



## NEWS RELEASE

### SHAMARAN Q1 2016 FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RESULTS

**May 19, 2016 - ShaMaran Petroleum Corp.** ("ShaMaran" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE: SNM) (NASDAQ OMX: SNM) is pleased to announce its financial and operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2016. Unless otherwise stated all currency amounts indicated as "\$" in this news release are expressed in thousands of United States dollars.

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Work on the dedicated feeder pipeline to be constructed between the Production Facility and the tie-in point on the main export pipeline has started. The Atrush partnership is responsible for construction of the pipeline to the block boundary, which is progressing according to plan. The KRG is responsible for the construction of the section of the pipeline from the block boundary to the tie-in point on the main export pipeline. Originally it was planned to construct a 31 kilometre 12 inch pipeline from the block boundary to KCP2. It is now planned to construct a 12 inch pipeline to the location of a future blending station followed by a 36 inch pipeline. Delays in the commencement of this pipeline project have resulted in first oil being deferred until the fourth quarter of 2016.

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Chris Bruijnzeels, President and CEO of ShaMaran, commented "Progress of the facilities construction is according to plan. Unfortunately, changes in the feeder pipeline scope outside the block boundary will result in a delay to first oil. However, the changed scope should result in increased flexibility of the KRG export pipeline system."

## FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RESULTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2016

During the reporting period the Company continued its appraisal and development campaign in respect of the Atrush petroleum property located in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq which constitutes the continuing operations of the Company. Atrush currently generates no revenues.

### Financial Results

The Company reports a net loss of \$2.8 million in the first quarter of 2016 which was primarily driven by routine general and administrative expenses and expensed borrowing costs on the Company's senior secured bonds.

#### Condensed Interim Statement of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited, expressed in thousands of United States Dollars)

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
<b>Expenses from continuing operations</b>		
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(11)	(16)
Share based payments expense	(76)	(676)
General and administrative expense	(1,302)	(963)
<b>Loss before finance items and income tax expense</b>	<b>(1,389)</b>	<b>(1,655)</b>
Finance income	21	542
Finance cost	(1,402)	(1,346)
<b>Net finance cost</b>	<b>(1,381)</b>	<b>(804)</b>
<b>Loss before income tax expense</b>	<b>(2,770)</b>	<b>(2,459)</b>
Income tax expense	(26)	(27)
<b>Loss from continuing operations</b>	<b>(2,796)</b>	<b>(2,486)</b>
<b>Discontinued operations</b>		
Net loss from discontinued operations	-	(10)
<b>Loss for the period</b>	<b>(2,796)</b>	<b>(2,496)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>		
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>		
Currency translation differences	32	11
<b>Total other comprehensive income</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Total comprehensive loss for the period</b>	<b>(2,764)</b>	<b>(2,485)</b>

**Condensed Interim Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
(Unaudited, expressed in thousands of United States Dollars)

**At March 31, 2016      At December 31, 2015**

**Assets**

**Non-current assets**

Property, plant and equipment	188,823	177,044
Intangible assets	89,477	88,645
	<b>278,300</b>	<b>265,689</b>

**Current assets**

Cash and cash equivalents, unrestricted	18,411	30,409
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted	5,825	1,512
Other current assets	222	200
	<b>24,458</b>	<b>32,121</b>

<b>Total assets</b>	<b>302,758</b>	<b>297,810</b>
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**Liabilities and equity**

**Current liabilities**

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	11,956	9,560
Accrued interest expense on bonds	6,612	2,252
Current tax liabilities	16	31
	<b>18,584</b>	<b>11,843</b>

**Non-current liabilities**

Borrowings	148,416	148,263
Provisions	8,822	8,080
	<b>157,238</b>	<b>156,343</b>

<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>175,822</b>	<b>168,186</b>
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**Equity**

Share capital	593,179	593,179
Share based payments reserve	6,311	6,235
Cumulative translation adjustment	(51)	(83)
Accumulated deficit	(472,503)	(469,707)

<b>Total equity</b>	<b>126,936</b>	<b>129,624</b>
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<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>302,758</b>	<b>297,810</b>
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Total assets increased during the first quarter of 2016 by \$4.9 million which corresponds to an increase in liabilities by \$7.6 million mainly due to an increase in accounts payable, accrued expenses and accrued interest and a decrease in equity by \$2.7 million principally due to the net loss recorded in the period.

