

### **ARIAN SILVER CORPORATION**

### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

of the Financial Condition and Results of Operations

For the Third Quarter and Nine Months ended September 30, 2007 (In U.S. dollars)

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STOCK EXCHANGES AIM Market of the London Stock Exchange

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TRADING SYMBOLS AIM: AGQ (stock is quoted in Pounds Sterling)

TSX-V: AGQ (stock is quoted in Canadian dollars)

Frankfurt: I3A (stock is quoted in Euros)

This Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") has been prepared based on information available to Arian Silver Corporation ("Arian" or the "Company") as at November 23, 2007 and compares its third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2007, financial results with the equivalent periods of the previous year. This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the Company's unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes. The unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. All dollar amounts referred to in this discussion and analysis are expressed in United States dollars, unless specifically stated otherwise.

# MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING AND CONTROLS

The unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 have been prepared by Management in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") and have been approved by the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board"). The audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2006 were prepared by Management in accordance with IFRSs. Previous interim financial statements in 2006 have been prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("UK GAAP"). No re-statement of comparative information was necessary for purposes of the transition to IFRSs. The integrity and objectivity of these Consolidated Financial Statements are the responsibility of Management. In addition, Management is responsible for ensuring that the information contained in this MD&A is consistent, where appropriate, with the information contained in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In support of this responsibility, the Company's management maintains a system of internal accounting and administrative controls to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate and that the Company's assets are appropriately accounted for and adequately safeguarded. When alternative accounting methods exist, Management has chosen those methods it deems most appropriate in the circumstances. The Consolidated Financial Statements may contain certain amounts based on estimates and judgements. Management has determined such amounts on a reasonable basis to ensure that the Consolidated Financial Statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

The Board is responsible for ensuring that Management fulfils its responsibilities for financial reporting and internal controls. The Board carries out this responsibility principally through its audit committee. The audit committee is appointed by the Board and its members are not involved in the Company's daily operations. The audit committee meets periodically with Management and the external auditor to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting process, auditing matters and financial reporting issues, to satisfy itself that each party is properly discharging its responsibilities and to review the Consolidated Financial Statements with the external auditor.

#### INTRODUCTION

The following discussion is Management's assessment and analysis of the results and financial condition of the Company and should be read in conjunction with the

accompanying unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007, which are available on SEDAR at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>.

The Company (formerly Hard Assets Inc.) was incorporated in the province of British Columbia, Canada, on May 4, 2004. On May 24, 2006, the Company was continued to the British Virgin Islands in connection with its merger (the "Merger") with Arian Silver Corporation Limited ("ASCL"), whereupon the Company changed its name to Arian Silver Corporation. On May 25, 2006, the Company's common shares were admitted to trading on the AIM Market of the London Stock Exchange ("AIM"). On July 21, 2006, the Company's common shares were listed and commenced trading on the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSX-V").

The Merger has been accounted for in accordance with the reverse take over method of accounting. Under this method, ASCL has been identified as the acquirer and accordingly the consolidated entity is considered to be a continuation of ASCL.

The Company is engaged in the acquisition and exploitation of mineral resource properties.

#### **OVERALL PERFORMANCE**

In the nine months to September 30, 2007, the Company incurred a loss of \$3.7 million after expensing the fair value of options granted of \$1.0 million (which is a non-cash expense). There was no income other than interest from short-term cash deposits of \$44,000. The Company continued to incur administrative costs in its Mexican operations and in respect of corporate overheads.

In the nine months to September 30, 2007, intangible assets increased by \$2 million to \$3.2 million as a result of substantial drilling programmes undertaken in respect of the Mexican projects. Cash of \$4.1 million was received as a result of share issues.

#### **OVERVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

The Company is currently concentrating its efforts on three key projects, namely, San Jose, Tepal and Calicanto. The Company has a number of other projects, which for reporting purposes are grouped under 'other projects'.

