#### **CENTRAL IRON ORE LIMITED**

# Management Discussion and Analysis (Form 51-102F1)

### For the guarter ended December 31, 2014

# Information as of February 27, 2014 unless otherwise stated

#### Note to Reader

The following management discussion and analysis of the financial condition and results of operations of Central Iron Ore ("CIO" or "the Company") should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2014, together with the notes thereto, as well as the Company's previous financial and MD&A reports. These annual audited financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Interpretation (IFRS).

# **Forward-Looking Information**

This discussion includes certain statements that may be deemed "forward-looking statements." All statements in this discussion, other than statements of historical facts that address future production, reserve potential, exploration drilling, exploration activities and events or developments that the Company expects, are forward-looking statements. Although the Company believes the expectations expressed in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward-looking statements include market prices, exploitation and exploration successes, continued availability of capital and financing, and general economic, market or business conditions. Investors are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements.

#### **Business of the Company**

Since listing on the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSX-V") in 2007, CIO's business has primarily involved acquiring and conducting exploration activities on prospective exploration and mining projects in Australia and Tanzania.

In recent years the Company has refocused its activities on the acquisition of projects considered to be prospective for iron ore in Australia. The Company has discontinued exploration of its Tanzanian uranium assets and has repositioned its British King and Eureka gold mines into two regional exploration and development gold prospects.

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Tranche 1: The Purchaser must deliver to CIO 150 troy ounces of gold upon the production and sale of 5,000 troy ounces of gold from the Project, upon which the Purchaser will acquire a further 14% interest in the Project (resulting in a total interest for the Purchaser of 65%).

Tranche 2: The Purchaser must deliver to CIO 175 troy ounces of gold upon the production and sale of 7,500 troy ounces of gold from the Project, upon which the Purchaser will acquire a further 15% interest in the Project (resulting in a total interest for the Purchaser of 80%).

Tranche 3: The Purchaser must deliver to CIO 215 troy ounces of gold upon the production and sale of 10,000 troy ounces of gold from the Project, upon which the Purchaser will acquire a further 20% interest in the Project (resulting in a total interest for the Purchaser of 100%).

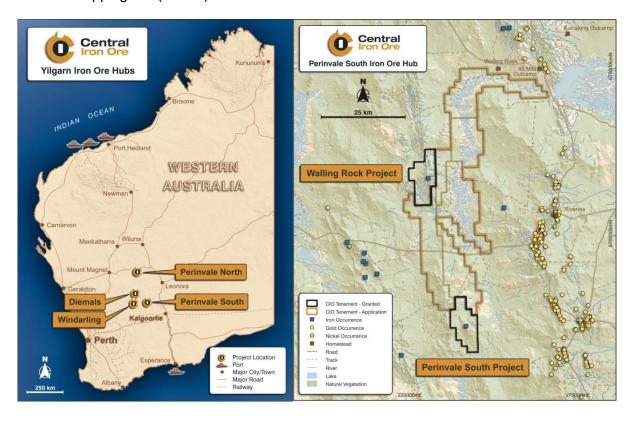
# **Exploration and Development Update**

During the quarter ended December 31, 2014, the Company:

- continued its iron ore exploration strategy; and
- continued its gold exploration strategy.

# **YILGARN IRON ORE PROJECT (Western Australia)**

The Company holds 5 iron ore tenements covering 570km², located within the Yilgarn Iron Ore Province ("Yilgarn IOP") in Western Australia, of which all tenements are granted. The Yilgarn IOP is considered highly prospective for iron ore, given its history of large-scale iron ore production, with the Cliffs Natural Resources Ltd-owned Koolyanobbing operation (formerly operated by Portman Limited) currently producing at a rate of approximately 8Mtpa of direct shipping ore ("DSO").



Hub	Project	Tenement	Status	Area (km²)
Perinvale South	Walling Rock	E30/414	Granted	93
Perinvale South	Perinvale South	E30/415	Granted	93
Perinvale South	Walling Rock	E30/0440	Granted	54
Perinvale South	Walling Rock	E30/0441	Granted	210
Perinvale North	Perinvale North	E57/818	Granted	120

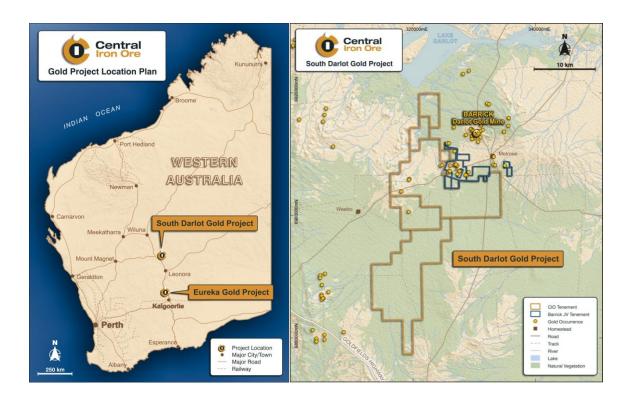
# **Quarterly Activity**

Annual reporting obligations for tenements.

