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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an annual general meeting (the "**Meeting**") of Shareholders of **Spanish Mountain Gold Ltd.** (the "**Company**") will be held at McMillan LLP, Suite 1500 - 1055 West Georgia Street, Vancouver British Columbia, on Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. (Pacific Time) for the following purposes:

- 1. to receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for its financial years ended December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023, together with the auditor's reports thereon (the "Annual Financial Statements") and the related management discussion and analyses (the "MD&A");
- 2. to set the number of directors of the Company at six (6);
- 3. to elect directors of the Company for the ensuing year;
- 4. to appoint Smythe LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, as the auditor of the Company for the ensuing year and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration; and
- 5. to consider any permitted amendment to or variation of any matter identified in this Notice and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

An Information Circular accompanies this Notice and contains details of matters to be considered at the Meeting. No other matters are contemplated, however any permitted amendment to or variation of any matter identified in this Notice may properly be considered at the Meeting.

A copy of the Annual Financial Statements and MD&A will be made available at the Meeting and are available on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.

Registered shareholders who are unable to attend the Meeting in person and wish to ensure that their shares will be voted at the Meeting, must complete, date and sign the enclosed form of proxy, or another suitable form of proxy, and deliver it in accordance with the instructions set out in the form of proxy.

If your shares are held in a brokerage account, you are not a registered shareholder. Unregistered shareholders who plan to attend the Meeting must follow the instructions set out in the form of proxy or voting instruction form to ensure that their shares will be voted at the Meeting.

Dated at Vancouver, British Columbia this 13th day of May, 2024.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

/s/ "G. Peter Mah"

George Peter Mah President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

SPANISH MOUNTAIN GOLD LTD.

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INFORMATION CIRCULAR

(as at May 7, 2024, except as otherwise indicated)

This information circular ("Information Circular") is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the management of Spanish Mountain Gold Ltd. (the "Company") for use at the annual general meeting (the "Meeting") of its shareholders to be held at the time and place and for the purposes set forth in the accompany Notice of Meeting.

In this Information Circular, references to "the Company", "we" and "our" refer to Spanish Mountain Gold Inc. "Common Shares" means common shares in the capital of the Company. "Beneficial Shareholders" means Shareholders who do not hold Common Shares in their own name and "intermediaries" refers to brokers, investment firms, clearing houses and similar entities that own securities on behalf of Beneficial Shareholders. "Registered Shareholder" means the person whose name appears on the central securities register maintained by or on behalf of the Company and who holds Common Shares in their own name. "Shareholders" means all shareholders who hold Common Shares.

GENERAL PROXY INFORMATION

Solicitation of Proxies

The solicitation of proxies will be primarily by mail, but proxies may also be solicited personally or by telephone by directors, officers or regular employees of the Company, none of whom will receive extra compensation for these activities. The cost of this solicitation will be borne by the Company.

If you are a Registered Shareholder, you can vote in person at the Meeting or by proxy as explained below. If you are a Beneficial Shareholder, follow the instructions provided by your intermediary.

Appointment of Proxyholders

The individuals named in the accompanying form of proxy (the "Proxy") are officers and/or directors of the Company. A shareholder has the right to appoint a person (who need not be a shareholder of the Company) to attend and represent him or her at the Meeting, other than those persons named in the enclosed form of proxy. A shareholder who wishes to appoint some other person to present him or her at the Meeting may do so either by inserting that other person's name in the blank space provided in the Proxy and signing the form of proxy, or by completing another proper form of proxy.

Voting by Proxyholder

The persons named in the Proxy will vote or withhold from voting the Common Shares represented thereby in accordance with your instructions on any ballot that may be called for. If you specify a choice with respect to any matter to be acted upon, your Common Shares will be voted accordingly. The Proxy confers discretionary authority on the persons named therein with respect to:

- (a) each matter or group of matters identified therein for which a choice is not specified, other than the appointment of an auditor and the election of directors;
- (b) any amendment to or variation of any matter identified therein; and
- (c) any other matter that properly comes before the Meeting.

In respect of a matter for which a choice is not specified in the Proxy, the persons named in the Proxy will vote the Common Shares represented by the Proxy for the approval of such matter.

Registered Shareholders

Registered Shareholders may wish to vote by proxy whether or not they are able to attend the Meeting in person. Registered Shareholders electing to submit a proxy may do so by choosing one of the following methods:

- (a) complete, date and sign the enclosed form of proxy and return it to the Company's transfer agent, Computershare Investor Services Inc. ("Computershare"), by fax within North America at 1-866-732-8683, outside North America at (416) 263-9524, or by mail to the 8th Floor, 100 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2Y1 or by hand delivery at 3rd Floor, 510 Burrard Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C 3B9;
- (b) use a touch-tone phone to transmit voting choices to the toll-free number given in the proxy. Registered Shareholders who choose this option must follow the instructions of the voice response system and refer to the enclosed proxy form for the toll-free number, the holder's account number and the proxy access number; or
- (c) via Computershare's internet website www.investorvote.com. Registered Shareholders who choose this option must follow the instructions that appear on the screen and refer to the enclosed proxy form for the holder's account number and the proxy access number.

In either case you must ensure the Proxy is received at least 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays) before the Meeting or the adjournment thereof. Failure to complete or deposit the Proxy properly may result in its invalidation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the chair of the Meeting has the discretion to accept proxies received after such deadline.

Please note that in order to vote your Common Shares in person at the Meeting, you must attend the Meeting and register with the scrutineer before the Meeting. If you have already submitted a Proxy but choose to change your method of voting and attend the Meeting to vote, then you should register with the scrutineer before the Meeting and inform them that your previously submitted Proxy is revoked and that you personally will vote your Common Shares at the Meeting.

Beneficial Shareholders

The following information is of significant importance to Shareholders who do not hold Common Shares in their own name. Beneficial Shareholders should note the only proxies that can be recognized and acted upon at the Meeting are those deposited by Registered Shareholders (those whose names appear on the records of the Company as the registered holders of Common Shares) or as set out in the following disclosure.

If Common Shares are listed in an account statement provided to a Shareholder by a broker, then in almost all cases those Common Shares will not be registered in the Shareholder's name on the records of the Company. Such Common Shares will more likely be registered under the name of the Shareholder's broker or an agent of that broker. In Canada, the vast majority of such Common Shares are registered under the name of CDS & Co. (the registration name for The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited, which acts as nominee for many Canadian brokerage firms). In the United States of America (the "U.S." or the "United States") the vast majority of such Common Shares are registered under the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for The Depository Trust Company (which acts as depository for many U.S. brokerage firms and custodian banks).

Intermediaries are required to seek voting instructions from Beneficial Shareholders in advance of shareholders' meetings. Every intermediary has its own mailing procedures and provides its own return instructions to clients.

There are two kinds of Beneficial Shareholders - those who object to their name being made known to the issuers of securities which they own (called "OBOs" for "Objecting Beneficial Owners") and those who do not object to the issuers of the securities they own knowing who they are (called "NOBOs" for "Non-Objecting Beneficial Owners").

These securityholder materials are sent to both Registered Shareholders and Beneficial Shareholders. If you are a Beneficial Shareholder and the Company or its agent sent these materials directly to you, you are a NOBO and your name, address and information about your holdings of securities, were obtained from the intermediary holding securities on your behalf and in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements including, but not limited to, NI 54-101.

Beneficial Shareholders who are OBOs should follow the instructions of their intermediary carefully to ensure that their Common Shares are voted at the Meeting.

The form of proxy supplied to you by your broker will be similar to the Proxy provided to Registered Shareholders by the Company. However, its purpose is limited to instructing the intermediary on how to vote on your behalf. Most brokers now delegate responsibility for obtaining instructions from clients to Broadridge Financial Solutions Inc. ("Broadridge") in Canada and in the United States. Broadridge mails a Voting Instruction Form ("VIF") in lieu of a proxy provided by the Company. The VIF will name the same persons as the Company's Proxy to represent you at the Meeting. You have the right to appoint a person (who need not be a Beneficial Shareholder of the Company), different from the persons designated in the VIF, to represent your Common Shares at the Meeting, and that person may be you. To exercise this right insert the name of your desired representative (which may be you) in the blank space provided in the VIF. Once you have completed and signed your VIF return it to Broadridge by mail or facsimile, or deliver your voting instructions to Broadridge by phone or via the internet, in accordance with Broadridge's instructions. Broadridge tabulates the results of all instructions received and provides appropriate instructions respecting the voting of Common Shares to be represented at the Meeting. If you receive a VIF from Broadridge, it must be completed and returned to Broadridge, in accordance with Broadridge's instructions, well in advance of the Meeting in order to: (a) have your Common Shares voted at the Meeting as per your instructions; or (b) have an alternate representative chosen by you duly appointed to attend and vote your Common Shares at the Meeting.

By choosing to send these materials to you directly, the Company (and not the intermediary holding on your behalf) has assumed responsibility for (i) delivering these materials to you, and (ii) executing your proper voting instructions. Please return your voting instructions as specified in the request for voting instructions.

Notice to Shareholders in the United States

The solicitation of proxies involves securities of an issuer located in Canada and is being effected in accordance with the corporate laws of the Province of British Columbia, Canada and securities laws of the provinces of Canada. The proxy solicitation rules under the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), are not applicable to the Company or this solicitation, and this solicitation has been prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the securities laws of the provinces of Canada. Shareholders should be aware that disclosure requirements under the securities laws of the provinces of Canada differ from the disclosure requirements under United States securities laws.

The enforcement by Shareholders of civil liabilities under United States federal securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that the Company is incorporated under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) (the "BCBCA"), as amended, certain of its directors and its executive officers are residents of Canada and a substantial portion of its assets and the assets of such persons are located outside the United States. Shareholders may not be able to sue a foreign company or its officers or directors in a foreign court for violations of United States federal securities laws. It may be difficult to compel a foreign company and its officers and directors to subject themselves to a judgment by a United States court.

Revocation of Proxies

In addition to revocation in any other manner permitted by law, a Registered Shareholder who has given a Proxy may revoke it by:

- (a) executing a proxy bearing a later date or by executing a valid notice of revocation, either of the foregoing to be executed by the registered shareholder or the registered shareholder's authorized attorney in writing, or, if the shareholder is a corporation, under its corporate seal by an officer or attorney duly authorized, and by delivering the proxy bearing a later date to Computershare, or at the address of the registered office of the Company at 1500 Royal Centre, 1055 West Georgia Street, P.O. Box 11117, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6E 4N7, at any time up to and including the last business day that precedes the day of the Meeting or, if the Meeting is adjourned, the last business day that precedes any reconvening thereof, or to the chairman of the Meeting on the day of the Meeting or any reconvening thereof, or in any other manner provided by law; or
- (b) personally attending the Meeting and voting the Registered Shareholder's Common Shares.

A revocation of a Proxy will not affect a matter on which a vote is taken before the revocation.

INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS OR COMPANIES IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

No director or executive officer of the Company, or any person who has held such a position since the beginning of the last completed financial year of the Company, nor any nominee for election as a director of the Company, nor any associate or affiliate of the foregoing persons, has any substantial or material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted on at the Meeting other than the election of directors, the appointment of the auditor and as may be set out herein.

VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

The board of directors of the Company (the "**Board**") has fixed May 7, 2024 as the record date (the "**Record Date**") for determining of persons entitled to receive notice of the Meeting. Only Shareholders of record at the close of business on the Record Date who either attend the Meeting personally or complete, sign and deliver the Proxy in the manner and subject to the provisions described above will be entitled to vote or to have their Common Shares voted at the Meeting.

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Common Shares without par value, which Common Shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSXV") under stock symbol "SPA". As of Record Date, there were 372,936,980 Common Shares issued and outstanding, each carrying the right to one vote. No group of Shareholders has the right to elect a specified number of directors, nor are there cumulative or similar voting rights attached to the Common Shares. The Company is also authorized to issue an unlimited number of preferred shares. As at Record Date, there were no preferred shares issued and outstanding.

To the knowledge of the directors and executive officers of the Company, only the following persons or company beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, or exercises control or direction over, Common Shares carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to the outstanding Common Shares of the Company:

| Shareholder Name | Number of Common Shares Held | Percentage of Issued Common Shares ⁽¹⁾ |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Lembit Janes | 56,847,048 | 15.24% |
| Eric S. Sprott ⁽²⁾ | 48,571,427 | 13.02% |

Notes:

- (1) The percentage is calculated based on 372,936,980 Common Shares that were outstanding as of Record Date.
- (2) These shares are held indirectly through 2176423 Ontario Ltd.

VOTES NECESSARY TO PASS RESOLUTIONS

A simple majority of affirmative votes cast at the Meeting is required to pass the ordinary resolutions described herein under the section "Particulars of Matters to be Acted Upon".

If there are more nominees for election as directors or appointment of the Company's auditor than there are vacancies to fill, those nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected or appointed, as the case may be, until all such vacancies have been filled. If the number of nominees for election or appointment is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, all such nominees will be declared elected or appointed by acclamation.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Annual financial statements and MD&A will be placed before Shareholders at the Meeting for their consideration. No formal action will be taken at the Meeting to approve the Annual Financial Statements or MD&A. If any Shareholder has questions regarding such Annual Financial Statements or MD&A, such questions may be brought forward at the Meeting. Copies of the Annual Financial Statements and MD&A are available through the internet on SEDAR+, which can be accessed at www.sedarplus.ca.

NUMBER OF DIRECTORS

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to pass an ordinary resolution to set the number of directors of the Company at six (6). The number of directors will be approved if the affirmative vote of the majority of Common Shares present or represented by Proxy at the Meeting and entitled to vote are voted in favour to set the number of directors at six (6).

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Advance Notice Provision

Pursuant to the Advance Notice Provisions contained in the Articles, the Board has determined that notice of nominations of persons for election to the Board at the Meeting must be made in accordance with the requirements of such Advance Notice Provisions. To the date of this Information Circular, the Company has not received notice of a nomination in compliance with the Articles and, subject to the timely receipt of any such nomination, any nominations other than nominations by or at the direction of the Board or an authorized officer of the Company will be disregarded at the Meeting.

The following table sets out the names of management's six (6) nominees for election as director, all major offices and positions with the Company and any of its significant affiliates each now holds, each nominee's principal occupation, business or employment (for the last five years for each director nominee), the period of time during which each has been a director of the Company and the number of Common Shares of the Company beneficially owned by each, directly or indirectly, or over which each exercised control or direction, at May 7, 2024.

| Name, Place of | Principal Occupation, Business or | Director Since | Number of |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Residence and | Employment for Last Five Years ⁽¹⁾ | | Common |
| Position(s) with the | | | Shares |
| Company | | | Owned ⁽¹⁾ |
| Christopher Lattanzi ⁽⁴⁾ | | June 13, 2008 | 2,733,334 |
| Director | See director biographies below | | |
| Ontario, Canada | | | |
| Lembit Janes ^(2,3) | See director biographies below | August 19, 2022 | 56,847,048 |
| Director | | | |
| Ontario, Canada | | | |

| Name, Place of | Principal Occupation, Business or | Director Since | Number of |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Residence and | Employment for Last Five Years ⁽¹⁾ | | Common |
| Position(s) with the | | | Shares |
| Company | | | Owned ⁽¹⁾ |
| Brent Bergeron ⁽⁴⁾ | See director biographies below | October 12, 2022 | 119,048 |
| Chairman and Director | | | |
| British Columbia, Canada | | | |
| Garnet Dawson (2,3,4) | See director biographies below | October 12, 2022 | Nil |
| Director | | | |
| British Columbia, Canada | | | |
| George Peter Mah | See director biographies below | October 19, 2022 | 150,000 |
| President, CEO and | | | |
| Director | | | |
| British Columbia, Canada | | | |
| Richard Orazietti (2,3) | See director biographies below | October 19, 2022 | 119,048 |
| Director | | | |
| British Columbia, Canada | | | |

Notes:

- (1) Shares beneficially directly or indirectly owned or over which control or direction is exercised, at the date of this Information Circular, based upon information furnished to the Company by the individual directors or obtained from the System for Electronic Disclosure by Insiders ("SEDI").
- (2) Member of the Audit Committee
- (3) Member of the Compensation Committee
- (4) Member of the Governance & Nomination Committee

Management recommends election of each of the nominees listed above for election as director of the Company for the ensuing year. Unless otherwise indicated on the Proxy received by the Company, the persons designated as proxyholders in the accompanying Proxy will vote the Shares represented by such Proxy, properly executed, in favour of each of the nominees listed in the Proxy, all of whom are presently members of the Board.

Director Biographies

<u>Christopher Lattanzi - Director.</u> Mr. Lattanzi is a mining engineer and was President of Micon International Limited, mineral industry consultants from its founding in 1988 to mid-2005. He has been active in the consulting area since 1967 when he joined David S. Robertson & Associates, Micon's predecessor firm. Prior to joining Robertson & Associates, he was in charge of mine design and operation for Canada's first oil sands operation. He has directed or participated in the preparation of feasibility studies for mineral deposits in Canada, the United States, Africa, Europe and Asia. These projects have involved base metals, precious metals and potash. Christopher served as Chairman and lead director of Meridian Gold Corp. prior to that company's merger with Yamana Resources Inc.

<u>Lembit. Janes – Director.</u> Mr. Janes is a long-time shareholder of Spanish Mountain Gold, currently holding over 50 million shares and has a solid understanding of the company's development and plans.

With his expertise in finance and governance, and as an investor in mining companies, he is making an immediate contribution to the Board as the company advances the Spanish Mountain Gold project.

Currently Mr. Janes is a trustee and the largest unitholder in the publicly traded trust, SIR Royalty Income Fund. He was instrumental in stopping a proposed going- private transaction at \$3.55 per unit in early 2021 and was ultimately appointed to the board of trustees where he helped restore regular monthly distributions. The trust unit value is now over \$15.

His work career comprised 39 years at Janes Family Foods, where he was Chair and CEO. Under Mr. Janes' leadership, the business became one of Canada's leading frozen food brands and was ultimately sold in 2012.

Mr. Janes is a philanthropist and has sat on numerous industry and charitable boards over the years. He is a resident of Toronto, with an undergraduate degree from McGill University and a MBA from York University.

<u>Brent Bergeron – Chairman and Director.</u> Mr. Bergeron joined Pan American Silver in 2019. He leads the development and implementation of the company's corporate affairs and sustainability strategy and programs, including government and external relations, environmental stewardship, community relations, social responsibility, and country risk analysis activities.

Prior to joining Pan American Silver, Mr. Bergeron was a member of the management team at Goldcorp Inc., most recently as Executive Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Sustainability. Prior to joining Goldcorp, he served as a senior executive with international experience in the fields of construction and infrastructure development, telecommunications, broadcasting and media throughout Africa, North, South and Central America. Mr. Bergeron has served as a member of the Executive Steering Committee for the Responsible Gold Standard Initiative at the World Gold Council (WGC), Chairman of the International Council of Metals and Mining's (ICMM) Environmental and Social Committee and as a member of the Clean Resources Economic Strategy Table for the Government of Canada.

Mr. Bergeron currently serves as a member of the Executive Committee of the Mining Association of Canada (MAC) and of the B.C. Special Olympics. Mr. Bergeron holds a Bachelor of Arts (Economics) and a Master of Arts (Economics) from Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada.

Garnet Dawson – Director. Mr. Dawson is a geologist with over 40 years of experience in the exploration and mining business working with senior and junior mining companies in the Americas, Europe, Africa and China. He has held executive roles with several Canadian mining companies including Chief Executive Officer of GoldMining Inc., Vice President, Exploration of Brazilian Gold Corporation and Vice President, Exploration of EuroZinc Mining Corporation. He has led teams that have added significant resources at the Neves Corvo and Aljustrel copper and zinc mines in Portugal (Lundin/EuroZinc), Sao Jorge gold project in Brazil (Brazilian Gold) and more recently through acquisition of resource stage gold projects in the Americas at GoldMining. Prior to joining EuroZinc, he consulted internationally and held a number of positions with Battle Mountain Canada Inc., British Columbia Geological Survey and Esso Minerals Canada Ltd. He currently serves as a Director of GoldMining Inc., U.S. GoldMining Inc. and Freegold Ventures Limited. Mr. Dawson is a registered Professional Geologist with Engineers & Geoscientists British Columbia and holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Geology from the University of Manitoba and a Masters of Science degree in Economic Geology from the University of British Columbia.

George Peter Mah – President, CEO and Director. Mr. Mah is a professional engineer with over thirty years of Canadian and global mining experience in gold, silver, diamond and base metal projects. He has held several senior management roles, including the President of Avanti Kitsault Mine Ltd., British Columbia, Chief Operating Officer ("COO") of Alloycorp Mining Inc., and Group Executive of prefeasibility and feasibility projects at Newmont Mining Corp. Most recently, he was COO at McEwen Mining Inc. where he was responsible for all open pit and underground mines and projects in Canada, Mexico, Argentina and the USA. His expertise includes new mine construction and he has a proven track record of building, transitioning and operating mines. Most notable was in 2009 when, under Peter's leadership as Mine General Manger of DeBeer's Victor open pit diamond mine, the Victor Mine Team was awarded the Mining Magazine's international 'Mine of the Year' award. He's a former Director at the Mining Association of British Columbia and the Ontario Mining Association. He is currently a Director at Golden Lake Exploration Ltd. Mr. Mah holds the degrees of Bachelor of Applied Science in Mining and Mineral Process Engineering and Master of Applied Science majoring in Rock Mechanics from the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.

<u>Richard Orazietti – Director.</u> Mr. Orazietti is a senior executive with extensive experience in corporate development, capital markets, risk management, financial reporting and control, operational management, strategic planning and leading change in multiple industries, including mining, telecom and automotive. He was the Chief Financial Officer of Westport Fuel Systems Inc., a global clean technology company in the automotive sector where he led several equity and debt financings to recapitalize the company to fund its growth. Prior to joining Westport Fuel Systems, he served as Senior Vice President, Treasurer of Goldcorp,

Inc., a former NYSE and TSX listed senior gold producer, where he was responsible for financing the company's strategic and operating objectives and managing risk exposure. Previously, he also held roles as Senior Vice President, Controller and Vice President, Internal Audit. Prior to Goldcorp, Mr. Orazietti served as Vice President, Finance at BCE Inc., Canada's largest communications company, where he led the financial management of various operating divisions during a period of significant change in the industry. He is a Chartered Professional Accountant ("CPA") in British Columbia and holds a Global Executive MBA from the IESE Business School at the University of Navarra and a Bachelor of Business Administration from Simon Fraser University. Mr. Orazietti is also fluent in French, Italian, and Spanish.

