

**VELA MINERALS LTD.**  
(the "Company" or "Vela")  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED January 31, 2019**

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A"), prepared as of March 5, 2019, should be read in conjunction with the interim financial statements of the Company for the three months ended January 31, 2019, and related notes thereto, which have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, "Interim Financial Reporting" using accounting principles consistent with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). In addition, these financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited annual financial statements for the year ended October 31, 2018. All monetary amounts in this MD&A and in the financial statements are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise stated. Additional information on the Company can be found on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). The reader should be aware that historical results are not necessarily indicative of future performance.

Vela Minerals Ltd. was incorporated under the BCA-BC on May 19, 2011 and began trading on the TSX-Venture Exchange on October 24, 2012 under the trading symbol VLA.

### ***Forward Looking Statements***

Forward-looking statements look into the future and provide an opinion as to the effect of certain events and trends on the business. Certain statements contained in this MD&A constitute forward-looking statements. The use of any words such as "anticipate", "continue", "estimate", "expect", "may", "will", "project", "should", "believe" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and various estimates, factors and assumptions and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors.

It is important to note that:

- Unless otherwise indicated, forward-looking statements in this MD&A describe the Company's expectations as of March 5, 2019.
- Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these statements as the Company's actual results, performance or achievements may differ materially from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements if known or unknown risks, uncertainties or other factors affect the Company's business, or if the Company's estimates or assumptions prove inaccurate. Therefore, the Company cannot provide any assurance that forward-looking statements will materialize.
- The Company assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or any other reason except as required by law.

For a description of material factors that could cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements in this MD&A, please see "Mining Risks" and "Business Risks".

## **Overall Performance**

The Company is engaged primarily in the business of evaluating, acquiring and, if warranted, developing natural resource properties in Canada. The Company's common shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "VLA". The Company is a development stage company and has produced no revenues to date and is reliant on the issuance of shares to finance continued exploration activities and operations.

During the year ended October 31, 2013, the Company completed all conditions related to an option to acquire, subject to certain net smelter royalty interests, an undivided 100% interest in the Rossland Property, an exploration property situated in British Columbia. Under the terms of the Rossland Agreement, the Company paid cash consideration of \$20,000 with an additional \$50,000 paid upon successful completion of the Company's initial public offering on October 22, 2012, and subsequent listing of the Company's shares on the TSX Venture Exchange on October 24, 2012 ("Listing Date"). The Company also issued an aggregate of 500,000 common shares pursuant to the Rossland Agreement in four tranches of 125,000 shares each over a one year period with the first tranche issued on the Listing Date and the remaining three tranches issued in three month intervals commencing six months after the Listing Date with the final tranche being completed on October 24, 2013. During the year ended October 31, 2014, the Company sold one mineral tenure from the Rossland property for proceeds of \$20,000.

On July 24, 2017, the Rossland property was sold to a related party for \$1,000 as the Company had no plans to continue work on the property and the claims were set to expire on November 1, 2017. The claims were then returned to the Company on October 31, 2017 for the same \$1,000. During the period of time after the sale of the Rossland Property and prior to its repurchase, there was a small work program completed independent of the Company. The program consisted of surface sampling in which 35 samples were collected and assayed. In Q1 2018, the Company incorporated the results from this work program in an updated Assessment report for the Rossland Property, extending the claims to July 31, 2018. As the claims were not renewed, the property was written down to \$Nil on July 31, 2018.

On October 15, 2018 the Company acquired an option to earn a 100% interest in certain mineral claims, comprising 2,473 hectares in the Athabasca Basin, Saskatchewan (the Cree Lake property). To complete the acquisition the Company must make the following cash payments: \$10,000 on closing of a private placement and in any event within 6 months of signing the option agreement; and a cash payment of \$100,000 within 24 months of the signing of this agreement. Vela must also incur qualifying exploration expenditures of at least \$100,000 within 24 months of the signing of the agreement.