# **SOUTH DARLOT GOLD PROJECT (Western Australia)**

The Company's South Darlot Gold Project area is located approximately 320km northwest of Kalgoorlie in Western Australia and includes:

- The British King Mine which is 100% owned by the Company and which is National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI43-101") compliant. The British King Mine is 5km southwest of Barrick Gold Corporation Limited's Darlot Mine. The British King Mine is currently under care and maintenance.
- A 100% CIO owned tenement package covering 267km<sup>2</sup>.
- A number of tenements which are subject to a joint venture with subsidiaries of Barrick Gold Corporation Limited ("Barrick"), details of which are set out below, in which CIO has earned a 70% interest.



The Company's current 100% owned South Darlot Gold Project tenement package covers 267km². Details of the Company's 100% owned South Darlot Gold Project and British King Project tenements are set out below.

Project	Tenement	Status	Area (km²)
South Darlot	E37/882	Granted	84
South Darlot	E37/1054	Granted	33
South Darlot	E37/1085	Granted	24
South Darlot	E37/1086	Granted	3
South Darlot	E37/1106	Granted	123
British King	M37/30	Granted	0.1
British King	P37/7026	Granted	0.1

The Company's strategy and objective in respect of the South Darlot Gold Project is to evaluate the gold prospectivity of the region, generate targets, consolidate the tenement position and acquire all necessary access approvals in order to progress to the next stage of exploration. The Company has identified seven prospective targets on its 100% owned tenements and intends to systematically evaluate those targets over the next 12 months.

# **Brirish King Sale**

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Tranche 2: The Purchaser must deliver to CIO 175 troy ounces of gold upon the production and sale of 7,500 troy ounces of gold from the Project, upon which the Purchaser will acquire a further 15% interest in the Project (resulting in a total interest for the Purchaser of 80%).

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In the event that the Purchaser fails to make any of the payments referred to above by the date required under the agreement, the Purchaser will be required to transfer back to CIO all of its then existing percentage interest in the Project and CIO will grant to the Purchaser a gross value royalty in respect of gold extracted from the Project. The percentage royalty interest will be determined as follows:

Purchaser Project interest	Gross Value Royalty
51%	1.25%
65%	1.625%
80%	2%
100%	2.5%

In addition to the consideration set out above, the Purchaser will pay AUD\$5,000 per month to CIO for rental of the equipment located at the Project site, until such time as the Purchaser acquires a 100% interest in the Project (subject to the earlier termination of the agreement).

Completion of the sale and purchase of the Project is conditional upon and subject to the satisfaction of a number of conditions precedent including CIO obtaining any consents, approvals, authorisations or clearances which are required for the sale and purchase of the Project (including any required TSXV approvals), the Purchaser obtaining finance for the acquisition on terms acceptable to it (acting reasonably) and the Project being free of any security interest by November 14, 2014 or by such later date as the parties may agree in writing.

# **Barrick Joint Venture Project (Western Australia)**

The tenements set out in the table below ("Barrick JV Tenements") are the subject of a joint venture between the Company and subsidiaries of Barrick ("Barrick JV"), and are situated southwest of Barrick's Darlot gold mine and are contiguous with CIO's current holdings in the area. The Barrick JV Tenements are detailed below.

Project	Tenement	Status	Area (ha)
Barrick JV	M37/421	Granted	381
Barrick JV	M37/552	Granted	200
Barrick JV	M37/631	Granted	776
Barrick JV	M37/632	Granted	595
Barrick JV	M37/709	Granted	98
Barrick JV	M37/1045	Granted	90
Barrick JV	P37/7364	Granted	197
Barrick JV	P37/7365	Granted	200
Barrick JV	P37/7366	Granted	113
Barrick JV	P37/7367	Granted	45

The Company's strategy and objective for the Barrick JV Tenements, the strategy and objective is to evaluate their gold prospectivity and deliver on target generation and access. The Company has identified 24 prospective targets on the Barrick JV Tenements and will systematically evaluate those targets over the next 12 months, with a priority being placed on the exploration of the Mermaid and Endeavour Prospects.

As at the date of this report, the Company has earned a 70% interest in the Barrick JV Tenements in accordance with the Barrick JV and is continuing exploration on the Barrick JV Tenements.

During the year ended June 30, 2014, Barrick's interest in the Darlot region were acquired by Gold Fields Limited.

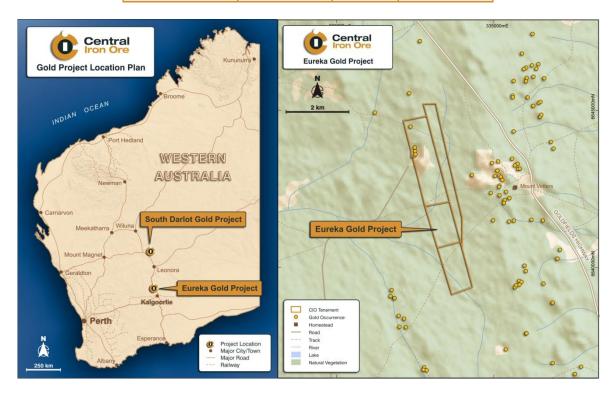
#### **Quarterly Activity**

- Annual reporting obligations for tenements.
- Quarterly HSE inspection.

