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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM F-10

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

ENDEAVOUR SILVER CORP.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

(Province or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization)

Classification Code Number) #301-700 West Pender Street

(Primary Standard Industrial

Identification No.)

(I.R.S. Employer

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of the securities to the public:

From time to time after the effective date of this registration statement.

Province of British Columbia, Canada

(Principal jurisdiction regulating this offering)

It is proposed that this filing shall become effective (check appropriate box):

- A. " Upon filing with the Commission, pursuant to Rule 467(a) (if in connection with an offering being made contemporaneously in the United States and Canada).
- B. x At some future date (check the appropriate box below):
 - 1. " pursuant to Rule 467(b) on _____ (date) at _____ (time) (designate a time not sooner than 7 calendar days after filing).
 - 2. " pursuant to Rule 467(b) on _____ (date) at _____ (time) (designate a time 7 calendar days or sooner after filing) because the securities regulatory authority in the review jurisdiction has issued a receipt or notification of clearance on _____ (date).
 - 3. " pursuant to Rule 467(b) as soon as practicable after notification of the Commission by the Registrant or the Canadian securities regulatory authority of the review jurisdiction that a receipt or notification of clearance has been issued with respect hereto.
 - 4. x after the filing of the next amendment to this Form (if preliminary material is being filed).

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to the home jurisdiction s shelf prospectus offering procedures, check the following box. x

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of	Proposed maximum aggregate	Amount of
securities to be registered	offering price ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	registration fee
Common Shares, Warrants to Purchase Common Shares, Subscription		
Receipts, Debt Securities ⁽³⁾	U.S.\$137,690,000	U.S.\$13,865.38
TOTAL	U.S.\$137,690,000	U.S.\$13,865.38 ⁽⁴⁾

- (1) Rule 457(o) permits the registration fee to be calculated on the basis of the maximum aggregate offering price of all of the securities listed and, therefore, the table does not specify by each class information as to the amount to be registered or the proposed maximum offer price per security. The proposed maximum initial offering price per security will be determined, from time to time, by the Registrant. In no event will the aggregate initial offering price of all securities issued from time to time pursuant to this Registration Statement exceed U.S.\$137,690,000.
- (2) Determined based on the proposed maximum aggregate offering price in Canadian dollars of Cdn\$175,000,000 converted into U.S. dollars based on the noon rate of exchange on April 21, 2016, as reported by the Bank of Canada, for the conversion of Canadian dollars into U.S. dollars of Cdn\$1.00 equals U.S.\$0.7868.
- (3) Subject to footnote (1), there are being registered hereunder an indeterminate number of Common Shares, Warrants to Purchase Common Shares or Subscription Receipts or Debt Securities, Subscription Receipts which entitle the holder to receive upon satisfaction of certain release conditions, for no additional consideration, Common Shares, Warrants or any combination thereof, Debt Securities, or Units consisting of two or more of the foregoing or any combination thereof, as may be sold from time to time by the Registrant. There are also being registered hereunder an indeterminate number of Common Shares as may be issuable upon exercise of Warrants to Purchase Common Shares or as part of Subscription Receipts or Units and such indeterminate number of Common Shares as may be issuable pursuant to anti-dilution or other similar adjustment provisions in the Warrants or Subscription Receipts.
- (4) The Registrant previously paid a registration fee of \$23,737.56 in connection with its registration of \$184,297,825.30 in maximum aggregate offering price of securities on its registration statement on Form F-10 (File No. 333-196981) initially filed on June 24, 2014 and declared effective on August 4, 2014 (Prior Registration Statement) of which the Registrant offered and sold securities in the amount of \$16,500,000, leaving \$167,797,825.30 in maximum aggregate offering amount of securities and a remaining registration fee of \$21,612.35. Pursuant to Rule 457(p) under the Securities Act, the Registrant is offsetting \$13,865.38 of the available filing fee of \$21,612.35 associated with the \$167,797,825.30 maximum aggregate offering price of unsold securities under the Prior Registration Statement against the total filing fee of \$13,865.38 due in connection with this registration statement. No additional filing fee is due. The Prior Registration Statement will be deemed terminated and withdrawn as of the filing date of this registration statement and the \$167,797,825.30 in unsold securities under the Prior Registration Statement are hereby deregistered.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registration statement shall become effective as provided in Rule 467 under the Securities Act, or on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Securities Act, may determine.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE DELIVERED TO OFFEREES OR PURCHASERS

Information contained herein is subject to completion or amendment. A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This prospectus shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED APRIL 22, 2016

Prospectus Dated , 2016

ENDEAVOUR SILVER CORP.

