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Austral Gold Announces Filing of Appendix 4E Preliminary Final Report for the Financial Year Ended 31 December 2019

Austral Gold Limited (the "Company") (ASX: AGD; TSX-V: AGLD) is pleased to announce that it has filed its Appendix 4E Preliminary Final Report for the Financial Year Ended 31 December 2019. The Report is available under the Company's profile at www.asx.com.au and www.sedar.com and on the Company's website at www.australgold.com.

About Austral Gold

Austral Gold Limited is a growing precious metals mining, development and exploration company building a portfolio of quality assets in Chile and Argentina. The Company's flagship Guanaco/Amancaya project in Chile is a gold and silver producing mine with further exploration upside. The company also holds the Casposo Mine (San Juan, Argentina), a ~23.62% interest in the Rawhide Mine (Nevada, USA) and an attractive portfolio of exploration projects including the Pingüino project in Santa Cruz, Argentina (100% interest) and the San Guillermo and Reprado projects near Amancaya (100% interest). With an experienced local technical team and highly regarded major shareholder, Austral's goal is to continue to strengthen its asset base through acquisition and discovery. Austral Gold Limited is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange (TSXV: AGLD), and the Australian Securities Exchange. (ASX: AGD). For more information, please consult the company's website www.australgold.com.

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PRELIMINARY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

RESULTS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET

(All comparisons to year ended 31 December 2018)

Revenue and net profit	US\$'000			
Revenue from ordinary activities	Down	17%	to	102,209
Revenue from Guanaco/Amancaya	Up	10%	to	93,473
Revenue from Casposo	Down	79%	to	8,736
Profit after tax from ordinary activities	Up	105%	to	1,639
Profit attributable to members	Up	120%	to	5,225

Dividend information

No dividend for the financial year 2019 has been declared.

Net tangible assets per security	December 2019 per share	December 2018 per share
Net tangible assets per security	US\$0.10 (A\$0.14)	US\$0.10 (A\$0.14)
Common shares on issue at balance sheet date	559,393,259	534,173,010

The above results should be read in conjunction with the notes and commentary contained in this report. The report is based on accounts which are in the process of being audited.

APPENDIX 4E

PRELIMINARY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2019

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AUSTRAL GOLD LIMITED AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

REVIEW OF RESULTS

For the Year Ended 31 December 2019

The following report on the review of results for the year ended 31 December 2019 ("FY19") and 2018 ("FY18") together with the consolidated financial report of Austral Gold Limited (the Company) and its subsidiaries, (referred to hereafter as the Group).

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the Group during FY19 were gold and silver production at the Group's Guanaco/ Amancaya mine and Casposo mine, exploration at areas surrounding the Guanaco/Amancaya mines and the Casposo mine, acquisition of the non-controlling interests in Casposo, the strategic investment in the Rawhide gold and silver mine in Nevada, USA and a rights offering financing. During FY19, the Group's Casposo mine was placed on care and maintenance as a result of the mine operating at a loss and following the decrease of mineral reserves of the project. There were no other significant changes in those activities during the period.

OPERATING AND FINANCIAL RESULTS

Key Operating Results	Years ended					
	31 December 2019			31 December 2018		
	Guanaco/ Amancaya	Casposo (100% basis)	Net to Austral*	Guanaco/ Amancaya	Casposo (100% basis)	Net to Austral*
Mined Ore (t)	250,986	33,318	274,309	295,481	166,194	411,817
Processed (t)	253,024	39,545	280,706	278,447	181,242 ¹	405,316 ²
Average Plant Grade (g/t Au)	7.6	2.7	7.2	4.96	2.0	5.6
Average Plant Grade (g/t Ag)	81.2	97.8	82.9	79.42	277.3	167.5
Gold Produced (Oz)	60,666	2,770	62,605	54,075	11,564	62,170
Silver Produced (Oz)	543,906	143,542	644,385	585,201	1,213,316	1,447,122
Gold Equivalent Ounces (Oz)	67,005	4,473	70,136	61,271	26,836	80,056
Operating Cash Cost (US\$/Oz) **	661	2,133	767	792	1,362	957
All-in Sustaining Cost (US\$/Oz) #	899	2,289	1,004	943	1,710	1,175
Average Selling Gold Price (US\$/Oz)	1,404	1,303	1,398	1,227	1,227	1,264
Average Selling Silver Price (US\$/Oz)	16	16	16	15	15	16
Sales Volume (AuEq Oz)	66,657	6,653	70,491	63,042	30,576	84,445

* As of 23 December 2019, Austral Gold owned 100% of Casposo. From March 2017 to 22 December 2019, Austral Gold owned 70% of Casposo; C1 and AISC calculated based on 100% Processed (t).

** The cash cost (C1) includes: Mine, Plant, On-Site G&A, Smelting, Refining, and Royalties (excludes Corporate G&A)

The All-in Sustaining Cost (AISC) includes: C1, Sustaining Capex, Brownfield Exploration, and Mine Closure Amortisation

*** AuEq ratio is calculated at 85:1 Ag:Au for the twelve months ended 31 December 2019

"Cash cost" and All-in Sustaining-Cost (AISC) are non-IFRS financial information and are not subjected to audit

*Note: The Operating cash cost (C1) includes: Mine, Plant, On-Site G&A, Smelting, Refining, and Royalties (excludes Corporate G&A) while the All-in Sustaining Cost (AISC) includes: C1, Sustaining Capex, Brownfield Exploration, and Mine Closure Amortisation and Mine Closure Amortisation.

¹ Reported as 166,194 in the 2018 annual report

² Reported as 461,675 in the 2018 annual report

OPERATING AND FINANCIAL RESULTS

The Group's profit attributable to shareholders for 2019 was US\$5.3m (2018: net loss 26.1m)

During FY19, the Group realised a gross profit of US\$26.7m or 26% (including US\$20.3m of depreciation and amortisation) (FY18: gross profit of US\$6.0m or 5% including US\$18.4m of depreciation and amortisation). Excluding depreciation and amortisation, the Group earned a gross profit of US\$46.9m in FY19 or 46% (FY18: US\$24.4m or 20%).

The turnaround to a net profit in FY19 from a loss in FY18 was the first net profit for the Group since 2016 and was mainly due to higher operating margins and lower administration costs, which were partially offset by an increase in net finance costs (mainly due to a foreign exchange loss on the Group's assets in Argentina from the depreciation of the Argentine peso), income taxes, care and maintenance costs and restructuring expenses at Casposo. The 2018 net loss was primarily due to a US\$29.2m impairment loss related to the Casposo mine.

During FY19, the Group markedly improved the operational margins when compared to FY18. As explained below, despite lower combined production and revenue in FY19, the Guanaco/Amancaya mine complex generated higher levels of production along with higher gold grades leading to record cash flows during FY19.

Sales revenue of US\$102.2m in FY19 (FY18: US\$122.8m) was earned as production (100% basis) was 71,478 AuEq oz (2018: 88,107 AuEq oz). The decrease in revenue during FY19 was mainly due to less gold equivalent ounces produced at Casposo, which was impacted by the placement of the mine on care and maintenance in Q2 2019 and the impact of AASB 15 for FY18 that resulted in an increase in sales of US\$7.0m. The decrease was partially offset by an increase in production at the Guanaco/Amancaya mine complex and the realisation of higher gold and silver selling prices.

Despite the lower sales revenue, the combined gross profit before depreciation and amortisation increased to US\$46.9m (46%) from US\$24.4m (20%) during FY18. The increase was mainly due to the stronger performance at the Guanaco/Amancaya mine complex with a gross profit of 52% compared to 30% in FY18 which offset the decrease in gross profit at Casposo. The gross profit from Guanaco/Amancaya in FY18 was mainly impacted by the delay in the stabilisation of the new agitation leaching plant until the second quarter and the implementation of AASB 15.

Net gold equivalent ounces (GEO) produced during the FY19 decreased to 70,136 GEO from 80,056 GEO produced during FY18. However, production from the Guanaco/Amancaya mine complex increased to 67,005 GEO from 61,271 GEO or an increase of 9.4% or average monthly production of almost 5,584 GEO from 5,106 GEO in FY18. The increase in production at Guanaco/Amancaya was offset by the decrease in production at Casposo.

Overall operating cash costs ("C1" of production* and All-in sustaining costs ("AISC") decreased to US\$767/AuEq oz and US\$1,004/AuEq oz during FY19 compared to US\$957/AuEq oz and US\$1,175/AuEq oz during FY18. C1 at the Guanaco/Amancaya mine decreased to US\$661/AuEq oz during FY19 from US\$792/AuEq oz during FY18. The decrease in costs was mainly a result of higher throughput from Amancaya due to greater mine equipment availability, higher gold grades, higher gold recoveries and a decrease in the value of the Argentine and Chilean currencies versus the US dollar. Operating cash costs* at Casposo increased significantly during FY19 to US\$2,133/AuEq oz compared to cash costs of US\$1,362/AuEq oz during FY18. The higher operating cash costs at Casposo in FY19 were due to lower production and temporarily placing the mine on care and maintenance.

KEY FINANCIAL RESULTS

Key financial metrics Thousands of US\$	Year ended	
	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Revenue	102,209	122,767
Gross profit	26,661	5,958
Gross profit %	26.1%	4.9%
Adjusted gross profit (excluding depreciation and amortisation)	46,916	24,380
Adjusted gross profit % (excluding depreciation and amortisation)	45.9%	19.9%
EBITDA	33,550	(16,506)
EBITDA per share (basic)	0.062	(0.031)
EBITDA per share (fully diluted)	0.059	(0.031)
Adjusted EBITDA*	37,612	12,018
Adjusted EBITDA per share (basic)	0.070	0.023
Adjusted EBITDA per share (fully diluted)	0.066	0.023
Profit/ (loss) attributed to shareholders	5,225	(26,064)
(Loss) attributed to non-controlling interests	(3,586)	(10,171)
Earnings/(loss) per share (Basic)	0.97c	(4.88)c
Earnings/(Loss) earnings per share (diluted)	0.93c	(4.88)c
Comprehensive income (loss)	1,658	(36,262)

*excluding gain/(loss) on financial assets and impairment loss

Note: Readers are cautioned that adjusted gross profit and net profit/(loss) before finance costs, income tax expense and depreciation ('Adjusted EBITDA') do not have standardised meanings as prescribed by IFRS and may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. Further, readers are cautioned that Adjusted EBITDA should not replace profit or loss or cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities (as determined in accordance with IFRS), as an indicator of the Company's performance. are cautioned that Adjusted EBITDA should not replace profit or loss or cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities (as determined in accordance with IFRS), as an indicator of the Company's performance.