Corporate Cease Trade Orders, Bankruptcies, Penalties or Sanctions

To the knowledge of the Company, no director or executive officer, or proposed director or executive officer, is, as at the date of this Listing Statement, or was within 10 years before the date of this Listing Statement, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company (including the Company) that was subject to a cease trade order, an order similar to a cease trade order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days:

- (a) that was issued while the director or executive officer was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer; or
- (b) that was issued after the director or executive officer ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while that person was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer.

To the knowledge of the Company, no director or executive officer, or proposed director or executive officer, of the Company, or a shareholder holding a sufficient number of securities of the Company to affect materially the control of the Company:

- (a) is, as at the date of this Listing Statement, or has been within the 10 years before the date of this Listing Statement, a director or executive officer of any company (including the Company) that, while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets; or
- (b) has, within the 10 years before the date of this Listing Statement, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of the director, executive officer or shareholder.

No current or proposed director or executive officer of the Company, or a shareholder holding a sufficient number of securities of the Company to affect materially the control of the Company, has been subject to:

- (a) any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority; or
- (b) any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable investor in making an investment decision.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Smythe LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants ("Smythe LLP"), 1700 - 475 Howe Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, will be nominated at the Meeting for re-appointment as auditor of the Company to hold office until the next annual general meeting of Shareholders, at a remuneration to be fixed by the directors.

The Board unanimously recommends that the Shareholders vote for the appointment of Smythe LLP as auditor of the Company, to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration.

AUDIT COMMITTEE AND RELATIONSHIP WITH AUDITOR

The Company is a venture issuer as defined under National Instrument 52-110 – *Audit Committees* ("NI 52-110") and each venture issuer is required to disclose annually in its information circular certain information concerning the constitution of its audit committee and its relationship with its independent auditor, as set forth below.

Audit Committee Charter

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") has a charter, a copy of which is attached as Schedule "A" to this Information Circular.

Composition of the Audit Committee

The following persons are members of the Audit Committee:

| Committee Member | Independent | Financially Literate |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Richard Orazietti | Yes | Yes |
| Lembit Janes | Yes | Yes |
| Garnet Dawson | Yes | Yes |

Relevant Education and Experience

See "Director Biographies" above for a summary of the experience and education of the Audit Committee members.

Audit Committee Oversight

At no time since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year was a recommendation of the Committee to nominate or compensate an external auditor not adopted by the Board.

Reliance on Certain Exemptions

At no time since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year has the Company relied on the exemption in Section 2.4 of NI 52-110 (*De Minimis Non-audit Services*), or an exemption from NI 52-110, in whole or in part, granted under Part 8 of NI 52-110. The Company is relying upon the exemption in Section 6.1 of NI 52-110 (Venture Issuers) from the requirement of Part 5 (Reporting Obligations).

Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures

The Audit Committee has not adopted specific policies and procedures for the engagement of non-audit services. Subject to the requirements of NI 52-110, the engagement of non-audit services is considered by the Company's Board of Directors, and where applicable the Audit Committee, on a case-by-case basis.

External Auditor Service Fees

The following table provides the particulars of the external audit fees paid by the Company for the last two fiscal years.

| Nature of Services | Fees Billed by Auditor in Year Ended December 31, 2023 | Fees Billed by Auditor in Year Ended December 31, 2022 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Audit Fees ⁽¹⁾ | \$38,465 | \$34,920 |
| Audit-Related Fees ⁽²⁾ | Nil | Nil |
| Tax Fees ⁽³⁾ | Nil | Nil |
| All Other Fees ⁽⁴⁾ | Nil | Nil |
| Total | \$38,465 | \$34,920 |

Note:

- (1) "Audit Fees" include fees necessary to perform the annual audit and quarterly reviews of the Company's consolidated financial statements. Audit Fees include fees for review of tax provisions and for accounting consultations on matters reflected in the financial statements. Audit Fees also include audit or other attest services required by legislation or regulation, such as comfort letters, consents, reviews of securities filings and statutory audits.
- (2) "Audit-Related Fees" include services that are traditionally performed by the auditor. These audit-related services include employee benefit audits, due diligence assistance, accounting consultations on proposed transactions, internal control reviews and audit or attest services not required by legislation or regulation.
- (3) "Tax Fees" include fees for all tax services other than those included in "Audit Fees" and "Audit-Related Fees". This category may include fees for tax compliance, tax planning and tax advice. Tax planning and tax advice may include assistance with tax audits and appeals, tax advice related to mergers and acquisitions, and requests for rulings or technical advice from tax authorities.
- (4) "All Other Fees" include all other non-audit services.

Exemption

As the Company is a "venture issuer" as defined under NI 52-110, it is relying on the exemption provided by section 6.1 of NI 52-110 relating to Parts 3 - Composition of the Audit Committee and 5 - Reporting Obligations.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Corporate governance refers to the policies and structure of the board of directors of a company, whose members are elected by and are accountable to the company's shareholders. Corporate governance encourages establishing a reasonable degree of independence of the board of directors from executive management and the adoption of policies to ensure the board of directors recognizes the principles of good management. The Board is committed to sound corporate governance practices as such practices are both in the interests of shareholders and help to contribute to effective and efficient decision-making.

Independence of Members of the Board

Directors are considered to be independent if they have no direct or indirect material relationship with the Company. A "material relationship" is a relationship which could, in the opinion of the Board, be reasonably expected to interfere with the exercise of a director's independent judgment.

The Board facilitates its exercise of independent judgment in carrying out its responsibilities by carefully examining issues and consulting with outside counsel and other advisors in appropriate circumstances. The Board requires management to provide complete and accurate information with respect to the Company's activities and to provide relevant information concerning the mineral exploration industry in order to identify and manage risks. The Board is responsible for monitoring the Company's senior officers, who in turn are responsible for the maintenance of internal controls and management information systems.

As of the date hereof, the independent members of the Board are Christopher Lattanzi, Lembit Janes, Brent Bergeron, Garnet Dawson and Richard Orazietti.

The Governance & Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee, comprised of independent directors, provide guidance to and oversight of management in accordance with the respective committee's mandate and objectives.

Directorships

The following directors of the Company are currently directors of other reporting issuers:

| Name of Director | Name of Reporting Issuer | Exchange |
|------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| George Peter Mah | Golden Lake Exploration | CSE |
| Garnet Dawson | Freegold Ventures Limited | TSX |
| | GoldMining Inc. | TSX |
| | U.S. GoldMining Inc. | NASDAQ |

Orientation and Continuing Education

While the Company does not have formal orientation and training programs, each new director receives an orientation, minutes of meetings, written mandates, guidelines and other relevant corporate documents needed to understand the Company's business and processes. The commitment needed from directors, particularly the commitment of time and energy, is emphasized to directors prior to their appointment nomination.

Directors are encouraged to communicate with management, auditors and technical consultants; to keep themselves current with industry trends and developments and changes in legislation with management's assistance; and to keep themselves up to date with best director and corporate governance practices. The Company provides continuing education for its directors as the need arises. Directors have full access to the Company's records.

Ethical Business Conduct

The Board views good corporate governance and ethical business conduct as an integral component to the success of the Company and to meet responsibilities to shareholders. Due to the size of the Company and its present level of activity, the Company has not adopted a Code of Conduct or taken formal steps to encourage or promote a culture of ethical business conduct.

Nomination of Directors

The Board has responsibility for identifying potential Board candidates. The Board assesses potential Board candidates to fill perceived needs on the Board for required skills, expertise, independence and other factors. Members of the Board and representatives of the mineral exploration industry are consulted for possible candidates.

Compensation

The Board has the responsibility for determining compensation for the directors and senior management including the CEO, based on recommendations of the Compensation Committee.

To determine compensation payable, the directors consider the compensation paid for directors and CEOs of companies of similar size and stage of development in the mineral exploration industry and determines an appropriate compensation reflecting the need to provide incentive and compensation for the time and effort expended by the directors and senior management while taking into account the financial and other resources of the Company. In setting or adjusting the compensation the directors review the performance of the CEO in light of the Company's objectives and consider other factors that may have impacted the success of the Company in achieving its objectives.

Other Board Committees

The Company has an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee and a Governance & Nomination Committee. The Board may increase the number of sub-committees as warranted by the Company's development.

Assessments

The Board does not consider that formal assessments would be useful at this stage of the Company's development. The Board conducts informal assessments of the Board's effectiveness, the individual directors and each of its committees. To assist in its review, the Board conducts informal surveys of its directors. As part of the assessments, the Board or the individual committee may review their respective mandate or charter and conduct reviews of applicable corporate policies.

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

General

For the purpose of this Statement of Executive Compensation:

"compensation securities" includes stock options, convertible securities, exchangeable securities and similar instruments including stock appreciation rights, deferred share units and restricted stock units granted or issued by the Company or one of its subsidiaries (if any) for services provided or to be provided, directly or indirectly to the Company or any of its subsidiaries (if any);

"NEO" or "named executive officer" means:

- 1. each individual who, in respect of the company, during any part of the most recently completed financial year, served as chief executive officer, including an individual performing functions similar to a chief executive officer;
- 2. each individual who, in respect of the company, during any part of the most recently completed financial year, served as chief financial officer, including an individual performing functions similar to a chief financial officer;
- 3. in respect of the company and its subsidiaries, the most highly compensated executive officer other than the individuals identified in paragraphs (a) and (b) at the end of the most recently completed financial year whose total compensation was more than \$150,000; and
- 4. each individual who would be a named executive officer under paragraph (c) but for the fact that the individual was not an executive officer of the company, and was not acting in a similar capacity, at the end of that financial year.

Director and Names Executive Officer Compensation

<u>During the financial year ended December 31, 2023</u>, based on the information above, the NEOs of the Company were George Peter Mah (President, CEO and Director), Matthew Lee (VP, Finance), Troy Gill (VP, Exploration), Larry Yau (former CEO and Director), Sharon Ng (former CFO) Judith Stoeterau (former VP, Geology). The directors of the Company who were not also NEOs during the financial year ended December 31, 2023 were Christopher Lattanzi, Lembit Janes, Brent Bergeron, Garnett Dawson and Richard Orazietti.

<u>During the financial year ended December 31, 2022</u>, based on the information above, the NEOs of the Company were: Larry Yau (former CEO and Director), Sharon Ng (former CFO) and Judith Stoeterau (former VP, Geology). The directors of the Company who were not also NEOs during the financial year ended December 31, 2022 were Christopher Lattanzi, Donald Coxe, Lembit Janes, Brent Bergeron, George Peter Mah, Garnet Dawson and Richard Orazietti.

