

1992 ANNUAL REPORT

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#### **1992 Annual Report to Shareholders**

#### Dear Shareholder:

Our principal acquisition during the past year has been to option a twenty five percent interest in a group of three properties located on Somerset Island, Northwest Territories. These were selected as they each contain a known kimberlite pipe, and one, the Nord, produced a rough diamond weighing 0.142 carats from earlier, preliminary work. We now plan a thorough mapping, drilling and evaluation program of these properties.

This acquisition coupled with our plans to conduct a joint exploration program on Somerset Island puts the company in the active hunt for diamond bearing properties, which is attracting such strong investor interest. The company is also reviewing a number of other joint ventures and acquisitions for similar properties of merit.

During the year the Company did no work on its Taseko copper gold project, located one hundred and forty miles north of Vancouver. To date we have completed some 69 diamond drill holes at a cumulative exploration cost of \$1.4 million. Drilling in 1991 tested several new targets of which some were identified by the Dighem airborne VLF-EM survey conducted in 1990. In particular the drill program identified the new East and Granite Creek zones, and reconnaissance work located samples with disseminated chalcopyrite and molybdenite south of our drilling. The zones of interest now cover an area about three miles long by one half mile wide and include an in situ resource of 11,078,000 tons grading 0.61% copper and 0.023 ounces per ton gold.

On the Company's Shadow Mountain project a limited drilling and sampling program was carried out by our joint venture partner. This property was returned to the Company in 1993 and merits of the property will have to be reviewed.

On corporate matters, Westpine intends to maintain its responsive investor relations program and 12g3-2(b) registration in the United States. We are pleased to welcome Mr. Costas Takkas to the Board of Directors. The Company completed two private placement financings through its significant two shareholders. Further financing will be carried out to fund the exploration work on Somerset Island and other projects.

We are looking forward to an active exploration year and the continuing support of our shareholders.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 19th day of April, 1993

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Victor J. E. Jones President



#### **Chartered Accountants**

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#### AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

We have audited the balance sheets of Westpine Metals Ltd. as at December 31, 1992 and 1991 and the statements of operations and deficit, mineral property interests and changes in financial position for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at December 31, 1992 and 1991 and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the years then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. As required by the Company Act (British Columbia) we report that, in our opinion, these principles have been applied on a consistent basis.

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Chartered Accountants Vancouver, Canada March 24, 1993

## Balance Sheets

December 31, 1992 and 1991

Assets	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
Current assets: Cash Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses	\$ 2,612 2,051 6,000 10,663	\$ 36,155 1,476 7,339  44,970
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$5,925 (1991 - \$3,983)	3,786	3,930
Mineral property interests, per accompanying statement (Note 3)	528,011  \$ 542,460 	566,114  \$ 615,014 ======
Liabilities and Shareholde	rs' Equity	
Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Payable to related companies	14,705	\$ 5,449 3,861
	19,649	9,310
Advances on account of share subscriptions (Note 4(e))	37,000	-
Shareholders' equity: Share capital (Note 4) Contributed surplus Deficit, per accompanying statement	774,092 81,398 (369,679)	774,092 81,398 (249,786)
	485,811	605,704
	\$ 542,460 ======	\$ 615,014 ======

Property option payments and expenditures (Note 3) Subsequent events (Notes 3(c), 3(f), 3(g), 4(d), 4(e) and 7)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD:

Director Wille W Chim Director

# Statements of Operations and Deficit

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
General administration and exploration costs written off, being loss for the year	\$ 119,893	\$ 104,455
Deficit, beginning of the year	249,786	142,881
Share issuance costs	-	2,450
Deficit, end of the year	\$ 369,679	\$ 249,786 ======

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Loss per share	\$ 0.041	\$ 0.036

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# Statements of Mineral Property Interests

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
Exploration, development and property payments:		
Analysis and assaying Communications and general office Consulting, salaries and wages Drilling Field and camp supplies Legal Property payments and acquisition costs Property staking and maintenance Transportation and field accommodation Recoveries from participants	\$ 272 1,966 - 362 6,369 525 261 - 9,755 - 9,755	\$ 29,885 53,355 159,445 247,542 5,095 
Administrative expenditures:		
Audit and accounting Depreciation Interest income Legal Office and general Printing and promotion Transfer agent and stock exchange Salaries and employee benefits Travel	3,741 1,942 (59) 541 13,200 8,838 7,389 33,331 3,112 72,035	4,015 1,583 (7,354) 1,921 14,609 33,101 5,930 45,600 1,345
Net expenditures for the year	81,790	148,321
Mineral property interests, beginning of the year	566,114	522,248
Less: Amounts written off during the year	(119,893)	(104,455)
Mineral property interests, end of the year	\$ 528,011 ======	\$ 566,114 =======