EBITDA AND ADJUSTED EBITDA

Thousands of US\$	Year ended	
	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Profit/(loss) before tax	9,508	(37,054)
Depreciation and amortisation	20,255	18,422
Net finance costs	3,787	2,126
EBITDA	33,550	(16,506)
Restructuring cost (Casposo)	2,087	-
Care and maintenance expenses	1,185	-
Other income	(62)	(1,868)
Gain/(loss) on movements of financial assets	(10)	1,202
Impairment of assets	862	29,190
Adjusted EBITDA	37,612	12,018

FINANCIAL RESULTS

EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA increased to US\$33.6m (33%) and US\$37.6m (37%) during FY19 from (US\$-16.5m) (-13%) and US\$12.0m (10.0%) during FY18.

During FY19 administration expenses decreased to US\$9.3m (FY18-US\$12.4m). The decrease was mainly due to the Casposo care and maintenance phase and the impact of the decrease in the value of the Argentine Peso and Chilean Peso versus the US dollar.

Net Finance costs increased to US\$3.8m during FY19 (FY18-US\$2.1m). The increase was mainly due to an increase in foreign exchange losses and an increase in the mine closure provision.

Restructuring and care and maintenance costs related to placing the Casposo mine on care and maintenance in the respective amounts of US\$2.1m and \$1.2m were incurred during FY 19.

An impairment loss of US\$0.9m of which \$US 0.6m related to exploration expenses in Chile and US\$0.3m related to exploration expenses in Argentina was recorded in FY19, while an impairment loss of US\$29.2m related to its Casposo property was recorded in FY18 as the Group valued the property at US\$7.8m.

FINANCIAL POSITION

The net assets of the Group increased by US\$1.9m since 31 December 2018 to US\$56.7m at 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: US\$54.9m). The increase was partially due to \$US1.4m raised from the rights offering financing and profit earned in FY19. Working capital increased by US\$8.5m to US\$3.3m at 31 December 2019, (31 December 2018: negative working capital of US\$5.2m at 31). The increase in working capital arose mainly due to the strong operational performance at Guanaco.

As at 31 December 2019, the Group had a current ratio equal to 1.14 (FY18 negative 0.83) along with US\$9.2m cash and cash equivalents (FY18-\$1.7m)

Combined net debt (borrowings and financial leases net of cash & cash equivalents) decreased by US\$10.5m to US\$6.3m at 31 December 2019 compared to US\$16.8m at 31 December 2018.

Trade and other receivables (current and non-current) decreased by US\$1.5m to US\$7.8m at 31 December 2019 mainly due to a decrease tax credits receivable and an increase in trade receivables.

Inventories decreased by US\$3.3m to US\$10.6m at 31 December 2019 and was mainly due to a decrease in materials and supplies and a decrease in gold and silver bullion in process. The allowance for inventory obsolescence increased by US\$0.2m to US\$1.3m at 31 December 2019.

Trade and other payables (current and non-current) decreased by US\$3.6m to US\$10.9m at 31 December 2019 mainly due to a decrease in trade payables as a result of an increase in cash generated from operations during FY19.

CASH FLOW

Net cash provided from operating activities before and after changes in assets and liabilities was US\$33.3m and US\$29.6m during FY19 compared to US\$14.1m and US\$21.3m during FY18 respectively. In addition, the increase is mainly due to additional cash generated at Guanaco/Amancaya as described above.

Cash used in investing activities totaled US\$14.7m during FY19 compared to US\$17.7m during FY18. Cash was used primarily for additions to property, plant and equipment, mine properties and the acquisition of a 22.5% equity interest in the Rawhide Mine in Nevada, USA.

Cash used in financing activities totaled US\$7.5m during FY19 compared to US\$8.5m during FY18 mainly due to the net repayment of borrowings and financial leases.

LIQUIDITY

The Group forecasts 2020 profitable production of 55,000-60,000 gold equivalent ounces.

Thousands of US\$	Year ended	
	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Cash & cash equivalents	9,196	1,716
Current assets	26,849	25,264
Non-current assets	79,318	81,970
Current liabilities	23,529	30,487
Non-current liabilities	25,907	21,875
Net assets	56,731	54,872
Net current assets (liabilities)	3,320	(5,223)
Current loans and borrowings	4,045	6,860
Current financial leases	3,047	2,086
Non-current loans and borrowings	2,077	2,908
Non-current financial leases	6,302	6,617
Combined debt (borrowings and financial leases)	15,471	18,471
Combined net debt (net of cash & cash equivalents)	6,275	16,755
Combined debt to EBITDA	46%	112%
Combined net debt to EBITDA	19%	102%
Current ratio*	1.14	0.83
Total liabilities to net assets	0.87	0.95

*Current Assets divided by Current Liabilities

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Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December		
	Note	2019	2018
Continuing operations			
Sales revenue	13	102,209	122,767
Cost of sales	6	(55,293)	(98,387)
Gross profit before depreciation and amortisation expense		46,916	24,380
Depreciation and amortisation expense	6	(20,255)	(18,422)
Gross profit (loss)		26,661	5,958
Other income		62	1,868
Administration expenses	7	(9,304)	(12,362)
Impairment of assets	18/20	(862)	(29,190)
Care and maintenance expenses		(1,185)	-
Restructuring expenses	8	(2,087)	-
Net finance costs	9	(3,787)	(2,126)
Gain/(loss) on financial assets		10	(1,202)
Profit/(loss) before income tax		9,508	(37,054)
Income tax (expense)/benefit	11	(7,869)	819
Profit/(loss) after income tax expense		1,639	(36,235)
Profit/(loss) attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		5,225	(26,064)
Non-controlling interests		(3,586)	(10,171)
		1,639	(36,235)
Items that may not be classified subsequently to profit or loss			
Foreign currency translation		19	(27)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year		1,658	(36,262)
Comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		5,244	(26,091)
Non-controlling interests		(3,586)	(10,171)
		1,658	(36,262)
Earnings per share (cents per share):			
Basic earnings per share	12	0.97	(4.88)
Diluted earnings per share	12	0.93	(4.88)

The notes on pages (5) to (33) are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December		
	Note	2019	2018
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	14	9,196	1,716
Trade and other receivables	16	6,825	9,168
Other financial assets	17	277	561
Inventories	15	10,551	13,819
Total current assets		26,849	25,264
Non-current assets			
Other receivables	16	990	139
Mine properties	18	6,484	6,723
Property, plant and equipment	19	50,432	54,020
Exploration and evaluation expenditure	20	15,281	16,270
Equity Investment	21	3,976	-
Goodwill	18	926	926
Deferred tax assets	11	1,229	3,892
Total non-current assets		79,318	81,970
Total assets		106,167	107,234
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	22	10,932	14,566
Deferred revenue		-	2,140
Employee entitlements	23	3,548	4,835
Loans and borrowings	25	4,045	6,860
Promissory note	21	1,957	-
Financial leases	19	3,047	2,086
Total current liabilities		23,529	30,487
Non-current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	22	1	5
Provisions for reclamation and rehabilitation	24	10,814	10,664
Loans and borrowings	25	2,077	2,908
Financial leases	19	6,302	6,617
Employee entitlements	23	1,048	793
Deferred tax liability	11	5,665	888
Total non-current liabilities		25,907	21,875
Total liabilities		49,436	52,362
Net assets		56,731	54,872
Equity			
Issued capital	26	101,682	100,569
Accumulated losses	27	(44,238)	(49,473)
Reserves	28	(713)	35
Non-controlling interest	29	-	3,741
Total equity		56,731	54,872

The notes on pages (5) to (33) are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 31 December 2019 and 2018

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	Note	Issued capital	Accumulated losses	Reserves	Non-controlling interest	Total
Balance at 31 December 2017		100,569	(23,210)	62	13,995	91,416
Adjustment on initial application of AASB15 (net of tax)		-	(199)	-	-	(199)
Adjusted balance at 1 January 2018		100,569	(23,409)	62	13,995	91,217
Profit (loss) for the period		-	(26,064)	-	(10,171)	(36,235)
Foreign exchange movements from translation of financial statements to US\$		-	-	(27)	-	(27)
Total comprehensive income/ (loss)		-	(26,064)	(27)	(10,171)	(36,262)
Dividends declared		-	-	-	(83)	(83)
Balance at 31 December 2018		100,569	(49,473)	35	3,741	54,872
Adjustment on initial application of AASB16		-	10	-	-	10
Adjusted balance at 1 January 2019		100,569	(49,463)	35	3,741	54,882
Profit (loss) for the period		-	5,225	-	(3,586)	1,639
Foreign exchange movements from translation of financial statements to US\$	28	-	-	19	-	19
Total comprehensive income/ (loss)		-	5,225	19	(3,586)	1,658
Issued Capital	26/28	1,113	-	186	-	1,299
Acquisition of 49% of Cachinalito	28/29	-	-	453	(1,361)	(908)
Acquisition of 30% of Casposo	28/29	-	-	(1,406)	1,206	(200)
Balance at 31 December 2019		101,682	(44,238)	(713)	-	56,731