Property, plant & equipment assets increased by \$11.8 million during the first three months of 2016 was due to \$9.0 million of Atrush development costs incurred during the period and capitalised borrowing costs of \$2.8 million. The increase in intangible assets by \$0.8 million during the first quarter is due to \$0.4 million of Atrush exploration costs incurred in the period and capitalised borrowing costs of \$0.4 million.

**Condensed Interim Consolidated Cash Flow Statement**  
(Unaudited, expressed in thousands of United States Dollars)

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Net loss from continuing operations	(2,796)	(2,486)
Adjustments for:		
Interest expense on senior secured bonds – net	1,335	1,336
Share based payments expense	76	676
Foreign exchange loss / (gain)	41	(479)
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	26	-
Depreciation and amortisation expense	11	16
Interest income	(21)	(63)
Changes in accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,396	(2,480)
Changes in provisions	-	(76)
Changes in current tax liabilities	(15)	(8)
Changes in other current assets	(22)	1,290
Cash used in discontinued operations	-	(8)
<b>Net cash inflows from / (outflows to) operating activities</b>	<b>1,031</b>	<b>(2,282)</b>
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Interest received on cash deposits	21	63
Purchases of intangible assets	(361)	(16,324)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(8,365)	(1)
<b>Net cash outflows to investing activities</b>	<b>(8,705)</b>	<b>(16,262)</b>
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Shares issued on Rights Offering	-	60,462
Transaction costs on Rights Offering	-	(1,351)
<b>Net cash inflows from financing activities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,111</b>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(11)	487
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(7,685)</b>	<b>41,054</b>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	31,921	57,204
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period</b>	<b>24,236</b>	<b>98,258</b>

The decrease by \$7.7 million in the cash position of the Company during the first three months of 2016 was due to cash outflows of \$8.7 million on Atrush Block development activities, \$1.4 million of cash out on G&A and other cash expenses and \$2.4 million of positive cash adjustments from changes in working capital items.

## **Operating Results**

### *Production Facility and Export Pipeline*

- Construction of the 30,000 bopd Atrush Phase 1 Production Facility (“Production Facility”) is nearing mechanical completion. Commissioning is scheduled to begin in May of 2016. Completion of the production facilities is targeted for mid 2016.
- Work on the dedicated feeder pipeline to be constructed between the Production Facility and the tie-in point on the main export pipeline has started. The Atrush partnership is responsible for construction of the pipeline to the block boundary, which is progressing according to plan. The KRG is responsible for the construction of the section of the pipeline from the block boundary to the tie-in point on the main export pipeline. It is now planned to construct a 12 inch pipeline to the location of a future blending station, followed by a 36 inch pipeline. Delays in the commencement of this pipeline project have resulted in first oil being deferred until the fourth quarter of 2016.

### **Corporate Highlights**

- On February 15, 2016 the Company reported updates to estimated reserves and contingent resources for the Atrush block as of December 31, 2015. Total oil in place is estimated at 1.5 to 2.8 billion barrels, with Total Field Proven plus Probable (“2P”) Reserves on a property gross basis increasing from 61.5 million barrels (“MMbbl”) to 85.1 MMbbl, an increase of 38 percent. Total Field Unrisked Best Estimate Discovered Recoverable Resources (“2P + 2C”)<sup>1</sup> on a property gross basis increased from 372 million barrels oil equivalent (MMboe)<sup>2</sup> to 389 MMboe.
- The Company closed a financing arrangement in early May 2016 (the “Financing Arrangement”) with holders of the \$150 million bonds (the “Senior Bonds”) of General Exploration Partners. Inc. (“GEP”), a wholly owned subsidiary of ShaMaran. The Financing Arrangement provides the Company with additional liquidity in 2016 of approximately \$33 million based on the issuance of \$17 million of additional super senior bonds (\$16.2 million proceeds net of transaction costs) and provides terms for the Company to pay bond coupon interest in kind by issuing additional bonds, including approximately \$17.9 million of 2016 coupon interest. Also under the Financing Arrangement the Company issued 218,863,000 common shares at a deemed price of CAD 0.105 per share to holders of the Senior Bonds who elected to convert Senior Bonds into ShaMaran shares which represented \$18 million of Senior Bonds at face value.