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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# Statements of Changes in Financial Position

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

		<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
Cash resources provided by (used in):			
Operating activities: Loss for the period Item not involving cash	\$(:	119,893)	\$(104,455)
General administration and exploration costs written off		119,893	104,455
		-	_
Financing activities: Issuance of shares Share issuance costs Advances on account of share subscriptions		 37,000	115,000 (2,450) -
	•	37,000	112,550
Investing activities: Purchase of fixed assets Mineral property interests Items not involving cash Depreciation Cash generated from (used for) working capital changes: Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Payable to related companies	S.	1,942 (575) 1,339 (505) 10,844	743 (4,789) 1,136 924
Decrease in cash		(33,543)	(38,087)
Cash, beginning of year			74,242
Cash, end of year	\$	2,612	\$ 36,155 ======

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

1. Nature of operations:

The Company was incorporated under the laws of British Columbia on March 10, 1989 and commenced operations on March 28, 1989 with the acquisition of the Taseko property.

The Company is in the process of exploring its mineral properties and has not yet determined whether these properties contain ore reserves that are economically recoverable. The recoverability of amounts shown for mineral property interests is dependent upon the discovery of economically recoverable ore reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain necessary financing to complete development and upon future profitable production.

- 2. Significant accounting policies:
  - (a) Fixed assets:

Fixed assets are recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method at a rate sufficient to amortize the cost over the estimated useful life of the asset.

(b) Mineral property interests:

The Company defers the cost of mineral properties, exploration and development expenditures, and administrative expenditures, net of recoveries from joint venture participants, directly related to specific mineral projects or mineral interests until such time as the extent of mineralization has been determined and the mineral properties are either developed or the Company's mineral rights are allowed to lapse. At that time the are either amortized on a deferred costs unit-of-production basis or written off, as appropriate.

Amounts shown as mineral property interests represent costs incurred to date and do not necessarily reflect present or future values.

- 3. Mineral property interests:
  - (a) Taseko option agreement:

Pursuant to an agreement dated March 28, 1989, the Company acquired an option to earn up to a 100% interest in several mineral claims known as the Taseko property located in the Clinton Mining Division, British Columbia.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

#### 3. Mineral property interests, continued:

(a) Taseko option agreement:

The option was acquired from Westley Technologies Ltd. (formerly, Westley Mines Limited) ("Westley"), and Alpine Exploration Corporation ("Alpine"), the Company's significant shareholders, who acquired the option previously from an unrelated third party.

Consideration given was \$200,000 cash and 1,200,000 shares (Note 4(c)) of the Company at a price of \$0.01 per share, for total consideration of \$212,000. Under the terms of the agreement, as amended, the Company was required to make payments and incur minimum expenditures in accordance with the following schedule:

	Property <u>Payments</u>	Minimum <u>Expenditures</u>	Cumulative <u> </u>
Prior to December 31, 1989	\$ 17,500	\$ 250,000	_
On or before	ų 17,500	<i>Ş</i> 230,000	
Mar 1, 1990	17,500	-	25%
Prior to			
December 31, 1990	25,000	200,000	51%
Prior to			
December 31, 1991	25,000	250,000	51%
Prior to			
December 31, 1992	75,000	400,000	100%
	\$ 160,000	\$ 1,100,000	
	=======	========	

In 1991, all of the property payments and the minimum expenditures to December 31, 1992 had been completed. The December 31, 1991 and 1992 property payments were paid in 1991 by the issuance of a total of 200,000 common shares at \$0.50 per share (Note 4(b)).

The Company holds a 100% interest in the Taseko property, subject to a 2 1/2 % net smelter return royalty which may be purchased for \$1.5 million.

(b) Taseko joint venture agreement:

Pursuant to an agreement effective May 16, 1990 with ASARCO Exploration Company of Canada, Limited ("ASARCO"), ASARCO had an option to earn a 60% interest in the Company's Taseko property. Under this agreement, a management fee of 10% was chargeable by the operator of the project during 1990 and 1991 and 6% in 1992 and subsequent years. During 1990 and

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

- 3. Mineral property interests, continued:
  - (b) Taseko joint venture agreement:

1991, the Company was operator and delegated the project to Alpine (Note 5). Under the terms of the agreement, ASARCO was required to make certain payments to the Company and incur minimum expenditures. To December 31, 1991 ASARCO had paid \$89,000 to the Company and had incurred expenditures of \$1,013,795.

On January 2, 1992, ASARCO elected to terminate its option. The Company is currently pursuing other options for further development of the property.