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December		
	Note	2019	2018
Changes in cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		1,716	6,612
Cash and cash equivalents, at the end of the period		9,196	1,716
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		7,480	(4,896)
Causes of change in cash and cash equivalents			
Operating activities			
Profit / (loss) after income tax		1,639	(36,235)
Non-cash items			
Income tax expense/(benefit) recognized in profit or loss		7,869	(819)
Impairment of assets		862	29,190
Depreciation and amortisation		20,255	18,422
Interest received		(27)	(84)
Loss/(gain) on sale of equipment		215	(141)
Non-cash net finance charges		1,860	1,680
Provision for reclamation and rehabilitation		175	1,095
Inventory write-down		179	133
Allowance for doubtful accounts		75	(97)
Non-cash employee entitlements		255	(210)
(Gain)/loss in fair value of other financial assets		(10)	1,202
Net cash from operating activities before change in assets and liabilities		33,347	14,136
Changes in working capital:			
Decrease (increase) in inventory		2,481	8,680
Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables		1,417	3,882
Increase (decrease) in trade and other payables		(4,183)	(7,314)
Increase/(decrease) in deferred revenue		(2,140)	2,140
Increase/(decrease) in employee entitlements		(1,287)	(189)
Net cash provided through operating activities		29,635	21,335
Cash flows from investing activities			
Additions to plant, property and equipment	19	(10,035)	(15,854)
Proceeds from maturity of bonds and sale of securities		294	894
Proceeds from sale of inventory and equipment		650	203
Payment for investment in bonds and securities		-	(1,303)
Payment for investment in exploration and evaluation	20	(779)	(553)
Payment for investment in mine properties	18	(1,993)	(1,214)
Payment for equity investment, net of costs	21	(2,019)	-
Payment for purchase of non-controlling interests	29	(817)	-
Interest received		27	84
Net cash used in investing activities		(14,672)	(17,743)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from loans and borrowings		5,991	5,746
Repayment of loans and borrowings	16	(11,455)	(11,421)
Repayment of lease liabilities		(2,794)	(2,813)
Interest paid on leases		(524)	-
Proceeds from rights offering net of offering costs		1,299	-
Net cash used in financing activities		(7,483)	(8,488)
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents		7,480	(4,896)

The notes on pages (5) to (33) are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. REPORTING ENTITY

Austral Gold Limited (“the Company”) is a company limited by shares that is incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The Company’s shares are publicly traded on the Australian Securities Exchange under the symbol AGD and on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol AGLD.

These consolidated financial statements (“financial statements”) as at and for the year ended 31 December 2019 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the “Group”). The nature of the operations and principal activities of the Group are described in the Directors’ Report.

These financial statements are available upon request from the Company’s registered office at Level 5, 126 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000 or at www.australgold.com.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The consolidated financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (‘AASB’) and the Corporations Act 2001, as appropriate for profit oriented entities. The consolidated financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for certain financial assets and liabilities which are stated at fair value.

Details of the Group’s accounting policies are included in Note 38.

2.1 Functional and Presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in United States dollars (US\$), which is the Group’s functional currency. The Group is of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors’ Reports) Instrument 2016/191 and in accordance with the legislative instrument, amounts in the audited financial statements have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

2.2 Parent entity information

In accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, these financial statements present the results of the Group only. Supplementary information about the parent entity is disclosed in note 34.

2.3 Reclassification of Prior Year Presentation

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified for consistency with the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on the reported results of operations. Financial leases previously included in Borrowings have been disclosed separately and Salaries and bonuses payable previously included with Trade and other payables have been grouped with Employee entitlements.

3. GOING CONCERN

For the year ended 31 December 2019, the Group made a profit after income tax of \$1.639 million (2018: loss after income tax of \$36.235 million) from continuing operations and generated net cash flows from operating activities of \$29.635 million (2018: net cash flow from operating activities of \$21.335 million). At 31 December 2019, the group has net current assets of \$3.32 million (2018: net current liabilities of \$5.223 million).

The Directors note the following with regards to the ability of the Group to continue as a going concern:

- i. At 31 December 2019, the Group had a cash balance of \$9.196 million.
- ii. The Group’s cash flow forecasts following the most likely mine plan and 2020 production guidance that forecast production of;
 - 55,000-60,000 gold equivalent ounces; and
 - average 2020 gold and silver selling price of US\$1,500 and US\$17.3 per ounce respectively, indicate that the Group forecasts that it will have free cash flow from operations to meet its borrowing obligations and to meet the required capital expenditures.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates the continuation of normal business operations and the realization of assets and settlement of liabilities in the normal course of business. Based on the factors set out above, the Directors believe that the going concern basis of preparation is appropriate and the Group will be able to repay its debts as and when they fall due.

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4. USE OF ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

In preparing these financial statements, Management has made judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of the accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to estimates are recognised prospectively. Information about assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have a significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment in the year ended 31 December 2019 is detailed below:

Carrying value of Mine Properties

The Group estimates its ore reserves and mineral resources annually at each year end and reports within the following three months, based on information compiled by Competent Persons as defined in accordance with the Australasian code for reporting Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Resources (JORC code 2012). The estimated quantities of economically recoverable reserves are based upon interpretations of geological models and require assumptions to be made regarding factors such as estimates of short and long-term exchange rates, estimates of short and long-term commodity prices, future capital requirements and future operating performance. Changes in reported reserves estimates can impact the carrying amount of mine development (including mine properties, property, plant and equipment and exploration and evaluation assets), the provision for mine closure provisions, the recognition of deferred tax assets, as well as the amount of amortisation charged to the statement of profit or loss.

Impairment

Significant judgements, estimates and assumptions are required in determining value in use or fair value less costs of disposal. This is particularly so in the assessment of long life assets. It should be noted that the CGU recoverable amounts are subject to variability in key assumptions including, but not limited to, gold and silver prices, currency exchange rates, discount rates, production profiles and operating and capital costs. A change in one or more of the assumptions used to determine value in use or fair value less costs of disposal could result in a change in a CGU's recoverable amount.

Carrying value of exploration and evaluation assets

The Group tests at each reporting date whether there are any indicators of impairment as identified by AASB 6 "Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources". Where indicators of impairment are identified, the recoverable amounts of the assets are determined.

Mine closure provisions

Obligations associated with exploration and mine properties are recognised when the Group has a present obligation, the future sacrifice of the economic benefits is probable, and the provision can be measured reliably. The provision is measured at the present value of the future expenditure and a corresponding rehabilitation asset is also recognised. On an ongoing basis, the rehabilitation will be remeasured in line with the changes in the time value of money (recognised as an expense and an increase in the provision), and additional disturbances (recognised as additions to a corresponding asset and rehabilitation liability).

Measurement of fair values

The Group has established a control framework with respect to the measurement of fair values. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to estimates are recognised prospectively. Information about assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have a significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment in the year ended 31 December 2019 is detailed below:

A number of the Group's accounting policies and disclosures require the measurement of fair values, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities.

When measuring the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group uses market observable data as far as possible. Fair values are categorised into different levels in a fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used in the valuation techniques as follows:

- i. Level 1 — quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- ii. Level 2 — inputs other than quoted prices within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices), or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices)
- iii. Level 3 — inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

If the inputs used to measure the fair value of an asset or a liability might be categorised in different levels of the fair value hierarchy, then the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety in the same level of the fair value hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

The Group recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred.

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The Group holds listed equity securities on the Australian and Canadian stock exchanges and listed Argentine sovereign bonds at fair value, which are measured at the closing bid price at the end of the reporting period. These financial assets held at fair value fall within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. The Group also holds options which rely on estimates and judgements to calculate a fair value for these financial instruments using the Black Scholes model. These financial assets held at fair value fall within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Further information about the assumptions made in measuring fair values is included in Note 17 – Other financial assets and Note 30 – Financial instruments.

5. CHANGES IN SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ADOPTION OF NEW/AMENDED AASB AND AASB INTERPRETATIONS

AASB 16 Leases

On January 1, 2019, the Group adopted AASB 16 – Leases (“AASB 16”) which replaced AASB 17 – Leases and IFRIC 4 – Determining Whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease. AASB 16 sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019. AASB 16 eliminates the classification of leases as either operating leases or finance leases for a lessee. Instead, all leases are treated in a similar way to finance leases applied in AASB 17. AASB 16 does not require a lessee to recognize assets and liabilities for short-term leases (i.e. leases of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets.

The Group applied AASB 16 using the modified retrospective method. Under this method, comparative financial information will not be restated and will continue to be reported under IAS 17 Leases and IFRIC 4: Determining whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease. The Group recognised lease liabilities related to its lease commitments. The lease liabilities were measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the Group’s entities estimated incremental borrowing rate as at January 1, 2019. The associated right-of-use assets are measured retrospectively but using the incremental borrowing rates ranging from 6.5%-9% at 1 January 2019. The difference between the present value of the remaining lease payments and the right-of-use assets resulted in an adjustment to the accumulated losses at 1 January 2019.

Accounting policy changes

Prior to 1 January 2019, assets acquired through a finance lease were recorded as an asset with a corresponding liability at an amount equal to the lower of the fair value of the leased property and the present value of the minimum lease payments. Each lease payment was allocated between the liability and finance cost using the effective interest method, whereby a constant rate of interest expense was recognized on the balance of the liability outstanding. The interest element of the lease was charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss as a finance cost. Property, plant and equipment assets acquired under finance leases were depreciated over the shorter of the useful life of the asset and the lease term. All other leases were classified as operating leases. Operating lease payments were recognized as an operating cost in the consolidated statements of profit or loss and on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Effective January 1, 2019, leases are recognized as a right-of use asset and a corresponding liability at the date at which the leased asset is available for use by the Company. Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The right-of-use asset is depreciated over the shorter of the asset’s useful life and the lease term on a straight-line basis. Assets and liabilities arising from a lease are initially measured on a present value basis. Lease liabilities include the net present value of the lease payments. The lease payments are discounted using the Group’s incremental borrowing rate, being the rate that each entity of the Group would have to pay to borrow the funds necessary to obtain an asset of similar value in a similar economic environment with similar terms and conditions. Right-of-use assets are measured retrospectively from the date of the lease net of accumulated depreciation but using the incremental borrowing rate at 1 January 2019. Payments associated with short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognized on a straight-line basis as an expense in the condensed statement of profit or loss. Short-term leases are leases with a lease term of 12 months or less.

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Impact on financial statements

Impact on transition*

On transition to AASB 16, the Group recognized additional right-of-use assets, including office, vehicles, and machinery and equipment lease liabilities, recognizing the difference in accumulated losses. The impact on transition is summarized below.