\$175,000,000

Common Shares

Warrants

Subscription Receipts

Debt Securities

Units

Endeavour Silver Corp. (the **Company** or **Endeavour**) may offer and issue from time to time common shares (the **Common Shares**), warrants (the **Warrants**) to purchase Common Shares or other Securities (as defined below), subscription receipts (**Subscription Receipts**) which entitle the holder to receive upon satisfaction of certain release conditions, and for no additional consideration, Common Shares or Warrants of the Company or any combination thereof, debt securities (**Debt Securities**), or units (**Units**) consisting of two or more of the foregoing (all of the foregoing, collectively, the **Securities**) or any combination thereof up to an aggregate initial offering price of \$175,000,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency used to denominate the Securities at the time of the offering) during the 25-month period that this short form base shelf prospectus (the **Prospectus**), including any amendments thereto, remains effective. Securities may be offered separately or together, in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined based on market conditions at the time of sale and set forth in an accompanying shelf prospectus supplement (a **Prospectus Supplement**). In addition, Securities may be offered and issued in consideration for the acquisition of other businesses, assets or securities by the Company or a subsidiary of the Company. The consideration for any such acquisition may consist of any of the Securities separately, a combination of Securities or any combination of, among other things, Securities, cash and assumption of liabilities.

Investing in securities of the Company involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully review the risks outlined in this Prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference in this Prospectus and consider such risks in connection with an investment in such securities. See Risk Factors .

This offering is made by a Canadian issuer that is permitted, under a multijurisdictional disclosure system adopted by the United States and Canada (MJDS), to prepare this Prospectus in accordance with Canadian disclosure requirements. Prospective investors in the United States should be aware that such requirements are different from those of the United States. Financial statements included or incorporated by reference herein have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and may not be comparable to financial statements of United States companies. Such financial statements are subject to Canadian generally accepted auditing standards and auditor independence standards, in addition to the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) independence standards.

Prospective investors should be aware that the acquisition of the securities described herein may have tax consequences both in the United States and in Canada. Such consequences for investors who are resident in, or citizens of, the United States may not be described fully herein. Prospective investors should read the tax discussion contained in the applicable Prospectus Supplement with respect to a particular offering of Securities.

The enforcement by investors of civil liabilities under the United States federal securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that the Company is incorporated under the laws of British Columbia, Canada, that the majority of its officers and directors are residents of Canada, that all of the experts named in the registration statement are not residents of the United States, and that a substantial portion of the assets of the Company and said persons are located outside the United States.

NEITHER THE SEC NOR ANY STATE OR CANADIAN SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY OR DETERMINED IF THIS PROSPECTUS IS TRUTHFUL OR COMPLETE. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE.

The specific terms of the Securities with respect to a particular offering will be set out in the applicable Prospectus Supplement and may include, where applicable: (i) in the case of Common Shares, the number of Common Shares offered, the issue price, and any other terms specific to the Common Shares being offered; (ii) in the case of Warrants, the designation, number and terms of the Common Shares or other Securities issuable upon exercise of the Warrants, any procedures that will result in the adjustment of these numbers, the exercise price, dates and periods of exercise, the currency in which the Warrants are issued and any other specific terms; (iii) in the case of Subscription Receipts, the designation, number and terms of the Common Shares or Warrants receivable upon satisfaction of certain release conditions, any procedures that will result in the adjustment of those numbers, any additional payments to be made to holders of Subscription Receipts upon satisfaction of the release conditions, the terms of the release conditions, terms governing the escrow of all or a portion of the gross proceeds from the sale of the Subscription Receipts, terms for the refund of all or a portion of the purchase price for Subscription Receipts in the event the release conditions are not met and any other specific terms, (iv) in the case of Debt Securities, the specific designation, the aggregate principal amount, the currency or the currency unit for which the Debt Securities may be purchased, the maturity, the interest provisions, the authorized denominations, the offering price, whether the Debt Securities are being offered for cash, the covenants, the events of default, any terms for redemption or retraction, any exchange or conversion rights attached to the Debt Securities, whether the debt is senior or subordinated to the Company s other liabilities and obligations, whether the Debt Securities will be secured by any of the Company s assets or guaranteed by any other person and any other terms specific to the Debt Securities being offered; and (v) in the case of Units, the terms of the component Securities and any other specific terms. A Prospectus Supplement may include specific variable terms pertaining to the Securities that are not within the alternatives and parameters described in this Prospectus. Where required by statute, regulation or policy, and where Securities are offered in currencies other than Canadian dollars, appropriate disclosure of foreign exchange rates applicable to such Securities will be included in the Prospectus Supplement describing such Securities.

Warrants will not be offered for sale separately to any member of the public in Canada unless the offering is in connection with, and forms part of, the consideration for an acquisition or merger transaction.

This Prospectus does not qualify for issuance Debt Securities in respect of which the payment of principal and/or interest may be determined, in whole or in part, by reference to one or more underlying interests, including, for example, an equity or debt security, or a statistical measure of economic or financial performance (including, but not limited to, any currency, consumer price or mortgage index, or the price or value of one or more commodities, indices or other items, or any other item or formula, or any combination or basket of the foregoing items). For greater certainty, this Prospectus may qualify for issuance Debt Securities in respect of which the payment of principal and/or interest may be determined, in whole or in part, by reference to published rates of a central banking authority or one or more financial institutions, such as a prime rate or bankers acceptance rate, or to recognized market benchmark interest rates such as LIBOR, EURIBOR or a United States federal funds rate.