The Company's interest in the Cree lake property is subject to a 1% NSR payable to the vendor, of which 0.5% may be purchased by the Company for \$1,500,000.

A summary of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets is as follows:

|                                    | Rossland    | Cree Lake        | Total            |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| Balance at November 1, 2017        | \$ 1,000    | \$ -             | \$ 1,000         |
| Acquisition costs                  | -           | 10,000           | 10,000           |
| Exploration costs                  | 5,834       | -                | 5,834            |
| Write down                         | (6,834)     | -                | (6,834)          |
| <b>Balance at October 31, 2018</b> | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ 10,000</b> | <b>\$ 10,000</b> |
| Acquisition costs                  | -           | -                | -                |
| Exploration costs                  | -           | -                | -                |
| Write down                         | -           | -                | -                |
| <b>Balance at January 31, 2019</b> | <b>\$ -</b> | <b>\$ 10,000</b> | <b>\$ 10,000</b> |

### ***Selected Annual Information***

The following table summarizes financial information, prepared in accordance with IFRS, for the Company for the years ended October 31, 2018 and 2017 and 2016.

|                                                      | For the year<br>ended<br>October 31,<br>2018 | For the year<br>ended<br>October 31,<br>2017 | For the year<br>ended<br>October 31,<br>2016 |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>For the period ended or as at</b>                 |                                              |                                              |                                              |
| Current assets (\$)                                  | 95,485                                       | 2,532                                        | 25,025                                       |
| Exploration and evaluation properties (\$)           | 10,000                                       | 1,000                                        | 194,177                                      |
| Total assets (\$)                                    | 105,485                                      | 3,532                                        | 219,202                                      |
| Current liabilities (\$)                             | 187,170                                      | 14,000                                       | 9,545                                        |
| Long term financial liabilities (\$)                 | -                                            | -                                            | -                                            |
| Revenues (\$)                                        | -                                            | -                                            | -                                            |
| Net loss (\$)                                        | (162,217)                                    | (220,125)                                    | (31,201)                                     |
| Basic and diluted net loss per common share (\$)     | (0.09)                                       | (0.12)                                       | (0.02)                                       |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding | 1,762,450                                    | 1,762,450                                    | 1,762,450                                    |

During 2018 the Company received share subscription advances of \$91,000. The Company also incurred substantially higher expenses in its efforts to implement its business plan. During the year ended October 31, 2017 Vela wrote down the Rossland property by \$194,177. The balance of the year's loss arose primarily from professional fees of \$26,948.

The Company has no dividend policy and has no intention of developing a dividend policy in the foreseeable future. The Company has paid no dividends and has no retained earnings from which it might pay dividends.

## **Summary of Quarterly Results**

The following is a summary of selected financial data for the Company for the eight most recently completed quarters.

|                                         | 3 Months<br>ended Jan<br>31, 2019<br>\$ | 3 Months<br>ended Oct<br>31, 2018<br>\$ | 3 Months<br>ended Jul<br>31, 2018<br>\$ | 3 Months<br>ended Apr<br>30, 2018<br>\$ | 3 Months<br>ended Jan<br>31, 2018<br>\$ | 3 Months<br>ended Oct<br>31, 2017<br>\$ | 3 Months<br>ended Jul<br>31, 2017<br>\$ | 3 Months<br>ended Apr<br>30, 2017<br>\$ |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Total revenue                           | Nil                                     | Nil                                     | Nil                                     | Nil                                     | Nil                                     | Nil                                     | Nil                                     | Nil                                     |
| Net loss                                | (10,231)                                | (26,331)                                | (76,110)                                | (33,439)                                | (26,337)                                | (5,620)                                 | (197,604)                               | (12,782)                                |
| Net loss per share, basic and diluted   | 0.01                                    | 0.02                                    | 0.04                                    | 0.02                                    | 0.01                                    | 0.00                                    | 0.11                                    | 0.01                                    |
| Total assets                            | 36,857                                  | 105,485                                 | 6,746                                   | 10,407                                  | 10,032                                  | 3,532                                   | 5,152                                   | 206,263                                 |
| Total liabilities                       | 193,773                                 | 187,170                                 | 152,098                                 | 80,650                                  | 46,837                                  | 14,000                                  | 10,000                                  | 13,507                                  |
| Total shareholders' equity (deficiency) | (156,916)                               | (81,685)                                | (145,352)                               | (70,243)                                | (36,805)                                | (10,468)                                | (4,848)                                 | 192,756                                 |