# **EUREKA GOLD PROJECT (Western Australia)**

The Eureka gold project is approximately 50km north of Kalgoorlie and includes the Eureka open pit gold mine which is 100% owned by the Company and is NI43-101 compliant. The Eureka gold mine is currently under care and maintenance. The Company's tenement package comprising the Eureka gold project covers 563 hectares.

Project	Tenement	Status	Area (ha)
Eureka Gold	M24/189	Granted	218.15
Eureka Gold	M24/584	Granted	110.5
Eureka Gold	M24/585	Granted	104.5
Eureka Gold	M24/586	Granted	130



# **Quarterly Activity**

- Quarterly HSE inspection
- Annual reporting obligations for tenements.

# **MINERAL PROPERTIES (all amounts in Australian dollars)**

Tenement	Status	Area (km²)	<b>Grant Date</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>Annual Rent</b>	Expenditure
M24/189	Granted	2.18	15/02/1988	14/02/2030	\$3,035.34	\$21,900
M24/584	Granted	1.10	25/10/2000	24/10/2021	\$1,538.46	\$11,100
M24/585	Granted	1.04	25/10/2000	24/10/2021	\$1,455.30	\$10,500
M24/586	Granted	1.30	25/10/2000	24/10/2021	\$1,801.80	\$13,000
E37/882	Granted	84	26/03/2008	25/03/2015	\$8,856.21	\$47,000
E37/1054	Granted	33	1/04/2011	30/03/2016	\$1,332.21	\$20,000
E37/1085	Granted	24	12/08/2011	11/08/2016	\$1,021.50	\$20,000
E37/1086	Granted	3	12/08/2011	11/08/2016	\$273.00	\$10,000
E37/1106	Granted	123	22/06/2012	21/06/2017	\$4,784.70	\$41,000
M37/30	Granted	0.1	4/07/1984	3/07/2026	\$159.50	\$10,000
L37/162	Granted	0.1	25/10/2006	24/10/2027	\$99.33	
P37/7026	Granted	0.1	16/05/2007	15/05/2011	\$23.1	\$2,000
E30/414	Granted	93	15/09/2010	14/09/2015	\$3,754.00	\$31,000
E30/415	Granted	93	10/05/2011	9/05/2016	\$3,341.41	\$31,000
E30/440	Granted	54	05/09/2012	04/09/2017	2,100.00	\$20,000
E30/441	Granted	210	02/04/2013	01/04/2018	8169.00	\$70,000
E57/818	Granted	120	22/02/2011	21/02/2016	\$4,844.40	\$40,000

# **Barrick JV Tenement Package**

Tenement	Status	Area (ha)	<b>Grant Date</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>Annual Rent</b>	Expenditure
M37/421	Granted	381	24/11/1993	23/11/2014	\$6,075.95	\$38,100
M37/552	Granted	200	5/12/2008	4/12/2029	\$3,190.00	\$20,000
M37/631	Granted	776	23/05/2007	22/05/2028	\$12,393.15	\$77,700
M37/632	Granted	595	23/05/2007	22/05/2028	\$9,490.25	\$59,500
M37/709	Granted	98	23/01/2008	22/01/2029	\$1,563.00	\$10,000
M37/1045	Granted	90	25/02/2009	24/02/2030		\$10,000
P37/7364	Granted	197	29/01/2008	28/01/2016	\$457.38	\$7,920
P37/7365	Granted	200	29/01/2008	28/01/2016	\$462.00	\$8,000
P37/7366	Granted	113	29/01/2008	28/01/2016	\$261.03	\$4,520
P37/7367	Granted	45	29/01/2008	28/01/2016	\$103.95	\$2,000

#### **CORPORATE UPDATE**

#### **BRITISH KING SALE**

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#### **EXTENSION OF EXPIRATION DATE OF WARRANTS**

On April 25, 2013, CIO announced the extension of the term of 10,000,000 common share purchase warrants that were issued as part of a private placement which was completed on May 13, 2011 ("Warrants"). The Warrants are exercisable for one common share in the capital of the Company, at an exercise price of \$0.30. The Company submitted an application to the TSX Venture Exchange to have the expiration date of the Warrants extended to May 13, 2015, which application has been granted.

#### **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The Company is subject to a number of risk factors due to the nature of its business and its present stage of development. The following risk factors should be considered:

#### General

The Company is an Australian junior mineral exploration and development company listed on the TSX-V and engaged in the exploration and development of mineral properties located in Western Australia. It has not yet determined whether all of its properties contain mineral reserves that are economically recoverable. The recoverability of the amounts shown for resource assets is dependent upon the existence of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain the necessary financing to complete the exploration and development of its properties and upon future profitable production or proceeds from the disposition of the properties. The Company's ability to continue its operations is dependent on its ability to secure additional financing, and while it has been successful in doing so in the past, there can be no assurance that it will be able to do so in the future. In order to continue developing its mineral properties, management is actively pursuing such additional sources of financing that may be required.

The Company's financial statements and discussion and analysis of the financial condition, changes in financial condition and results of operations of the Company for the year ended June 30, 2014 do not include the adjustments that would be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern.