All information permitted under applicable laws to be omitted from this Prospectus will be contained in one or more Prospectus Supplements that will be delivered to purchasers together with this Prospectus, such delivery to be effected in the case of United States purchasers through the filing of such Prospectus Supplement or Prospectus Supplements with the SEC. Each Prospectus Supplement will be incorporated by reference into this Prospectus for the purposes of securities legislation as of the date of the Prospectus Supplement and only for the purposes of the distribution of the Securities to which the Prospectus Supplement pertains.

This Prospectus constitutes a public offering of these Securities only in those jurisdictions where they may be lawfully offered for sale and therein only by persons permitted to sell such Securities. The Company may offer and sell Securities to or through underwriters or dealers and also may offer and sell certain Securities directly to purchasers or through agents pursuant to exemptions from registration or qualification under applicable securities laws. A Prospectus Supplement relating to each issue of Securities offered thereby will set forth the names of any underwriters, dealers or agents involved in the offering and sale of such Securities and will set forth the terms of the offering of such Securities, the method of distribution of such Securities including, to the extent applicable, the proceeds to the Company and any fees, discounts or any other compensation payable to underwriters, dealers or agents and any other material terms of the plan of distribution.

The outstanding Common Shares of the Company are listed for trading on Toronto Stock Exchange (**TSX**) under the symbol EDR and on NYSE (**NYSE**) under the symbol EXK. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, Securities other than the Common Shares of the Company will not be listed on any securities exchange. On April 22, 2016, the closing price of the Common Shares on TSX was \$4.79 per share and the closing price of the Common Shares on NYSE was U.S.\$3.78 per share. There is currently no market through which Securities, other than the Common Shares, may be sold and purchasers may not be able to resell such Securities purchased under this Prospectus. This may affect the pricing of the Securities, other than the Common Shares, in the secondary market, the transparency and availability of trading prices, the liquidity of these Securities and the extent of issuer regulation. See Risk Factors .

The offering of Securities hereunder is subject to approval of certain legal matters on behalf of the Company by Koffman Kalef LLP, with respect to Canadian legal matters, and Dorsey & Whitney LLP, with respect to United States legal matters.

In connection with any offering of Securities (unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement), other than an at-the-market distribution , the underwriters may over-allot or effect transactions which stabilize or maintain the market price of the Securities offered at a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. Such transactions, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time. See Plan of Distribution .

The earnings coverage ratio calculated for the 12 months ended December 31, 2015 was less than one to one. See Earnings Coverage Ratios for more information.

The Company s head office is located at Suite 301-700 West Pender Street, Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 1G8 and its registered office is located at 19th Floor, 885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 3H4.

No underwriter has been involved in the preparation of this Prospectus or performed any review of the contents of this Prospectus.

Geoffrey A. Handley, Mario Szotlender and Ricardo M. Campoy, being directors of the Company reside outside Canada. Although these persons have appointed the Company, at Suite 301-700 West Pender Street, Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 1G8, as their agents for service of process in Canada, it may not be possible for investors to enforce judgments obtained in Canada against any of them.

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You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this Prospectus or contained in any applicable Prospectus Supplement. The Company has not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. The Company is not making an offer of these Securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of those documents or that any information contained in any document incorporated by reference is accurate as of any date other than the date of that document.

Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement to we, our, us, Endeavour or the Company refer to Endeavour Silver Corp. and each of its material subsidiaries.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws and forward-looking statements within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements concern the Company s anticipated results and developments in the Company s operations in future periods, planned exploration and development of its properties, plans related to its business and other matters that may occur in the future. These statements relate to analyses and other information that are based on forecasts of future results, estimates of amounts not yet determinable and assumptions of management.

Statements concerning reserves and mineral resource estimates may also be deemed to constitute forward-looking statements to the extent that they involve estimates of the mineralization that will be encountered if the property is developed and, in the case of mineral reserves, such statements reflect the conclusion based on certain assumptions that the mineral deposit can be economically exploited. Any statements that express or involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, assumptions or future events or performance (often, but not always, using words or phrases such as expects or does not expect , is expected , anticipate or does not anticipate , plans , estimates or intends , or stating that certain actions, events or results may , could , might or will (or the negative and grammatical variations of any of these terms and similar expressions) be taken, occur or be achieved,) are not statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which could cause actual events or results to differ from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including, without limitation:

risks relating to precious and base metal price fluctuations;

risks relating to fluctuations in the currency markets (particularly the Mexican peso, Canadian dollar and United States dollar);

risks relating to the inherently dangerous activity of mining, including conditions or events beyond our control, and operating or technical difficulties in mineral exploration, development and mining activities;

uncertainty in our ability to fund the development of our mineral properties or the completion of further exploration programs;

