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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

This Management’s Discussion and Analysis (“**MD&A**”) of the financial position and results of operations of Marimaca Copper Corp. (“**Marimaca Copper**” or the “**Company**”) has been prepared based on information available to the Company as at November 13, 2024, and should be read in conjunction with the Company’s unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements and the related notes for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2023, which are prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting. Since the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements do not include all disclosure required by IFRS Accounting Standards for annual statements, they should be read in conjunction with the Company’s audited consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2023, combined with the MD&A for the year ended December 31, 2023. The condensed interim consolidated financial statements and MD&A are presented in U.S. dollars. Reference herein of \$ is to the United States dollars and C\$ is to the Canadian dollar.

Readers are cautioned that the MD&A contains forward-looking statements and that actual events may vary from management’s expectations. Readers are encouraged to read the “Cautionary Statement on Forward-Looking Information” at the end of this MD&A and to consult Marimaca Copper’s Financial Statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, and the corresponding notes to the Financial Statements which are available on our website at www.marimaca.com and on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.

Additional information related to Marimaca Copper, including our Annual Information Form (“AIF”), is available under the Company’s profile on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca and the Company’s website at www.marimaca.com.

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Where we say “we,” “us,” “our,” the “Company,” or “Marimaca,” we mean Marimaca Copper Corp. or Marimaca Copper Corp. and/or one or more or all of its subsidiaries, as it may apply. The following abbreviations are used to describe the periods under review throughout this MD&A:

Abbreviation	Period	Abbreviation	Period
Q1 2024	January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024	Q1 2023	January 1, 2023 – March 31, 2023
Q2 2024	April 1, 2024 – June 30, 2024	Q2 2023	April 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023
Q3 2024	July 1, 2024 – September 30, 2024	Q3 2023	July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023
Q4 2024	October 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024	Q4 2023	October 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023
YTD 2024	January 1, 2024 – September 30, 2024	YTD 2023	January 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023

1 Overview

Marimaca Copper is a Canadian publicly-listed exploration and development company focused on exploring for and developing new copper deposits in Chile. The Company's shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") under the symbol "MARI".

The Company's principal asset is the Marimaca Project, a copper deposit located in the Antofagasta Region of northern Chile. The Company released an updated Mineral Resource Estimate for the Marimaca Project in May 2023. The Company's current technical report (the "2023 MRE") for the Marimaca Project is dated May 18, 2023, and is the technical report most recently filed on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca under the Company's profile.

The Company continues to focus on the development of the Marimaca Project while concurrently exploring its extensive land holding for additional copper mineralization. This larger area is referred to as the Marimaca District.

2 Highlights

The following are Q3 2024 highlights:

- On July 2, 2024, the Company announced exploration channel sampling results from the Mercedes exploration target, located immediately north of the Marimaca Oxide Deposit ("MOD"). Highlights included 168m @ 0.26% CuT (incl. internal dilution), including 36m at 0.44% CuT, and 122m at 0.20% CuT (incl. internal dilution), including 32m at 0.36% CuT.
- On August 7, 2024, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement with Assore International Holdings Limited ("AIH") (the "AIH Private Placement") via a non-brokered private placement (the "AIH Investment"), which it issued 5,725,000 units ("Units") at a price of C\$4.50 per Unit for gross proceeds of C\$25.8 million (\$18.7 million). Each Unit comprised one common share of the Company (a "Common Share") and one half of one Common Share purchase warrant of the Company (each whole warrant, a "Warrant"). Each Warrant entitled the holder to purchase one additional Common Share at an exercise price of C\$5.85 for a period of 18 months following the closing. Following the completion of the AIH Investment, AIH now owns approximately 15% of Marimaca's issued and outstanding common shares on a non-diluted basis. No warrants have been exercised during the period.

In addition to the AIH Private Placement, another investor subscribed for 1,000,000 Units by way of private placement at a price of C\$4.50 per common share (the "Additional Private Placement") (together with the AIH Private Placement the "Private Placements"), for gross proceeds of C\$4.5 million (\$3.3 million). Each Unit consists of one common share of the Company and one half of one common share purchase warrant (each whole Common Share purchase warrant a "Warrant"), following the conditions described in the previous paragraph.