The Company's administrative expenditure is related to the level of financing and exploration and development activities that are being conducted, which in turn may depend on the Company's recent exploration and development experience and prospects, as well as the general market conditions relating to the availability of funding for exploration and development-stage resource companies. Consequently, the Company does not acquire properties or conduct exploration and development work on them on a pre-determined basis and as a result there may not be predictable or observable trends in the Company's business activities and comparisons of financial operating results with those of prior years may not be meaningful.

#### **Trends**

The Company's financial success is dependent upon the discovery of commercial mineral resources which could be economically viable to develop. The sales value of any mineralization discovered by the Company is largely dependent upon factors beyond the Company's control, such as the market value of the products produced. Other than as disclosed herein, the Company is not aware of any trends, uncertainties, demands, commitments or events which are reasonably likely to have a material effect on the Company's sales or revenues, income from continuing operations, profitability, liquidity or capital resources, or that would cause reported financial information not necessarily to be indicative of future operating results or financial condition.

# **Competitive Conditions**

The resource industry is intensively competitive in all of its phases. The Company competes with other mining companies for the acquisition of mineral claims and other mining interests as well as for the recruitment and retention of qualified employees and contractors. The Company competes with many other companies that have substantially greater financial resources than the Company and its ability to compete is dependent of being able to raise additional funds as and when required.

# **Environmental Factors and Protection Requirements**

The Company currently conducts exploration and development activities in Western Australia. All phases of the Company's operations are subject to environmental regulation in the jurisdictions in which it operates. Environmental legislation is evolving in a manner which requires stricter standards, enforced by increased fines and penalties for non-compliance, more stringent environmental assessments of proposed projects and a heightened degree of responsibility for companies and their officers, directors and employees. There is no assurance that future changes in environmental regulation, if any, will not adversely affect the Company's operations. There is no assurance that regulatory and environmental approvals will be obtained on a timely basis, or on terms acceptable to the Company, or at all. The cost of compliance with changes in governmental regulations has the potential to reduce the profitability of the Company's operations or to preclude entirely the economic development of a property. Environmental hazards may exist on the properties which are unknown to the Company at present which have been caused by previous or existing owners or operators of the properties. The Company is currently engaged in exploration with minimal environmental impact.

# **Mineral Exploration and Development**

The Company's properties are in the exploration and development stage. Development of the Company's properties will only proceed upon obtaining satisfactory exploration results. Mineral exploration and development involve a high degree of risk and few properties which are explored are ultimately developed into producing mines. There is no assurance that mineral exploration and development activities will result in the discovery of an ore body of commercial minerals on any of the Company's properties. Several years may pass between the discovery of a deposit and its exploitation. Most exploration projects do not result in the discovery of commercially mineralized deposits.

# **Operating Hazards and Risks**

Mineral exploration involves many risks, which even a combination of experience, knowledge and careful evaluation may not be able to overcome. The operations in which the Company has a direct or indirect interest will be subject to all the hazards and risks normally incidental to exploration, development and production of resources, any of which could result in work stoppages and damage to persons or property or the environment and possible legal liability for any and all damage. Fires, power outages, labor disruptions, flooding, explosions, landslides and the inability to obtain suitable or adequate machinery, equipment or labor are some of the risks involved in the operation of mines and the conduct of exploration programs. Although the Company will, when appropriate, secure liability insurance in an amount which it considers adequate, the nature of these risks is such that liabilities might exceed policy limits, the liability and hazards might not be insurable, or the Company might elect not to insure itself against such liabilities due to high premium costs or other reasons, in which event the Company could incur significant costs that could have a material adverse effect upon its financial condition

# **Economics of Developing Mineral Properties**

Substantial expenditures are required to establish reserves through drilling, to develop processes to extract minerals and to develop the mining and processing facilities and infrastructure at any site chosen for mining. Although substantial benefits may be derived from the discovery of a major mineralized deposit, no assurance can be given that minerals will be discovered in sufficient quantities to justify commercial operations or that the funds required for development can be obtained on a timely basis. The marketability of any minerals acquired or discovered may be affected by numerous factors which are beyond the Company's control and which cannot be predicted, such as market fluctuations, the proximity and capacity of milling facilities, mineral markets and processing equipment, and such other factors as government regulations, including regulations relating to royalties, allowable production, importing and exporting of minerals, and environmental protection. Depending on the price of minerals produced, the Company may determine that it is impractical to commence or continue commercial production.

### **Commodity Prices**

The Company's revenues, if any, are expected to be in large part derived from the mining and sale of minerals or interests related thereto. The price of various minerals have fluctuated widely, particularly in recent years, and is affected by numerous factors beyond the Company's control including international economic and political conditions, expectations of inflation, international currency exchange rates, interest rates, global or regional consumptive patterns, speculative activities, levels of supply and demand, increased production due to new mine developments and improved mining and production methods, availability and costs of mineral substitutes, mineral stock levels maintained by producers and others and inventory carrying costs. The effect of these factors on the price of various minerals, and therefore the economic viability of the Company's operations cannot accurately be predicted.