uncertainty as to actual capital costs, operating costs, production and economic returns, and uncertainty that our development activities will result in profitable mining operations;

risks relating to our reserves and mineral resource figures being estimates based on interpretations and assumptions which may result in less mineral production under actual conditions than is currently estimated and to diminishing quantities or grades of mineral reserves as properties are mined;

risks relating to changes in governmental regulations, tax and labour laws and obtaining necessary licenses and permits;

risks relating to our business being subject to environmental laws and regulations which may increase our costs of doing business and restrict our operations;

risks relating to our mineral properties being subject to prior unregistered agreements, transfers, or claims and other defects in title;

risks relating to inadequate insurance or inability to obtain insurance;

risks relating to our ability to successfully integrate acquisitions;

uncertainty in our ability to obtain necessary financing;

risks relating to increased competition that could adversely affect our ability to attract necessary capital funding or acquire suitable producing properties for mineral exploration in the future;

risks relating to many of our primary properties being located in Mexico, including political, economic, and regulatory instability;

risks relating to our officers and directors becoming associated with other natural resource companies which may give rise to conflicts of interests;

uncertainties relating to our status as a foreign issuer under United States federal securities laws;

risks relating to financial instruments; and

risks relating to our securities.

This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect the Company s forward-looking statements. Should one or more of these risks and uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those described in the forward-looking statements due to a variety of risk, uncertainties and other factors, including, without limitation, those referred to in this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement under Risk Factors and elsewhere in this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement and in the documents incorporated by reference herein. The Company s forward-looking statements are based on beliefs, expectations and opinions of management on the date the statements are made and the Company does not assume any obligation to update forward-looking statements if circumstances or management s beliefs, expectations or opinions change, except as required by applicable law. For the reasons set forth above, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

CAUTIONARY NOTES TO UNITED STATES INVESTORS CONCERNING MINERAL RESERVE AND RESOURCE ESTIMATES

This Prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Canadian provincial securities laws, which differ from the requirements of U.S. securities laws. Unless otherwise indicated, all reserve and resource estimates included or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus have been prepared in accordance with Canadian National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects (**NI 43-101**) and the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (the **CIM**) CIM Definition Standards on Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves, adopted by the CIM Council, as amended. NI 43-101 is an instrument developed by the Canadian Securities Administrators that establishes standards for all public disclosure an issuer makes of scientific and technical information concerning mineral projects. The terms mineral reserve , proven mineral reserve and probable mineral reserve are Canadian mining terms as defined in accordance with NI 43-101 and CIM standards. These definitions differ from the definitions in the SEC s Industry Guide 7 under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the **U.S. Securities Act**).

Under United States standards, mineralization may not be classified as a reserve unless the determination has been made that the mineralization could be economically and legally produced or extracted at the time the reserve determination is made. Under SEC Industry Guide 7 standards, a final or bankable feasibility study is required to report reserves, the three-year historical average price is used in any reserve or cash flow analysis to designate reserves and the primary environmental analysis or report must be filed with the appropriate governmental authority.

In addition, the terms mineral resource , measured mineral resource , indicated mineral resource and inferred mineral resource are defined in and required to be disclosed by NI 43-101; however, these terms are not defined terms under SEC Industry Guide 7 and are normally not permitted to be used in reports and registration statements filed with the SEC. Investors are cautioned not to assume that any part or all of mineral deposits in these categories will ever be converted into reserves. Inferred mineral resources have a great amount of uncertainty as to their existence, and great uncertainty as to their economic and legal feasibility. It cannot be assumed that all or any part of an inferred mineral resources may not form the basis of feasibility or pre-feasibility studies, except in rare cases. Investors are cautioned not to assume that all or any part of an inferred mineral resource exists or is economically or legally mineable. Disclosure of contained ounces in a resource is permitted disclosure under Canadian regulations; however, the SEC normally only permits issuers to report mineralization that does not constitute reserves by SEC Industry Guide 7 standards as in place tonnage and grade without reference to unit measures.

Accordingly, information contained in this Prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein contain descriptions of the Company s mineral deposits that may not be comparable to similar information made public by United States companies subject to the reporting and disclosure requirements under the United States federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder.

CURRENCY PRESENTATION AND EXCHANGE RATE INFORMATION

Unless stated otherwise or as the context otherwise requires, all references to dollar amounts in this Prospectus and any Prospectus Supplement are references to Canadian dollars. References to \$ or Cdn.\$ are to Canadian dollars and references to U.S. dollars or U.S.\$ are to United States dollars.

Except as otherwise noted in the Company s AIF (as defined under Documents Incorporated by Reference) and the Company s financial statements and related management s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations of the Company that are incorporated by reference into this Prospectus (see Documents Incorporated by

Reference), the financial information contained in such documents is expressed in United States dollars.