During the quarter, the Phase-1 drill programmes continued on both the Tepal and San Jose Projects. In view of the positive results, the programmes were increased from 5,000 metres (m) to 7,500m at San Jose and from 3,000m to 4,500m at Tepal. In addition, at the Calicanto Project, the advancing of the underground decline ramps along the Calicanto Vein structure and the San Buenaventura Vein structure continued.

Since the end of the quarter, the Phase-1 drilling programmes referred to above have been further extended to 10,000m at San Jose, and to 6,000m at Tepal.

The Company maintains its headquarters in Mexico at Zacatecas with a second office at Tepal.

#### **Qualified Person**

Mr. Jim Williams, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and a "qualified person" as such term is defined under Canadian National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the technical information in this document.

The following, which have been grouped under their respective geographical settings, represents a summary of work carried out on the major projects during the three and nine months periods to September 30, 2007:

#### San Jose Project, Ojocaliente District, Zacatecas State

As previously reported, the Company has an exclusive option over 100% of the San Jose silver-base metal property in Zacatecas State, Mexico. The property lies 55 kilometres to the South-East of Zacatecas and covers two mining concessions totalling approximately 4,300 hectares ("Ha"). Assuming the option is exercised in full, the Company will pay \$1.5 million in instalments over three years and a 2% Net Smelter Return ("NSR"). The Company has the right to buy out the NSR for \$1.5 million at any time during the option period.

The San Jose mine, within the property, was previously operated by Zimapan (Peñoles), (1973-1991), and Monarca (1993-2001). Over 2 million tonnes of ore was reported to have been extracted averaging 250g/t silver with minor base metal credits from lead and zinc. An existing underground development ramp extends 3 kilometres along the San Jose Vein.

The western portion of the San Jose Vein, over 4 kilometres of strike length, remains largely unexploited as mining activity focused on the eastern part of the vein. In addition, two main vein structures are exposed on the property which have not been explored by modern systematic methods.

A 5,000m core drilling programme commenced at the beginning of May. During August the drilling programme was extended to 7,500m in light of the good assay results received. A total of 4,410m was drilled in the quarter over 29 holes, representing 58% of the total drilling contract. The drill programme has been designed to confirm the historic drill-hole data and to expand on a number of priority target areas. The drill core from this programme was logged and then split at the Company's facilities before being sent for sample preparation and analysis within the guidelines of the Company's QA/QC programme.

Apart from the on-going extensive drilling programme underway at San Jose, systematic exploration has been advanced along several avenues. This includes surveying, mapping (both surface and underground) and sampling (both surface and underground).

The surface and underground sampling work has been instrumental in locating and confirming the extent of the main San Jose Vein and the mineralisation associated with it. These programmes are continually being extended as and when required.

The following schedule shows project expenditure:

|                              | 3 months ended<br>September 30 |                | 9 months ended<br>September 30 |                |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
|                              | 2007<br>\$'000                 | 2006<br>\$'000 | 2007<br>\$'000                 | 2006<br>\$'000 |
| San Jose                     |                                |                |                                |                |
| Mining & option rights       | 2                              | -              | 143                            | -              |
| Drilling & exploration       | 377                            | -              | 568                            | -              |
| Geology – logging & sampling | 27                             | -              | 35                             | -              |
| Administration               | 35                             | -              | 99                             | -              |
| Total                        | 441                            | -              | 845                            | -              |

#### Tepal Project, Michoacán State

As previously reported, the Company has an exclusive option for 100% over the Tepal polymetallic project, located in Michoacán State, Mexico. The option is for a five-year term. Assuming the option is exercised in full, the Company will pay the vending company, Minera Tepal, \$5 million in instalments and will grant Minera Tepal a NSR of 2.5%. The Company has the right to withdraw from the option agreement at any time during the five-year period without penalty and has a right of first refusal to buy out the NSR for an unspecified amount.