#### **Currency Risk**

The Company's revenues and expenses are incurred in Australian dollars, though its financings are completed in Canadian dollars. Although the Company has taken certain steps to help mitigate foreign currency fluctuations, there is no assurance that these activities or products are or will continue to be effective. Accordingly, the inability of the Company to obtain or to put in place effective hedges could materially increase its exposure to fluctuations in the value of the Canadian dollar relative to the Australian dollar. This could adversely affect the Company's financial position and operating results.

#### Title

There is no guarantee that title to properties in which the Company has a material interest will not be challenged or impugned. The Company's mineral property interests may be subject to prior unregistered agreements or transfers, and title may be affected by undetected defects.

# **Governmental Regulation**

Operations, development and exploration on the Company's properties are affected to varying degrees by:

- (i) government regulations relating to such matters as environmental protection, health, safety and labour;
- (ii) mining law reform;
- (iii) restrictions on production, price controls, and tax increases;
- (iv) maintenance of claims;
- (v) tenure; and
- (vi) expropriation of property.

There is no assurance that future changes in such regulations, if any, will not adversely affect the Company's operations. Changes in such regulations could result in additional expenses and capital expenditures, availability of capital, competition, reserve uncertainty, potential conflicts of interest, title risks, dilution, and restrictions and delays in operations, the extent of which cannot be predicted. If any of the Company's projects are advanced to the development stage, those operations will also be subject to various laws and regulations concerning development, production, taxes, labour standards, environmental protection, mine safety and other matters. In addition, new laws or regulations governing operations and activities of mining companies could have a material adverse impact on any project in the mine development stage that the Company may possess.

# **Management and Directors**

The Company is dependent on a relatively small number of directors:

Richard Homsany - Chairman

Brett Hodgins - President / CEO

Anthony Howland-Rose - Director
 Hugh Pinniger - COO
 David Deitz - CFO

#### **Conflicts of Interest**

Certain officers and directors of the Company are officers and/or directors of, or are associated with, other natural resource companies that acquire interests in mineral properties. Such associations may give rise to conflicts of interest from time to time. The directors are required by law, however, to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company and its shareholders and to disclose any personal interest which they may have in any material transaction which is proposed to be entered into with the Company and to abstain from voting as a director for the approval of any such transaction.

# **Limited Operating History: Losses**

The Company has experienced losses in previous years of its operations. There can be no assurance that the Company will operate profitably in the future, if at all. As at December 31, 2014 the Company's deficit was \$20,595,065.

#### **Price Fluctuations: Share Price Volatility**

For the quarter ended December 31, 2014, the closing price of the Company's shares fluctuated from a high of \$0.01 per share to a low of \$0.005 per share. There can be no assurance that continual fluctuations in price will not occur.

# **Exploration Target**

The estimates of exploration target sizes mentioned in this document should not be misunderstood or misconstrued as estimates of mineral resources as defined in National Instrument 43-101 – *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects* ("**NI 43-101**"). The potential quantity and grade of the exploration targets are conceptual in nature and there has been insufficient exploration to define a mineral resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the determination of a mineral resource.

#### **Market Conditions**

#### **Global Economy**

Four key developments have shaped the global outlook since the release of the October 2014 WEO.

First, oil prices in U.S. dollars have declined by about 55 percent since September. The decline is partly due to unexpected demand weakness in some major economies, in particular, emerging market economies—also reflected in declines in industrial metal prices. But the much larger decline in oil prices suggests an important contribution of oil supply factors, including the decision of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to maintain current production levels despite the steady rise in production from non-OPEC producers, especially the United States. Oil futures prices point to a partial recovery in oil prices in coming years, consistent with the expected negative impact of lower oil prices on investment and future capacity growth in the oil sector.

Second, while global growth increased broadly as expected to 3½ percent in the third quarter of 2014, up from 3½ percent in the second quarter, this masked marked growth divergences among major economies. Specifically, the recovery in the United States was stronger than expected, while economic performance in all other major economies—most notably Japan—fell short of expectations. The weaker-than-expected growth in these economies is largely seen as reflecting ongoing, protracted adjustment to diminished expectations regarding medium-term growth prospects, as noted in recent issues of the WEO.

Third, with more marked growth divergence across major economies, the U.S. dollar has appreciated some 6 percent in real effective terms relative to the values used in the October 2014 WEO. In contrast, the euro and the yen have depreciated by about 2 percent and 8 percent, respectively, and many emerging market currencies have weakened, particularly those of commodity exporters.

Fourth, interest rates and risk spreads have risen in many emerging market economies, notably commodity exporters, and risk spreads on high-yield bonds and other products exposed to energy prices have also widened. Long-term government bond yields have declined further in major advanced economies, reflecting safe haven effects and weaker activity in some, while global equity indices in national currency have remained broadly unchanged since October.