The high, low, average and closing noon rates for the United States dollar in terms of Canadian dollars for each of the financial periods of the Company ended March 31, 2016, December 31, 2015, December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, as quoted by the Bank of Canada, were as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2015	Year ended December 31, 2014	Year ended December 31, 2013
High	1.3990	1.1643	1.0697
Low	1.1728	1.0614	0.9839
Average	1.2787	1.1045	1.0299
Closing	1.3840	1.1601	1.0617

On April 22, 2016, the noon exchange rate for the United States dollar in terms of Canadian dollars, as quoted by the Bank of Canada, was U.S.\$1.00 = \$1.2674.

THE COMPANY

The Company is a Canadian mining company engaged in the evaluation, acquisition, exploration, development and exploitation of precious metal properties in Mexico and Chile.

Since 2004, the Company has focussed on identifying and acquiring mineral properties of merit in Mexico and South America. In 2004, the Company entered into and exercised formal option agreements for a 100% interest in the producing Santa Cruz silver-gold mine, certain other mining concessions and the Guanacevi mineral processing plant (collectively, the **Guanacevi Mines**) in Durango, Mexico. In 2007, the Company completed acquisition agreements to acquire a 100% interest in the producing Unidad Bolañitos silver-gold mines, certain other mining concessions and a mineral processing plant (collectively, the **Bolañitos Mines**) in the Guanajuato and silver districts in the state of Guanajuato, Mexico. The acquisitions of these two silver-gold mines and processing plants resulted in the Company becoming a primary silver producer, as well as transformed the Company from a mineral exploration company to an operating mining company.

In February 2010, the Company acquired an option to purchase the San Sebastián silver-gold properties in Jalisco State from Industrial Minera México S.A. de C.V., also known as Grupo Mexico. The Company formally renamed the project the Terronera Project (the **Terronera Project**) in March 2015 and completed a preliminary economic assessment the same month.

In 2012, the Company completed the acquisition of the El Cubo silver-gold mine (**El Cubo Mine**) located in Guanajuato, Mexico and the Guadalupe y Calvo silver-gold exploration project located in Chihuahua, Mexico. The El Cubo Mine is a producing silver-gold mine located in the southeast part of the historic Guanajuato mining district in central Mexico, only 10 kilometres from the Bolañitos Mines.

Further information regarding the business of the Company, its operations and its mineral properties can be found in the Company s AIF and the materials incorporated by reference into this Prospectus. See Documents Incorporated by Reference .

USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise specified in a Prospectus Supplement, the net proceeds from the sale of the Securities will be used for general corporate purposes, including, without limitation, the following anticipated purposes:

to fund further development and exploration at the Company s 100% owned Terronera Project;

to fund mine development and conversion of resources into reserves at the Guanacevi Mines;

to assess potential development stage mineral properties for acquisition;

to fund the potential acquisition of other development stage mineral properties; and

for continued exploration on the Company s various existing mineral properties. Each Prospectus Supplement will contain specific information concerning the use of proceeds from that sale of Securities.

All expenses relating to an offering of Securities and any compensation paid to underwriters, dealers or agents, as the case may be, will be paid out of the Company s general funds, unless otherwise stated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

CONSOLIDATED CAPITALIZATION

There has been no material change in the share and loan capital of the Company, on a consolidated basis, since the date of the audited consolidated annual financial statements of the Company as at and for the year ended December 31, 2015, which are incorporated by reference in this Prospectus.

DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING INDEBTEDNESS

The Company entered into a U.S.\$75 million secured revolving term credit facility (the **Credit Facility**) with The Bank of Nova Scotia (**Scotiabank**) pursuant to a credit agreement made as of July 24, 2012. In 2013, the Company extended the maturity of the Credit Facility from July 24, 2015 until July 24, 2016. Under the terms of the Credit Facility, the credit limit available was reduced to U.S.\$50 million on July 24, 2013 and, was further reduced to U.S.\$25 million on July 24, 2015. At December 31, 2015, the Company had U.S.\$22 million outstanding under the Credit Facility.

The Company entered into an amended and restated credit agreement with Scotiabank, dated January 27, 2016, as amended by a first amending agreement dated March 3, 2016, a second amending agreement dated March 31, 2016 and a third amending agreement dated April 15, 2016 (collectively, the **Amended Credit Agreement**) whereby, subject to final satisfaction of the conditions precedent before April 22, 2016 and the conditions subsequent before May 31, 2016, the Company and Scotiabank agreed to the conversion of U.S.\$22 million which was outstanding under the Credit Facility into a two-year term loan amortized quarterly and expiring December 31, 2017. The

Company repaid U.S.\$3 million on signing of the original Amended Credit Agreement and will repay U.S.\$2.5 million under the Amended Credit Agreement each quarter. The Amended Credit Agreement contains a number of covenants that impose financial or operating restrictions on the Company, including a provision that

Tangible Net Worth of the Company for the purposes of the loan under the Amended Credit Agreement must be greater than U.S.\$45.9 million.