- As a result of the AIH Private Placement, on August 8, 2024, the Company announced the appointment of Kieran Daly to its Board of Directors.
- On September 3, 2024, the Company announced further exploration channel sampling results from the Mercedes exploration target, located immediately north of the MOD. Highlights included 298m at 0.20% CuT including 130m at 0.32% CuT and 80m at 0.41% CuT.
- On September 9, 2024, the Company announced the appointment of Oscar Valenzuela as VP Project and Alexis Muñoz as VP Project Execution. Mr. Valenzuela brings over 35 years experience in executive development and operational leadership roles in the mining industry. Mr. Muñoz has over 29 years of experience in the construction and execution of large-scale mining projects in senior management roles. Both Mr. Muñoz and Mr. Valenzuela are based in Santiago, Chile.
- On October 8, 2024, the Company announced the signing of a binding option agreement (the "Option") to acquire the Pampa Medina project ("Pampa Medina") from Sociedad Contractual Minera Elenita ("SCM Elenita"). Under the terms of the Option, Marimaca Copper has the option to pay the following installment over a 5-year option term to acquire 100% of Pampa Medina: i) \$0.2 million on signing (paid), ii) \$0.4 million on or before the first anniversary of signing, iii) \$0.5 million on or before the second anniversary of signing, iv) \$1.5 million on or before the third anniversary of signing, v) \$2.5 million on or before the fourth anniversary of signing; vi) \$7.0 million on or before the fifth anniversary of signing. Marimaca Copper may withdraw and relinquish property exploration rights back to SCM Elenita at any time, before completing all the installments agreed under the Option. Under the terms of the option the company has the right to perform exploration activities on the property.

Following the acquisition of Pampa Medina, SCM Elenita will retain a 1.5% net smelter royalty ("NSR") on the Pampa Medina property. Marimaca Copper will have a right to buy back 1.0% of the NSR for \$2 million, exercisable within a term of 24 months from the start of commercial production.

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Mineral Resource Estimate

On May 18, 2023, the Company released the 2023 MRE for the MOD. The 2023 MRE incorporated 28,374m of new drilling data completed since the 2022 Mineral Resource Estimate (the “**2022 MRE**”) released in October 2022. The 2023 MRE database consists of 139,164m across 554 drill holes completed since discovery of the MOD in 2016. New drilling data captured in the 2023 MRE was largely targeted at conversion of Inferred Resources to the Measured and Indicated (“M&I”) categories.

The 2023 MRE reflected a 44% increase in M&I Resource tonnes to 200Mt at 0.45% CuT for 900kt of contained copper, with an Inferred Resource of 37Mt at 0.38% CuT for 141kt of contained copper.

The 2023 MRE was prepared in accordance with the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (“CIM”) Definition Standards and National Instrument 43-101 - Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects (“NI 43-101”). (See Marimaca section below).

Transfer of Rayrock

By means of an agreement dated March 18, 2022, the Company sold and transferred 100% of the equity interest of its wholly-owned indirect subsidiary Minera Rayrock Limitada (currently Minera Cobre Verde SpA “MCV”), owner of the Ivan plant, to non-related parties 5Q SpA (“5Q”) and Fondo de Inversiones Privado Neith (“FIP”), for an aggregate amount of \$10.3 million, to be paid according to the payment schedule agreed thereby (the “Purchase Price”). In December 2023, FIP transferred its stake in MCV to Cobres y Metales SpA (“CyM”). As a result thereof, 5Q and CyM remained liable before the Company for payment of the Purchase Price. As of the date hereof, the Company has received \$0.5 million as part of the Purchase Price.

On December 29, 2023, the Company, 5Q and CyM signed a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) to amend the Purchase Price’s payment schedule, and agreed to a single payment of \$7.0 million, subject to actual payment of such amount in full no later than June 30, 2024.

On July 23, 2024, the Company has amended the MOU, which has included the Rayrock assets and common shares as guarantee, and rescheduling the contingent payment as follows:

- 1st Instalment – \$2 million by August 15, 2024;
- 2nd Instalment – \$2.5 million until September 30, 2024; and
- 3rd Instalment – \$2.5 million not earlier than September 30, 2024, and not later than December 31, 2024.

Payment of the Purchase Price are duly secured, including pledge over MCV’s shares, pledge over Ivan plant and over MCV’s mining tenements located in the Antofagasta region of Chile. As of September 30, 2024, valuation of the underlying assets provided by a third party exceeds the value of the account receivable.