In thousands of US\$	1 January, 2019
Right-of-use assets-property, plant and equipment	339
Lease liabilities	(329)
Accumulated losses	10
When measuring lease liabilities for leases that were classified as operating leases, the Group discounted lease payments using its incremental borrowing rate at 1 January 2019. The weighted average rate applied is 11%	
	1 January, 2019
Operating lease commitments at 31 December 2018 as disclosed under IAS 17 in the Group's consolidated financial statements	122
Discounted using the incremental borrowing rate at 1 January, 2019	329
Financial lease liabilities recognized as of 31 December 2018	8,703
-Recognition exemption for leases of low-value assets	568
-Recognition exemption for leases with less than 12 months of lease term at transition	11
-Extension options reasonably certain to be exercised	217
Lease liabilities recognized at 1 January, 2019	9,349

ii. Adoption of other narrow scope amendments to IFRSs and IFRS Interpretations

The Group also adopted other amendments to IFRSs, as well as the Interpretation IFRIC 22 Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration, which were effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. The impact of adoption was not significant to the Group's Consolidated Financial Statements. A number of new standards and amendments to standards are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 January 2019 and earlier application is permitted; however, the Group has not early adopted the new or amended standards in preparing these consolidated financial statements.

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6. COST OF SALES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
Profit before income tax includes the following specific expenses:		
Production	30,615	63,631
Staff costs	21,616	30,161
Royalties	2,560	4,050
Mining Fees	502	545
Total cost of sales before depreciation and amortisation expense	55,293	98,387
Depreciation of plant and equipment	17,117	16,430
Amortisation of mine properties	3,138	1,992
Total depreciation and amortisation expense	20,255	18,422
Severance included in staff costs	988	2,728

7. ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
Consulting and professional services	1,987	2,110
Administration	1,044	1,635
Staff costs	4,909	6,794
Non-executive director fees	358	358
Other	1,006	1,465
Total administration expenses	9,304	12,362

8. RESTRUCTURING EXPENSES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
Severance	1,670	-
Tax credits write-down	238	-
Other	179	-
Total restructuring expenses	2,087	-

9. NET FINANCE COSTS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
Interest (income)	(27)	(84)
Interest expense	901	1,642
Interest expense on leases	524	-
Loss from foreign exchange	1,845	826
Present value adjustment to mine closure provision	517	(381)
Other	27	123
Net finance costs	3,787	2,126

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10. AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
Audit and review services:		
Auditors of the Group-KPMG		
Audit and review of financial statements-Group	74,000	95,830
Audit and review of financial statements-controlled entities	159,500	207,030
	233,500	302,860

11. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
(A) Income tax expense comprises:		
Current tax payable	2,312	591
Deferred tax expense	5,557	(1,410)
Income tax (benefit)	7,869	(819)
(B) Reconciliation of effective income tax rate		
Profit/ (Loss) before tax	9,508	(37,054)
Prima facie income tax (benefit)/expense calculated at 30%	2,852	(11,116)
Difference due to blended overseas tax rate*	(721)	(114)
Difference due to change in tax rate	-	(88)
Non-deductible expenses	6,510	4,295
Temporary differences not brought into account	(460)	682
Recognition of carry-forward tax losses	(312)	5,522
Income tax (benefit)	7,869	(819)

* Chile tax rate: 27.0% (31 December 2019: 27.0%). Argentina tax rate: 30% (31 December 2018: 30%)

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All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	31 December 2019				31 December 2018			
	Chile	Argentina	Other	Total	Chile	Argentina	Other	Total
(C) Deferred tax assets and liabilities								
Deferred tax assets								
Other receivable	57	-	-	57	102	-	-	102
Inventory	69	61	-	130	69	83	-	152
Mining Concessions	-	320	-	320	-	307	-	307
Accrual for mine closure	1,198	198	-	1,396	967	55	-	1,022
Deferred income	18	-	-	18	-	-	-	-
Tax losses carried forward	-	98	9,182	9,280	3,258	518	9,144	12,920
Property, plant and equipment	-	1,072	-	1,072	-	8,255	-	8,255
Payroll accrual	780	-	-	780	385	-	-	385
Other	36	989	-	1,025	-	303	-	303
Leasing	1,147	-	-	1,147	-	-	-	-
Temporary differences not brought to account	-	-	(9,182)	(9,182)	-	(5,522)	(9,144)	(14,666)
Deferred tax assets	3,305	2,738	-	6,043	4,781	3,999	-	8,780
Deferred tax liabilities								
Other provisions	-	-	-	-	-	(102)	-	(102)
Mining concessions	(8,950)	-	-	(8,950)	(4,625)	-	-	(4,625)
Property plant and equipment inflation adjustment	-	(1,474)	(20)	(1,494)	-	-	-	-
Financial assets	-	(35)	-	(35)	-	(5)	-	(5)
Leasing assets	-	-	-	-	(1,044)	-	-	(1,044)
Deferred tax liabilities	(8,950)	(1,509)	(20)	(10,479)	(5,669)	(107)	-	(5,776)
Net deferred tax (liabilities)/ assets	(5,645)	1,229	(20)	(4,436)	(888)	3,892	-	3,004
Movement in deferred tax balances								
Opening balance	(888)	3,892	-	3,004	683	2,196	-	2,879
Exchange rate difference	2	(1,897)	12	(1,883)	12	(1,297)	-	(1,285)
Charged to profit or loss	(4,759)	(766)	(32)	(5,557)	(1,583)	2,993	-	1,410
Closing balance	(5,645)	1,229	(20)	(4,436)	(888)	3,892	-	3,004

12. EARNINGS PER SHARE

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
Net profit/(loss) attributable to owners	5,244	(26,064)
Weighted average number of shares used as the denominator		
Number for basic earnings per share	539,424,350	534,173,010
Number for diluted earnings per share	556,237,880	534,173,010
Basic earnings per ordinary share (cents)	0.97	(4.88)
Diluted earnings per ordinary share (cents)	0.93	(4.88)

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13. OPERATING SEGMENTS

Management have determined the operating segments based on reports reviewed by the Chief Operating Decision Maker (“CODM”). The CODM considers the business from both an operations and geographic perspective and has identified two reportable segments, Guanaco/Amancaya which is based in Chile and Casposo which is based in Argentina. The CODM monitors the performance in these two regions separately. During the year ended 31 December 2019, the Group earned approximately 78% (2018-90%) of its consolidated revenue from sales made to one customer.

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December 2019				For the year ended 31 December 2018			
	Guanaco/Amancaya	Casposo	Group and unallocated items	Consolidated	Guanaco/Amancaya	Casposo	Group and unallocated items	Consolidated
Revenue:								
Gold	84,823	5,045	–	89,868	76,032	15,384	–	91,416
Silver	8,650	3,691	–	12,341	9,058	22,293	–	31,351
Cost of sales	(44,985)	(10,308)	–	(55,293)	(59,882)	(38,505)	–	(98,387)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(16,269)	(3,927)	(59)	(20,255)	(13,638)	(4,738)	(46)	(18,422)
Other (loss)/ income net	(49)	36	75	62	8	1,860		1,868
Administration expenses	(5,455)	(887)	(2,962)	(9,304)	(7,278)	(2,164)	(2,920)	(12,362)
Care and maintenance expense	–	(1,185)	–	(1,185)	–	–	–	–
Restructuring expense	–	(2,087)	–	(2,087)	–	–	–	–
Finance costs (gain)	(1,239)	(2,545)	(3)	(3,787)	460	(1,931)	(655)	(2,126)
Gain/(loss) on financial assets	–	–	10	10	8	(903)	(307)	(1,202)
Impairment of assets	(619)	(243)	–	(862)	–	(29,190)	–	(29,190)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(7,155)	(832)	118	(7,869)	(1,789)	3,072	(464)	819
Segment profit/ (loss)	17,702	(13,242)	(2,821)	1,639	2,979	(34,822)	(4,392)	(36,235)
Segment assets	76,525	13,568	16,074	106,167	68,394	27,350	11,490	107,234
Segment liabilities	41,832	4,565	3,039	49,436	38,264	12,994	1,104	52,362
Capital expenditure	12,138	486	183	12,807	8,824	8,455	342	17,621

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Geographic information:

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
Revenue by geographic location		
Chile	93,473	85,090
Argentina	8,736	37,677
Australia	-	-
Canada	-	-
United States	-	-
Total revenue	102,209	122,767
Non-current assets by geographic location		
Chile	57,615	58,171
Argentina	17,619	23,697
Australia	-	-
British Virgin Islands	102	92
Canada	6	10
United States	3,976	-
Total non-current assets	79,318	81,970

14. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Cash at call and in hand	7,756	1,716
Short-term investments	1,440	-
Total cash and cash equivalents	9,196	1,716

Reconciliation of Cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows, is reconciled to items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents	9,196	1,716
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Risk Exposure

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk is discussed in note 30. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying amount of each class of cash and cash equivalents mentioned above.

15. INVENTORIES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Materials and supplies	8,648	10,453
Ore stocks	71	354
Gold bullion and gold in process	1,832	3,012
Total inventories	10,551	13,819

*Ore stock inventories require estimates and assumptions most notably in regard to grades, volumes, densities, future completion costs and ultimate sale price. Such estimates and assumptions may change as new information becomes available which may impact upon the carrying value of inventory. The allowance for inventory obsolescence forming part of the above balance is US\$1,262k (31 December 2018:US\$1,082k).

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16. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Current		
Trade receivables	3,787	–
Other current receivables	548	272
Prepaid income tax	1,252	2,827
GST/VAT receivable	1,238	6,069
Total current receivables	6,825	9,168
Non-current		
GST/VAT receivable	578	12
Other	412	121
Prepaid income tax	–	6
Total non-current receivables	990	139
Allowance for doubtful accounts	390	315
Trade debtors		
The ageing of trade receivables is 0–30 days	3,787	–

16.1 Past due but not impaired

There were no receivables past due at 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: nil).

16.2 Fair value and credit risk

Due to the short-term nature of trade receivables, their carrying amount is assumed to approximate their fair value.

Refer to note 30 for more information on the risk management policy of the Group and the credit quality of the receivables.

16.3 Key customers

The Group is mainly reliant on two customers to which gold and silver produced from the Guanaco/Amancaya mines are sold.

17. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Current		
Call option to buy a further 3.795% of Rawhide — level 3	4	–
Listed bonds — level 1	29	341
Listed equity securities — level 1	244	220
Total current other financial assets at fair value	277	561

The table above sets out the Group's assets and liabilities that are measured and recognised at fair value at 31 December 2019.

Listed equity securities as at 31 December 2019 and 2018 are shares of Fortuna Silver Mines Inc.