The following compensation table, excluding options and compensation securities, provides a summary of the compensation paid by the Company to NEOs and members of the Board for the two most recently completed financial years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022.

| Director and NEO compensation excluding compensation securities | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Name and position | Year ended | Salary, consulting fee, retainer or commission (\$) | Bonus (\$) | Committee or meeting fees (\$) | Value of perquisites (\$) | Value of all other compensation (\$) | Total compensation (\$) |
| George Peter Mah ⁽¹⁾ | 2023 | 230,336 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | 230,336 |
| President, CEO and Director | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Matthew Lee ⁽²⁾ | 2023 | 19,983 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| VP Finance | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Troy Gill ⁽³⁾ | 2023 | 71,667 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | 71,667 |
| VP Exploration | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Larry Yau ⁽⁴⁾ | 2023 | 47,015 | Nil | Nil | 1,195 | 240,000 | 288,210 |
| Former CEO and Director | 2022 | 240,000 | Nil | Nil | 73,692 | 23,783 | 337,475 |
| Sharon Ng ⁽⁵⁾ | 2023 | 97,500 | Nil | Nil | 1,790 | Nil | 99,290 |
| Former CFO | 2022 | 130,000 | Nil | Nil | Nil | 369 | 130,369 |
| Judith Stoeterau ⁽⁶⁾ Former VP Geology | 2023 | 58,500 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | 58,500 |
| Tomici vi deology | 2022 | 156,000 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | 156,000 |
| Donald Coxe ⁽⁷⁾ Former Director | 2023 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Former Director | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Christopher Lattanzi ⁽⁸⁾ | 2023 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Director | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Lembit Janes ⁽⁹⁾ Director | 2023 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Director | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Brent Bergeron ⁽¹⁰⁾ Chairman and | 2023 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Director | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Garnet Dawson ⁽¹¹⁾ Director | 2023 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Director | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Richard Orazietti ⁽¹²⁾ | 2023 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Director | 2022 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |

Notes:

- (1) Mr. Mah was appointed to the Board on October 19, 2022 and as President and CEO on March 6, 2023.
- (2) Mr. Lee was appointed VP, Finance on September 11, 2024.
- (3) Mr. Gill was appointed VP, Exploration on August 30, 2023.
- (4) Mr. Yau was Board member from October 1, 2021 to June 8, 2023 and CEO from September 29, 2016 to March 4, 2023.
- (5) Ms. Ng was CFO from June 26, 2019 to November 28, 2023.
- (6) Ms. Stoeterau was VP, Geology from March 9, 2011 to May 15, 2023.
- (7) Mr. Coxe was a Board member from September 15, 2011 until he retired in August, 2023.
- (8) Mr. Lattanzi was appointed to the Board on June 13, 2008.
- (9) Mr. Janes was appointed to the Board on August 19, 2022.
- (10) Mr. Bergeron was appointed to the Board on October 12, 2022.
- (11) Mr. Dawson was appointed to the Board on October 12, 2022.
- (12) Mr. Orazietti was appointed to the Board on October 19, 2022.

Stock Options and Other Compensation Securities

The Board adopted a new 10% fixed Share Option Plan dated effective July 28, 2023 (the "**Option Plan**"), which was approved by the TSXV on August 1, 2023. A copy of the Option Plan is attached to this Information Circular as Schedule "B".

The purpose of the Option Plan is to give directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company, as additional compensation, the opportunity to participate in the success of the Company.

Material Terms of Option Plan

The material terms of the Option Plan are set forth below. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined below shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Option Plan.

- 1. <u>Service Provider</u> Service Providers are eligible for awards of Options under the Option Plan. "Service Provider" means a person who is a bona fide Director, Officer, Employee, Management Company Employee, Consultant or Company Consultant, and also includes a company, 100% of the share capital of which is beneficially owned by one or more Service Providers.
- 2. <u>Maximum Plan Shares</u> The maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be reserved for issuance under the Option Plan, together with all other Security Based Compensation Plans, at any point in time is 37,293,698, which represents 10% of the Outstanding Shares as at the Implementation Date.
- 3. <u>Limitations on Issue</u> The following restrictions on issuances of Options are applicable under the Option Plan, together with all other Share Compensation Arrangements:
 - (a) no Service Provider can be granted an Option if that Option would result in the total number of Options, together with all other Share Compensation Arrangements granted to such Service Provider in the previous 12 months, exceeding 5% of the Outstanding Shares, unless the Company has obtained "Disinterested Shareholder Approval" (as defined in the Option Plan to mean approval evidenced by a majority of the votes cast by all the Shareholders at a duly constituted Shareholders' meeting, excluding votes attached to Common Shares beneficially owned by Insiders of the Company who are Service Providers or their Associates);
 - (b) the aggregate number of Options, together with any other Share Compensation Arrangement, granted to all Investor Relations Service Providers in any 12-month period cannot exceed 2% of the Outstanding Shares, calculated at the time of grant, without the prior consent of the TSXV (or NEX, as the case may be);
 - (c) the aggregate number of Options granted, together with any other Share Compensation Arrangements, granted to any one Consultant in any 12-month period cannot exceed 2% of the Outstanding Shares, calculated at the time of grant, without the prior consent of the TSXV (or the NEX, as the case may be);
 - (d) for so long as such limitation is required by the TSX Venture, the maximum number of Options which may be granted within any twelve (12) months period to Service Providers who perform investor relations activities must not exceed 2% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares, and such Options must vest in stages over twelve (12) months with no more than 25% vesting in any three-month period. In addition, the maximum number of Common Shares that may be granted to any one Consultant under this Plan, together with any other Share Compensation Arrangements, within a twelve (12) month period, may not exceed 2% of the issued Common Shares calculated on the date of grant.

Investor Relations Service Providers cannot receive any security-based compensation other than Options.

- 4. <u>Maximum Percentage to Insiders</u> Subject to Disinterested Shareholder Approval, the aggregate number of Common Shares reserved for issuance to Insiders of the Company under the Option Plan, together with any other Share Compensation Arrangements, cannot exceed 10% of the Outstanding Shares.
- 5. <u>Maximum Percentage to Insiders within any 12-month period</u> Subject to Disinterested Shareholder Approval, the number of Common Shares issued to Insiders of the Company within any 12-month period under the Option Plan, together with any other Share Compensation Arrangements, cannot exceed 10% of the Outstanding Shares.
- 6. <u>Exercise Price</u> The Exercise Price of an Option will be set by the Board at the time such Option is allocated under the Option Plan and cannot be less than the Discounted Market Price (as defined in TSX Venture Exchange Policy 1.1).
- 7. <u>Vesting of Options</u> Vesting of Options shall be at the discretion of the Board and, with respect to any Options granted under the Plan, in the absence of a vesting schedule being specified at the time of grant, Options shall vest immediately. Where applicable, vesting of Options will generally be subject to:
 - (a) the Service Provider remaining employed by or continuing to provide services to the Company or any of its Affiliates as well as, at the discretion of the Board, achieving certain milestones which may be defined by the Board from time to time or receiving a satisfactory performance review by the Company or any of its Affiliates during the vesting period; or
 - (b) the Service Provider remaining as a Director of the Company or any of its Affiliates during the vesting period.
- 8. <u>Vesting of Options Granted to Investor Relations Service Providers</u> Options granted to Investor Relations Service Providers will vest such that:
 - (a) no more than 25% of the Options vest no sooner than three months after the Options were granted;
 - (b) no more than 25% of Options vest no sooner than six months after the Options were granted;
 - (c) no more than 25% of Options vest no sooner than nine months after the Options were granted; and
 - (d) the remainder of the Options vest no sooner than 12 months after the Options were granted.
- 9. <u>Term of Option</u> The term of an Option will be set by the Board at the time such Option is allocated under the Option Plan. An Option can be exercisable for a maximum of 10 years from the Effective Date.
- 10. Optionee Ceasing to be a Director, Employee or Service Provider Options may be exercised after the Service Provider has left his/her employ/office or has been advised by the Company that his/her services are no longer required or his/her service contract has expired, until the term applicable to such Options expires, except as follows:
 - (a) in the case of the death of an Optionee, any vested Option held by him/her at the date of death will become exercisable by the Optionee's lawful personal representatives, heirs or executors until the earlier of one year after the date of death of such Optionee and the date of expiration of the term otherwise applicable to such Option;
 - (b) an Option granted to any Service Provider (excluding Service Providers conducting Investor Relations Activities) will expire 90 days (or such other time, not to exceed one year, as shall be determined by the Board as at the date of grant or agreed to by the Board and the Optionee at any time prior to expiry of the Option) after the date the Optionee ceases to be employed by or provide services to the Company, and only to the extent that such Option was vested on the date the Optionee ceased to be so employed by or to provide services to the Company; and

- (c) in the case of an Optionee being dismissed from employment or service for Cause, such Optionee's Options, whether or not vested at the date of dismissal will immediately terminate without right to exercise same.
- 11. <u>Non-Assignability of Options</u> Except in the case of death of an Optionee, all Options will be exercisable only by the Optionee to whom they are granted and will not be assignable or transferable.
- 12. <u>Amendment of the Option Plan by the Board of Directors</u> Subject to the requirements of the TSXV Policies and the prior receipt of any necessary Regulatory Approval, the Board may in its absolute discretion amend, or modify the Option Plan or any Option granted as follows:
 - (a) amendments which are of a typographical, grammatical, clerical nature only;
 - (b) amendments of a housekeeping nature;
 - (c) amendments necessary as a result in changes in securities laws applicable to the Company or any requested changes by the TSX Venture; and
 - (d) if the Company becomes listed or quoted on a stock exchange or stock market senior to the TSX Venture, amendments as may be required by the policies of such senior stock exchange or stock market.
- 13. <u>Amendments Requiring Disinterested Shareholder Approval</u> The Company will be required to obtain Disinterested Shareholder Approval prior to any of the following actions becoming effective:
 - (a) the Option Plan, together with all of the Company's other previous Share Compensation Arrangements, could result at any time in:
 - (i) the aggregate number of Common Shares reserved for issuance to Insiders exceeding 10% of the Outstanding Shares;
 - (ii) the aggregate number of Common Shares reserved for issuance to Insiders within a 12-month period exceeding 10% of the Outstanding Shares; or
 - (iii) the aggregate number of Common Shares reserved for issuance to any one Optionee within a 12-month period exceeding 5% of the Outstanding Shares; or
 - (b) any reduction in the Exercise Price of an Option, or extension to the Expiry Date of an Option held by an Insider at the time of the proposed amendment, is subject to Disinterested Shareholder Approval in accordance with the policies of the TSX Venture.
- 14. Take Over Bid If a Take Over Bid is made to the Shareholders generally then the Company shall immediately upon receipt of notice of the Take Over Bid, notify each Optionee currently holding an Option of the Take Over Bid, with full particulars thereof whereupon such Option may, notwithstanding other applicable vesting requirements or any vesting requirements set out in the Option Commitment, be immediately exercised in whole or in part by the Optionee, subject to approval of the TSXV (or the NEX, as the case may be) for vesting requirements imposed by the TSXV Policies.
- 15. <u>Acceleration of Vesting on Change of Control</u> In the event of a Change of Control occurring, Options granted and outstanding, which are subject to vesting provisions, shall be deemed to have immediately vested upon the occurrence of the Change of Control, excluding Options granted to a Person engaged in Investor Relations Activities. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no acceleration to the vesting schedule of one or more Options granted to an Investor Relations Service Provider can be made without the prior written acceptance of the TSXV.
- 16. <u>Black-out Period</u> The Option Plan also contains provision for a "Black-out Period". Should the Expiry Date for an Option fall within a Black-out Period, such Expiry Date shall, subject to approval of the TSXV (or the NEX, as the case may be), be automatically extended without any further act or formality to that day which is the tenth (10th) Business Day after the end of the Black-out Period, such tenth (10th) Business Day to be considered the Expiry Date for such Option for all purposes

under the Option Plan. The tenth (10th) Business Day period referred to herein may not be extended by the Board. "Black-out Period" is defined in the Option Plan to mean an interval of time during which the Company has determined that one or more Participants may not trade any securities of the Company because they may be in possession of undisclosed material information pertaining to the Company, or when in anticipation of the release of quarterly or annual financials, to avoid potential conflicts associated with a company's insider-trading policy or applicable securities legislation, (which, for greater certainty, does not include the period during which a cease trade order is in effect to which the Company or in respect of an Insider, that Insider, is subject).