The Tepal landholding is approximately 14,000 Ha.

A 3,000m core drill programme commenced on known targets in mid April. In August the drilling programme was extended by 1,500m to 4,500m. A total of 2,184m was drilled in the quarter over 18 holes, representing 48% of the total contract. The drill core from this programme was logged and then split at the Company's facilities before being sent for sample preparation and analysis within the guidelines of the Company's QA/QC programme.

In addition to the drill programme, work has been completed on the organisation and compiling of data from the Hecla and Teck drill programmes, which were conducted in the 1990's. A percentage of the coarse rejects and pulps from the Hecla and Teck programmes are being sent for analysis to check, from a correlation point of view, the historical assay database. This is an important part of the stringent QA/QC programme that the Company operates.

Although exploration has concentrated on a core drilling programme, some regional surface sampling has been undertaken, with a view to identifying further targets for drilling. This surface sampling work is on-going and so far the initial results have been very encouraging.

The following schedule shows project expenditure:

|                              | 3 months ended<br>September 30 |                | 9 months ended<br>September 30 |                |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
|                              | 2007<br>\$'000                 | 2006<br>\$'000 | 2007<br>\$'000                 | 2006<br>\$'000 |
| Tepal                        | •                              | ,              | •                              | •              |
| Mining & option rights       | 8                              | -              | 263                            | 101            |
| Drilling & exploration       | 109                            | -              | 294                            | 10             |
| Geology – logging & sampling | 12                             | -              | 13                             | 1              |
| Administration               | 22                             | -              | 60                             | 3              |
|                              |                                |                |                                |                |
| Total                        | 151                            | -              | 630                            | 115            |

#### Calicanto Project, Zacatecas District, Zacatecas State

The Calicanto Project consists of five adjacent mining concessions totalling approximately 74 Ha namely: the Calicanto, Vicochea I, Vicochea II, Misie and Missie properties, collectively known as the "Calicanto Group". The concessions are located in the historic mining district of Zacatecas in Mexico. The Calicanto Group of concessions comprises at least four main mineralised vein systems.

The Phase-1 drill programme at the Calicanto project was completed at the beginning of April. A total of 3,149 metres was drilled over 16 holes. Results have been received and a detailed appraisal is underway.

Exploration has concentrated along three avenues at the Calicanto Project. Due to the better than expected results from drilling obtained during the second quarter, the Company decided to advance both the Calicanto ramp/decline (along the Calicanto Vein system) and the San Buenaventura ramp/decline (along the San Buenaventura Vein system). Work continued on the Calicanto and San Buenaventura ramps until the end of the quarter. At the period end the ramps had been extended to 110m and 121m respectively.

The San Buenaventura ramp intersected historic workings on the Misie structures at 65m and again at 80m on a northeast minor quartz iron oxide vein. These old workings are along 3 or 4 parallel veins that together form the Misie Vein system. Sampling and surveying of these historic workings were undertaken.

To date, the Company has extracted some 3,000 tonnes of run-of-mine material (approx. 1,500 tonnes from each of the Calicanto ramp and the San Buenaventura ramp). The Company is reviewing various options to undertake metallurgical test work on this bulk sample.

The following schedule shows project expenditure:

|                              | 3 months ended<br>September 30 |     | 9 months ended<br>September 30 |                |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|----------------|
|                              | 2007 2006<br>\$'000 \$'000     |     | 2007<br>\$'000                 | 2006<br>\$'000 |
| Calicanto Group              |                                |     |                                |                |
| Mining & option rights       | -                              | 76  | 18                             | 123            |
| Drilling & exploration       | 9                              | (3) | 219                            | 20             |
| Geology – logging & sampling | 4                              | 8   | 38                             | 16             |
| Administration               | 1                              | 16  | 12                             | 21             |
| Total                        | 14                             | 97  | 287                            | 180            |

#### Other Projects, Zacatecas State

The Company has a number of 'Brownfield' and 'Grassroots' licence areas. One of the more important 'Brownfield' projects is the San Celso Project. San Celso consists of three contiguous mining concessions totalling 88.58 Ha. The concessions are located in the historic mining district of Pánfilo Natera-Ojocaliente in Mexico and are surrounded by other concessions to the south and west. The San Celso Project is owned 100% by Arian.

