$	281,861	

The following table provides outstanding balances and the total amount of transactions, which have been entered into by the Company with related parties during the three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021:

For the three months ended	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021
Purchases:		
Accounting and legal costs recharged from a		
company controlled by director Ian Slater	\$ 60,000	\$ 45,000
Legal fees to Farris, LLP		
in which director Jay Sujir is a partner	\$ 24,184	\$ 25,792
Geological consulting fees to Serac Exploration		
Ltd. a company with two common directors, Ian		
Slater, and Bradley Rourke.	\$ 92,240	\$ -

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#### TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES (CONTINUED)

As at		March 31, 2022	C	ecember 31, 2021
Amounts owed to:				
Farris, LLP in which director Jay Sujir is a partner	Ś	-	Ś	107,983
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Serac Exploration Ltd. a company with two				
common directors, Ian Slater, and Bradley	ć	רכד דכ	č	2 205
Rourke.	Ş	37,737	Ş	2,295

The amounts owed to companies controlled by directors and officers of the Company are trade payables incurred in normal course, non-interest bearing and due on demand.

#### **FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Refer to note 13 of the Company's unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2022, for disclosure regarding the Company's financial instruments. The Company's cash and cash equivalents and amounts receivable are financial assets at amortized cost and accounts payable and accrued liabilities are financial liabilities at amortized cost.

#### Fair value

The fair values of cash and cash equivalents, amounts receivable, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their carrying amounts, largely due to the short-term maturities of these instruments. The Company currently has no financial instruments measured at fair value.

#### Marketable securities

In January 2021, the Company closed a transaction with Zacapa Resources Ltd. ("Zacapa") a related party with 2 common directors, to sell Libero Mining Limited, a company incorporated in Delaware, USA, which holds the option to acquire Tomichi, in return for the issuance of 2,000,000 Zacapa shares to the Company. At the time of this transaction Zacapa was a Canadian private company. On January 26, 2022 Zacapa completed an initial public offering and is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange (TSX-V "ZACA"). The shares are recorded at fair value and are calculated under the fair value hierarchy and measured using Level 1 inputs of quoted share prices available in active markets (note 5). The Company recorded an unrealized gain of \$280,000 at March 31, 2022.

#### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS**

The accounting estimates and judgments considered to be significant to the Company include the carrying values of mineral properties.

Management reviews the carrying values of its mineral properties every quarter, or when an impairment indicator exists, to determine whether an impairment should be recognized. In making its assessment, management considers, among other things, exploration results to date and future exploration plans for a particular property. Capitalized costs in respect of the Company's mineral properties amounted to \$2,060,164 as at March 31, 2022. These costs may ultimately prove not to be recoverable and there is a risk that these costs may be written down in future periods. Management has performed their assessment and no impairment of its assets exist as at March 31, 2022

# INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

As permitted, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Company will file a Venture Issuer Basic Certificate with respect to the financial information contained in the financial statements and respective accompanying Management's Discussion and Analysis. In contrast to the certificates under National Instrument ("NI") 52-109 (Certification of disclosure in an Issuer's Annual and Interim Filings), the Venture Issuer Basic Certification does not include representations relating to the establishment and maintenance of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting as defined in NI 52-109.

#### APPROVAL

The Board of Directors of the Company has approved the disclosure contained in this MD&A on May 27, 2022.

A copy of this MD&A is filed on SEDAR.

## LIBERO COPPER & GOLD CORPORATION Management's Discussion and Analysis For the three months ended March 31, 2022 FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This MD&A contains "forward-looking information" (also referred to as "forward-looking statements") within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation. Forward-looking statements are provided for the purpose of providing information about management's current expectations and plans and allowing investors and others to get a better understanding of the Company's operating environment. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements.

In this MD&A, forward-looking statements are necessarily based upon a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by the Company at this time, are inherently subject to significant business, economic, and competitive uncertainties and contingencies that may cause the Company's actual financial results, performance, or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied herein. Some of the material factors or assumptions used to develop forward-looking statements include, without limitation, the uncertainties associated with: potential acquisitions, financing of the Company's acquisitions and other activities,

exploration, development and operation of mining properties, and the overall impact of misjudgments made in good faith in the course of preparing forward-looking information.

Forward-looking statements involve risks, uncertainties, assumptions, and other factors, including those set out below, that may never materialize, prove incorrect, or materialize other than as currently contemplated, which could cause the Company's results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Any statements that express or involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, assumptions, or future events or performance (often, but not always, identified by words or phrases such as "expects", "is expected", "anticipates", "believes", "plans", "projects", "estimates", "assumes", "intends", "strategy", "goals", "objectives", "potential", "possible" or variations thereof or stating that certain actions, events, conditions or results "may", "could", "would", "should", "might" or "will" be taken, occur or be achieved, or the negative of any of these terms and similar expressions) are not statements of fact, and may be forward-looking statements.

Numerous factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, including without limitation:

- the ability of the Company to successfully acquire mining assets;
- access to funding to support the Company's strategic plans and/or operating activities in the future;
- the volatility of currency exchange rates, metal prices, and metal production;
- the continued participation in the Company of certain key employees; and
- risks normally incident to the acquisition, exploration, development, and operation of mining properties.

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