Outstanding Compensation Securities

The following table discloses all incentive stock options (option-based awards) that were issued to NEOs and directors of the Company during the financial years ended December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023 and that were outstanding as at the financial year ended December 31, 2023.

| Compensation Securities | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Name and position | Type of compensati on security | Number of compensation securities, number of underlying securities, and percentage of class ⁽¹⁾ | Date of issue or grant | Issue, conversion or exercise price (\$) | Closing price of security or underlying security on date of grant (\$) | Closing price of security or underlying security at year end (\$) ² | Expiry Date |
| Christopher Lattanzi Director | Stock Options | 250,000 (2.6%) | January 24, 2022 | \$0.21 | \$0.21 | \$0.16 | January 24, 2027 |
| Lembit Janes Director | Stock Options | 300,000 (3.1%) | September 13, 2022 | \$0.15 | \$0.15 | \$0.16 | September 13, 2027 |
| Brent Bergeron Chairman and Director | Stock Options | 300,000 (3.1%) | October 12, 2022 | \$0.14 | \$0.14 | \$0.16 | October 12, 2027 |
| Garnet Dawson Director | Stock Options | 300,000 (3.1%) | October 12, 2022 | \$0.14 | \$0.14 | \$0.16 | October 12,2027 |
| Peter Mah Chief Executive Officer and Director | Stock Options | 300,000 (3.1%) | October 19, 2022 | \$0.13 | \$0.13 | \$0.16 | October 19, 2027 |
| Richard Orazietti Director | Stock Options | 300,000 (3.1%) | October 19, 2022 | \$0.13 | \$0.13 | \$0.16 | October 19, 2027 |

Notes:

Exercise of Compensation Securities by Directors and NEOs

The following stock options were exercised by directors or NEOs of the Company during the financial years ended December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023.

Percentage of class represents % of compensation securities granted over the total number of compensation securities of the Company outstanding as of December 31, 2023.

⁽²⁾ Closing price of the Company's common shares as at December 31, 2023.

| Compensation Securities | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Name and Position | Type of Compensation Security | Number of underlying securities exercised | Exercise price per security (\$) | Date of exercise mm/dd/yy | Closing price per security on date of exercise (\$) | Difference between exercise price and closing price on date of exercise (\$) | Total value on exercise date (\$) |
| Larry Yau Former, Chief Executive Officer, Corporate Secretary and Director | Stock Option | 500,000 500,000 | \$0.08 \$0.10 | 05/23/23 | \$0.21 | \$0.13 \$0.11 | \$65,000 \$55,000 |
| Sharon Ng Former Chief Financial Officer | Stock Option | 300,000 200,000 | \$0.08 \$0.10 | 06/13/23 | \$0.20 | \$0.12 \$0.10 | \$36,000 \$20,000 |

Employment, Consulting and Management Agreements

The Company does not have a contract, agreement, plan or arrangement that provides for payments to a an NEO following or in connection with any termination (whether voluntary, involuntary or constructive), resignation, retirement, a change of control of the Company or its subsidiaries, or a change in responsibilities of the NEO following a change in control.

Oversight and Description of Director and NEO Compensation

Objectives of Compensation Strategy

The objectives of the Company's compensation strategy are:

- to attract, retain and motivate executives with the requisite skills, experience and commitment necessary to achieve the Company's goals and objectives for the exploration and subsequent development of the Spanish Mountain gold project;
- to strengthen the Company's senior management team and structure an independent board to oversee the affairs of the Company by providing fair, competitive and cost-effective compensation to the Company's executives;
- to align the interests of management with those of the Shareholders; and
- to provide rewards for outstanding corporate and individual performance.

The Company has established a Compensation Committee which has been given the authority to assess the performance of the Company's senior executives and determine their compensation. The Compensation Committee also reviews, reports and provides recommendations to the Board.

The Compensation Committee consists of three members, Richard Orazietti, Garnet Dawson and Lembit Janes, all of whom are independent directors. The Company's Board provides oversight to the Compensation Committee's activities and approves all significant actions recommended by the Compensation Committee. The Board of Directors of the Company believe that the members of the Compensation Committee collectively have the knowledge, experience and background required to fulfill their mandate.

What the Compensation Strategy is Designed to Reward

The Compensation Committee endeavours to ensure that the Company's compensation strategy effectively compensates, motivates and rewards senior management of the Company on the basis of individual and corporate performance, both short term and long term, while keeping in mind the duty that the Company owes to its Shareholders. The base salaries of senior management of the Company are set at levels which the Company believes are competitive with the base salaries paid by companies of comparable or similar size within the exploration and mining industry, thereby enabling the Company to compete for and retain executives critical to the long-term success of the Company.

Each Element of Compensation

Compensation includes base salary, grants of stock options and bonuses based on available funds. The amount of bonus paid, if any, is based on individual performance and achievement of corporate responsibilities, accountabilities, and overall contribution to the Company.

Why the Company Chooses to Pay Each Element

The components of executive compensation are based on pay structures that the Company considers to be reasonable for similar exploration and mining companies in terms of size, asset and stage of development. It provides the Company the ability to retain qualified and experienced individuals to achieve the Company's short and long-term goals. Ultimately this provides the Company with established executives able to provide leadership and able to execute strategies consistent with the Company's corporate objectives.

How the Company Determines the Amount for Each Element

The Compensation Committee is responsible for making recommendations to the Board for compensation levels. Compensation levels have been determined through informal consultation that compares compensation levels of similar exploration and mining companies. The Company has not conducted a formal survey or benchmarking for each element of executive compensation during the most recently completed fiscal year as it believed that the current compensation arrangements remain competitive and accordingly requires no significant re-evaluation or adjustment to the elements or levels of the compensation.

When determining compensation policies and individual compensation levels for the Named Executive Officers, the Compensation Committee takes into consideration a variety of factors. These factors include the overall financial and operating performance of the Company, the Committee and the Board's overall assessment of each executive's individual performance and his contribution towards meeting corporate objectives, levels of responsibility, length of service, and available industry comparables.

The Board of Directors and the Compensation Committee have not systematically evaluated the implications of the risks associated with the Company's compensation program. However, the Board believes that the Company's current compensation practice will not encourage Named Executive Officers to expose the Company to undue risks that will adversely impact the long-term performance of the Company.

<u>Salary</u>: The salary for each Named Executive Officer is primarily determined having regard to his position, responsibilities, the assessment of such individual's performance and overall corporate performance as presented by management to the Board and the Compensation Committee. The base salaries of executive officers are reviewed annually and adjusted when considered appropriate. Base salary is intended to provide the Named Executive Officer with a compensation level competitive with base salaries within the mining industry.

Bonuses: The Compensation Committee will consider whether it is appropriate and in the best interests of the Company to award a discretionary cash bonus to the Named Executive Officers and if so, in what amount. A cash bonus may be awarded to reward extraordinary performance that has led to increased value for Shareholders through property acquisitions or divestitures, the formation of new strategic or joint venture relationships, capital raising efforts or achieving satisfaction of predetermined and agreed upon performance criteria. Demonstrations of extraordinary personal commitment to the Company's interests, the community and the industry may also be rewarded through a cash bonus.

Stock Options: The Compensation Committee may from time to time recommend the grant of stock options to the Company's executive officers under the Stock Option Plan. All grants of option are reviewed and approved by the Board. Grants of stock options are intended to enforce and encourage the executive officer's commitment to the Company's growth and the enhancement of share value and to reward executive officers for the Company's performance.

The grant of stock options, as a key component of the executive compensation package, enables the Company to attract and retain qualified executives. The Compensation Committee reviews option balances and recommends grants to newly hired executive officers at the time of their employment, and considers further grants to executive officers from time to time thereafter to such executive officers. The amount and terms of outstanding options held by an executive are taken into account when determining whether and how new option grants should be made to the executive. The number of Common Shares which may be subject to option in favour of any one individual is limited under the terms of the Stock Option Plan. The Company does not have a formal policy prohibiting the purchase of financial instruments designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity-based securities granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by the Named Executive Officers or directors. However, the Company does not believe such hedging instruments are readily available and is not aware of any hedging strategies currently employed by any Named Executive Officers

Pension Plan Benefits

The Company has no pension plan arrangements or benefits with respect to any of its NEOs, directors or employees.

SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

The following table sets forth details of the Company's compensation plans under which equity securities of the Company are authorized for issuance at December 31, 2023.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

| Plan Category | Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a) | Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (b) | Number of securities available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a) |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Equity compensation plans approved by securityholders – Option Plan | 3,950,000 | \$0.20 | 33,343,698 |
| Equity compensation plans not approved by securityholders | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Total | 3,950,000 | \$0.20 | 33,343,698 |

INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

No current or former director, executive officer, employee, or proposed nominee for election as a director, or associate of such person is, or at any time during the two most recently completed financial years has been, indebted to the Company.

No indebtedness of a current or former director, executive officer, employee, or proposed nominee for election as a director, or associate of such person to another entity is, or at any time during the two most recently completed financial year has been, the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Company.

INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS OR COMPANIES IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

Other than as disclosed elsewhere in this Information Circular, none of the directors or executive officers of the Company, no proposed nominee for election as a director of the Company, none of the persons who have been directors or executive officers of the Company since the commencement of the Company's last completed financial year and no associate or affiliate or any of the foregoing persons has any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon at the Meeting other than the election of directors or the appointment of auditor.

INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

To the knowledge of management of the Company, no informed person (a director, officer or holder of 10% or more of the Common Shares) or nominee for election as a director of the Company or any associate or affiliate of any informed person or proposed director had any interest in any transaction which has materially affected or would materially affect the Company or any of its subsidiaries during the financial years ended December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023, or has any interest in any material transaction during fiscal 2022 and 2023 other than as disclosed in Note 12 - Key Management Compensation of the December 31, 2022 Annual Financial Statements and Note 13 - Related Party Transactions and Key Management Compensation of the December 31, 2023 Annual Financial Statements.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

There are no management functions of the Company, which are, to any substantial degree, performed by a person other than the directors or executive officers of the Company.

PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

- A. Number of Directors see page 5 above.
- B. Election of Directors see page 5 and 6 above.
- C. Appointment of Auditor see page 9 above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Financial Information is provided in the Annual Financial Statements and MD&A of the Company for the financial years ended December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023, copies of which are filed under the Company's SEDAR+ profile at www.sedarplus.ca.

Additional information relating to the Company is also filed on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca and on the Company's website at https://spanishmountaingold.com. Copies are also available upon request from the Company by telephone at 604-802-8492 or by email at info@spanishmountaingold.com.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board is not aware of any other matters which it anticipates will come before the Meeting as of the date of mailing of this Information Circular.

The contents of this Information Circular and its distribution to Shareholders have been approved by the Board.

Dated at Vancouver, British Columbia this 13th day of May, 2024.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

/s/ "G. Peter Mah"

George Peter Mah President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

Schedule "A"

SPANISH MOUNTAIN GOLD LTD.