## **Results of Operations**

### **Three months ended January 31, 2019**

During the three months ended January 31, 2019 the Company recorded a comprehensive loss of \$10,231 (\$0.01 per share) compared with a loss of \$26,337 (\$0.01 per share) in the first quarter of 2019.

Significant items in the three months ended January 31, 2019 included:

- Consulting fees of \$7,500 to new management put in place in January, 2018 versus \$1,250 to the same new management in 2018;
- Interest of \$1,849 in the 2019 period versus \$Nil in the 2018 quarter. The first loan advance was received in late January, 2018;
- Professional fees of \$150 (2018 quarter - \$16,742);
- Transfer agent and filing fees of \$675 (2018 quarter - \$8,327); and

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

As at January 31 2019 the Company had current assets of \$26,857 and current liabilities of \$193,773, resulting in a working capital deficiency of \$166,916.

During the first quarter of 2019 operating activities used \$5,960 in cash. The Company made no cash investments in the three months ended January 31, 2019.

The Company's activities in the first quarter of 2019 were financed by loans received, \$2,800 from an investor who is prepared to assist the Company in implementing its business plan. The Company also refunded share subscriptions previously received in the amount of \$65,000.

The Company is a development stage company with no revenue producing properties and, consequently, does not generate operating income or cash flow. The Company has incurred

losses since inception. The Company has relied upon the issuance of equity capital to provide working capital to fund the Company's operations.

### ***Off Balance Sheets Transactions***

The Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

### ***Share Capital***

Authorized: Unlimited common shares with no par value

Issued and Outstanding: 1,762,450

On January 12, 2018 the Company completed a consolidation of its issued and outstanding share capital on the basis of 1 new share for 6 old shares. The shares outstanding pre-consolidation were 10,574,711.

All shares and per share information have been restated to reflect this consolidation.

### ***Stock Options***

The Company adopted a stock option plan (the "Stock Option Plan") under which it can grant options to directors, officers, employees, and consultants for up to 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares from time to time. Under the Stock Option Plan, the exercise price of an option may not be less than the closing market price during the trading day immediately preceding the date of the grant of the option, less any applicable discount allowed by the Exchange. Options can be granted for a maximum term of 10 years and vest at the discretion of the board of directors.

130,000 stock options, exercisable at \$0.175 expired during the first quarter of 2018. As a result, as at October 31, 2018 Vela has no stock options outstanding.

### ***Related Party Transaction***

During the three months ended January 31, 2019 the Company incurred consulting fees to a director of \$7,500 plus GST (2018 - \$1,250 plus GST). As at January 31, 2019 the Company owed the director \$32,849 (January 31, 2018 - \$2,586) in respect of these fees and out of pocket expenses.

Key management are those personnel having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the Company and includes the executive officers and Board of Directors. No remuneration was paid to key management personnel during the three month periods ended January 31, 2019 and 2018 other than as indicated above.

### ***Loans Payable***

At January 31, 2019 Vela had \$74,169 in loans payable, which are unsecured and bear interest at 10% per annum and will be repaid once the Company's business plan is implemented.

As at January 31, 2019 \$5,807 in accrued interest was included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

These loans represent funds advanced by an investor who is assisting in implementing the Company's business plan. Receipt of these loans is providing the working capital for Vela to prepare financial statements and for corporate filings. As a result, Vela has gained further time in which to implement its intended business plan.