## **OUTLOOK**

The outlook for the remainder of the year 2016 is as follows:

### *Production Facility*

Construction of the 30,000 bopd Atrush Phase 1 Production Facility will continue and commissioning is scheduled to be completed mid 2016.

Engineering and design of water injection facilities is planned to commence in 2016.

### *Oil Export Pipeline*

Construction of the export pipeline has started. The scope of the pipeline has changed downstream of the Atrush Block boundary and it is now planned to consist of an 18 kilometre 12” section to the location of a future blending station and a 16 kilometre 36 inch section to the main export pipeline. First oil is now expected in the fourth quarter of 2016.

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## **Wells**

The Operator plans to complete the AT-2 and AT-4 wells prior to first production. Four producers, all equipped with ESPs, are planned to be available for production at start up.

This will be followed by the drilling and completion of a dedicated water disposal well and the drilling of an appraisal and development well in 2017.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Company also announces that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held on Wednesday, June 15, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. (Vancouver time) at Suite 2000, 885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 3E8.

## **ABOUT SHAMARAN**

Shamaran Petroleum Corp. is a Kurdistan focused oil development and exploration company with a 26.8% direct interest in the Atrush oil discovery until such time that the Kurdistan Regional Government has completed the exercise of its right to acquire up to a 25% interest. The Atrush Block is currently undergoing an appraisal and development campaign.

Shamaran is a Canadian oil and gas company listed on the TSX Venture Exchange and the NASDAQ OMX First North Exchange (Stockholm) under the symbol "SNM". Neither the TSX Venture Exchange nor its Regulation Services Provider (as that term is defined in the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange) accepts responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release. Pareto Securities AB is the Company's Certified Advisor on NASDAQ OMX First North.

The Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements, notes to the financial statements and management's discussion and analysis have been filed on SEDAR ([www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com)) and are also available on the Company's website ([www.shamaranpetroleum.com](http://www.shamaranpetroleum.com)).

## **FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

*This news release contains statements and information about expected or anticipated future events and financial results that are forward-looking in nature and, as a result, are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, such as legal and political risk, civil unrest, general economic, market and business conditions, the regulatory process and actions, technical issues, new legislation, competitive and general economic factors and conditions, the uncertainties resulting from potential delays or changes in plans, the occurrence of unexpected events and management's capacity to execute and implement its future plans. Any statements that are contained in this news release that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking information. Forward-looking information typically contains statements with words such as "may", "will", "should", "expect", "intend", "plan", "anticipate", "believe", "estimate", "projects", "potential", "scheduled", "forecast", "outlook", "budget" or the negative of those terms or similar words suggesting future outcomes. The Company cautions readers regarding the reliance placed by them on forward-looking information as by its nature, it is based on current expectations regarding future events that involve a number of assumptions, inherent risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated by the Company.*

*Actual results may differ materially from those projected by management. Further, any forward-looking information is made only as of a certain date and the Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking information or statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which such statement is made or reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as may be required by applicable securities laws. New factors emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for management of the Company to predict all of these factors and to assess in advance the impact of each such factor on the Company's business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking information.*

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**Shamaran Petroleum Corp**  
**Financial Report (unaudited)**  
**For the three months ended March 31, 2016**

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*The accompanying unaudited interim financial statements of the Company have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the management of the Company.*



**SHAMARAN PETROLEUM CORP.**  
**MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**For the three months ended March 31, 2016**

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Management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") of the financial and operating results of ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. (together with its subsidiaries, "ShaMaran" or the "Company") is prepared with an effective date of May 17, 2016. The MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2016 together with the accompanying notes.

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Unless otherwise stated herein all currency amounts indicated as "\$" in this MD&A are expressed in thousands of United States dollars ("USD").

## **OVERVIEW**

ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. is an oil development and exploration company with a 26.8% direct interest in the Atrush Block production sharing contract ("PSC") relating to a property located in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq ("Kurdistan")<sup>1</sup>. Atrush is currently in the pre-production stage of the first phase of the development program ("Phase 1"). Phase 1 of field development consists of installing and commissioning production facilities with 30,000 barrels of oil per day ("bopd") capacity and the drilling and completion of five production wells to supply the production facility. The oil discovery on the Atrush petroleum property is continuously being appraised.

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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

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<sup>1</sup> The Kurdistan Regional Government ("KRG") holds a right under the Atrush Block PSC to acquire up to a 25% undivided interest in the PSC.