5Q failed to meet the first installment of the amended payment calendar, and therefore, on September 10, 2024, the Company submitted a petition for liquidation of MCV, in order to commence a liquidation process. The company is the majority creditor in the liquidation process. As a result of these events the company assessed the recoverability of the account receivable in the context of the liquidation process, and concluded that an impairment of \$2.3 million as of September 30, 2024 was required. As of September 30, 2024, the company has a net receivable of \$4.7 million (\$6.6 million as of December 31, 2023). Management estimated the recoverable amount of the account receivable using probability weighted scenarios which incorporated expectations of the liquidation process as well as the valuation of the underlying assets subject to liquidation, the associated costs and the ultimate recoverable amounts.

3 Outlook

The Company will continue to advance the DFS and project permitting submission preparation in 2024, with both engineering workstreams being led by Ausenco Chile Limitada (“Ausenco”). Final permit engineering was completed in August 2024 with submission expected in Q4 2024.

The Company is targeting the completion of the DFS engineering in early 2025. The current focus of the DFS program is progressing plant and mine design, and optimizing geo-metallurgical (recovery and acid consumption) assumptions with results from the Company’s ongoing column testing program at scaled-up column heights of 4 meters (“Geomet 7”). An update on results from Geomet 7 will be provided to the market in due course.

The Company is currently executing exploration drilling programs at the Mercedes target and at the Sierra de Medina property block. Results will be released to the market when available.

Further to the announcement made on October 8, 2024 (“Marimaca Announces Acquisition of Pampa Medina Project”), the Company is currently completing a quality-control / quality assurance program to verify the historical resource estimate. Marimaca intends to release a maiden current resource estimate at Pampa Medina in January 2025.

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Location & Mineral Resource Estimate

The Marimaca Project is the Company’s flagship asset, which is located in the Antofagasta Region of northern Chile. The Marimaca Project is recognised for its location with access to key infrastructure points nearby. High voltage powerlines and national highways are within 14 kilometres of the Project area, and the Project is located 25 kilometres from the port of Mejillones and 45 kilometres from the regional capital of Antofagasta.

In May 2023, the Company released the 2023 MRE, which was based on 554 drill holes for a total of 139,164m drilled between 2016 and 2022. The 2023 MRE was completed by independent consultants NCL Ingeniería y Construcción SpA (“NCL”) and verified by Mr. Luis Oviedo, a qualified person and independent of the Company (within the meaning of such terms under NI 43-101).

The 2023 MRE is summarized in the tables below:

Table 1: NI 43-101 2023 Mineral Resource Estimate (reported at a 0.15% CuT cutoff) (Effective Date: May 17,2023)⁽¹⁾

Mineral Resource Category and Type	Quantity	CuT	CuS	CuT	CuS
	(kt)	(%)	(%)	(t)	(t)
Total Measured	96,954	0.49	0.28	473,912	268,628
Total Indicated	103,358	0.41	0.21	425,797	219,690
Total Measured and Indicated	200,312	0.45	0.24	899,709	488,319
Total Inferred	37,289	0.38	0.15	141,252	55,802

* Pit shell constrained resources with demonstrated reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction (RPEEE) are generated using series of Lerchs-Grossmann pit shell optimizations completed by NCL

* CuT means total copper and CuS means acid soluble copper. Technical and economic parameters include: copper price US\$4.00/lb; base mining cost of US\$1.51/t with a mining cost adjustment factor of US\$0.04/t-10m bench; Heap Leach “HL” processing cost US\$5.94/t (incl. G&A); Run-of-Mine “ROM” processing cost US\$1.65/t (incl. G&A); SX-EW processing cost and selling cost US\$0.16/lb Cu; heap leach recovery 76% of CuT; ROM recovery 40% of CuT; and 42°-52° pit slope angle

* Mineral resources which are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. Due to the uncertainty which may attach to inferred mineral resources, it cannot be assumed that all or any part of an inferred mineral resource will be upgraded to an indicated or measured mineral resource as a result of continued exploration⁽¹⁾ Amounts in table may not foot due to rounding.