During the period, no further work was conducted on the property.

#### Exploration and development commitments as at September 30, 2007

The Company does not have any exploration and development expenditure commitments in respect of its projects. However, the following material payments will need to be made in order to maintain certain properties in good standing:

|                 | 2007   | 2008   | 2008   | 2008   | 2008   |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                 | Q4     | Q1     | Q2     | Q3     | Q4     |
|                 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| San Jose        | 230    | -      | 287    | -      | 345    |
| Tepal           | 345    | -      | 575    | -      | -      |
| Calicanto Group | -      | 235    | -      | -      | -      |
| Total           | 575    | 235    | 862    | -      | 345    |

The Company has the right to withdraw from the option agreements relating to San Jose, Tepal and Calicanto at any time during the term of each option without financial penalty.

The outstanding expenditures described above are discretionary and not yet committed as they are dependent on timing and availability of funds.

#### Public financing

During July, 2007, the Company received £4,500 following the exercise of 30,000 share options at £0.15 per share.

During August, 2007, the Company raised \$2,878,000 through the issue of 5,454,000 common shares of no par value at Cdn\$0.55 per share in connection with a placement of shares.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The Company has not generated any operating revenues and losses have continued to be incurred throughout the period.

# Three months ended September 30, 2007 compared to three months ended September 30, 2006

Losses of \$1.1 million were incurred in the period, primarily in respect of corporate and Mexican administration costs. This compares to losses of \$0.7 million incurred in the third quarter of 2006. The increased loss was due mainly to an increase in the cost of administering the Mexican operations due to higher manpower and corporate overheads.

The Company continued to explore its projects in Mexico in the period, undertaking significant drilling programmes at San Jose and Tepal.

# Nine months ended September 30, 2007 compared to nine months ended September 30, 2006

There was a net loss of \$3.7 million in the period, of which the cost of expensing the fair value of share options (which is a non-cash expense) was \$1 million. This compares to the loss incurred in the comparative period in 2006 of \$16.3 million which includes the cost of expensing the fair value of share options (which is a non-cash expense) of \$0.9 million and a write off of goodwill of \$13.6 million in respect of the acquisition of Hard Assets Inc.

#### **SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS**

| Unaudited                         | 2007                  | 2007                  | 2007                  | 2006                  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|                                   | 3rd Quarter<br>\$'000 | 2nd Quarter<br>\$'000 | 1st Quarter<br>\$'000 | 4th Quarter<br>\$'000 |
| Total Revenues                    | 16                    | 10                    | 18                    | 15                    |
| Net loss before exceptional items | 1,119                 | 1,553                 | 1,043                 | 953                   |
| Net loss for the period           | 1,119                 | 1,553                 | 1,043                 | 953                   |
| Basic and diluted loss per share  | \$(0.01)              | \$(0.01)              | \$(0.01)              | \$(0.01)              |
| Total assets                      | 5,937                 | 4,382                 | 4,264                 | 4,802                 |
| Shareholders' equity              | 5,757                 | 3,898                 | 3,909                 | 4,423                 |
| Cash dividend declared per share  | -                     | -                     | -                     | -                     |

| Unaudited                         | <b>2006</b><br>3rd Quarter<br>\$'000 | <b>2006</b><br>2nd Quarter<br>\$'000 | <b>2006</b><br>1st Quarter<br>\$'000 | <b>2005</b><br>4th Quarter<br>\$'000 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Total Revenues                    | 25                                   | 20                                   | 11                                   | 2                                    |
| Net loss before exceptional items | 777                                  | 611                                  | 1,125                                | 519                                  |
| Net loss for the period           | 777                                  | 14,025                               | 1,125*                               | 519                                  |
| Basic and diluted loss per share  | \$(0.01)                             | \$(0.22)                             | \$(0.03)                             | \$(0.01)                             |
| Total assets                      | 2,552                                | 3,247                                | 1,463                                | 1,780                                |
| Shareholders' equity              | 2,144                                | 2,838                                | 1,463                                | 1,621                                |
| Cash dividend declared per share  | -                                    | -                                    | -                                    | -                                    |