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## **OPERATIONS**

ShaMaran, through its wholly owned subsidiary, General Exploration Partners, Inc., holds a 26.8% direct interest in the Atrush Block PSC. TAQA Atrush B.V. (“TAQA”), a subsidiary of Abu Dhabi National Energy Company PJSC, is the Operator of the Atrush Block with a 53.2% direct interest, Marathon Oil KDV B.V. (“MOKDV”) holds a 20% direct interest. GEP, MOKDV and TAQA together are “the Contractors” to the PSC.

The Atrush Block PSC relates to a petroleum property located in Kurdistan in the northern extension of the Zagros Folded Belt and adjacent to several major oil discoveries.

The Atrush field was discovered in 2011 and a Phase 1 development plan was approved in October 2013, which consists of installing and commissioning production facilities with 30,000 bopd capacity and the drilling and completion of production wells to supply the Production Facility. To date four Phase 1 production wells have been drilled and tested, and a further two appraisal wells have been drilled and tested with the objective of further delineating the field towards the east. Good reservoir communication has been proven between the east and the west part of the field.

### **Ownership and Principal PSC Terms**

In August 2010 the Company acquired a 33.5% shareholding in GEP which then held an 80% working interest in the Atrush Block PSC, with the remaining 20% third party interest (“TPI”) being held by the KRG. In October 2010 MOKDV was assigned the 20% TPI in the PSC. On December 31, 2012 GEP sold a 53.2% direct interest in the Atrush Block to TAQA, who also assumed from GEP the Operatorship of the Block, and repurchased the entire 66.5% shareholding which Aspect Energy International LLC (“Aspect”) held in GEP, leaving the Company with a 100% shareholding interest in GEP and a 26.8% direct interest in the PSC.

Fiscal terms under the PSC include a 10% royalty and a variable profit split based on a percentage share to the KRG. GEP has the right to recover costs using up to 40% of the available oil (produced oil less royalty oil) and 55% of the produced gas. The Contractor Group is entitled to cost recovery in respect of all costs and expenditures incurred for exploration, development, production and decommissioning operations, as well as certain other allowable direct and indirect costs.

The portion of profit oil available to the Contractors is based on a sliding scale from 32% to 16% depending on the “R-Factor”, which is a ratio of cumulative revenues to cumulative costs. When the ratio is below one, the Contractor Group is entitled to 32% of profit oil, with a reducing scale to 16% when the ratio is greater than 2.75. In respect of gas, the sliding scale is from 40% to 22%.

Under the terms of the PSC the KRG has the option of participating as a Contractor Entity with an undivided interest in the petroleum operations and all the other rights, duties, obligations and liabilities of the Contractor in the PSC, of up to 25% and not less than 5%. Upon exercise of this option the government becomes liable for its share of the petroleum costs incurred on or after the first commercial declaration date.

On March 12, 2013 the KRG communicated its intention to exercise a right to acquire an interest in the Atrush Block PSC in accordance with the terms of the PSC. At the date of this MD&A discussions between the Contractors and the KRG to effect the exercise of the right were in progress but the process of exercising the right was not complete.

## **Current Operations**

### ***Production Facility and Pipeline***

*30,000 bopd Atrush Phase 1 Production Facility:* Construction of the Production Facility is in progress and nearing mechanical completion. Commissioning is scheduled to begin in May of 2016. Completion of the production facilities is targeted for mid-2016.

*Atrush Feeder Pipeline:* Construction of a dedicated feeder pipeline between the Production Facilities and the tie-in point on the main export pipeline at Kurdistan Crude Pipeline pumping station #2 ("KCP2") at kilometre 92 has started. The Atrush partnership is responsible for the construction of a pump station, an intermediate pigging and pressure reduction station ("IPPR"), a 6 kilometre 10 inch section from the Production Facilities crossing the Chiya Khere mountain to the IPPR, followed by a 2 kilometre 12 inch section to the Atrush block boundary. The KRG is responsible for the construction of the section of the pipeline from the block boundary to the tie-in point on the main export pipeline. Originally it was planned to construct a 31 kilometre 12 inch pipeline from the block boundary to KCP2. Recently the scope has changed to a 14 kilometre 12 inch pipeline to the location of a future blending station followed by a 17 kilometre 36 inch pipeline to KCP2. Delays in the commencement of this pipeline project have resulted in first oil being deferred until the fourth quarter of 2016.