Developments since the release of the October WEO have conflicting implications for the growth forecasts. On the upside, the decline in oil prices driven by supply factors—which, as noted, are expected to reverse only gradually and partially—will boost global growth over the next two years or so by lifting purchasing power and private demand in oil importers (see box). The impact is forecast to be stronger in advanced economy oil importers, where the pass-through to end-user prices is expected to be higher than in emerging market and developing oil importers. In the latter, more of the windfall gains from lower prices are assumed to accrue to governments (for example, in the form of lower energy subsidies), where they may be used to shore up public finances. However, the boost from lower oil prices is expected to be more than offset by an adjustment to lower medium-term growth in most major economies other than the United States. At 3.5 and 3.7 percent, respectively, global growth projections for 2015–16 have been marked down by 0.3 percent relative to the October 2014 WEO. Among major advanced economies, growth in the United States rebounded ahead of expectations after the contraction in the first quarter of 2014, and

unemployment declined further, while inflation pressure stayed more muted, also reflecting the dollar appreciation and the decline in oil prices. Growth is projected to exceed 3 percent in 2015–16, with domestic demand supported by lower oil prices, more moderate fiscal adjustment, and continued support from an accommodative monetary policy stance, despite the projected gradual rise in interest rates. But the recent dollar appreciation is projected to reduce net exports.

In the euro area, growth in the third quarter of 2014 was modestly weaker than expected, largely on account of weak investment, and inflation and inflation expectations continued to decline. Activity is projected to be supported by lower oil prices, further monetary policy easing (already broadly anticipated in financial markets and reflected in interest rates), a more neutral fiscal policy stance, and the recent euro depreciation. But these factors will be offset by weaker investment prospects, partly reflecting the impact of weaker growth in emerging market economies on the export sector, and the recovery is projected to be somewhat slower than forecast in October, with annual growth projected at 1.2 percent in 2015 and 1.4 percent in 2016. In Japan, the economy fell into technical recession in the third quarter of 2014. Private domestic demand did not accelerate as expected after the increase in the consumption tax rate in the previous quarter, despite a cushion from increased infrastructure spending. Policy responses—additional quantitative and qualitative monetary easing and the delay in the second consumption tax rate increase—are assumed to support a gradual rebound in activity and, together with the oil price boost and yen depreciation, are expected to strengthen growth to above trend in 2015–16.

In emerging market and developing economies, growth is projected to remain broadly stable at 4.3 percent in 2015 and to increase to 4.7 percent in 2016—a weaker pace than forecast in the October 2014 WEO. Three main factors explain the downshift:

#### Lower growth in China and its implications for emerging Asia:

Investment growth in China declined in the third quarter of 2014, and leading indicators point to a further slowdown. The authorities are now expected to put greater weight on reducing vulnerabilities from recent rapid credit and investment growth and hence the forecast assumes less of a policy response to the underlying moderation. Slower growth in China will also have important regional effects, which partly explains the downward revisions to growth in much of emerging Asia. In India, the growth forecast is broadly unchanged, however, as weaker external demand is offset by the boost to the terms of trade from lower oil prices and a pickup in industrial and investment activity after policy reforms.

#### A much weaker outlook in Russia:

The projection reflects the economic impact of sharply lower oil prices and increased geopolitical tensions, both through direct and confidence effects. Russia's sharp slowdown and ruble depreciation have also severely weakened the outlook for other economies in the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) group.

# Downward revisions to potential growth in commodity exporters:

In many emerging and developing commodity exporters, the projected rebound in growth is weaker or delayed compared with the October 2014 projections, as the impact of lower oil and other commodity prices on the terms of trade and real incomes is now projected to take a heavier toll on medium-term growth. For instance, the growth forecast for Latin America and the Caribbean has been reduced to 1.3 percent in 2015 and 2.3 percent in 2016. Although some oil exporters, notably members of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf, are expected to use fiscal buffers to avoid steep government spending cuts in 2015, the room for monetary or fiscal policy responses to shore up activity in many other exporters is limited. Lower oil and commodity prices also explain the weaker growth

forecast for sub-Saharan Africa, including a more subdued outlook for Nigeria and South Africa.

(Source: IMF World Economic Outlook, January, 2015, www.imf.org)

#### **Gold Market**

The gold market ended 2014 on a strong footing: Q4 demand grew from 930.0t to 987.5t (+6%). The annual total of 3,923.7t was down 4% year-on-year – not surprising as consumer demand in 2014 was never likely to match 2013's record surge. Year-on-year comparisons for the last few quarters have been coloured by the singular strength in jewellery, bar and coin demand in 2013. Total supply at 4,278.2t was little changed; an increase in mine supply was balanced by a further decline in recycling volumes.

We have previously highlighted the stability of the gold price throughout 2014. Volatility was relatively low and the price closed the year little changed from its opening level. At least, this is the story when considering gold in US dollars. For consumers outside of the US, the picture was a little different as currency fluctuations took local gold prices on a different path.

In Europe, the price rose by 14% over the course of the year as the single currency weakened versus the dollar. The robust price likely helped to sustain demand for bars and coins across the region. The most notable currency-related impact on local gold prices was in Russia. Sagging oil revenues and western-imposed sanctions led to the sharp depreciation of the rouble in the final few months of the year, prompting a sharp rise in the local gold price. The impact on gold jewellery demand was immediate. Modest increases in the local gold prices in both India and China conceal some considerable fluctuations throughout the year, although nothing on the scale of the moves seen in 2013.

The striking West to East shift in gold demand of the past two years is now being reflected in a similar period of change in global gold market infrastructure. Innovators in Turkey, India, China and South East Asia are developing gold products, services and platforms across the entire supply chain to boost market development. Consumer choice is expanding and the supply chain is becoming more efficient and more transparent.