(the "Company")

AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

Purpose of the Committee

The purpose of the Audit Committee (the "Committee") of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Company is to provide an open avenue of communication between management, the Company's independent auditor and the Board and to assist the Board in its oversight of:

- the integrity, adequacy and timeliness of the Company's financial reporting and disclosure practices;
- the Company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements related to financial reporting;
 and
- the independence and performance of the Company's independent auditor.

The Committee shall also perform any other activities consistent with this Charter, the Company's articles and governing laws as the Committee or Board deems necessary or appropriate.

The Committee shall consist of at least three directors. Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Board and may be removed by the Board in its discretion. The members of the Committee shall elect a Chairman from among their number. A majority of the members of the Committee must not be officers or employees of the Company or of an affiliate of the Company. The quorum for a meeting of the Committee is a majority of the members who are not officers or employees of the Company or of an affiliate of the Company. With the exception of the foregoing quorum requirement, the Committee may determine its own procedures.

The Committee's role is one of oversight. Management is responsible for preparing the Company's financial statements and other financial information and for the fair presentation of the info1mation set forth in the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Management is also responsible for establishing internal controls and procedures and for maintaining the appropriate accounting and financial reporting principles and policies designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and all applicable laws and regulations.

The independent auditor's responsibility is to audit the Company's financial statements and provide its opinion, based on its audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company in accordance with GAAP.

The Committee is responsible for recommending to the Board the independent auditor to be nominated for the purpose of auditing the Company's financial statements, preparing or issuing an auditor's report or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Company, and for reviewing and recommending the compensation of the independent auditor. The Committee is also directly responsible for the evaluation of and oversight of the work of the independent auditor. The independent auditor shall report directly to the Committee.

Authority and Responsibilities

In addition to the foregoing, in performing its oversight responsibilities the Committee shall:

1. Monitor the adequacy of this Charter and recommend any proposed changes to the Board.

- 2. Review the appointments of the Company's Chief Financial Officer and any other key financial executives involved in the financial reporting process.
- 3. Review with management and the independent auditor the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's accounting and financial controls and the adequacy and timeliness of its financial reporting processes.
- 4. Review with management and the independent auditor the annual financial statements and related documents and review with management the unaudited quarterly financial statements and related documents, prior to filing or distribution, including matters required to be reviewed under applicable legal or regulatory requirements.
- 5. Where appropriate and prior to release, review with management any news releases that disclose annual or interim financial results or contain other significant financial information that has not previously been released to the public.
- Review the Company's financial reporting and accounting standards and principles and significant changes in such standards or principles or in their application, including key accounting decisions affecting the financial statements, alternatives thereto and the rationale for decisions made.
- 7. Review the quality and appropriateness of the accounting policies and the clarity of financial information and disclosure practices adopted by the Company, including consideration of the independent auditor's judgment about the quality and appropriateness of the Company's accounting policies. This review may include discussions with the independent auditor without the presence of management.
- 8. Review with management and the independent auditor significant related party transactions and potential conflicts of interest.
- 9. Pre-approve all non-audit services to be provided to the Company by the independent auditor.
- 10. Monitor the independence of the independent auditor by reviewing all relationships between the independent auditor and the Company and all non-audit work performed for the Company by the independent auditor.
- 11. Establish and Review the Company's procedures for the:
 - receipt, retention and treatment of complaints regarding accounting, financial disclosure, internal controls or auditing matters; and
 - confidential, anonymous submission by employees regarding questionable accounting, auditing and financial reporting and disclosure matters.
- 12. Conduct or authorize investigations into any matters that the Committee believes is within the scope of its responsibilities. The Committee has the authority to retain independent counsel, accountants or other advisors to assist it, as it considers necessary, to carry out its duties, and to set and pay the compensation of such advisors at the expense of the Company.
- 13. Perform such other functions and exercise such other powers as are prescribed from time to time for the audit committee of a reporting company in Parts 2 and 4 of Multilateral Instrument 52-110 of the Canadian Securities Administrators, the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) and the articles of the Company.

SCHEDULE "B"

SPANISH MOUNTAIN GOLD LTD.

SHARE OPTION PLAN

Implementation Date: July 28, 2023

ARTICLE 1 PURPOSE AND INTERPRETATION

Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this Plan is to advance the interests of the Company by encouraging equity participation in the Company through the acquisition of Common Shares of the Company. It is the intention of the Company that this Plan will at all times be in compliance with TSX Venture Policies and any inconsistencies between this Plan and TSX Venture Policies will be resolved in favour of the latter.

Definitions

- 1.2 In this Plan
 - (a) **Affiliate** means a company that is a parent or subsidiary of the Company, or that is controlled by the same entity as the Company;
 - (b) **Black-out Period** means a period during which a restriction has been formally imposed by the Company, pursuant to its internal trading policies as a result of the bona fide existence of undisclosed material information, on all or any of its Participants whereby such Participants are prohibited from exercising, redeeming or settling their Options, provided that any Black-out Period must expire following the general disclosure of the undisclosed material information;
 - (c) **Board** means the board of directors of the Company or any committee thereof duly empowered or authorized to grant Options under this Plan;
 - (d) Cause means "Just Cause" or similar or equivalent term as defined in the Participant's employment agreement or agreement for services with the Company or one of its subsidiaries, or if such term is not defined or if the Participant has not entered into an employment agreement or agreement for services with the Company or one of its subsidiaries, then any circumstance that would permit the Company or one of its subsidiaries to terminate a Participant's employment or agreement for services without notice of termination, or payment in lieu of notice of termination, severance pay or benefits continuation under the applicable law;
 - (e) Change of Control means the occurrence of any of:
 - (i) any transaction at any time and by whatever means pursuant to which any person or any group of two or more persons acting jointly or in concert (other than the Company or any of its Affiliates) thereafter acquires the direct or indirect "beneficial ownership" (as

defined in the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia)) of, or acquires the right to exercise control or direction over, securities of the Company representing 50% or more of the then issued and outstanding voting securities of the Company in any manner whatsoever, including, without limitation, as a result of a take-over bid, an issuance or exchange of securities, an amalgamation of the Company with any other person, an arrangement, a capital reorganization or any other business combination or reorganization;

- (ii) the sale, assignment or other transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company to a person or any group of two or more persons acting jointly or in concert (other than a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company);
- (iii) the occurrence of a transaction requiring approval of the Company's security holders whereby the Company is acquired through consolidation, merger, exchange of securities, purchase of assets, amalgamation, statutory arrangement or otherwise by any person or any group of two or more persons acting jointly or in concert (other than an exchange of securities with a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company;
- (iv) a majority of the Board consists of individuals which management of the Company has not nominated for election or appointment as directors; or
- (v) the Board passes a resolution to the effect that an event comparable to an event set forth in this definition has occurred;
- (f) **Common Shares** means the common shares without par value in the capital of the Company providing such class is listed on the TSX Venture;
- (g) **Company** means Spanish Mountain Gold Ltd. and includes, unless the context otherwise requires, all of its successors according to law;
- (h) **Consultant** means, in relation to the Company, an individual (other than a Director, Officer or Employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries) or Company that:
 - (i) is engaged to provide on an ongoing bona fide basis, consulting, technical, management or other services to the Company or to any of its subsidiaries, other than services provided in relation to a Distribution;
 - (ii) provides the services under a written contract between the Company or any of its subsidiaries and the individual or the Company, as the case may be; and
 - (iii) in the reasonable opinion of the Company, spends or will spend a significant amount of time and attention on the affairs and business of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries;
- (i) **Date of Termination** means, for a Participant, the last day that the Participant actively provides services to the Company or a subsidiary of the Company without regard to any notice of termination or pay in lieu of notice thereof, deemed or notional notice period, or period during which the Participant receives pay in lieu of notice, termination pay, severance payments, or salary continuance, whether pursuant to statute, agreement, common law or otherwise;

- (j) **Director** means a director (as defined under applicable securities laws) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
- (k) **Discounted Market Price** has the meaning assigned by Policy 1.1 of the TSX Venture Policies:
- (l) **Disinterested Shareholder Approval** has the meaning assigned by Policy 4.4 Sections 5.3(b) and (c) of the TSX Venture Policies;
- (m) **Distribution** has the meaning assigned by the Securities Act, and generally refers to a distribution of securities by the Company from treasury;
- (n) **Effective Date** for an Option means the date of grant thereof by the Board;
- (o) **Employee** means:
 - (i) an individual who is considered an employee of the Company or of its subsidiary under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and for whom income tax, employment insurance and Canada Pension Plan deductions must be made at source;
 - (ii) an individual who works full-time for the Company or its subsidiary providing services normally provided by an employee and who is subject to the same control and direction by the Company or its subsidiary over the details and methods of work as an employee of the Company or of the subsidiary, as the case may be, but for whom income tax deductions are not made at source; or
 - (iii) an individual who works for the Company or its subsidiary on a continuing and regular basis for a minimum amount of time per week providing services normally provided by an employee and who is subject to the same control and direction by the Company or its subsidiary over the details and methods of work as an employee of the Company or of the subsidiary, as the case may be, but for whom income tax deductions are not made at source;
- (p) **Exchange Hold Period** has the meaning assigned by Policy 1.1 of the TSX Venture Policies;
- (q) **Exercise Price** means the amount payable per Common Share on the exercise of an Option, as determined in accordance with the terms hereof;
- (r) **Expiry Date** means the day on which an Option lapses as specified in the Option Commitment therefor or in accordance with the terms of this Plan;
- (s) **Implementation Date** means the date of Board approval of this Plan, which is set out above;
- (t) **Insider** means an insider as defined in the TSX Venture Policies or as defined in securities legislation applicable to the Company;

- (u) Investor Relations Service Provider means any Consultant that performs Investor Relations Activities and any Director, Officer, Employee or Management Company Employee whose role and duties primarily consist of Investor Relations Activities;
- (v) **Investor Relations Activities** has the meaning assigned by Policy 1.1 of the TSX Venture Policies;
- (w) **Management Company Employee** means an individual employed by a company providing management services to the Company which services are required for the ongoing successful operation of the business enterprise of the Company;
- (x) **Market Price** has the meaning assigned by Policy 1.1 of the TSX Venture Policies;
- (y) **Officer** means an officer (as defined under applicable securities laws) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
- (z) **Option** means the right to purchase Common Shares granted hereunder to a Participant under this Security Based Compensation Plan;
- (aa) **Option Commitment** means the notice of grant of an Option delivered by the Company hereunder to a Participant and substantially in the form of Schedule A attached hereto;
- (bb) **Optioned Shares** means Common Shares that may be issued in the future to a Participant upon the exercise of an Option;
- (cc) **Optionee** means the recipient of an Option hereunder;
- (dd) **Outstanding Shares** means at the relevant time, the number of issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company from time to time;
- (ee) **Participant** means a Service Provider that is the recipient of Security Based Compensation granted or issued by the Company;
- (ff) **Person** includes a company, any unincorporated entity, or an individual;
- (gg) Plan means this share option plan, the terms of which are set out herein or as may be amended;
- (hh) **Plan Shares** means the total number of Common Shares which may be reserved for issuance as Optioned Shares under this Plan as provided in §2.2;
- (ii) **Regulatory Approval** means the approval of the TSX Venture and any other securities regulatory authority that has lawful jurisdiction over this Plan and any Options issued hereunder;
- (jj) Securities Act means the Securities Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 418, or any successor legislation;
- (kk) **Security Based Compensation** has the meaning given to such term in TSX Venture Policy 4.4 *Security Based Compensation*;

- (ll) **Security Based Compensation Plan** has the meaning given to such term in TSX Venture Policy 4.4 *Security Based Compensation*;
- (mm) **Service Provider** means a Person who is a Director, Officer, Employee, Management Company Employee, or Consultant, and also includes a company, 100% of the share capital of which is beneficially owned by one or more Service Providers;
- (nn) **Shareholder Approval** means approval by a majority of the votes cast by eligible shareholders of the Company at a duly constituted shareholders' meeting;
- (oo) **Take Over Bid** means a takeover bid as defined in National Instrument 62-104 (Takeover Bids and Issuer Bids) or the analogous provisions of securities legislation applicable to the Company;
- (pp) TSX Venture means the TSX Venture Exchange and any successor thereto;
- (qq) **TSX Venture Policies** means the rules and policies of the TSX Venture as amended from time to time; and
- (rr) **VWAP** means the volume-weighted average trading price of the Common Shares on the TSX Venture calculated by dividing the total value by the total volume of the Common Shares traded for the five trading days immediately preceding the exercise of the subject Option, provided that the TSX Venture may exclude internal crosses and certain other special terms trades from the calculation.