### ***Development Wells***

The Operator plans to complete the previously tested Atrush-2 ("AT-2") and Atrush-4 ("AT-4") wells in June and July 2016 prior to first production. All four wells are to be connected to the Production Facility and ready for production prior to start-up. This will be followed by drilling of the Chiya Khere-7 ("CK-7") development well and the Chiya Khere-9 ("CK-9") water disposal well, currently scheduled for 2017.

### **Location and Operational History**

The Atrush Block is located approximately 85 kilometres northwest of Erbil, the capital of Kurdistan, and is 269 square kilometres in area. Oil has been proven in Jurassic fractured carbonates in the Chiya Khere structure and is estimated to contain between 1.5 and 2.8 billion barrels of oil in place. The structure is expressed at surface by the Chiya Khere mountain, which runs east-west for approximately 25 kilometres with an approximate width of 3.5 kilometres.

In the year 2008 GEP acquired 143 kilometres of 2D seismic data covering the Atrush Block. In April 2011 the Atrush structure was confirmed as an oil discovery by the Atrush-1 ("AT-1") exploration well. This was followed by the AT-2 appraisal well in July 2012. 3D seismic covering the entire Atrush Block was acquired between July 2011 and August 2012 and a Declaration of Commerciality made on November 7, 2012. The eastern part of the field was successfully appraised in June 2013 by the AT-3 well.

The AT-2 appraisal well was drilled to a depth of 1,750 metres below the base of Jurassic reservoir section, which was reached in July 2012. The Company announced on September 13, 2012 the results of the comprehensive AT-2 well testing program which confirmed through three separate DSTs the AT-1 Jurassic oil discovery. Individual test rates for the three Jurassic DSTs, constrained by surface testing equipment, were over 10,000 bopd (approximately 27 degree API) and confirmed the significant potential for production from the highly fractured Jurassic reservoir. An additional two DSTs conducted in two deeper Jurassic formations confirmed them to be oil bearing and productive, with test rates limited by gas lift. GEP submitted in October 2012 to the Ministry of Natural Resources ("MNR") of Kurdistan an AT-2 Discovery Report giving notice of the additional discovery formations in the lower part of the Jurassic.

On November 7, 2012 GEP and MOKDV, collectively being the Contractor under the Atrush Block PSC at that time, submitted to the Atrush Block Management Committee a Declaration of Commercial Discovery ("DCD") with effect from November 7, 2012 under Clause 12.6 (a) of the PSC. The DCD was submitted together with an Appraisal Report covering the Atrush field.

The AT-3 eastern area appraisal well was spudded on March 25, 2013 and, after a top hole sidetrack due to mechanical issues, the well was drilled to a measured depth of 1,806 metres which was reached on June 23, 2013. The well encountered an estimated oil column of 286 metres in the Jurassic reservoir and successfully extended the Atrush accumulation 6.5 kilometres further to the east, while proving producible oil 180 metres deeper than previous wells thereby reducing the uncertainty on the Oil Water Contact/Free Water Level. AT-3 was suspended pending the planned re-entry and successful retest in January 2015.

In June 2013 an interference test was conducted between AT-1 and AT-2. The wells, which are 3.1 kilometres apart, confirmed excellent pressure communication and multi Darcy horizontal permeability through the fracture system in the Jurassic reservoir. This reservoir connectivity was further confirmed, as announced by the Company in February 2015, by pressure communication between the tested Chiya Khere-6 ("CK-6") and AT-3 wells and the AT-2 well, over a distance of 6.5 kilometres, demonstrating that the eastern appraisal area is in pressure communication with the Phase 1 development area.

The Atrush Block Field Development Plan ("FDP") was submitted for approval to the KRG on May 6, 2013, in accordance with the terms of the PSC within 180 days after the DCD made on November 7, 2012. The FDP was presented in detail to the MNR in June 2013. Phase 1 of the FDP was duly approved with an effective date October 1, 2013.

On October 7, 2013 the Company announced that Phase 1 of the FDP for the Atrush Block had been approved by the KRG. The initial 20-year Development Phase (as defined in Clause 12.9 of the PSC) commenced on the October 1, 2013.