## ***Financial Instruments***

### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company's financial instruments recognized on the statement of financial position consist of cash and cash equivalents, GST/HST receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and loans payable. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at fair value. Due to their short-term nature, the carrying values of accounts payable and accrued liabilities and loans payable approximate fair value.

The Company's exposure from its use of financial instruments is incorporated into the risk analysis of interest rate risk, credit risk and liquidity risk noted below.

### Capital Management

The Company considers its capital to be the total shareholders' equity which at January 31, 2019 was negative \$156,916 (October 31, 2018 - negative \$81,685).

The Company's objectives in managing its capital are: to maintain corporate and administrative functions necessary to support the Company's operations and corporate functions; to perform mineral exploration activities on the Company's exploration projects; and to seek out and acquire new projects of merit. In order for the Company to carry out planned exploration additional equity financing will be required.

The Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements. Funds are secured, when necessary, through the sale of common shares.

### Market Risk

#### *Interest rate risk*

Interest rate risk is the risk arising from the effect of changes in prevailing interest rates on the Company's financial instruments. The Company had \$26,396 in cash as at January 31, 2019. The Company's cash balances held at financial institutions earn interest at rates which vary according to prevailing rates. The Company does not deem the associated interest rate risk to be material.

#### *Credit risk*

Credit risk is the risk of potential loss to the Company if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Company's receivable balances are from tax authorities, therefore, the Company is not subject to significant credit risk.

### *Liquidity Risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not meet its financial obligations as they fall due. As at January 31, 2019, the Company's current liabilities consisted of accounts payable and accrued liabilities and loans payable, together totaling \$193,773. The Company's cash and GST receivable, totaling \$26,857, was not sufficient to pay its current liabilities. Further continued operations and exploration beyond what is currently anticipated will require additional equity financing.

### *Mining Risks*

The Company is subject to the risks typical in the mining business including uncertainty of success in exploration and development; operational risks including unusual and unexpected geological formations, rock bursts, particularly as mining moves into deeper levels, cave-ins, flooding and other conditions involved in the drilling and removal of material as well as environmental damage and other hazards; risks that intended drilling schedules or estimated costs will not be achieved; and risks of fluctuations in the price of commodities and currency exchange rates. Metal prices are subject to volatile price movements over short periods of time and are affected by numerous factors, all of which are beyond the Company's control, including expectations of inflation, levels of interest rates, sales of gold by central banks, the demand for commodities, global or regional political, economic and banking crises and production rates in major producing regions. The aggregate effect of these factors is impossible to predict with any degree of certainty.

### **Business Risks**

Natural resources exploration and development involve a number of business risks, some of which are beyond the Company's control. These can be categorized as operational, financial and regulatory risks.

- Operational risks include finding and developing reserves economically, changing governmental laws and regulations, hiring and retaining skilled employees and contractors and conducting operations in a cost effective and safe manner. The Company continuously monitors and responds to changes in these factors and adheres to all regulations governing its operations. Insurance may be maintained at levels consistent with prudent industry practices to minimize risks however the Company is not fully insured against all risks nor are all such risks insurable.
- Financial risks include fluctuations in commodity prices, interest rates and foreign exchange rates, all of which are beyond the Company's control.
- Regulatory risks include possible delays in getting regulatory approval for transactions that the Board of Directors believe to be in the best interest of the Company, increased fees for filings, and the introduction of ever more complex reporting requirements, the cost of which the Company must meet in order to maintain its exchange listing.

### **Outlook**

The Company is actively pursuing financing arrangements to rectify the current working capital deficit and provide funds for continued operations. In addition, the Company may evaluate other

prospects worthy of exploration and development. The ability of the Company to do so is contingent upon its ongoing ability to raise the capital necessary to advance such prospects.

**Approval**

The Board of Directors of the Company have approved the disclosure contained in this MD&A.

**Other Information**

Additional information related to the Company is available for viewing on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).