(c) Bluff option agreement:

Pursuant to an agreement with Westmin Resources Limited ("Westmin") and Homestake Canada Ltd. ("Homestake") effective August 13, 1991, the Company and ASARCO together had an option to earn a 50% interest in the Bluff claims which are adjacent to the Taseko property. Under the agreement, the Company and ASARCO were required to incur minimum expenditures in accordance with the following schedule:

> Minimum <u>Expenditures</u>

Prior	to	December	31,	1991	\$ 50,000
Prior	to	December	31,	1992	50,000
Prior	to	December	31,	1993	100,000
Prior	to	December	31,	1994	100,000
Prior	to	December	31,	1995	100,000
					\$ 400,000
					=======

The minimum expenditures for 1991 have been completed. In 1992, in connection with its election to terminate its Taseko joint venture agreement (Note 3(b)), ASARCO agreed to assign its rights under this agreement to the Company.

During the year ended December 31, 1992, the Company did not incur its minimum expenditure requirements and subsequent to year-end Westmin and Homestake terminated this agreement. Accordingly, the Company wrote-off its unamortized costs relating to these claims.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

#### 3. Mineral property interests, continued:

(d) Limonite lease agreement:

Pursuant to an agreement effective September 1, 1991 with International Northair Mines Limited, the Company has a lease on the Limonite claims which are adjacent to the Taseko property. Under the lease agreement, the Company is required to make certain payments and incur minimum expenditures in accordance with the following schedule:

	Property <u>Payments</u>	Minimum <u>Expenditures</u>
Upon signing	\$ 500	\$ -
by December 31, 1991	500	_
by September 1, 1993	2,000	-
by August 31, 1994	-	20,000
by August 31, 1995	-	30,000
by August 31, 1996	-	50,000
	\$ 3,000	\$ 100,000
	=====	

All property payments to December 31, 1992 have been made.

(e) Shadow Mountain lease agreement:

On May 27, 1992, the Company entered into a lease agreement to earn a 100% interest in several mineral claims known as the Shadow Mountain project located in San Bernardino County, California, subject to a net smelter return royalty to the owner. The lease was acquired from Westley, who previously entered into the lease with an unrelated third party.

The consideration to be given, under the amended agreement dated August 27, 1992, is 100,000 shares of the Company upon regulatory acceptance and 100,000 shares upon putting the project into commercial production. Under the terms of the lease agreement, the Company is required to make quarterly payments to the owner and incur minimum expenditures in accordance with the following schedule:

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

3. Mineral property interests, continued:

(e) Shadow Mountain lease agreement:

	<u>Pay</u>	al perty <u>ments</u> \$US)	Minimum <u>Expenditures</u> (\$US)		
By October 1, 1992	\$	15,000	\$ -		
By December 31, 1992		-	13,000		
By December 31, 1993		20,000	50,000		
By December 31, 1994		25,000	100,000		
By December 31, 1995		28,000	150,000		
By December 31, 1996		32,000	200,000		
By December 31, 1997		36,000	-		
By December 31, 1998					
and each year thereafter					
until commercial producti	on	40,000	-		

All property payments and the minimum expenditures to December 31, 1992 have been made.

(f) Shadow Mountain option agreement:

Pursuant to an agreement dated August 6, 1992 and amended September 18, 1992 an unrelated third party (the "Optionee") was granted an option to earn a 70% interest in the Company's Shadow Mountain project. Under the terms of the agreement, the Optionee was required to make the lease payments to the owner of the property and incur the minimum expenditures. The Optionee has completed its obligations to December 31, 1992.

Subsequent to year-end, the Optionee elected to terminate its option, and the Company is pursuing other options for further development of the property.

(g) Somerset Island option agreement:

Pursuant to three agreements dated December 11, 1992, all of which are subject to regulatory approval, the Company can earn a 25% interest in each of the 3 claim groups known as the Elwin, Nord and Ham claims on Somerset Island in the Northwest Territories. Each claim group has one claim which is subject to back-in provisions by a third party before feasibility. If this third party does not participate, it will retain a 2% net smelter return royalty. All of the other claims within each group are subject to a 2% net smelter return royalty.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

- 3. Mineral property interests, continued:
  - (g) Somerset Island option agreement, continued:

Under each agreement, the Company is required to pay \$10,000 and issue 50,000 shares on approval by the regulatory authorities and must fund a total of \$200,000 of expenditures over the next three years. One of the owners will be the operator of the work programs.

Each agreement is subject to a finder's fee of 10,000 shares of the Company to be distributed to two parties, subject to regulatory approval.

To December 31, 1992, no payments were made and no shares were issued as the agreements had not been approved by the regulatory authorities. Subsequent to year-end, regulatory approval was received and the Company issued the 180,000 common shares and paid the \$30,000 in accordance with the agreements.