Following submission of the FDP the AT-1 discovery well was determined to be unsuitable for long-term production and was plugged and abandoned in October 2013.

In 2014 three development wells were drilled. The AT-4 well was drilled up-dip towards the undrilled crest of the structure from the AT-1 drilling site and tested 27-28 API oil at a combined rate of 9,059 bopd from two of the intervals tested. The Chiya Khere-5 well ("CK-5") was deviated from the same Chamanke-A well pad with the bottom hole location in the Butmah formation approximately 870 metres west southwest of the surface location, penetrating a gross vertical oil column of approximately 540 metres. Chiya Khere-8 ("CK-8") was also drilled from the same well pad and found the reservoir much higher than expected some 1.4 kilometres east southeast of the surface location. CK-5 and CK-8 were suspended awaiting testing in 2015.

In 2014 CK-6, an eastern area appraisal well, was drilled from the Chamanke-C well pad and reached the Jurassic reservoir approximately 139 metres structurally higher than the nearby AT-3 well, approximately 600 metres South-southeast of the surface location. Three well tests were conducted, showing excellent reservoir quality and demonstrating producible oil as deep as -460mSL, nearly 200m deeper than the equivalent interval that successfully tested the higher viscosity oil in the AT-2 well.

In 2015, the CK-5 and CK-8 development wells were successfully tested and completed. The CK-5 well tested 3 separate intervals at a combined rate of 7,350 bopd. The CK-8 well tested 2 intervals at a combined rate of 8,400 bopd.

In 2015, the AT-3 eastern appraisal well was re-entered and tested at a maximum oil rate of 4,900 bopd comingled from two intervals.

## SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following is a summary of selected quarterly financial information for the Company:

(In \$000, except per share data)

	For the quarter ended							
	Mar 31	Dec 31	Sep 30	Jun 30	Mar 31	Dec 31	Sep 30	Jun 30
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>Continuing operations</b>								
Impairment loss	-	(244,557)	-	-	-	-	-	-
General and admin. expense	(1,302)	(460)	(384)	(552)	(963)	(376)	(154)	(462)
Share based payments expense	(76)	(172)	(186)	(176)	(676)	(48)	(51)	(61)
Depreciation and amortisation	(11)	(11)	(13)	(16)	(16)	(15)	(14)	(13)
Finance cost	(1,402)	(1,328)	(1,331)	(1,370)	(1,346)	(1,326)	(1,326)	(1,309)
Finance income	21	47	88	58	542	37	64	26
Income tax expense	(26)	(10)	(23)	(34)	(27)	(25)	(29)	(23)
Net loss from continuing ops.	(2,796)	(246,491)	(1,849)	(2,090)	(2,486)	(1,753)	(1,510)	(1,842)
<b>Discontinued operations</b>								
Gain on release of excess provision	-	-	46	-	-	228	-	-
(Expense) / income	-	1	-	(4)	(10)	2	(1)	(1)
Net income / (loss) from discontinued ops.	-	1	46	(4)	(10)	230	(1)	(1)
<b>Net loss</b>	(2,796)	(246,490)	(1,803)	(2,094)	(2,496)	(1,523)	(1,511)	(1,843)
 Basic income in \$ per share:								
Continuing operations	-	(0.17)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	(0.17)	-	-	-	-	-	-
 Diluted income in \$ per share:								
Continuing operations	-	(0.17)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	(0.17)	-	-	-	-	-	-

## Summary of Principal Changes in the First Quarter Financial Information

In the first quarter of 2016 work on the Atrush Block development program continued. The net loss was primarily driven by general and administrative expenses, share based payments expense and finance cost, the substantial portion of which was expensed borrowing costs on the Company's senior secured bonds. These expenses have been slightly offset by interest income on interest bearing funds.

## Results of Continuing Operations

The Company's continuing operations are comprised of the Phase 1 development program on the Atrush Block petroleum property which are currently in the pre-production stages and generate no revenue. The expenses and income items of continuing operations are explained in detail as follows:

**General and administrative expense***In \$000*

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Salaries and benefits	856	1,286
Management and consulting fees	142	307
Legal, accounting and audit fees	131	99
General and other office expenses	85	110
Listing costs and investor relations	66	98
Travel expenses	22	126
General and administrative expense incurred	1,302	2,026
General and administrative expense capitalised as E&E assets	-	(1,063)
General and administrative expense	1,302	963

The Company capitalises as exploration and evaluation ("E&E") assets general and administrative expenses supporting E&E activities which relate to direct interest held in the Atrush PSC.