Other Words and Phrases

1.3 Words and phrases used in this Plan but which are not defined in this Plan, but are defined in the TSX Venture Policies, will have the meaning assigned to them in the TSX Venture Policies.

Gender

1.4 Words importing the masculine gender include the feminine or neuter, words in the singular include the plural, words importing a corporate entity include individuals, and vice versa.

ARTICLE 2 SHARE OPTION PLAN

Establishment of Share Option Plan

2.1 This Plan is hereby established to recognize contributions made by Service Providers and to create an incentive for their continuing assistance to the Company and its Affiliates.

Maximum Plan Shares

2.2 The maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be reserved for issuance under this Plan, together with all other Security Based Compensation Plans, at any point in time is 37,293,698, which represents 10% of the Outstanding Shares as at the Implementation Date.

Eligibility

2.3 Options to purchase Common Shares may be granted hereunder to Participants from time to time by the Board. Participants that are not individuals will be required to undertake in writing not to effect or permit any transfer of ownership or option of any of its securities, or to issue more of its securities (so as to indirectly transfer the benefits of an Option), as long as such Option remains outstanding, unless the written permission of the TSX Venture and the Company is obtained.

Options Granted Under this Plan

- 2.4 All Options granted under this Plan will be evidenced by an Option Commitment substantially in the form attached as Schedule A (or in such other form as determined by the Company) showing the number of Optioned Shares, the term of the Option, a reference to vesting terms, if any, and the Exercise Price.
- 2.5 Subject to specific variations approved by the Board, all terms and conditions set out herein will be deemed to be incorporated into and form part of an Option Commitment made hereunder.

Limitations on Participation

- 2.6 This Plan provides for the following limits on grants unless otherwise permitted pursuant to the policies of the TSX Venture:
 - (i) unless Disinterested Shareholder Approval is obtained, the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be issuable to any one Participant (and, where permitted pursuant to the policies of the TSX Venture, any company that is wholly-owned by the Participant) pursuant to all Security Based Compensation of the Company granted or issued within any twelve (12) month period may not exceed 5% of the Outstanding Shares calculated on the date of grant of any Security Based Compensation;
 - (ii) unless Disinterested Shareholder Approval is obtained, the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be issuable to Insiders of the Company (as a group) pursuant to all Security Based Compensation of the Company granted or issued within any twelve (12) month period may not exceed 10% of the Outstanding Shares calculated on the date of grant of any Security Based Compensation;
 - (iii) unless Disinterested Shareholder Approval is obtained, the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be issuable to Insiders of the Company (as a group) pursuant to all Security Based Compensation of the Company may not exceed 10% of the Outstanding Shares at any point in time;
 - (iv) the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be issuable to any Consultant of the Company pursuant to all Security Based Compensation of the Company granted or issued within any twelve (12) month period may not exceed 2% of the Outstanding Shares calculated on the date of grant of any Security Based Compensation; and
 - (v) the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be issuable to all Investor Relations Services Providers pursuant to Options granted or issued within any twelve (12) month period may not exceed 2% of the Outstanding Shares calculated on

the date of grant of any Options and Investor Relations Services Providers may not receive any Security Based Compensation other than Options.

Exercised and Unexercised Options

2.7 In the event an Option granted under this Plan expires unexercised or is otherwise terminated or lawfully cancelled prior to exercise of the Option, the Optioned Shares that were issuable thereunder will be returned to this Plan and will be eligible for re-issuance.

Administration of this Plan

- 2.8 The Board will be responsible for the general administration of this Plan and the proper execution of its provisions, the interpretation of this Plan and the determination of all questions arising hereunder. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Board has the power to
 - (a) allot Common Shares for issuance in connection with the exercise of Options;
 - (b) grant Options hereunder;
 - (c) subject to any necessary Regulatory Approval, amend, suspend, terminate or discontinue this Plan, or revoke or alter any action taken in connection therewith, except that no general amendment or suspension of this Plan will, without the prior written consent of all Optionees, alter or impair any Option previously granted under this Plan unless the alteration or impairment occurred as a result of a change in the TSX Venture Policies or the Company's tier classification thereunder; and
 - (d) delegate all or such portion of its powers hereunder as it may determine to one or more committees of the Board, either indefinitely or for such period of time as it may specify, and thereafter each such committee may exercise the powers and discharge the duties of the Board in respect of this Plan so delegated to the same extent as the Board is hereby authorized so to do.

Amendment of this Plan by the Board of Directors

- 2.9 Subject to the requirements of the TSX Venture Policies and the prior receipt of any necessary Regulatory Approval, the Board may in its absolute discretion, amend or modify this Plan or any Option granted as follows:
 - (a) amendments which are of a typographical, grammatical, clerical nature only;
 - (b) amendments of a housekeeping nature;
 - (c) amendments necessary as a result in changes in securities laws applicable to the Company or any requested changes by the TSX Venture; and
 - (d) if the Company becomes listed or quoted on a stock exchange or stock market senior to the TSX Venture, amendments as may be required by the policies of such senior stock exchange or stock market.

Amendments Requiring Disinterested Shareholder Approval

- 2.10 The Company will be required to obtain Disinterested Shareholder Approval prior to any of the following actions becoming effective:
 - (a) this Plan, together with any other Security Based Compensation Plans, or any particular grant or issue of Security Based Compensation, could result in:
 - (i) the aggregate number of Common Shares issuable pursuant to Security Based Compensation to Insiders (as a group) exceeding 10% of the Outstanding Shares at any time;
 - (ii) the aggregate number of Common Shares issuable pursuant to Security Based Compensation granted or issued within any 12-month period to Insiders (as a group) exceeding 10% of the Outstanding Shares calculated at the date of grant or issue; or
 - (iii) the aggregate number of Common Shares issuable pursuant to Security Based Compensation granted or issued within any 12-month period to any one Participant exceeding 5% of the Outstanding Shares calculated at the date of grant or issue; or
 - (b) any reduction in the Exercise Price or the extension of the term of an Option held by an Insider or any other amendment to an Option that results in a benefit to an Insider.

Options Granted Under the Company's Previous Share Option Plans

Any option granted pursuant to a share option plan previously adopted by the Board which is outstanding at the time this Plan comes into effect shall be deemed to have been issued under this Plan and shall, as of the date this Plan comes into effect, be governed by the terms and conditions hereof.

ARTICLE 3 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF OPTIONS

Exercise Price

3.1 The Exercise Price of an Option will be set by the Board at the time such Option is allocated under this Plan, and cannot be less than the Discounted Market Price.

Term of Option

3.2 The term of an Option will be set by the Board at the time such Option is allocated under this Plan. An Option can be exercisable for a maximum of 10 years from the Effective Date.

Option Amendment

3.3 Subject to §2.10(b), the Exercise Price of an Option may be amended only if at least six (6) months have elapsed since the later of the date of commencement of the term of the Option, the date the Common Shares commenced trading on the TSX Venture, or the date of the last amendment of the Exercise Price.

- 3.4 An Option must be outstanding for at least one year before the Company may extend its term, subject to the limits contained in §3.2.
- 3.5 In respect of any proposed amendment to the terms of an Option, and except as otherwise provided under TSX Venture Policies:
 - (a) any amendment must be approved by the TSX Venture, and be subject to shareholder approval, where applicable, prior to the exercise of such Option; and
 - (b) the Company must issue a news release outlining the terms of the amendment.

Vesting of Options

- 3.6 Subject to §3.7, vesting of Options shall be at the discretion of the Board and, with respect to any particular Options granted under this Plan, in the absence of a vesting schedule being specified at the time of grant, all such Options shall vest immediately. Where applicable, vesting of Options will generally be subject to:
 - (a) the Participant remaining employed by or continuing to provide services to the Company or any of its Affiliates as well as, at the discretion of the Board, achieving certain milestones which may be defined by the Board from time to time or receiving a satisfactory performance review by the Company or any of its Affiliates during the vesting period; or
 - (b) the Participant remaining as a Director of the Company or any of its Affiliates during the vesting period.

Vesting of Options Granted to Investor Relations Service Providers

- 3.7 Notwithstanding §3.6, Options granted to Investor Relations Service Providers will vest such that:
 - (a) no more than 25% of the Options vest no sooner than three months after the Options were granted;
 - (b) no more than another 25% of Options vest no sooner than six months after the Options were granted;
 - (c) no more than 25% of Options vest no sooner than nine months after the Options were granted; and
 - (d) the remainder of the Options vest no sooner than 12 months after the Options were granted.

Effect of Take-Over Bid

3.8 If a Take Over Bid is made to the shareholders generally, then the Company may immediately upon receipt of notice of the Take Over Bid, notify each Optionee currently holding an Option of the Take Over Bid, with full particulars thereof whereupon such Option may, notwithstanding §3.6 or any vesting requirements set out in the Option Commitment, be immediately exercised in whole or in part by the Optionee, subject to approval of the TSX Venture for vesting requirements imposed by the TSX Venture Policies.

Acceleration of Vesting on Change of Control

3.9 In the event of a Change of Control occurring, Options granted and outstanding, which are subject to vesting provisions, shall be deemed to have immediately vested upon the occurrence of the Change of Control, excluding Options granted to a Person engaged in Investor Relations Activities. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no acceleration to the vesting schedule of one or more Options granted to an Investor Relations Service Provider can be made without the prior written acceptance of the TSXV.

Extension of Options Expiring during Black-out Period

3.10 Should the Expiry Date for an Option fall within a Black-out Period, such Expiry Date shall be automatically extended without any further act or formality to that day which is the tenth (10th) Business Day after the end of the Black-out Period, such tenth Business Day to be considered the Expiry Date for such Option for all purposes under the Plan, provided that such automatic extension of the Expiry Date for an Option will not apply where the Participant or the Company is subject to a cease trade order (or similar order under securities laws) in respect of the Company's securities.