- 4. Share capital:
  - (a) Authorized:

20,000,000 common shares of no par value.

(b) Shares issued:

During the years ended December 31, 1991 and 1992, share capital transactions were as follows:

	Number	Amount
Balance, December 31, 1990	2,710,400	\$ 659,092
Exercise of Stock Options	30,000	15,000
Shares issued for mineral property interest (Note 3(a))	200,000	100,000
Balance, December 31, 1991 and 1992	2,940,400	\$ 774,092 ======

(c) Escrow shares:

The issued share capital of the Company includes 1,200,000 shares held in escrow relating to the acquisition of the Taseko property (Note 3(a)). The first 500,000 shares will be released upon completion of exploration expenditures totalling \$3,500,000 and the remaining 700,000 shares will be released upon a decision to place the property into commercial production.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

#### 4. Share capital, continued:

(d) Director's and employees' stock options:

As at December 31, 1992, 209,000 shares and 60,000 shares were reserved as incentive stock options for directors and employees, respectively. The options are exercisable at a price of \$0.50 per share and expire as follows:

Expi	cy Da	<u>ate</u>	Directors	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sept.	16,	1993	_	30,000	30,000
July	16,	1994	209,000	10,000	219,000
Nov.	12,	1995	-	20,000	20,000
,					
			209,000	60,000	269,000
			======		======

Subsequent to year-end, the Company cancelled the 30,000 options granted to employees that expire September 16, 1993, reduced the 209,000 shares en option to directors to 176,700, reduced the 10,000 shares on option to employees that expire July 16, 1994 to 8,400 and reduced the 20,000 shares on option to employees that expire November 12, 1995 to 16,900 and amended the exercise price of all outstanding options to \$0.25 per share.

In addition, subsequent to year-end the Company granted a director an option on 150,000 shares exercisable at \$0.25 per share for a two year period. The above transactions are subject to regulatory approval.

(e) Advances on account of share subscriptions:

On December 14, 1992, the Company entered into a private placement with Westley and Alpine to issue a total of 400,000 units of the Company at \$0.19 per unit, subject to regulatory approval. Each unit consists of one share and one-half of a warrant to purchase an additional share for twelve months at \$0.19 per share and a further twelve months at \$0.22 per share. Westley and Alpine each advanced a portion of the private placement funds to the Company prior to December 31, 1992.

Subsequent to year-end, regulatory approval and the balance of funds were received and the Company issued the 400,000 units.

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Years ended December 31, 1992 and 1991

#### 5. Related party transactions:

During the year, the Company and certain related companies shared various administration and management costs which benefited the group. In this regard, for the year ended December 31, 1992, the Company was charged \$20,361 (1991 -\$31,449) by Westley.

The Company has an operating agreement for the Taseko property (Note 3(b)) with Alpine, under terms and conditions similar to those commonly used in the industry. During 1991, \$556,244 of costs were incurred or charged to the Company by Alpine for reimbursement of expenses which includes a 10% administration fee pursuant to this operating agreement. No costs were incurred or charged to the Company by Alpine during the year ended December 31, 1992.

During the year ended December 31, 1992, the Company was charged \$24,000 for management services (1991 - \$24,000) by companies related by virtue of common directors.

6. Income taxes:

At December 31, 1992 the amount of deferred exploration and development costs available for income tax purposes exceeded the amount recorded in the books by approximately \$292,000. The potential income tax benefits which may arise from the use of this amount has not been reflected in these financial statements.

7. Subsequent event:

Subsequent to year-end, the Company entered into a private placement to issue 260,000 units to related parties and 200,000 units to a director of the Company at \$0.15 per unit. Each unit consists of one share and one warrant to purchase an additional share for twelve months at \$0.15 per share and a further twelve months at \$0.17 per share. Regulatory approval was received for this transaction and the funds have been received and the units issued.

# Schedule of Mineral Property Interests

# Year ended December 31, 1992

	Balance Jan. 1 to Dec December 31, Net 1991 Expenditures					Decemb	nce, per 31, 2
			<u>enarcares</u>	<u>,,,,</u>			
Canada Taseko Somerset Island	\$ 566,1 -	14 \$	1,134 638	\$	45,994	\$ 521,2 6	254 538
United States Shadow Mountain	-		6,119		-	6,1	.19
General exploration and administration	-		73,899	_	73,899		
	\$ 566,1 =====	-	81,790 ======	\$ 1 =	L19,893	\$ 528,0 =====	)11

CORPORATE INFORMATION

## SHARES LISTED

Vancouver Stock Exchange: WM Authorized: 20,000,000 Issued: 3,980,400 Options: 352,000 Escrow: 1,200,000 12g3-2(b) Exemption #82-3116 Standard & Poor's Listed

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