Table 2: 2023 Mineral Resource Estimate Sensitivity⁽¹⁾

Cut-off grade (% CuT)	Measured			Indicated			Measured + Indicated			Inferred		
	Quantity kt	CuT [%]	CuS [%]	Quantity kt	CuT [%]	CuS [%]	Quantity kt	CuT [%]	CuS [%]	Quantity kt	CuT [%]	CuS [%]
0.40	44.00	0.77	0.44	37.50	0.69	0.38	81.60	0.73	0.41	12.10	0.64	0.24
0.30	60.20	0.65	0.38	55.50	0.58	0.31	115.70	0.62	0.35	18.80	0.54	0.21
0.22	77.80	0.56	0.32	77.00	0.49	0.26	154.90	0.53	0.29	27.20	0.45	0.18
0.20	83.00	0.54	0.31	83.80	0.47	0.25	166.80	0.5	0.28	30.20	0.43	0.17
0.18	88.30	0.52	0.3	91.30	0.44	0.23	179.60	0.48	0.26	33.00	0.41	0.16
0.15	97.00	0.49	0.28	103.40	0.41	0.21	200.30	0.45	0.24	37.30	0.38	0.15
0.10	113.30	0.44	0.24	127.60	0.36	0.18	241.00	0.39	0.21	46.60	0.33	0.13
0.00	146.10	0.35	0.19	178.20	0.27	0.14	324.30	0.31	0.16	72.00	0.24	0.09

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Mining Property

As of September 30, 2024, the Company owns all the concessions that make up the Marimaca Project without any outstanding mining option pending to be exercised.

5 Financial Position Review

The Company is an exploration and development company that currently does not generate operational revenue. On September 30, 2024, the Company had cash on hand of \$28.3 million (December 31, 2023 - \$16.7 million), working capital of \$30 million (December 31, 2023 - \$22.5 million), total assets of \$114.4 million (December 31, 2023 - \$95.6 million), total liabilities of \$0.9 million (December 31, 2023 - \$1.2 million) and recorded a net loss of \$2.8 million for Q3 2024 (Q3 2023 - loss of \$0.5 million).

The Company recorded a total receivable of \$5.2 million (December 31, 2023 - \$6.6 million) associated with the sale of Rayrock, as described above.

During Q3 2024, the Company capitalized \$3.8 million (Q3 2023 - \$2.9 million) to exploration and evaluation assets which was comprised of exploration activities costs.

The total liabilities of \$0.9 million as of September 30, 2024 (December 31, 2023 - \$1.2 million) are mainly related to accounts payable and accrued liabilities with a total of \$0.9 million.

Liquidity

The Company is an exploration and development company that currently does not generate operational revenue. At September 30, 2024, the Company had working capital of \$30 million (December 31, 2023 - \$22.5 million), which management believes is sufficient to meet its obligations and to continue to fund operations for at least the next twelve months.

Beyond the next 12 months, the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and to advance the Marimaca Project will be dependent upon its ability to obtain the necessary financing. Although the Company has been successful in the past in obtaining financing, there is no assurance that it will be able to obtain adequate financing in the future or that such financing will be on terms advantageous to the Company.

Capital Management

The capital managed by the Company includes the components of shareholders' equity as described in the consolidated statements of shareholders' equity. The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

The Company's objectives of capital management are to create long-term value and economic returns for its shareholders. It does this by seeking to maximize the availability of finance to fund the growth and development of its mining properties, and to support the working capital required to maintain its ability to continue as a going concern. The Company manages its capital structure and adjusts it for changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of its assets, seeking to limit shareholder dilution and optimize its cost of capital while maintaining an acceptable level of risk. To maintain or adjust its capital structure, the Company considers all sources of finance reasonably available to it, including but not limited to the issuance of new capital, issuance of new debt and the sale of assets in whole or in part, including mineral property interests. The Company's overall strategy with respect to management of capital as of September 30, 2024, remains fundamentally unchanged from the year ended December 31, 2023.

Financial Instruments

As at September 30, 2024, the Company's carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, amounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair values due to their short term to maturity.

Credit risk

Credit risk is a risk that a financial loss will be incurred if a counterparty to a transaction does not fulfill its financial obligations as agreed. Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to credit risk consist of cash and accounts receivable. The Company deposits its cash with high credit quality financial institutions as determined by rating agencies.

Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair values or future cash flows of the Company's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in foreign currency rates in the market. The Company's financial instruments are exposed to currency risk where those instruments are denominated in currencies that are not the same as the functional currency of the entity that holds them; foreign exchange gains and losses in these situations impact earnings.

The Company's significant subsidiaries are located in Chile and although their functional currency is the U.S. dollar, they are subject to currency risk because they maintain certain cash, amounts receivable and accounts payables and accrued liabilities in Chilean pesos. The parent company is in Canada and its functional currency is the Canadian dollar and also maintains cash and accounts payables and accrued liabilities in Canadian and U.S. dollars.