Optionee Ceasing to be Director, Employee or Service Provider

- 3.11 Options may be exercised after the Participant has left his/her employ/office or has been advised by the Company or its subsidiary, as applicable, that his/her services are no longer required or his/her service contract has expired, until the term applicable to such Options expires, except as follows:
 - (a) in the case of the death of an Optionee, any vested Option held by him at the date of death will become exercisable by the Optionee's lawful personal representatives, heirs or executors until the earlier of one year after the date of death of such Optionee and the date of expiration of the term otherwise applicable to such Option;
 - (b) an Option granted to any Participant will expire 90 days (or such other time, not to exceed one year, as shall be determined by the Board as at the date of grant or agreed to by the Board and the Optionee at any time prior to expiry of the Option) after the Termination Date, and only to the extent that such Option was vested at the Termination Date; and
 - (c) in the case of an Optionee being dismissed from employment or service for Cause, such Optionee's Options, whether or not vested at the date of dismissal will immediately terminate on the Termination Date without right to exercise same.

Non-assignable

3.12 Subject to §3.11(a), all Options will be exercisable only by the Optionee to whom they are granted and will not be assignable or transferable.

Adjustment of the Number of Optioned Shares

- 3.13 The number of Common Shares subject to an Option will be subject to adjustment in the events and in the manner following:
 - (a) in the event of a subdivision of Common Shares as constituted on the date hereof, at any time while an Option is in effect, into a greater number of Common Shares, the Company will thereafter deliver at the time of purchase of Optioned Shares hereunder, in addition to the number

- of Optioned Shares in respect of which the right to purchase is then being exercised, such additional number of Common Shares as result from the subdivision without an Optionee making any additional payment or giving any other consideration therefor;
- (b) in the event of a consolidation of the Common Shares as constituted on the date hereof, at any time while an Option is in effect, into a lesser number of Common Shares, the Company will thereafter deliver and an Optionee will accept, at the time of purchase of Optioned Shares hereunder, in lieu of the number of Optioned Shares in respect of which the right to purchase is then being exercised, the lesser number of Common Shares as result from the consolidation;
- (c) in the event of any change of the Common Shares as constituted on the date hereof, at any time while an Option is in effect, the Company will thereafter deliver at the time of purchase of Optioned Shares hereunder the number of shares of the appropriate class resulting from the said change as an Optionee would have been entitled to receive in respect of the number of Common Shares so purchased had the right to purchase been exercised before such change;
- (d) in the event of a capital reorganization, reclassification or change of outstanding equity shares (other than a change in the par value thereof) of the Company, a consolidation, merger or amalgamation of the Company with or into any other company or a sale of the property of the Company as or substantially as an entirety at any time while an Option is in effect, an Optionee will thereafter have the right to purchase and receive, in lieu of the Optioned Shares immediately theretofore purchasable and receivable upon the exercise of the Option, the kind and amount of shares and other securities and property receivable upon such capital reorganization, reclassification, change, consolidation, merger, amalgamation or sale which the holder of a number of Common Shares equal to the number of Optioned Shares immediately theretofore purchasable and receivable upon the exercise of the Option would have received as a result thereof. The subdivision or consolidation of Common Shares at any time outstanding (whether with or without par value) will not be deemed to be a capital reorganization or a reclassification of the capital of the Company for the purposes of this §3.13;
- (e) an adjustment will take effect at the time of the event giving rise to the adjustment, and the adjustments provided for in this section are cumulative;
- (f) the Company will not be required to issue fractional shares in satisfaction of its obligations hereunder. Any fractional interest in a Common Share that would, except for the provisions of this §3.13, be deliverable upon the exercise of an Option will be cancelled and not be deliverable by the Company;
- (g) if any questions arise at any time with respect to the Exercise Price or number of Optioned Shares deliverable upon exercise of an Option in any of the events set out in this §3.13, such questions will be conclusively determined by the Company's auditors, or, if they decline to so act, any other firm of Chartered Accountants, in Vancouver, British Columbia (or in the city of the Company's principal executive office) that the Company may designate and who will be granted access to all appropriate records and such determination will be binding upon the Company and all Optionees; and
- (h) any adjustment, other than in connection with a security consolidation or security split, to Options granted or issued under this Plan is subject to the prior acceptance of the TSX Venture,

including adjustments related to an amalgamation, merger, arrangement, reorganization, spin-off, dividend or recapitalization.

ARTICLE 4 COMMITMENT AND EXERCISE PROCEDURES

Option Commitment

4.1 Upon grant of an Option hereunder, an authorized officer of the Company will deliver to the Optionee an Option Commitment detailing the terms of such Options and upon such delivery the Optionee will be subject to this Plan and have the right to purchase the Optioned Shares at the Exercise Price set out therein subject to the terms and conditions hereof, including any additional requirements contemplated with respect to the payment of required withholding taxes on behalf of Optionees.

Manner of Exercise

- 4.2 An Optionee who wishes to exercise his Option may do so by delivering:
 - (a) a written notice to the Company specifying the number of Optioned Shares being acquired pursuant to the Option; and
 - (b) a certified cheque, wire transfer or bank draft payable to the Company for the aggregate Exercise Price for the Optioned Shares being acquired, plus any required withholding tax amount subject to §4.5.

Tax Withholding and Procedures

- 4.3 Notwithstanding anything else contained in this Plan, the Company may, from time to time, implement such procedures and conditions as it determines appropriate with respect to the withholding and remittance of taxes imposed under applicable law, or the funding of related amounts for which liability may arise under such applicable law. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, an Optionee who wishes to exercise an Option must, in addition to following the procedures set out in §4.5 and elsewhere in this Plan, and as a condition of exercise:
 - (a) deliver a certified cheque, wire transfer or bank draft payable to the Company for the amount determined by the Company to be the appropriate amount on account of such taxes or related amounts; or
 - (b) otherwise ensure, in a manner acceptable to the Company (if at all) in its sole and unfettered discretion, that the amount will be securely funded;

and must in all other respects follow any related procedures and conditions imposed by the Company.

Delivery of Optioned Shares and Hold Periods

As soon as practicable after receipt of the notice of exercise described in §4.2 or §4.3, as applicable, and payment in full for the Optioned Shares being acquired, the Company will direct its transfer agent to issue to the Optionee the appropriate number of Optioned Shares. An Exchange Hold Period will be applied from the date of grant for all Options granted to:

- (a) Insiders or Consultants; or
- (b) where Options are granted to any Participants, including Insiders or Consultants, where the Exercise Price is at a discount to the Market Price.
- 4.5 Pursuant to TSX Venture Policies, where the Exchange Hold Period is applicable, the certificate representing the Optioned Shares or written notice in the case of uncertificated shares will include a legend stipulating that the Optioned Shares issued are subject to a four-month Exchange Hold Period commencing the Effective Date of the grant of the Options.

ARTICLE 5 GENERAL

Employment and Services

Nothing contained in this Plan will confer upon or imply in favour of any Optionee any right with respect to office, employment or provision of services with the Company or a subsidiary of the Company, or interfere in any way with the right of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company to lawfully terminate the Optionee's office, employment or service at any time pursuant to the arrangements pertaining to same. Participation in this Plan by an Optionee is voluntary.

No Representation or Warranty

5.2 The Company makes no representation or warranty as to the future market value of Common Shares issued in accordance with the provisions of this Plan or to the effect of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) or any other taxing statute governing the Options or the Common Shares issuable thereunder or the tax consequences to a Participant. Compliance with applicable securities laws as to the disclosure and resale obligations of each Participant is the responsibility of each Participant and not the Company.

Interpretation

5.3 This Plan will be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia.

Effective Date of Plan

5.4 This Plan will become effective from and after the Implementation Date.

Amendment of this Plan

The Board reserves the right, in its absolute discretion, to at any time amend, modify or terminate this Plan with respect to all Common Shares in respect of Options which have not yet been granted hereunder. Any amendment to any provision of this Plan will be subject to any necessary Regulatory Approvals and Shareholder Approval.

SCHEDULE A

SHARE OPTION PLAN

OPTION COMMITMENT

| Notice is hereby given that, effective | e this day of | |
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| the provisions of the Share Option | Plan (the "Plan") of Spanish M | fountain Gold Ltd. (the "Company"), |
| the Company has granted to | | (the "Optionee"), an |
| Option to acquire | Common Shares ("Optioned | Shares") up to 5:00 p.m. (Vancouver |
| Time) on the day of | , 20 | _(the "Expiry Date"), or such earlier |
| date as determined in accordance with | ith the terms of this Plan, at an l | Exercise Price of Cdn\$ |
| per share. | | |
| [Optioned Shares are to vest immed | liately.] | |
| OR | | |

[Optioned Shares will vest (INSERT VESTING SCHEDULE AND TERMS)]

The grant of the Option evidenced hereby is made subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan, which are hereby incorporated herein and form part hereof. This Option Commitment and the Option evidenced hereby is not assignable, transferable or negotiable and is subject to the detailed terms and conditions contained in the Plan. This Option Commitment is issued for convenience only and in the case of any dispute with regard to any matter in respect hereof, the provisions of the Plan and the records of the Company shall prevail.

To exercise the Option, deliver a written notice in the form attached as Schedule B to the Plan (or in such other form as established by the Company) specifying the number of Optioned Shares you wish to acquire, together with a certified cheque, wire transfer or bank draft payable to the Company for the aggregate exercise price. A certificate, or a written notice in the case of uncertificated shares, for the Optioned Shares so acquired will be issued by the Company or its transfer agent, if applicable, as soon as practicable thereafter and may bear a restrictive legend if required under applicable securities laws or the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange.

[Note: If a four month hold period is applicable under the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange, the following legend must be placed on the certificate or the written notice in the case of uncertificated shares

"WITHOUT PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE TSX VENTURE EXCHANGE AND COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LEGISLATION, THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE MAY NOT BE SOLD, TRANSFERRED, HYPOTHECATED OR OTHERWISE TRADED ON OR THROUGH THE FACILITIES OF THE TSX VENTURE EXCHANGE OR OTHERWISE IN CANADA OR TO OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF A CANADIAN RESIDENT UNTIL [insert date 4 months from the date of grant of the Options]."

The Company and the Optionee represent that the Optionee, under the terms and conditions of the Plan, is a bona fide Service Provider (as defined in the Plan), entitled to receive Options under TSX Venture Policies.

The Optionee also acknowledges and consents to the collection and use of Personal Information (as defined in the TSX Venture Policies) by both the Company and the TSX Venture Exchange as more

particularly set out in the Acknowledgement - Personal Information form in use by the TSX Venture Exchange on the date of this Option Commitment.

Per: Authorized Signatory [insert name and title of authorized signatory] The Optionee acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Plan and represents to the Company that the Optionee is familiar with the terms and conditions of the Plan, and hereby accepts this Option subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Plan. The Optionee agrees to execute, deliver, file and otherwise assist the Company in filing any report, undertaking or document with respect to the awarding of the Option and exercise of the Option, as may be required by applicable regulatory authorities. OPTIONEE: Date signed:

Print Name

Address

SCHEDULE B

SHARE OPTION PLAN

NOTICE TO EXERCISE OPTIONS

Spanish Mountain Gold Ltd.

Attention: CFO 1120 - 1095 W Pender St, Vancouver, BC V6E 2M6 Re: Share Option Exercise Attn: Share Option Plan of Spanish Mountain Gold Ltd. (the "Company") This letter is to inform the Administrator of the Company's Share Option Plan that I,_____, wish to exercise _____ options, at _____ per share, on this ____ day of _____, 20____. Payment issued in favour of Spanish Mountain Gold Ltd. for the amount of \$ will be forwarded, including withholding tax amounts. Please register the share certificate in the name of: Name of Optionee: Address: Please send share certificate to: Address: Sincerely, Signature of Optionee SIN Number (for T4) Date