The Company expects that it will have sufficient cash flow from existing operations and cash on hand to meets its repayment obligations under the Credit Facility and, therefore, does not presently intend to repay amounts drawn under the Credit Facility using net proceeds from the sale of the Securities.

EARNINGS COVERAGE RATIOS

The following consolidated earnings coverage ratio has been calculated for the year ended December 31, 2015 and gives effect to all long-term financial liabilities and current portions thereof of the Company and the repayment, redemption or retirement thereof since such dates. The earnings coverage ratio set forth below does not purport to be indicative of earnings coverage ratios for any future periods. The earnings coverage ratio and the interest requirements do not give effect to the issuance of any Debt Securities that may be issued pursuant to any Prospectus Supplement since the aggregate principal amounts and the terms of such Debt Securities are not presently known.

	Year ended	
	December 31, 2015	
Interest requirements	U.S.\$0.9 million	
Earnings (loss) before interest expense and taxes	(U.S.\$140.5 million)	
Earnings coverage	Negative 116	

If the Company offers any Debt Securities having a term to maturity in excess of one year under a Prospectus Supplement, the Prospectus Supplement will include earnings coverage ratios giving effect to the issuance of such Debt Securities.

The Company would have required a net income of 0.9 million for the 12 months ended December 31, 2015 in order to achieve an earnings coverage ratio of one-to-one for such period.

DIVIDEND POLICY

The Company has not declared or paid any dividends on its Common Shares since the date of its incorporation. The Company intends to retain its earnings, if any, to finance the growth and development of its business and does not expect to pay dividends or to make any other distributions in the near future. The Company s board of directors will review this policy from time to time having regard to the Company s financing requirements, financial condition and other factors considered to be relevant.

DESCRIPTION OF COMMON SHARES

The Company s authorized share capital consists of an unlimited number of Common Shares without par value. As at the date of this Prospectus, there are 108,048,076 Common Shares issued and outstanding.

Each Common Share ranks equally with all other Common Shares with respect to distribution of assets upon dissolution, liquidation or winding-up of the Company and payment of dividends. The holders of Common Shares are entitled to one vote for each share on all matters to be voted on by such holders and are entitled to receive pro rata such dividends as may be declared by the board of directors of the Company. The holders of Common Shares have no pre-emptive or conversion rights. The rights attaching to the Common Shares can only be modified by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the votes cast at a meeting of shareholders called for that purpose.

DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS

The following description, together with the additional information the Company may include in any Prospectus Supplements, summarizes the material terms and provisions of the Warrants that the Company may offer under this Prospectus, which may consist of Warrants to purchase Common Shares or other Securities and may be issued in one

or more series. Warrants may be offered independently or together with Common Shares or other Securities offered by any Prospectus Supplement, and may be attached to or separate from those Securities. Warrants will not, however, be offered for sale separately to any member of the public in Canada unless the offering is in connection

with, and forms part of, the consideration for an acquisition or merger transaction. While the terms summarized below will apply generally to any Warrants that the Company may offer under this Prospectus, the Company will describe the particular terms of any series of Warrants that it may offer in more detail in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The terms of any Warrants offered under a Prospectus Supplement may differ from the terms described below.

General

Warrants will be issued under and governed by the terms of one or more warrant indentures or agreement (each a **Warrant Indenture**) between the Company and a warrant trustee or warrant agent (a **Warrant Trustee**) that the Company will name in the relevant Prospectus Supplement. Each Warrant Trustee will be a financial institution organized under the laws of Canada or any province thereof and authorized to carry on business as a trustee. If applicable, the Company will file with the SEC as exhibits to the registration statement of which this Prospectus is a part, or will incorporate by reference from a Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K that the Company files with the SEC, any Warrant Indenture describing the terms and conditions of such Warrants that the Company is offering before the issuance of such Warrants.

This summary of some of the provisions of the Warrants is not complete. The statements made in this Prospectus relating to any Warrant Indenture and Warrants to be issued under this Prospectus are summaries of certain anticipated provisions thereof and do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, all provisions of the applicable Warrant Indenture. Prospective investors should refer to the Warrant Indenture relating to the specific Warrants being offered for the complete terms of the Warrants. The applicable Prospectus Supplement relating to any Warrants offered by us will describe the particular terms of those Warrants and include specific terms relating to the offering.

The particular terms of each issue of Warrants will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. This description will include, where applicable:

the designation and aggregate number of Warrants;

the price at which the Warrants will be offered;

the currency or currencies in which the Warrants will be offered;

the date on which the right to exercise the Warrants will commence and the date on which the right will expire;

the number of Common Shares or other Securities that may be purchased upon exercise of each Warrant and the price at which and currency or currencies in which the Common Shares or other Securities may be purchased upon exercise of each Warrant;

the designation and terms of any Securities with which the Warrants will be offered, if any, and the number of the Warrants that will be offered with each Security;

the date or dates, if any, on or after which the Warrants and the other Securities with which the Warrants will be offered will be transferable separately;

any minimum or maximum number of Warrants that may be exercised at any one time;

whether the Warrants will be subject to redemption and, if so, the terms of such redemption provisions;

whether the Company will issue the Warrants as global securities and, if so, the identity of the depositary of the global securities;

whether the Warrants will be listed on an exchange;

material Canadian federal income tax consequences and, if applicable, material United States federal income tax consequences of owning the Warrants; and

and any other material terms or conditions of the Warrants. **Rights of Holders Prior to Exercise**

Prior to the exercise of Warrants, holders of Warrants will not have any of the rights of holders of the Common Shares or other Securities issuable upon exercise of the Warrants.