Total currency exposure from foreign currencies is equivalent to \$4.7 million as at September 30, 2024 (\$0.5 million as of December 31, 2023). Based on the net exposures as of September 30, 2024, and assuming that all other variables remain constant, a change of 10% in the Canadian dollar and/or Chilean peso against the US dollar would result in a change in the Company's net loss of approximately \$0.4 million, respectively. The Company manages and monitors the currency risk on a regular basis.

As at September 30, 2024, the Company held its cash as follows: 81.1% in U.S. dollars, 11% in Canadian dollars and 7.9% in Chilean pesos, with 92% of cash held in Canadian banks and 8% held in Chilean banks, as at September 30, 2024.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair values or future cash flows of our financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Cash and accounts receivables are the only financial instruments the Company holds that are impacted by interest. There is limited interest rate risk associated with the Company's cash balance and the accounts receivable.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The Company is reliant upon equity issuances and/or loans as its sole source of cash. The Company manages liquidity risk by maintaining an adequate level of cash to meet its short-term ongoing obligations and reviews its actual expenditures and forecast cash flows on a regular basis and matches the maturity dates of its cash equivalents to capital and operating needs.

6 Expenditure Review

Table 3: Expenditures Summary

<i>(In thousands of US dollars)</i>	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Expenses				
Exploration Expenditures	\$ 271	\$ -	\$ 528	\$ -
Depreciation and amortization	45	24	123	30
Legal and filing fees	139	35	257	183
Other corporate costs	545	332	1,535	1,382
Salaries and management fees	314	464	1,521	1,704
Salaries and corporate costs	859	796	3,056	3,086
Share-based compensation	292	251	2,061	1,821
Operating loss	\$ (1,606)	\$ (1,106)	\$ (6,025)	\$ (5,120)
Finance income	185	476	748	693
Change in fair value of derivative	-	1	-	(2)
Foreign exchange (loss) gain	298	178	81	197
Other non-operating income	111	-	165	-
Expected credit loss	(2,336)	-	(2,336)	-
Net loss	\$ (3,348)	\$ (451)	\$ (7,367)	\$ (4,232)
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to net income:				
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(69)	(477)	(45)	(323)
Total comprehensive loss for the period	\$ (3,417)	\$ (928)	\$ (7,412)	\$ (4,555)

Three months ended September 30, 2024, compared to three months ended September 30, 2023

For the three months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recorded a net loss of \$2.8 million compared to a net loss of \$0.5 million in Q3 2023. The increase in the net loss in Q3 2024, compared to Q3 2023, is attributable mainly to the \$2.3 million impairment in the receivable of Minera Cobre Verde SpA (“MCV” - previously Rayrock Ltda (“Rayrock”)), which failed to meet the first installment of the amended payment calendar, and therefore, on September 10, 2024, the Company submitted a petition for liquidation of MCV. Combined with i) \$0.3 million on exploration expenditures during Q3 2024 at the Mercedes area (\$nil Q3 2023), and ii) the increase of \$0.2 million in other corporate costs in the comparison period related to general and administrative expenses.

Table 4: Selected Quarterly Financial Information

<i>(In thousands except per share amount) ⁽¹⁾</i>	Q3 2024	Q2 2024	Q1 2024	Q4 2023	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q1 2023	Q4 2022
Cash	\$ 28,314	\$ 12,646	\$ 12,685	\$ 16,692	\$ 18,938	\$ 7,801	\$ 12,206	\$ 14,636
Total assets	113,832	96,371	94,174	95,599	97,519	83,340	84,168	84,825
Total liabilities	919	1,546	1,009	1,204	832	1,129	758	561
Shareholder's equity	112,913	94,825	93,165	94,395	96,687	82,211	83,410	84,264
Net income (loss)	(3,348)	(1,294)	(2,725)	(2,883)	(451)	(2,520)	(1,259)	100
Basic and diluted (loss) income per share	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.00
Weighted Average Number Shares Outstanding	101,017	94,266	93,203	90,485	92,327	88,234	88,226	88,226
Cash used in operating activities	(2,193)	(731)	(1,466)	(501)	(1,005)	(1,161)	(461)	(75)
Cash provided by (used in) in financing activities	21,197	2,640	(31)	38	15,057	-	-	(36)
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(3,536)	(1,995)	(2,298)	(1,714)	(2,892)	(3,484)	(1,756)	(2,621)

⁽¹⁾ Sum of all quarters may not add up to yearly total due to rounding.