(Source: World Gold Council, Full Year 2014 Gold Demand Trends report, February, 2014, http://www.gold.org/media/press\_releases)

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following table sets forth selected financial information of the Company for, and as at the end of, each of the last three financial years of the Company up to and including June 30, 2014. This financial information is derived from the financial statements of the Company. The Company prepares financial information according to IFRS and all information is reported in Australian dollars.

	June 2014	June 2013	June 2012
Income from continuing operations	6,634	108,459	263,599
Net loss for the year	(706,152)	1,458,134)	(1,287,447)
Net loss per share	(0.01)	(0.020)	(0.03)
Total Assets	3,374,754	3,884,928	5,249,874
Total Long-term financial liabilities	0	242,520	0

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION**

(all amounts in Australian dollars)

The Company has not recognized any revenue or incurred any loss from discontinued operations or extraordinary items since becoming a reporting issuer.

During the last three (3) financial years, the Company has consistently reported net losses. The most significant factor affecting losses during the last three financial years is continuing administrative expenses, which includes consulting, professional fees, salaries, management fees, office and miscellaneous expenses. Other factors affecting losses include amortization and exploration and development costs.

Income is predominantly derived from interest income. Interest income is dependent upon interest rates and the amount of financing raised each year by the Company (if any). Interest rates will vary due to market conditions and the Company has no control over the fluctuation of rates.

No cash dividends have been declared or paid since the date of incorporation and the Company has no present intention of paying dividends on its common shares. The Company anticipates that all available funds will be invested to finance the growth of its business.

#### **Exploration and Development Expenses**

For the quarter ended December 31, 2014 the Company spent \$127,678 on exploration and development activities. This compares with \$53,765 for the corresponding quarter ended December 31, 2013. These costs have decreased compared to the previous financial year owing to funding.

Expensed and capitalized exploration and development costs, on a property basis are as follows:

Australian \$	December 2014	June 2014	June 2013
Expenses			
British King mine	8,200	82,006	7,267
Eureka mine	0	0	0
Tanzania	0	0	0
Yilgarn	0	10,656	0
Capitalized Expenses			
British King mine	65,515	160,101	118,494
Eureka mine	23,730	66,107	11,154
Yilgarn Project	38,432	(28,790)	30,489

# **Administrative Expenses**

For the quarter ended December 31, 2014 the Company incurred administrative expenses of \$63,071 compared to \$53,874 for the quarter ended December 31, 2013.

#### Income

Income is normally comprised of interest income. For the quarter December 31, 2014 the Company earned income of \$467, compared to income of \$2,250 for the quarter ended December 31, 2013. Interest income is dependent upon interest rates and the amount of financing raised each year by the Company (if any). Interest rates vary due to factors such as market conditions and the Company has no control over the fluctuation of rates.

#### **Income Taxes**

No provision has been made for income tax liability for the quarters ended December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014.

#### **Net Losses**

The net profit for the quarter ended December 31, 2014 was \$187,397 compared with the net loss for the corresponding quarter ended December 31, 2013 of \$51,624

# **Change in Financial Position**

December 31, 2014 the Company had total assets of \$3,439,931 compared to \$4,575,685 at December 31, 2013. Net assets decreased owing mainly to the use of cash. The Company had a cash balance of \$257,628 at December 31, 2014 compared to a cash balance of \$85,959 at December 31, 2013.

At December 31, 2014 the Company had a net working capital deficit of \$50,182 compared with a net working capital deficit of \$55,311 at September 30, 2013. The decrease in the Company's net working capital surplus results from exploration development costs and administration expenditure.

# **SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY INFORMATION (all amounts in Australian dollars)**

The following table sets out a comparison of revenues and earnings for the previous eight (8) quarters to December 31, 2014. This financial information is derived from the financial statements of the Company. The Company prepares financial information according to Canadian GAAP and all information is reported in Australian dollars.

Australian \$	Quarter to Dec 31, 2014		Jun 31,	Quarter to Mar 31, 2014	Quarter to Dec 31, 2013	Quarter to Sep 30, 2013	Quarter to Jun 30, 2013	Quarter to Mar 31, 2013
Income from continuing operations	250,469	2,565	453	1,424	2,249	2,508	54,259	2,545
Net profit/loss for the period	187,397	222,213	(897.052)	(13,821)	(53,128)	(38,413)	(683,583)	(127,441)
Net profit/loss per basic and diluted								
share	0.0026	0.003	(0.001)	(0.0002)	(0.001)	(0.00)	(0.01)	(0.00)

The Company has not recognized any revenue or incurred any loss from discontinued operations or extraordinary items since becoming a reporting issuer.

During the eight quarters, the Company has consistently reported net losses. The most significant factor affecting quarterly losses during the last 8 quarters is continuing administrative expenses, which includes amortization, consulting fees, interest, professional fees, listing and filing fees, expenses office and miscellaneous, property investigation costs, salaries and management fees and travel and accommodation costs.

Income is derived from interest, income, rental and a non-refundable deposit on the entry into a sale and purchase agreement for the Eureka Gold Project. Interest income is dependent upon interest rates and the amount of financing raised each year by the Company (if any). Interest rates vary due to factors such as market conditions and the Company has no control over the fluctuation of rates.