The Group has options to buy 3.795% of the equity investment in Rawhide. Options with one unit owner are exercisable by 31 January, 2020 and options with two unit owners are exercisable by 8 May, 2020.

Fair value hierarchy

Refer to note 4 of these financial statements for details of the fair value hierarchy.

Transfers

During the year ended 31 December 2019 there were no transfers between the financial instrument levels of hierarchy.

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18. MINE PROPERTIES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	Guanaco/Amancaya	Casposo	Total
Mine Properties — 31 December 2019			
Cost	63,122	9,795	72,917
Accumulated amortisation	(56,638)	(9,795)	(66,433)
Carrying value — Mine Properties	6,484	–	6,484
Movements in carrying value			
Carrying amount at 1 January 2019	6,723	–	6,723
Additions	1,993	–	1,993
Transfers from Exploration and Evaluation expenditure	–	906	906
Amortisation	(2,232)	(906)	(3,138)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2019	6,484	–	6,484
Mine Properties – 31 December 2018			
Cost	61,129	8,889	70,018
Accumulated amortisation	(54,406)	(8,889)	(63,295)
Carrying value — Mine Properties	6,723	–	6,723
Movements in carrying value			
Carrying amount at 1 January 2018	6,608	5,728	12,336
Additions	1,214	–	1,214
Transfers from Exploration and Evaluation expenditure	–	174	174
Amortisation	(1,099)	(893)	(1,992)
Impairment of Casposo	–	(5,009)	(5,009)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2018	6,723	–	6,723

Carrying value — Guanaco/Amancaya

The Guanaco mine along with the Amancaya properties in the surrounding areas has been determined by Management to be a single cash generating unit (“CGU”). The mine properties noted above and the property, plant and equipment that is an intrinsic part of the mine and its structure (included in note 19) with a total book value of \$US51.150m are included in determining the carrying value of the CGU for the purposes of assessing for impairment.

Management have assessed the fair value to be above book value of the Guanaco/Amancaya project and therefore no impairment charge has been applied to the assets for the current year. The impairment test was performed by an independent party using the discounted cash flow model (DCF) as the primary valuation methodology with the following key assumptions:

- Real Forecast Gold price: US\$1,493/oz – US\$1,498/oz (31 December 2018 US\$1,255/oz – US\$1,290/oz)
- Real Forecast Silver price: US\$17.10/oz – US\$17.90/oz (31 December 2018 US\$15.70/oz – US\$16.80/oz)
- Life of Mine: 2.0 years (Life of mine based on most recent financial model used for impairment testing)
- Real Discount Rate (post-tax): 4.9% (31 December 2018: 6.2%)

The sensitivity to +/- 10% variation in the gold price (US\$1,300-1,600/oz) and in the discount rate (4.4%–5.4%) on the fair value of the Guanaco/Amancaya project results in an impact of +/- US\$11.25 million on the valuation which does not lead to a fair value below the book value of the project.

Goodwill

Goodwill has arisen on the acquisition of a subsidiary, Ingenieria y Minería Cachinalito Limitada. The recoverable amount of the goodwill arising from the Cachinalito business has been determined by including it as part of the combined Guanaco/Amancaya CGU described above. In light of the results of the independent valuation, management has assessed the goodwill as not being impaired.

Carrying value-Casposo

At 31 December, 2018, Management assessed the fair value of Casposo to be lower than the book value. As a result, management recorded an impairment charge of \$29.190m against the carrying value of the Casposo Mine of which US\$5.009m was charged against Mine Properties and US\$24.181m against Property, Plant and Equipment.

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19. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Property, plant and equipment owned	37,515	54,020
Right-of-use-assets	12,917	-
	50,432	54,020
Property, plant and equipment owned		
Cost	146,883	155,436
Accumulated depreciation	(109,368)	(101,416)
Carrying amount at end of the period	37,515	54,020
Movements in carrying value		
Carrying amount at beginning of the period	54,020	78,839
Additions	10,035	15,854
Transfer of leases to right-of-use assets	(12,930)	-
Depreciation	(13,352)	(16,430)
Disposals	(258)	(62)
Impairment of Casposo	-	(24,181)
Carrying amount at end of the period	37,515	54,020

The majority of the property, plant and equipment is included in the Guanaco/Amancaya Cash Generating Unit ("CGU"). Property, plant and equipment that does not form part of the Guanaco CGUs are being carried at the lower of their book value and recoverable amount. The Casposo property, plant and equipment is recorded at salvage value as it is currently not being used.

The Group leases production equipment under a number of finance leases. At 31 December 2019, the net carrying amount of finance lease assets under AASB 16 was US\$12.917m.

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	31 December 2019						
	Underground Mine Development	Plant	Mining Equipment	Buildings	Land	Other	Total
Movements in carrying value							
Balance at 1 January, 2019	14,669	28,090	5,600	4,056	815	790	54,020
Additions	7,687	655	1,013	680	-	-	10,035
Transfer of leases to right-of-use assets	-	(10,652)	(888)	(1,390)	-	-	(12,930)
Disposals	-	-	(258)	-	-	-	(258)
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	(5,670)	(5,392)	(917)	(1,173)	-	(200)	(13,352)
Carrying amount at the end of the period	16,686	2,701	4,550	2,173	815	590	37,515
Movements in carrying value							
Balance at 1 January, 2018	26,746	33,164	9,316	6,838	815	1,960	78,839
Additions	11,214	2,422	1,535	642	-	41	15,854
Transfer of leases to right-of-use assets	-	502	-	-	-	(502)	-
Disposals	-	-	(62)	-	-	-	(62)
Impairment	(15,812)	(2,218)	(3,688)	(2,027)	-	(436)	(24,181)
Depreciation	(7,479)	(5,780)	(1,501)	(1,397)	-	(273)	(16,430)
Carrying amount at the end of the period	14,669	28,090	5,600	4,056	815	790	54,020

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Reconciliation of carrying amount

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	Underground Mine Development	Plant	Mining Equipment	Buildings	Land	Other	Total
Cost							
Balance at 1 January 2018	51,556	45,684	19,928	14,090	815	7,550	139,623
Additions	11,214	2,422	1,557	642	-	59	15,894
Transfer between classes	-	502	-	-	-	(502)	-
Disposals	-	-	(81)	-	-	-	(81)
Impairment loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2018	62,770	48,608	21,404	14,732	815	7,107	155,436
Recognition of right-of-use assets on initial application of AASB 16	-	(14,352)	(1,240)	(2,499)	-	-	(18,091)
Adjusted balance at 1 January 2019	62,770	34,256	20,164	12,233	815	7,107	137,345
Additions	7,687	655	1,013	680	-	-	10,035
Disposals	-	-	(497)	-	-	-	(497)
Impairment loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2019	70,457	34,911	20,680	12,913	815	7,107	146,883
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses							
Balance at 1 January 2018	24,810	12,520	10,631	7,251	-	5,612	60,824
Depreciation	7,479	5,780	1,501	1,397	-	273	16,430
Disposals	-	-	(19)	-	-	-	(19)
Impairment loss	15,812	2,218	3,688	2,027	-	436	24,181
Balance at 31 December 2018	48,101	20,518	15,801	10,675	-	6,321	101,416
Recognition of right-of-use assets on initial application of AASB 16	-	(3,700)	(352)	(1,110)	-	-	(5,162)
Adjusted balance at 1 January 2019	48,101	16,818	15,449	9,565	-	6,321	96,254
Depreciation	5,670	5,392	917	1,173	-	200	13,352
Disposals	-	-	(238)	-	-	-	(238)
Impairment loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2019	53,771	22,210	16,128	10,738	-	6,521	109,368
Carrying amounts							
At 1 January 2018	26,746	33,164	9,297	6,839	815	1,937	78,799
At 31 December 2018	14,669	28,090	5,603	4,057	815	785	54,020
At 31 December 2019	16,686	12,701	4,553	2,175	815	585	37,515

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Right of use assets

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	31 December 2019			
	Office	Vehicles	Machinery and equipment	Total
Balance at 1 January, 2019	–	–	–	–
Recognised on adoption of AASB 16	339*	3,206	9,724	13,269
Additions	47	3,366	–	3,413
Less depreciation	(94)	(1,383)	(2,288)	(3,765)
Carrying amount at the end of the period	292	5,189	7,436	12,917
Lease liabilities				
Lease liabilities				9,349
Less: current portion				(3,047)
Non-current long-term liability				6,302

*Not recorded as property plant and equipment as of 31 December 2018.

Undiscounted lease payments

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December 2019
Less than a year	3,233
Greater than a year	7,811
	11,044

Stripping costs in production phase included in Property, Plant and Equipment

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Movements in carrying value		
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period	244	2,241
Amortisation	(244)	(1,997)
Carrying amount at end of the period	–	244

Stripping costs were related to the surface mine at Amancaya mine. All production at Amancaya in 2019 was from the underground mine.

20. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION EXPENDITURE

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Costs carried forward in respect of areas of interest:		
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period	16,270	15,891
Additions	779	553
Impairment for the period	(862)	–
Transfers to Mining Properties	(906)	(174)
Carrying amount at end of the period	15,281	16,270

The recovery of the carrying amount of the exploration and evaluation assets is dependent on the successful development and commercial exploration or sale of the areas of interest. This balance mainly relates to expenditures at the Guanaco, Casposo and Pingüino exploration projects.

Additions for the year ended 31 December 2019 and 2018 relate mainly to exploration on the Guanaco, Casposo and Pingüino projects.

Impairment for the year ended 31 December 2019 relate exploration projects with no expected value in Chile and Argentina.

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21. EQUITY INVESTMENT

The Group's interests in equity-accounted investees comprise an interest in a Rawhide Acquisition Holding LLC. ("Rawhide"). On 17 December 2019 the Group made an initial purchase of approximately 22.48% (21.28% on a fully diluted basis) directly from Rawhide for a purchase price of US\$3,957,406, of which US\$2,000,000 was paid in cash at closing. The balance of US \$1,957,406 is to be paid pursuant to a promissory note of 0% interest maturing January 31, 2020. Transaction costs of \$19,016 were incurred. In addition, the Group entered into separate option agreements with three existing unit owners whereby the Group has the option to purchase up to an additional 3.795% of the issued and outstanding Rawhide Units for a total of US\$750,813. The fair value of the options of \$4,261 was determined using the Black-scholes model.

22. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Current		
Trade payables	4,081	8,582
Accrued expenses	3,075	3,868
Royalty payable	746	1,656
Director fees	432	297
Income taxes payable	2,022	15
Other	576	148
Total trade and other payables	10,932	14,566
Non-Current		
Other payables	1	5

23. EMPLOYEE ENTITLEMENTS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Current		
Salaries and bonuses	1,894	2,975
Employee entitlements	1,654	1,860
Total employee entitlements	3,548	4,835
Non-current		
Employee entitlements	1,048	793

Retirement benefits

Retirement benefits are to be paid upon the death of workers and for disability and retirement.

The methodology followed to determine the provision for all employees adhering to the agreements has considered turnover rates and the RV-2014 mortality table established by the Superintendency of Securities and Insurance to calculate the reserves of life insurance in Chile according to the valuation method called Accumulated Benefit Valuation Method or Accrued Benefit Cost. This methodology is established in AASB 119 Employee benefits on Retirement Benefits Costs. The parameters of turnover rates, rates of increase of remunerations and discount rate have been determined by the Group.

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24. PROVISIONS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Non current		
Mine closure	10,804	10,628
Others	10	36
Closing balance	10,814	10,664
Movement in non current provisions		
Opening balance	10,664	11,729
(Reductions)/additions	(25)	25
Reclassifications from payables	-	5
Exchange difference	(342)	(714)
Present Value Adjustment	517	(381)
Closing balance	10,814	10,664

The mine closure (restoration) provision relates to the estimated costs of dismantling and restoring mining sites and exploration tenements to their original condition at the end of the life of the mine or exploration drilling program. The provision at period end represents the present value of the Directors' best estimate of the future sacrifice of economic benefits that will be required for meeting environmental obligations for existing tenements after activities have been completed. The provision is reviewed annually by the Directors.

Concurrent reclamation, along with mining operations, is ongoing throughout the facility and continues to be a vital part of the Group's reclamation practices. The plans are developed taking into consideration all legal, regulatory, governmental, and community requirements and compromises. Thus, the plan incorporates a number of assumptions used to estimate closure and post-closure objectives.

As at 31 December 2019, the total restoration provision amounts to US\$7.3m for Guanaco/Amancaya mine. The present value of the restoration provision was determined based on the following assumptions:

- Undiscounted rehabilitation costs: US\$7.6m; and
- Discount period: 2 years (Discount period based on expected timing of restoration activities).
- Discount rate: 1.75% (2018-2.50%)

As at 31 December 2019, the total restoration provision amounts US\$3.6m for the Casposo mine. The present value of the restoration provision was determined based on the following assumptions:

- Undiscounted rehabilitation costs: US\$4.2m; and
- Discount rate: 12.3% (2018-9.63%)

There are no current plans for rehabilitation and restoration as the Group has initiated an exploration program and there is potential to restart operations in the future.

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25. LOANS AND BORROWINGS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Current		
Loan facilities	3,754	6,860
Vendor take-back loan	291	-
Total current loans and borrowings	4,045	6,860
Loan facilities	2,077	2,908
Total non-current loans and borrowings	2,077	2,908

Loan Facilities

At 31 December 2019, the breakdown of Loan Facilities payable in US\$ is as follows:

- Banco Santander: US\$4.9 million total outstanding amount structured in two facilities:
 - US\$2.1 million pre-export loan that carries an annual interest rate of 5.25% (due in January 2020 and renewed for another 6 months (Note 37), and;
 - US\$2.8 million to be repaid over 48 months at an annual average interest rate of 5.5%. The total outstanding amount is classified as follows: US\$2.1 million as current and US\$2.8 million as a non-current loan facility.
- Baf Latam Credit Fund: US\$0.6 million outstanding at an annual interest rate of 9.5%. The outstanding amount was repaid on 20 February, 2020.
- Banco de Crédito e Inversiones (BCI): US\$0.3 million outstanding at an annual interest rate of 5.4% due 4 April 2020.

Vendor loan

A vendor take-back loan of US\$949,728 payable in Chilean UF bearing no interest per annum, unsecured, payable in eighteen monthly installments of approximately US\$52,651. The amortized cost of the loan has been discounted using a rate of 6.50%. The loan matures on 30 June 2020.

26. ISSUED CAPITAL

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Fully paid ordinary shares	101,682	100,569
Number of ordinary shares	559,393,259	534,173,010
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (basic)	539,424,350	534,173,010

Movements in ordinary share capital	Date	Number of ordinary shares	US\$'000
Balance at 31 December 2018		534,173,010	100,569
Shares issued pursuant to pro-rata rights offering	16 Oct 2019	25,220,249	1,194
Share issue costs pursuant to pro-rata rights offering		-	(81)
Balance at 31 December 2019		559,393,259	101,682

On 15 October 2019, the Group closed its non-renounceable pro-rata rights offer of ordinary shares and attaching options at a price of A\$0.08 per share. One option was granted for each 1.5 shares ordinary issued. The fair value of the options granted was US\$186,000 (note 28). The Group received gross proceeds of US\$1.38m (A\$2.018m).

Ordinary shares participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Parent Entity in proportion to the number of shares held. At shareholders meetings each ordinary share is entitled to one vote when a poll is called, otherwise each shareholder has one vote on a show of hands. The ordinary shares do not have any par value.

Movements in share options	Date	As at 31 December	
		2019	2018
Unlisted Options to acquire ordinary fully paid shares at A\$0.092 on or before 18 October, 2021	18 Oct 2019	16,813,530	-

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27. ACCUMULATED LOSSES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Accumulated losses at beginning of year	(49,473)	(23,210)
Adjustment on initial application of AASB15 (net of tax)	-	(199)
Adjustment on initial application of AASB16 (net of tax)	10	-
Adjusted balance at 1 January 2019/1 January 2018	(49,463)	(23,409)
Net profit/(loss) for the year	5,225	(26,064)
Accumulated losses at end of year	(44,238)	(49,473)

28. RESERVES

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	Note	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Foreign currency translation reserve			
Balance at beginning of year		356	383
Foreign exchange movements from translation of financial statements to US dollars		19	(27)
Balance at end of year		375	356
Share option reserve			
Balance at beginning of year		(321)	(321)
Unlisted options (1)		186	-
Balance at end of year		(135)	(321)
Business combination reserve			
Balance at beginning of year		-	-
Acquisition of 49% of Cachinalito		453	-
Acquisition of 30% of Casposo		(1,406)	-
Balance at end of year		(953)	-
Total reserves		(713)	35

- (1) The fair value of the unlisted options issued in its non-renounceable pro-rata rights offer is determined at the date of issuance using the Black-Scholes options valuation model that takes into account the assumptions per the following table. Upon the exercise of options, the balance of the reserve relating to those options is transferred to share capital.

Exercise price	AUS\$ 0.092
Term of option	2 years
Share price at date of issuance	AUS\$ 0.073
Expected price volatility	53% per annum
Risk-free interest rate	0.72%

Nature and purpose of reserves

Foreign Currency Translation Reserve

Exchange differences arising on translation of the non-US\$ denominated non-monetary balances of Group Companies are recognised in the foreign currency translation reserve. The reserve is recognised in profit or loss when the net investment is disposed of.

Share Option Reserve

Options granted/issued as share-based payments and a capital raise are recognised in the share option reserve.

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29. NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Non-controlling interest in subsidiaries comprise		
Acquired as part of subsidiary	–	3,741

On 20 March 2019, the Group entered into an agreement to acquire the 49% non-controlling interest in Cachinalito for US\$949,729 to be paid in eighteen monthly installments of approximately US\$52,651. During the year ended 31 December 2019, the Company made twelve payments totaling US\$617,000.

On 23 December 2019, the Group entered into an agreement to effectively acquire the 30% non-controlling interest in Casposo for US\$200,000.

30. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial risk management objectives

The Group's principal financial instruments comprise borrowings, receivables, listed equity securities, cash and short-term deposits. These activities expose the Group to a variety of financial risks: market risk (interest rate risk and foreign currency risk), credit risk, price risk and liquidity risk.

The Group recognises the importance of risk management and has adopted a Risk Management and Internal Compliance and Control policy which describes the role and accountabilities of management and of the Board. The Directors manage the different types of risks to which the Group is exposed by considering risk and monitoring levels of exposure to the main financial risks by being aware of market forecasts for interest rates, foreign exchange rates, commodity and market prices. The Group's exposure to credit risk and liquidity risk is monitored through general business budgets and forecasts.

The Group holds the following financial instruments:

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018
Financial Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	9,196	1,716
Trade and other receivables	6,000	3,226
Other financial assets	277	561
Financial liabilities		
Trade and other payables	10,933	14,571
Employee entitlements	4,596	5,628
Borrowings	6,122	9,768
Promissory note	1,957	-
Financial leases	9,349	8,703

a. Market Risk

i. Foreign Currency Risk

The Group undertakes certain transactions denominated in foreign currency and is exposed to foreign currency risk through foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations.

Foreign exchange rate risk arises from future commercial transactions and recognised financial assets and financial liabilities denominated in a currency that is not the functional currency of the Group. The risk is measured using cash flow forecasting. Foreign currency risk is minimal as most of the transactions are settled in US\$.

As at 31 December 2019, the Group was exposed to foreign exchange risk though the following financial assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the Group's functional currency (thousands of \$US).

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	Argentinian Peso (ARS)	Chilean Peso (CLP)	Australian (CLP)	Canadian Dollar
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	65	119	601	7
Trade and other receivables	2,320	1,324	20	17
Other financial assets	29	–	–	–
Financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	327	4,388	84	25
Employee entitlements	483	1,411	–	–
Financial leases	34	155	–	–
Borrowings	–	291	–	–

ii. Price Risk

The Group's revenues are exposed to fluctuations in the price of gold, silver and other prices. Gold and silver produced is sold at prevailing market prices in US\$.

The Group has resolved that for the present time the production should remain unhedged. The Group considers exposure to commodity price fluctuations within reasonable boundaries to be an integral part of the business.