The Company does not generate operational revenues as it is an exploration and development company focused on advancing its Marimaca Project. Historically, the Company has relied on equity financings and loan instruments to fund operations. Variances between the quarterly figures presented in Table 4 are generally due to (i) the availability of cash to fund operations, (ii) the completion of any debt or equity financings in the period, and (iii) the level of exploration/development and/or care & maintenance activities which are directly correlated to the availability of cash resources.

Related Party Disclosure

Key Management Personnel

In accordance with IAS 24 – Related party disclosures, key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company directly or indirectly, including any directors (executive or non-executive) of the Company.

Table 5: Related Party Costs

<i>(In thousands of US dollars)</i>	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Short-term employee benefits	\$ 429	\$ 431	\$ 1,760	\$ 1,668
Share-based payments	211	161	1,395	1,401
Total	\$ 640	\$ 592	\$ 3,155	\$ 3,069

⁽¹⁾ Includes salary, severance, benefits and short-term accrued incentives/other bonuses earned in the period.

⁽²⁾ Represents the expense of stock options and restricted share units during the period

7 Outstanding Share Data Authorized and Issued

As at November 12, 2024, the number of common shares outstanding or issuable to other outstanding securities is as follows:

Common Shares	Number
Outstanding	101,017,086
Stock options ⁽¹⁾	6,650,001
Restricted Shares Units ("RSUs")	1,568,921
Warrants ⁽²⁾	8,002,871
Total	117,238,879

⁽¹⁾ Stock Options have exercise prices ranging from C\$1.25 to C\$5.00 and expire between April 2025 and October 2028.

⁽²⁾ On June 21, 2023, Marimaca announced an equity investment with Mitsubishi Corporation ("Mitsubishi"), closed on July 11, 2023. Pursuant to the Strategic Investment, Mitsubishi subscribed for an aggregate 4,640,371 units ("Units") consisting of one common share (a "Common Share") and one Common Share purchase warrant (a "Warrant") at a price of C\$4.31 per Unit. Each Warrant entitles Mitsubishi to purchase one additional Common Share at an exercise price of C\$5.60 for a period of 24 months following the closing.

⁽²⁾ On July 16, 2024, The Company announced an equity investment with Assore International Holdings Limited ("AIH") and an investment by an additional investor (the "Additional Private Placement" and together with the AIH Investment, the "Private Placements"), which closed on August 7, 2024. Pursuant to the Private Placements, AIH acquired an aggregate 5,725,000 units ("Units") of the Company consisting of one common share of Marimaca (each, a "Common Share") and one half of one Common Share purchase warrant (each whole Common Share purchase warrant a "Warrant") at a price of C\$4.50 per Unit. The additional investor acquired an aggregate 1,000,000 Units at a price of C\$4.50 per Unit. Each Warrant will entitle AIH and the additional investor to purchase one additional Common Share at an exercise price of C\$5.85 for a period of 18 months following the closing of the AIH Investment or the Additional Private Placement, as applicable.

8 Critical Accounting Estimates

Estimates, judgements and assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates, and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The following discusses the most significant accounting judgments and estimates that the Company has made in the preparation of the financial statements.

a) Impairment of exploration and evaluation assets

The application of the Company's accounting policy for impairment of exploration and evaluation assets requires judgement to determine whether indicators of impairment exist, including factors such as: the period for which the Company has the right to explore has expired or will expire in the future, and is not expected to be renewed; substantive expenditures on exploration activities and evaluation of mineral resources in the specific area is neither budgeted or planned; exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources in the specific area have not led to the discovery of commercially viable quantities of mineral resources; and sufficient data exists to indicate that the carrying amount of the exploration and evaluation asset is unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or by sale. Management has assessed for impairment indicators

on the Company's exploration and evaluation assets and has concluded that no impairment indicators exist as of September 30, 2024.

b) Expected credit losses

Accounts receivables are recorded at fair value on initial recognition and amortised cost on subsequent remeasurement. The carrying amounts for accounts receivable are net of lifetime expected credit losses ("ECL"). Estimating the ECL allowance for receivables requires management to exercise judgment in selecting estimation techniques, choosing key inputs, and making significant assumptions about future economic conditions and customer credit behaviour, including the probability of customer defaults and potential losses.