<sup>\*</sup>The unaudited income statement for the quarter ended March 31, 2006 has been adjusted to correctly record expenses in the period to which they relate. This adjustment has reduced the loss recorded in the quarter by \$153,000 and has no impact on shareholders' equity as at that date.

#### Third quarter 2007 vs. second quarter 2007

Revenues were from bank deposit interest. The net loss for the period fell by \$0.4 million over the previous quarter mainly due to a reduction in the cost of expensing the fair value of share options of \$0.6 million, offset by higher administrative costs. Intangible assets, representing the cost of exploration in Mexico, increased by \$0.7 million in the period due to the extensive drilling programmes, compared to \$1 million in the second quarter. Shareholders' equity increased in the third quarter by \$1.8 million due to share issues from a private placement and option exercises totalling \$2.9 million, offset by the loss incurred in the period.

#### Second quarter 2007 vs. first quarter 2007

Revenues were from bank deposit interest. The net loss for the period increased by \$0.5 million due to an increase in the expensing of the fair value of share options by \$0.7 million, compared to \$0.1 million in the first quarter. There was a significant increase in intangible assets in the quarter by \$1 million due to the extensive drilling programmes, compared to an increase of \$0.3 million in the first quarter. Shareholders' equity was unchanged compared to the previous quarter as the issue of new shares in the period of \$0.8 million was offset by administrative expenditure and the write off of the fair value of share options.

#### First quarter 2007 vs. fourth quarter 2006

Revenues were from bank deposit interest. The net loss in the period is broadly similar to the previous quarter and results from incurring costs related to corporate overheads and administration of the Company's projects in Mexico. The cost of the fair value of share options vesting in the period of \$0.1 million is \$0.06 million higher than the charge in the previous quarter. Intangible assets increased by \$0.4 million due to expenditure in respect of drilling programmes and other exploration work undertaken in Mexico. Shareholders' equity decreased following the placement of \$0.5 million of new common shares, offset by project expenditure and administration costs.

#### Fourth quarter 2006 vs. third quarter 2006

Revenues were from bank deposit interest. The net loss in the period arises from corporate overheads, including the fair value of share options vesting in the period and the administration of the Company's projects in Mexico. Shareholders' equity increased following the placement of \$3.2 million of new common shares, offset by project expenditure and administration costs.

#### Third quarter 2006 vs. second quarter 2006

Revenues were from bank deposit interest. Administration expenditure in the quarter increased due to costs incurred in respect of the listing of the Company on the Canadian TSX-V Exchange. The costs relate to corporate overheads, including the fair value of share options vesting in the period and the administration of the Company's projects in Mexico. The decrease in Shareholders' equity and cash over the previous quarter is a result of share issues arising from share option and warrant exercises in the period of \$33,000, offset by administration and project expenditure.

#### Second quarter 2006 vs. first quarter 2006

The increase in Shareholders' equity and cash over the previous quarter is the result of the placement of \$2 million of new common shares. The net loss increased as a result of costs associated with the Merger and admission of the Company's shares to AIM. There was an exceptional loss resulting from the write off of goodwill of \$13.6 million on the Merger in accordance with reverse take over accounting.