No cash dividends have been declared or paid since the date of incorporation and the Company has no present intention of paying dividends on its common shares. The Company anticipates that all available funds will be invested to finance the growth of its business.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Company has limited financial resources and there is no assurance that additional funding will be available to allow the Company to acquire, explore and develop mineral properties. Failure to obtain additional financing could result in delay or indefinite postponement of further exploration. The Company may, in the future, be unable to meet its obligations under agreements to which it is a party and the Company may consequently have its interest in the properties subject to such agreements jeopardized. Furthermore, if other parties to such agreements do not meet their share of such costs, the Company may

be unable to finance the cost required to complete recommended programs.

The Company is dependent on raising funds by the issuance of shares or disposing of interests in its mineral properties (by options, joint ventures or outright sales) in order to finance further acquisitions, undertake exploration and development of mineral properties and meet general and administrative expenses in the immediate and long term. There can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in raising their required financing.

Apart from the initiatives discussed above, the Company is not aware of any trends, commitments or events that may affect its liquidity in the foreseeable future. The Company has not made any commitments for capital expenditures. For other Commitments see Note 15 to the Interim Financial Statements for December 31, 2014. Material increases or decreases in the Company's liquidity will be substantially determined by the success or failure of raising additional funds through private placements and its planned exploration programs.

As at December 31, 2014 the Company had a net working capital deficit of \$50,182.

The Company will meet its future cash commitments through further capital raisings as and when required.

#### **COMMITMENTS**

Certain future exploration activities are required to be undertaken by the Company in order to ensure it meets the minimum annual expenditure requirements for its mining tenements, as imposed by the Western Australian Department of Mines and Petroleum.

For details of the Company's Exploration and Other Commitments see Note 15 to the Financial Statements for June 30, 2014.

#### **OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

The Company has not engaged in any off-balance sheet arrangements such as obligations under guarantee contracts, a retained or contingent interest in assets transferred to an unconsolidated entity, any obligation under derivative instruments or any obligation under a material variable interest in an unconsolidated entity that provides financing, liquidity, market risk or credit risk support to the Company or engages in leasing, hedging or research and development services with the Company.

#### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Accounting policies are listed in Note 1 to the Financial Statements for June 30, 2014.

#### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Company entered into the following transactions with related parties:

- (a) Paid or accrued \$0 (Dec 31, 2013 \$9,180) in consulting fees, to directors of the Company.
- (b) Paid or accrued \$0 (Dec 31, 2013 \$770) in accounting fees to officers of the Company.
- (c) Paid or accrued \$0 (Dec 31, 2013 \$0) in legal fees to Cardinals Corporate Pty Ltd trading as Cardinals Lawyers and Consultants, a related party by way of common directors.

Included in non-current liabilities - loans payable at December 31, 2014 was \$Nil (December 31, 2013 - \$Nil) owed to companies owned by directors and former directors of the Company. The Company paid or accrued \$Nil (December 31, 2013 - \$Nil) in interest expense related to the loans payable due to related parties.

These transactions were in the normal course of operations and, in management's opinion, were undertaken with the same terms and conditions as transactions with unrelated parties.

#### INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Company's size and number of staff impact its internal controls. Due to the limited number of staff it is not possible to achieve complete segregation of duties. Similarly the Company must engage accounting assistance with respect to complex, non-routine accounting issues, Canadian GAAP matters, tax compliance and reporting for its international operations.

Notwithstanding these weaknesses, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting are designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements and that information is timely and accurately disclosed consistent with Canadian securities laws and regulations.

Although the identified weaknesses may be considered to increase the risk that a material misstatement in the Company's financial statements would not be prevented or detected, neither has resulted in a material misstatement in the financial statements.

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer oversee all material transactions and related accounting records. The audit committee of the Company, along with management, reviews the financial statements of the Company on a quarterly basis.

While management and the board of directors of the Company work to mitigate the risk of a material misstatement in the Company's financing reporting, the Company's control system, no matter how well designed or implemented, can only provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance of detecting, preventing and deterring errors and fraud.

#### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value estimates of financial instruments are made at a specific point of time, based on relevant information about financial markets and specific financial instruments. As these estimates are subjective in nature, involving uncertainties and matter of significant judgment, they cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions can significantly affect estimated fair values.

The carrying value of cash, receivables, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities and amounts due to related parties approximate their fair market value because of the short-term nature of these instruments.

# **Outstanding Share Data As Of February 27, 2015:**

Authorized and issued share capital:

Class	Par Value	Authorised Common Shares (No par value)	Issued
Common	No par value	` . ,	72,710,741

As at February 27, 2015, there were nil stock options and 10,000,000 warrants outstanding.

#### **QUALIFIED PERSON'S STATEMENT**

Mr Darryl Mapleson who is a Fellow of Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy has compiled the information within this report relating to mineralisation and drill results. Mr Mapleson has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity currently being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in NI 43-101.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

The Company's website address is <u>www.centralironorelimited.com</u>. Other information relating to the Company may be found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

# BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

"Brett James Hodgins" "Richard Homsany"

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