Exercise of Warrants

Each Warrant will entitle the holder to purchase the Securities that the Company specifies in the applicable Prospectus Supplement at the exercise price described therein. Unless the Company otherwise specifies in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, holders of the Warrants may exercise the Warrants at any time up to the specified time on the expiration date set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, unexercised Warrants will become void.

Holders of the Warrants may exercise the Warrants by delivering the Warrant Certificate representing the Warrants to be exercised together with specified information, and paying the required amount to the Warrant Trustee in immediately available funds, as provided in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The Company will set forth on the Warrant Certificate and in the applicable Prospectus Supplement the information that the holder of the Warrant will be required to deliver to the Warrant Trustee.

Upon receipt of the required payment and the Warrant Certificate properly completed and duly executed at the corporate trust office of the Warrant Trustee or any other office indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Company will issue and deliver the Securities purchasable upon such exercise. If fewer than all of the Warrants represented by the Warrant Certificate are exercised, then the Company will issue a new Warrant Certificate for the remaining amount of Warrants. If the Company so indicates in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, holders of the Warrants may surrender securities as all or part of the exercise price for Warrants.

Anti-Dilution

The Warrant Indenture will specify that, upon the subdivision, consolidation, reclassification or other material change of the Common Shares or any other reorganization, amalgamation, arrangement, merger or sale of all or substantially all of the Company s assets, Warrants exercisable for Common Shares will thereafter evidence the right of the holder to receive the securities, property or cash deliverable in exchange for or on the conversion of or in respect of the Common Shares to which the holder of a Common Share would have been entitled immediately after such event. Similarly, any distribution to all or substantially all of the holders of Common Shares of rights, options, warrants, evidences of indebtedness or assets will result in an adjustment in the number of Common Shares to be issued to holders of Warrants that are exercisable for Common Shares.

Global Securities

The Company may issue Warrants in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities, which will be registered in the name of and be deposited with a depositary, or its nominee, each of which will be identified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The global securities may be in temporary or permanent form. The applicable Prospectus Supplement will describe the terms of any depositary arrangement and the rights and limitations of owners

of beneficial interests in any global security. The applicable Prospectus Supplement will describe the exchange, registration and transfer rights relating to any global security.

Modifications

The Warrant Indenture will provide for modifications and alterations to the Warrants issued thereunder by way of a resolution of holders of Warrants at a meeting of such holders or a consent in writing from such holders. The number of holders of Warrants required to pass such a resolution or execute such a written consent will be specified in the Warrant Indenture.

The Company may amend any Warrant Indenture and the Warrants, without the consent of the holders of the Warrants, to cure any ambiguity, to cure, correct or supplement any defective or inconsistent provision, or in any other manner that will not materially and adversely affect the interests of holders of outstanding Warrants.

DESCRIPTION OF SUBSCRIPTION RECEIPTS

The Company may issue Subscription Receipts, which will entitle holders to receive upon satisfaction of certain release conditions and for no additional consideration, Common Shares, Warrants or any combination thereof. Subscription Receipts will be issued pursuant to one or more subscription receipt agreements (each, a **Subscription Receipt Agreement**), each to be entered into between the Company and an escrow agent (the **Escrow Agent**), which will establish the terms and conditions of the Subscription Receipts. Each Escrow Agent will be a financial institution organized under the laws of Canada or a province thereof and authorized to carry on business as a trustee. A copy of the form of Subscription Receipt Agreement will be filed with Canadian securities regulatory authorities and, if applicable, the Company will file with the SEC as exhibits to the registration statement of which this Prospectus is a part, or will incorporate by reference from a Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K that the Company files with the SEC, any Subscription Receipt Agreement describing the terms and conditions of such Subscription Receipts that the Company is offering before the issuance of such Subscription Receipts.

The following description sets forth certain general terms and provisions of Subscription Receipts and is not intended to be complete. The statements made in this Prospectus relating to any Subscription Receipt Agreement and Subscription Receipts to be issued thereunder are summaries of certain anticipated provisions thereof and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, all provisions of the applicable Subscription Receipt Agreement and the Prospectus Supplement describing such Subscription Receipt Agreement.

The Prospectus Supplement relating to any Subscription Receipts the Company offers will describe the Subscription Receipts and include specific terms relating to their offering. All such terms will comply with the requirements of the TSX and NYSE relating to Subscription Receipts. If underwriters or agents are used in the sale of Subscription Receipts, one or more of such underwriters or agents may also be parties to the Subscription Receipt Agreement governing the Subscription Receipts sold to or through such underwriters or agents.