#### First guarter 2006 vs. fourth guarter 2005

The net loss for the quarter of \$1.1 million included \$0.8 million in respect of the fair value of share options granted. The decrease in the Shareholders' equity and cash over the previous quarter is a result of share placements in the period of \$200,000, offset by administration and project expenditure.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

In Management's view, the most meaningful information concerning the Company relates to its current liquidity and solvency since it is not currently generating any income from its mineral projects.

The Company raises capital for its operations through the issuance of securities of the Company, proceeds received from the exercise of share options and share purchase warrants. Although the Company has been successful in the past in raising finance, there can be no assurance that any funding required by the Company in the future will be made available to it and, if such funding is available, that it will be offered on reasonable terms or that the Company will be able to secure such funding through third party financing or joint ventures. Furthermore, there is no assurance that the Company will be able to secure new mineral properties or projects or that they can be secured on competitive terms.

#### During the three months ended September 30, 2007

As noted in *Overview of Operations – Public financing*, of this MD&A, the Company issued 5,454,000 common shares of no par value in connection with a share placement and 30,000 common shares of no par value in connection with an option exercise, to raise a total of \$2.9 million in cash.

#### During the nine months ended September 30, 2007

The Company issued 4,508,600 common shares of no par value in connection with warrant exercises, 830,000 common shares of no par value in connection with exercises of share options and 5,454,000 common shares of no par value in connection with a share placement to raise a total of \$4.1 million in cash. Surplus funds are invested in short-term deposits with the Company's bank. No funds are invested in commercial paper.

#### **Working Capital**

As at September 30, 2007, the Company had working capital of approximately \$2.3 million (December 31, 2006: \$3 million). Since September 30, 2007, a further \$2.6 million in cash was raised from the issue of 6.2 million shares and these funds, based on current plans, are sufficient to cover ongoing obligations as they become due over the next 12 months. The decrease in working capital in the nine months to September 30, 2007 is the result of substantial project costs, plus administrative expenditure, offset by cash raised from the issues of shares.

The most significant assets at September 30, 2007 were intangible assets amounting to \$3.2 million (December 31, 2006: \$1.2 million) and cash of \$2 million (December 31, 2006: \$3.2 million).

#### Off-balance sheet arrangements

The Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

#### TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

During the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, the Company entered into the following transactions involving related parties:

Companies in the Dragon Group charged the Company a total of \$697,159 (2006: \$319,030) in respect of the provision of staff, office facilities, general office overheads and re-charged costs incurred on behalf of the Company. Tony Williams, Chairman and a director of the Company, beneficially owns the Dragon Group. At September 30, 2007 \$61,848 was outstanding (2006: \$40,392).

Endeavour Financial Limited ("EF") charged the Company a total of \$nil (2006: \$11,920) in respect of the provision of office facilities incurred on behalf of the Company. Gordon Keep, a director of the Company up to the date of the Merger, is a director of EF.

Endeavour Financial International Corp ("EFC") charged the Company a total of \$50,000 (2006: \$nil) in respect of financial advisory services. Tony Williams, Chairman and a director of the Company, was a shareholder of EFC.

Kopane Diamond Developments PLC (formerly European Diamonds PLC) ("KDD") charged the Company a total of \$74,681 (2006: \$76,610) in respect of a recharge of remuneration paid on behalf of the Company. James Cable and Tony Williams are Directors of the Company and KDD. At September 30, 2007 \$7,468 was outstanding (2006: nil).

Anfield Sujir Kennedy and Durno ("ASKD") charged the Company a total of \$nil (2006: \$86,895) in respect of the provision of legal services incurred on behalf of the

Company. Henry Jay Sujir, a director of the Company up to the date of the Merger, is a partner in ASKD.

These transactions, occurring in the normal course of operations, are measured at the exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties.

#### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRSs requires the Company to select from possible alternative accounting principles and to make estimates and assumptions that determine the reported amount of assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date and reported costs and expenditures during the reporting period. Estimates and assumptions may be revised as new information is obtained and are subject to change. The Company's accounting policies are considered appropriate in the circumstances, but are subject to judgements and uncertainties inherent in the financial reporting process.