Management uses historical data to calculate the ECL for accounts receivables. Adjustments are made based on current and future economic conditions and specific risks for individual debtors. Significant judgment is required for these adjustments. Additionally, large and aging receivable balances need careful assessment for impairment provisions at the reporting date.

c) Share-based compensation

The Company applies the fair value method of accounting using the Black-Scholes model to determine the fair value of stock options granted to employees, consultants and directors. The model includes significant assumptions as to the estimated life of the stock options, the forfeiture rate and the volatility of the stock. The Company uses historical data to estimate the expected future volatility of the stock, the estimated lives of the stock options and the forfeiture rate.

Stock options granted might include performance conditions related to the achievement of specified performance targets or a milestone and might pertain either to the performance of the Company as a whole or to some part of the enterprise, such as a subsidiary. The measurement of compensation costs for a stock-based award with a performance condition that will determine the number of options or shares to which all employees receiving the award will be entitled, is based on the best estimate of the outcome of the performance condition. The Company estimates forfeitures awards by individual employees and recognizes them as they occur. Management assesses all the factors and uses its judgment to calculate these estimates.

d) *New and Amended Standards Not Yet Adopted by the Company*

Certain pronouncements were issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") or the IFRS Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC") that are mandatory for accounting periods commencing on or after January 1, 2024. Many are not applicable or do not have a significant impact to the Company and have been excluded. The following have not yet been adopted

IFRS 18, Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements

The IASB issued the IFRS 18, Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements, which is mandatory for accounting periods after January 1, 2027. The Company is currently assessing the impact of this new IFRS Accounting Standard on its financial statements and will update the Company's accounting policies as applicable.

9 Risk Factors

The Company faces a number of challenges in developing its project, including various business, financial, and operational risks that could significantly impact its cash flows. The most significant risks and uncertainties faced by the Company include:

- Operational Risks
- Exploration Risk
- Estimates of Mineral Resources
- Foreign Political Risk
- Evolving Constitutional and Legislative Landscape in Chile
- New Law on Economic and Environmental Crimes
- Annual License Fee
- Uncertain Fiscal Policies Impacting Mining
- Permits
- Government Regulation
- Environmental Risks
- Management
- Conflicts of Interest
- Infrastructure
- Insurance
- Competition
- Foreign Operations
- The Company is Subject to Certain Risks as an Emerging-Market Issuer
- Investors may have Difficulty in Enforcing their Legal Rights as Against the Subsidiaries of the Company and Certain of the Officers and Directors of the Company, as they are Located Outside of Canada
- The Company's Operations Rely on the Availability of Local Labor and Equipment
- Additional Funding and Dilution
- Commodity Prices
- No History of Dividends
- Foreign Currency Risk
- The Company May be Involved in Legal Proceedings
- Community Relations and Social License to Operate
- Price Volatility of Publicly Traded Securities
- Climate Change, Natural and Other Disasters
- Evolving Corporate Governance and Public Disclosure Regulations

Readers are encouraged to read a full outline and description of the risk factors described in the Company's Annual Information Form ("AIF") for the year ended December 31, 2023, filed on SEDAR+ under the Marimaca Copper Corp profile. The occurrence of any one, or combination of, the aforementioned risks could materially adversely impact the Company's business and as a result, the trading price of the Company's common shares could decline and investors could lose part or all of their investment.

10 Disclosure

Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Disclosure Controls

The Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") of the Company are responsible for designing internal controls over financial reporting or causing them to be designed under their supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards. The Company's internal control framework was designed based on the Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

Disclosure controls and procedures

Disclosure controls and procedures have been designed to provide reasonable assurance that all relevant information required to be disclosed by the Company is accumulated and communicated to senior management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Company's CEO and CFO have concluded, based on their evaluation of the design of the disclosure controls and procedures, that as of September 30, 2024, the Company's disclosure controls and

procedures have been designed to provide reasonable assurance that material information is made known to them by others within the Company.

Internal controls over financial reporting

Internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of the Company's financial reporting and the preparation of consolidated financial statements in compliance with IFRS Accounting Standards. The Company's internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that:

- pertain to the maintenance of records that accurately and fairly reflect the transactions of the Company;
- provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards;
- ensure the Company's receipts and expenditures are made only in accordance with authorization of management and the Company's directors; and
- provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized transactions that could have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

Because of their inherent limitations, internal controls over financial reporting can provide only reasonable assurance and may not prevent or detect misstatements. Furthermore, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the three months ending September 30, 2024, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

The Company's Management, including the CEO and CFO, believe that disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Furthermore, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, they cannot provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been prevented or detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by unauthorized override of the controls. The design of any control system is also based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed.