General

The Prospectus Supplement and the Subscription Receipt Agreement for any Subscription Receipts the Company offers will describe the specific terms of the Subscription Receipts and may include, but are not limited to, any of the following:

the designation and aggregate number of Subscription Receipts offered;

the price at which the Subscription Receipts will be offered;

the currency or currencies in which the Subscription Receipts will be offered;

the designation, number and terms of the Common Shares, Warrants or combination thereof to be received by holders of Subscription Receipts upon satisfaction of the release conditions, and the procedures that will result in the adjustment of those numbers;

the conditions (the **Release Conditions**) that must be met in order for holders of Subscription Receipts to receive for no additional consideration Common Shares, Warrants or a combination thereof;

the procedures for the issuance and delivery of Common Shares, Warrants or a combination thereof to holders of Subscription Receipts upon satisfaction of the Release Conditions;

whether any payments will be made to holders of Subscription Receipts upon delivery of the Common Shares, Warrants or a combination thereof upon satisfaction of the Release Conditions (e.g. an amount equal to dividends declared on Common Shares by the Company to holders of record during the period from the date of issuance of the Subscription Receipts to the date of issuance of any Common Shares pursuant to the terms of the Subscription Receipt Agreement);

the identity of the Escrow Agent;

the terms and conditions under which the Escrow Agent will hold all or a portion of the gross proceeds from the sale of Subscription Receipts, together with interest and income earned thereon (collectively, the **Escrowed Funds**), pending satisfaction of the Release Conditions;

the terms and conditions pursuant to which the Escrow Agent will hold Common Shares, Warrants or a combination thereof pending satisfaction of the Release Conditions;

the terms and conditions under which the Escrow Agent will release all or a portion of the Escrowed Funds to the Company upon satisfaction of the Release Conditions;

if the Subscription Receipts are sold to or through underwriters or agents, the terms and conditions under which the Escrow Agent will release a portion of the Escrowed Funds to such underwriters or agents in payment of all or a portion of their fees or commission in connection with the sale of the Subscription Receipts;

procedures for the refund by the Escrow Agent to holders of Subscription Receipts of all or a portion of the subscription price for their Subscription Receipts, plus any pro rata entitlement to interest earned or income generated on such amount, if the Release Conditions are not satisfied;

any contractual right of rescission to be granted to initial purchasers of Subscription Receipts in the event this Prospectus, the Prospectus Supplement under which Subscription Receipts are issued or any amendment hereto or thereto contains a misrepresentation;

any entitlement of the Company to purchase the Subscription Receipts in the open market by private agreement or otherwise;

whether the Company will issue the Subscription Receipts as global securities and, if so, the identity of the depositary for the global securities;

whether the Company will issue the Subscription Receipts as bearer securities, registered securities or both;

provisions as to modification, amendment or variation of the Subscription Receipt Agreement or any rights or terms attaching to the Subscription Receipts;

whether the Subscription Receipts will be listed on an exchange;

material Canadian federal income tax consequences and, if applicable, material United States federal income tax consequences of owning the Subscription Receipts; and

any other terms of the Subscription Receipts.

The holders of Subscription Receipts will not be shareholders of the Company. Holders of Subscription Receipts are entitled only to receive Common Shares, Warrants or a combination thereof on exchange of their Subscription Receipts, plus any cash payments provided for under the Subscription Receipt Agreement, if the Release Conditions are satisfied. If the Release Conditions are not satisfied, Holders of Subscription Receipts shall be entitled to a refund of all or a portion of the subscription price therefor and all or a portion of the pro rata share of interest earned or income generated thereon, as provided in the Subscription Receipt Agreement.

Escrow

The Escrowed Funds will be held in escrow by the Escrow Agent, and such Escrowed Funds will be released to the Company (and, if the Subscription Receipts are sold to or through underwriters or agents, a portion of the Escrowed Funds may be released to such underwriters or agents in payment of all or a portion of their fees in connection with the sale of the Subscription Receipts) at the time and under the terms specified by the Subscription Receipt Agreement. If the Release Conditions are not satisfied, holders of Subscription Receipts will receive a refund of all or a portion of the subscription price for their Subscription Receipts plus their pro rata entitlement to interest earned or income generated on such amount, in accordance with the terms of the Subscription Receipt Agreement. Common Shares or Warrants may be held in escrow by the Escrow Agent and will be released to the holders of Subscription Receipts following satisfaction of the Release Conditions at the time and under the terms specified in the Subscription Receipt Agreement.

Anti-Dilution

The Subscription Receipt Agreement will specify that upon the subdivision, consolidation, reclassification or other material change of Common Shares or Warrants underlying the particular Subscription Receipts or any other reorganization, amalgamation, arrangement, merger or sale of all or substantially all of the Company