Historical Evolution in the gold and silver commodity prices (US\$)



Sensitivity to Changes in Commodity Prices (Gold and Silver)

The below sensitivity analysis demonstrates the after tax effect on the profit/(loss) and equity which could result if there were changes in the gold and silver commodity prices by +/- 10% of the actual commodity prices realised by the Group.

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	Effect on profit/(loss) For the year ended		Effect on equity	
	December 2019	December 2018	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
10% increase in gold and silver prices	10,221	12,277	10,221	12,277
10% decrease in gold and silver prices	(10,221)	(12,277)	(10,221)	(12,277)

iii. Interest Rate Risk

The Group's main interest rate risk arises from finance leases. The Group's borrowings are at fixed rates and therefore do not carry any variable interest rate risk.

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a. Financial Market Risk

The financial market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of the financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices, which occurs due to the Group's investment in listed securities where share prices can fluctuate over time. This risk however is not deemed to be significant as these investments are held for long term strategic purposes and therefore movement in the market prices do not impact the short-term profit or loss or cash flows of the Group.

The group holds listed government bonds, and listed equity securities (note 17). These are classified as level 1 within the fair value hierarchy as per AASB 7 "Financial Instruments. The group also holds a call option to purchase an additional 3.795% in the equity investment (note 21) which is classified as level 3.

b. Credit Risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount, net of any allowance for doubtful debts, as disclosed in the statement of financial position and notes to the financial statements.

The Group trades only with recognised, creditworthy third parties, and as such collateral is not requested nor is it the Group's policy to securitise its other receivables.

In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis with the result that the Group's exposure to bad debts is not significant. There are no significant concentrations of credit risk.

c. Liquidity Risk

The liquidity of the Group is managed to ensure sufficient funds are available to meet financial commitments in a timely and cost effective manner.

Management continuously reviews the Group's liquidity position through cash flow projections based upon the current life of mine plan to determine the forecast liquidity position and maintain appropriate liquidity levels.

Maturities of financial liabilities

The tables below analyses the Group's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date.

The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

All figures reported in thousands of US\$	Consolidated				
	6 months	6-12 months	1-5 years	> 5 years	Total
31 December 2019					
Financial liabilities					
Trade and other payables	10,932	-	1	-	10,933
Employee entitlements	3,548	-	1,048	-	4,596
Promissory note	1,957	-	-	-	1,957
Borrowings	3,484	561	2,077	-	6,122
Leasing	1,532	1,515	6,302	-	9,349
Total 31 December 2019 liabilities	21,453	2,076	9,428	-	32,957
31 December 2018					
Financial liabilities					
Trade and other payables	14,566	-	5	-	14,571
Employee entitlements	4,835	-	793	-	5,628
Borrowings	6,331	529	2,908	-	9,768
Leasing	1,043	1,043	6,617	-	8,703
Total 31 December 2018 liabilities	26,775	1,572	10,323	-	38,670

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31. DIVIDENDS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018

No dividends to shareholders were paid or proposed during the current and prior period.

During the year ended 31 December 2019 no dividends were declared to the shareholders of Ingenieria y Minera Cachinalito Limitada. (2018— US\$83k) corresponds to the former minority interest shareholder.

32. COMMITMENTS

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	As at 31 December	
	2019	2018

Lease commitments

Finance lease commitments at the reporting date and recognised as liabilities, payable:

Within one year	3,496	2,536
Two to five years	6,711	7,264
Total commitment	10,207	9,800
Less: Future finance charges	(858)	(1,097)
Net commitment recognised as liabilities	9,349	8,703

Representing:

Lease liability—current	3,047	2,036
Lease liability—non-current	6,302	6,617
Operating leases not recognised as liabilities	–	122

To maintain legal rights to its properties, the Group pays fees for mining concessions and exploration. It anticipates that it will need to pay approximately US\$0.499m during the next year to maintain legal rights to all of its properties.

33. SUBSIDIARIES

	Country of Incorporation	% owned	
		31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Subsidiaries			
Guanaco Mining Company Limited	British Virgin Islands	100.000	100.000
Guanaco Compañía Minera SpA	Chile	99.998	99.998
Ingenieria y Minería Cachinalito Limitada	Chile	100.000	51.000
Casposo Energías Renovables S.A.U.	Argentina	100.000	100.000
Austral Gold Argentina S.A.	Argentina	99.970	99.970
Austral Gold North America Corp.	United States	100.000	-
Argentex Mining Corporation	Canada	100.000	100.000
SCRN Properties Ltd.	Canada	100.000	100.000
Casposo Argentina Limited ¹	Canada	100.000	70.000

¹ In 2018, the Group owned 70% of the Casposo project and had power over the key operating and strategic decisions of the Casposo project and accordingly consolidated the project.

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34. PARENT ENTITY INFORMATION

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Current assets	1,136	39
Total assets	67,920	66,933
Current liabilities	12,896	12,552
Total liabilities	12,896	12,552
Net assets	55,024	54,381
Issued capital	101,682	100,569
Accumulated losses	(46,553)	(45,878)
Reserves	(106)	(310)
Total shareholders' equity	55,023	54,381
Profit for the year	(676)	(978)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	(657)	(1,005)
Details of any guarantees entered into by the parent entity in relation to the debts of its subsidiaries	A*	A*
Details of any contingent liabilities of the parent entity	None	None
Details of any contractual commitments by the parent entity for the acquisition of property, plant or equipment.	None	None

A* Austral Gold Limited is guarantor for the credit facility of US\$0.3m between BAF and Guanaco Compañía Minera SpA.

35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

35.1 KMP holdings of shares and share options at 31 December 2019

- Mr Eduardo Elsztain holds 479,805,958 shares and 16,241,776 options directly and indirectly in Austral Gold Limited. (31 December 2018— 455,443,295 shares and nil options)
- Mr Saul Zang holds 1,640,763 shares and 136,730 options directly in Austral Gold Limited. (31 December 2018— 1,435,668 shares and nil options)
- Mr Pablo Vergara del Carril holds 68,119 shares directly in Austral Gold Limited. (31 December 2018—68,119)
- E Elsztain and S Zang are Directors of IFISA which holds 433,448,890 shares and 12,378,689 options according to the last substantial holder notice lodged in October 2019. (31 December 2018—414,880,857)
- P Vergara del Carril, E Elsztain and S Zang are Directors of Guanaco Capital Holding Corp which holds 35,870,730 shares and 2,989,227 options according to the last substantial holder notice lodged in October 2019. (31 December 2018—31,386,890)
- Mr Stabro Kasaneva holds 6,881,230 shares indirectly in Austral Gold Limited. (31 December 2018—6,881,230)
- Mr Wayne Hubert holds 1,750,000 shares indirectly in Austral Gold Limited. (31 December 2018—1,750,000)
- Mr. Rodrigo Ramirez holds 279,514 shares directly in Austral Gold Limited. (31 December 2018—279,514)

35.2 Directors and Key Management Personnel Remuneration

The aggregate compensation made to Directors and other members of Key Management Personnel of the Group is set out below:

All figures are reported in thousands of US\$	For the year ended 31 December	
	2019	2018
Short-term employment benefits	1,394	2,322
Non-executive director fees	358	358
Total	1,752	2,680

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Other transactions with related parties

During April 2019, Consultores Assets Management SA, a company controlled by E Elsztain provided a loan of US\$1.6 million at an annual interest rate of at 10% per annum. The loan plus interest of US\$30,609 was repaid in July 2019.

Zang, Bergel & Viñes Abogados is a related party since two non-executive Directors, Saul Zang and Pablo Vergara del Carril have significant influence over this law firm based in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Legal fees charged and expenses to reimbursement to the Group for the 12 months ended 31 December 2019 amounted to US\$141,022 (2018: US\$117,663).

Cresud S.A.C.I.F.Y.A, IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones S.A., IRSA Propiedades Comerciales S.A. and Consultores Asset Management S.A. are related parties as they are controlled by Non-executive Director and Chairman, Eduardo Elsztain. During the twelve month period ended 31 December 2019 a total of US\$326,437 was charged to the Company (2018: US\$197,237) in regard to IT services support, HR services, software licenses building/office expenses and other fees.

35.3 Ultimate parent entity

The Parent Entity is controlled by IFISA with a 77.49% non-diluted and 77.97% diluted interest in Austral Gold Limited and is incorporated in Uruguay.

The ultimate beneficial owner of IFISA is Eduardo Elsztain.

36. UNRECOGNISED DEFERRED TAX ASSETS

In certain entities of the Group, tax losses have not been recognised as deferred tax assets in respect of the following items, because it is not probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the Group can use the benefits therefrom.

Australia	As at 31 December 2019	
	US\$ '000	Expiry
Tax losses	14,042	No Expiry
Capital losses	2,277	No Expiry
Canada		
Tax losses	15,877	2020-2040

The ability of the Group to utilise Australian or Canadian tax losses will depend on the applicability and compliance with the respective Australian or Canadian tax laws regarding continuity of ownership or same or similar business tests.

37. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

- 37.1** On 9 January 2020, a pre-export loan facility was renewed with Banco Santander for US\$2.0 million. The loan is due on 9 July 2020 and carries an annual interest rate of 4.47%, a decrease from 5.25% from the previous loan facility (note 25).
- 37.2** On 16 January 2020, 1,063 ordinary shares were issued pursuant to the exercise of 1,063 options at a conversion price of A\$0.092 for proceeds US\$68.
- 37.3** On 30 January 2020, US\$ 1,945,409 was paid to Rawhide for the amount owed under the Promissory note. In addition, US\$214,576 was paid to exercise options held by one optionholder due 30 January 2020, increasing the Group's equity investment in Rawhide to 23.62%.
- 37.4** On February 20, 2020, the Company repaid the outstanding loan amount with Baf Capital for US\$0.6 million.
- 37.5** During February 2019, the Group changed the production plan at its Guanaco plant which resulted in the decision to reduce its workforce by 80 employees at the Guanaco plant. The Group estimates the severance to cost approximately US\$1.6 million.

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38. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The group has consistently applied the following accounting policies to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements, except if mentioned otherwise (see also Note 5).

Set out below is an index of the significant accounting policies.

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38.1 Basis of consolidation

A subsidiary is any entity over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are de-consolidated from the date that control ceases.

A list of subsidiaries is contained in note 31 to the financial statements. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting periods as the parent company using consistent accounting policies.