#### Resource Properties, Deferred Exploration and Development Costs

All costs related to the exploration of mineral properties are capitalised until either the properties are brought into production, at which time they are depleted on a unit of production basis, or until the properties are sold, allowed to lapse, abandoned or determined not to be commercially viable, at which time they are charged to the income statement.

The amounts capitalised at any time represent costs to be charged to operations in future and do not necessarily reflect the present or future values of particular properties. The recoverability of the carrying values of exploration properties is dependent upon the discovery of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain necessary financing to complete development and future profitable production therefrom, or alternatively, upon the Company's ability to dispose of its interests on an advantageous basis.

Management is of the view that the current policy is appropriate for the Company at this time and is consistent with many other public mineral exploration and development companies in the UK and Canada. Shareholders are advised that carrying values are not necessarily indicative of present or future values. The Company assesses whether impairment exists in any of its exploration projects and writes down that project to its estimated recoverable value when such impairment is found to exist. No writedowns were recorded in the financial statements for the period. A writedown would be recorded as an expense to the Company's income statement.

#### Share-based payments

The share option programme allows Company employees to acquire shares of the Company. The fair value of options granted is recognised as an employee expense with a corresponding increase in equity. The fair value is measured at the grant date and spread over the period until the options vest unconditionally to the employee. The fair value of the options granted is measured using the Black-Scholes model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. Critical estimates in determining fair value include expected price volatility of the shares and option lives.

#### **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The operations of the Company are speculative due to the high-risk nature of its business, which is the acquisition, financing, exploration and development of mining properties. The risks referred to below are not the only ones facing the Company. Additional risks not currently known to the Company, or that the Company currently deems trivial, may also impair the Company's operations. If any of the risks actually occur, the Company's business, financial condition and operating results could be adversely affected.

Risk factors, including those regarding resources, reserves, production, requirement of additional financing and currency risks have been detailed in the Company's 2006 Annual MD&A. Such risks have not changed during the first nine months of 2007.

#### Forward Looking Statements

This MD&A contains certain "forward-looking statements". All statements, other than statements of historical fact, that address activities, events or developments that the Company believes, expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future (including, without limitation, statements regarding exploration results, potential mineralisation and mineral resources, and the Company's exploration and development plans and objectives) are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements reflect the current expectations or beliefs of the Company based on information currently available to the Company. Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that may cause the actual results of the Company to differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements, and even if such actual results are realised or substantially realised, there can be no assurance that they will have the expected consequences to, or effects on the Company. Factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from current expectations include, among other things, the possibility that future exploration results will not be consistent with the Company's expectations, uncertainties relating to the availability and costs of financing needed in the future, changes in commodity prices, changes in equity markets, political developments in Mexico, changes to regulations affecting the Company's activities, foreign currency fluctuations, delays in obtaining or failures to obtain required regulatory approvals, the uncertainties involved in interpreting exploration results and other geological data, and the other risks involved in the mineral exploration and development industry. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made and, except as may be required by applicable securities laws, the Company disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or results or otherwise. Although the Company believes that the assumptions inherent in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and accordingly undue reliance should not be put on such statements due to the inherent uncertainty therein.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

#### Additional Information

Additional information relating to the Company may be accessed through SEDAR on the internet at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a> or the Company's website on <a href="https://www.ariansilver.com">www.ariansilver.com</a>.

### Disclosure of Outstanding Share Data

The following table sets forth information concerning the outstanding securities of the Company as at November 23, 2007:

| Common shares of no par value ("Shares") | Number in issue |
|--|-----------------|
| Shares                                   | 117,665,969     |
| Share options <sup>(1)</sup>             | 10,360,000      |
| Share purchase warrants <sup>(1)</sup>   | 8,981,250       |

<sup>(1)</sup> Each share option and share purchase warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one Share.