11 Cautionary Statement on Forward Looking Information

Certain information provided in this MD&A and any documents incorporated by reference herein may constitute "forward-looking information" within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation. Forward-looking information in this MD&A and any documents incorporated by reference herein includes but is not limited to information with respect to:

- the Company's expected production from, and the further potential of, the Company's properties;
- the future price of minerals, particularly copper;
- estimations of mineral reserves and mineral resources;
- conclusions of economic evaluation;
- the realization of mineral reserve estimates;
- the timing and amount of estimated future production;
- costs of production;
- capital expenditures;
- success of exploration activities;
- mining or processing issues;
- currency exchange rates;
- government regulation of mining operations; and
- environmental and permitting risks.

Often, but not always, forward-looking information can be identified by the use of words such as "plans", "expects", "is expected", "budget", "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "intends", "anticipates", or "believes" or variations (including

negative variations) of such words and phrases, or statements that certain actions, events or results “may”, “could”, “would”, “might” or “will” be taken, occur or be achieved.

Forward-looking information is based on management’s expectations and reasonable assumptions at the time such statements are made. Estimates regarding the anticipated timing, amount and cost of exploration and development activities are based on assumptions underlying mineral reserve and mineral resource estimates and the realization of such estimates are set out herein. Capital and operating cost estimates are based on extensive research of the Corporation, purchase orders placed by the Corporation to date, recent estimates of construction and mining costs and other factors that are set out herein. Forward-looking information involves known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company and/or its subsidiaries to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Such factors include:

- uncertainties of mineral resource estimates;
- risks and uncertainties inherent in and relating to estimates of future production and operations, cash and all-in sustaining costs;
- the nature of mineral exploration and mining;
- variations in ore grade and recovery rates; cost of operations;
- fluctuations in the sale prices of products;
- foreign currency fluctuations;
- volatility of mineral prices (including copper prices);
- exploration and development risks;
- liquidity concerns and future financings;
- risks associated with operations in foreign jurisdictions;
- potential revocation or change in permit requirements and project approvals, including uncertainties relating to regulatory procedure and timing for permitting reviews;
- mining operations including but not limited to environmental hazards, industrial accidents, ground control problems and flooding;
- geology including, but not limited to, unusual or unexpected geological formations and events (including but not limited to rock slides and falls of ground), estimation and modelling of grade, tonnes, metallurgy continuity of mineral deposits, dilution, and mineral resources and mineral reserves, and actual ore mined or metal recoveries varying from such estimates;
- mine life and life-of-mine plans and estimates;
- the possibility that future exploration, development or mining results will not be consistent with expectations;
- the potential for and effects of labour actions, disputes or shortages, community or other civil protests or demonstrations or other unanticipated difficulties with or interruptions to operations;
- potential for unexpected costs and expenses including, without limitation, for mine closure and reclamation at current and historical operations;
- uncertain political and economic environments;
- changes in laws or policies, foreign taxation, delays or the inability to obtain and maintain necessary governmental approvals and permits;
- regulatory investigations, enforcement, sanctions or related or other litigation;
- competition;
- no guarantee of titles to explore and operate;
- environmental liabilities and regulatory requirements;
- dependence on key individuals;
- conflicts of interests;
- insurance;
- fluctuation in market value of the Company’s common shares;
- rising production costs;
- availability of equipment material and skilled technical workers;
- volatile current global financial conditions;
- the potential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Company and/or its operations, and the mining industry and currency fluctuations;

- the potential impact of future or existing global and regional conflicts, including developments or escalation in the Russia/Ukraine war and Israel/Hamas conflict on the Company's and/or its operations, the mining industry and/or the currency and commodity fluctuations; and
- other risks pertaining to the mining industry, as well as those factors discussed in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the AIF.

Statements regarding the Company's planned DFS on the Project are also forward-looking information and may not be realized. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual actions, events or results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause actions, events or results to differ from those anticipated, estimated or intended. Forward-looking information in this MD&A are made as of the date of this MD&A or as of the date of the documents incorporated by reference, as the case may be, and the Company does not undertake to update any such forward-looking information, except in accordance with applicable securities laws. There can be no assurance that forward-looking information will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such information. Accordingly, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking information. The forward-looking information contained in this MD&A and each of the documents incorporated by reference herein is presented for the purpose of assisting persons in understanding the financial position, strategic priorities and objectives of the Company for the periods referenced and such information may not be appropriate for other purposes.