All intercompany balances and transactions between entities in the Group, including any unrealised profits or losses, have been eliminated on consolidation.

The acquisition of subsidiaries is accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting.

Non-controlling interests in the equity and results of the subsidiaries are shown separately in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Group.

Business combinations

The Group accounts for business combinations using the acquisition method when control is transferred to the Group. The consideration transferred in the acquisition is generally measured at fair value, as are the identifiable net assets acquired. Any goodwill that arises is tested annually for impairment. Any gain on a bargain purchase is recognised in profit or loss immediately. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred, except if related to the issue of debt or equity securities.

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Goodwill

Goodwill has arisen on the acquisition of a subsidiary, Ingenieria y Minería Cachinalito Limitada. The recoverable amount of the goodwill arising from the Cachinalito business has been determined by including it as part of the combined Guanaco/ Amancaya CGU described above.

In light of the results of the independent valuation, management has assessed the goodwill as not being impaired.

38.2 Revenue Recognition

Under AASB 15, the sale of minerals is recognised at the transfer of control or point of sale, which is when the customer has taken delivery of the goods, the risks and rewards have been transferred to the customer and there is a valid contract. Determining the timing of the transfer of control at a point in time or over time requires judgement.

When the customer is the refinery, the control of the metals is transferred at the metal availability date. The metal availability date is when the metals are available for pricing by the refinery. If the customer is not the refinery, revenue is recognized when the metals are transferred to the customer upon receipt and the customer obtains control of the metals. Invoices are payable two business days after the metal availability date.

38.3 Goods and services tax (GST)/ Value added tax (VAT)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST/VAT, except where the amount of GST/ VAT incurred is not recoverable from the tax authorities. In these circumstances the GST/VAT is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST/VAT. Cash flows are presented in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST/VAT component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

38.4 Foreign currency translation

The financial statements are presented in United States Dollars (US\$), which is the Group's functional and presentation currency.

Foreign currency transactions

Foreign currency transactions are translated into US\$ using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at financial year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss.

38.5 Mine Properties

Mines in production represent the aggregated exploration and evaluation expenditure and capitalised development costs in respect of areas of interest in which mining is ready to or has commenced. Mine development costs are deferred until commercial production commences, at which time they are depreciated on a units-of-production basis over the mineable reserves. Once production commences, further development expenditure is classified as part of the cost of production, unless substantial future economic benefits can be established.

Amortisation

Aggregated costs on productive areas are amortised over the life of the area of interest to which such costs relate on the units-of-production basis.

Deferred stripping costs

Deferred stripping costs represent certain mining costs, principally those that relate to the stripping of waste, which provides access so that future economically recoverable ore can be mined. Stripping (i.e. overburden and other waste removal) costs incurred in the production phase of a surface mine are capitalised to the extent that they improve access to an identified component of the ore body and are subsequently amortised on a systematic basis over the expected useful life of the identified component of the ore body.

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Capitalised stripping costs are disclosed as a component of Mine Properties. Components of an ore body are determined with reference to life of mine plans and take account of factors such as the geographical separation of mining locations and/or the economic status of mine development decisions. Capitalised stripping costs are initially measured at cost and represent an accumulation of costs directly incurred in performing the stripping activity that improves access to the identified component of the ore body, plus an allocation of directly attributable overhead costs. The amount of stripping costs deferred is based on a relevant production measure which uses a ratio obtained by dividing the tonnage of waste mined by the quantity of ore mined for an identified component of the ore body. Stripping costs incurred in the period for an identified component of the ore body are deferred to the extent that the current period ratio exceeds the expected waste to ratio for the life of the identified component of the ore body. Such deferred costs are then charged against the statement of profit or loss when the stripping ratio falls below the life of mine ratio. These are a function of the mine design and therefore any changes to the design will generally result in changes to the ratio. Changes in other technical or economic parameters that impact on reserves may also have an impact on the component ratio even though they may not impact the mine design. Changes to the life of mine plan, identified components of an ore body, stripping ratios, units of production and expected useful life are accounted for prospectively. Deferred stripping costs form part of the total investment in a cash generating unit, which is reviewed for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

38.6 Exploration and evaluation expenditure

Exploration and evaluation expenditure incurred is accumulated in respect of each identifiable area of interest and carried forward in the statement of financial position where rights to tenure of the area of interest are current; and one of the following conditions is met:

- i. such costs are expected to be recouped through successful development and exploitation of the area of interest or alternatively, by its sales; or
- ii. exploration and/or evaluation activities in the area of interest have not, at reporting date, yet reached a stage which permits a reasonable assessment of the existence or otherwise of economically recoverable reserves and active and significant operations in the area are continuing.

Expenditure relating to pre-exploration activities is written off to the profit or loss during the period in which the expenditure is incurred.

A regular review is undertaken of each area of interest to determine the appropriateness of continuing to carry forward costs in relation to that area of interest.

Accumulated expenditure on areas that have been abandoned, or are considered to be of no value, are written off in the year in which such a decision is made.

When the technical and commercial feasibility of an undeveloped mining project has been demonstrated, the project enters the construction phase. The cost of the project assets are transferred from exploration and evaluation expenditure and reclassified into construction phase and include past exploration and evaluation costs, development drilling and other subsurface expenditure. When full commercial operation commences, the accumulated costs are transferred into Mine Properties or an appropriate class of property, plant and equipment.

When production commences, the accumulated costs for the relevant area of interest are amortised over the life of the area according to the production output basis.

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38.7 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

The depreciated amount of property, plant and equipment is recorded either on a straight-line basis or on the production output basis to the residual value of the asset over the lesser of mine life or estimated useful life of the asset.

Depreciation rates and methods are reviewed annually for appropriateness. When changes are made, adjustments are reflected prospectively in current and future periods only. Depreciation is expensed, except those that are included in the amount of exploration assets as an allocation of production overheads.

The depreciation rate used for fixed assets except for underground mine development is between 10%-20%. The depreciation rate used in underground mine development is provided for over the life of the area of interest on a production output basis.

De-recognition and disposal

An item of property, plant and equipment is de-recognised upon disposal or when no further future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal.

Any gain or loss arising on de-recognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the statement of profit or loss in the year the asset is de-recognised.

38.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash includes:

- i. cash on hand and at call deposits with banks or financial institutions; and
- ii. other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

38.9 Income tax

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date.

Deferred income tax is provided on all temporary differences at reporting date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred income tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences except:

- i. when the deferred income tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and that, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; or
- ii. when the taxable temporary difference is associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates, or interests in joint ventures, and the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, carry-forward of unused tax assets and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and the carry-forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised, except:

- i. when the deferred income tax asset relating to the deductible temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; or
- ii. when the deductible temporary difference is associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates, or interests in joint ventures, in which case a deferred tax asset is only recognised to the extent that it is probable that the temporary difference will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilised.

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The carrying amount of any deferred income tax assets recognised is reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred income tax asset to be utilised.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply for the year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at reporting date.

Income taxes relating to items recognised directly to equity are recognised in equity and not in profit or loss. Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset only if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

38.10 Inventories

Materials and supplies are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value on a 'first in first out' basis. Cost comprises direct materials and delivery costs, direct labour, import duties and other taxes, an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead expenditure based on normal operating capacity.

If the ore stockpile is not expected to be processed in 12 months after reporting date, it is included in non-current assets and the net realisable value is calculated on a discounted cash flow basis. Stockpiles are measured by estimating the number of tonnes added and removed from the stockpile, the number of contained ounces based on assay data, and the estimated recovery percentage. Stockpile tonnages are verified to periodic surveys.

Gold bullion and gold-in-process are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is determined using the prevailing metal prices.

38.11 Trade and other receivables

Trade accounts receivable, amounts due from related parties and other receivables represent the principal amounts due at balance date plus accrued interest and less, where applicable, any unearned income and provisions for doubtful accounts.

38.12 Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. They are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

38.13 Interest bearing liabilities

Loans and borrowings are initially recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, net of transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Where there is an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting date, the loans or borrowings are classified as non-current.

38.14 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. Where discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as a finance cost.

38.15 Leases

The Group adopted AASB 16 - Leases ("AASB 16") 1 January 2019. Information about the Group's accounting policies related to leases is provided in Note 5. The effect of initially applying AASB 16 is also described in Note 5.

38.16 Impairment of non-financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell or value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the profit or loss. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax rate.

Impairment testing is performed annually for goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

38.17 De-recognition of financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognised when:

- i. the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- ii. the Group retains the right to receive cash flows from the asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay them in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement; or
- iii. the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset and either:
 - a. has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset; or
 - b. has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognised to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement in the asset. Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration received that the Group could be required to repay.

Fair value through other comprehensive income

The Group's investments in equity securities are classified as 'fair value through Other Comprehensive Income'. Subsequent to initial recognition fair value through other comprehensive income investments are measured at fair value with gains or losses being recognised directly through Other Comprehensive Income in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

Financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a de recognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in profit or loss.

38.18 Contributed equity

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

38.19 Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is determined by dividing net profit after income tax attributable to members of the parent, excluding any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares, by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the year.

Diluted earnings per share

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in determination of basic earnings per share to take into account the after income tax effect of interest and other financing costs associated with dilutive potential ordinary shares and weighted average number of shares assumed to have been issued for no consideration in relation to dilutive potential ordinary shares.

38.20 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense when incurred unless they are attributable to qualifying assets, in which case they are then capitalised as part of the assets.

38.21 Employee leave benefits

Short-term employee benefits

Liabilities for employees' entitlements to wages and salaries, annual leave and other employee entitlements expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in the current provisions in respect of employees' services up to reporting date and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. Liabilities for non-accumulating sick leave are recognised when the leave is taken and measured at the rates paid or payable.

Long service leave

The liability for long service leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures, and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currencies that match, as closely as possible, the estimated cash outflows.

Superannuation

The Company contributes to employee superannuation funds. Contributions made by the Company are legally enforceable. Contributions are made in accordance with the requirements of the Superannuation Guarantee Legislation.

38.22 Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM").

The CODM, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Chief Executive Officer.

38.23 New, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The Group has adopted all of the new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the AASB that are mandatory for the current reporting period. The adoption of these Accounting Standards and Interpretations did not have any significant impact on the financial performance or position of the Group.