The lower general and administrative expense incurred in the first three months of 2016 relative to the amount incurred in comparative period of 2015 was principally due to employee termination expenses associated with the change in executive management in January 2015, additional consulting and travel activities relating to the Atrush project and to general business development, and increased travel in connection with the Rights Offering which closed in February 2015. There were no general and administrative expenses capitalised in the first quarter of 2016 because there were no significant E&E activities during this time.

**Share based payments expense***In \$000*

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Share based payments expense	76	676

The share based payments expense results from the vesting of stock options granted in the year 2015. No stock options were granted in the three months ended March 31, 2016 (year 2015: 26,000,000). The Company uses the fair value method of accounting for stock options granted to directors, officers, employees and consultants whereby the fair value of all stock options granted is recorded as a charge to operations. The fair value of common share options granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model.

**Depreciation and amortisation expense***In \$000*

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Depreciation and amortisation expense	11	16

Depreciation and amortisation expense corresponds to cost of use of the furniture and IT equipment at the Company's technical and administrative offices located in Switzerland and Kurdistan.

**Finance income***In \$000*

	For the period ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Interest Income	21	63
Foreign exchange gain	-	479
Total finance income	21	542

Interest income represents bank interest earned on cash and investments held in interest bearing funds. The decrease in interest income reported in the three months ended March 31, 2016 relative to the amount reported in 2015 is due to a lower level of interest bearing funds held in 2016.

**Finance cost***In \$000*

	<b>For the three months ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Interest charges on bonds at coupon rate	4,360	4,360
Amortisation of bond related transaction costs	153	153
Interest expense on borrowings	4,513	4,513
Foreign exchange loss	41	-
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	26	10
Total finance costs before borrowing costs capitalised	4,580	4,523
Borrowing costs capitalised as E&E and PP&E assets	(3,178)	(3,177)
Total finance costs	1,402	1,346

General and specific borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of qualifying assets are capitalised together with the qualifying assets. All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred. During the first three months of 2016 the Company incurred interest expense relating to its \$150 million of senior secured bonds which carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon interest rate.

The foreign exchange loss in the first three months of 2016 resulted primarily from holding net assets denominated in Canadian dollars while the CAD weakened during the period against the United States dollar, the reporting currency of the Company.

**Income tax expense***In \$000*

	<b>For the three months ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Income tax expense	26	27

Income tax expense relates to provisions for income taxes on service income generated in Switzerland which is determined on the basis of costs incurred in procuring the services. The tax expense is comparable to the tax expense reported in the prior period for the previous year.

**Results of Discontinued Operations**

The main components of discontinued operations are explained as follows:

**Expenses***In \$000*

	<b>For the three months ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Legal, accounting and audit fees	-	9
General and other office expenses	-	1
Total expenses	-	10

During the year 2015 the Company completed the windup of Summit Energy Company LLC, which was the lone remaining United States based operational subsidiary of the Company. The professional and general fees which the Company incurred in the first three months of 2015 were related to the windup of its United States based operational subsidiary.

### Capital Expenditures on Property Plant & Equipment Assets

The net book value of oil and gas assets at March 31, 2016 are comprised of development costs related to the Company's share of Atrush Block proved and probable reserves as estimated by McDaniel & Associates Consultants Ltd. ("McDaniel")(the "Atrush 2P reserves"). These costs are not subject to depletion until commencement of commercial production. The movements in PP&E are explained as follows:

*In \$000*

	For the three months ended March 31, 2016	For the year ended December 31, 2015
Opening net book value	177,044	172
Additions	11,785	11,033
Transfer from intangible E&E	-	410,472
Exchange differences	1	1
Impairment loss	-	(244,557)
Depreciation charge	(7)	(77)
Ending net book value	188,823	177,044

During the three month period ended March 31, 2016 the Company capitalised to oil and gas assets borrowing costs totalling \$2.8 million (2015: \$1.0 million).

In November 2015 an engineering, procurement and construction contract for a crude oil pipeline to be constructed within the Atrush Block was signed by TAQA and a KRG-approved pipeline contractor. The Company determined that this event was sufficient to demonstrate the technical and commercial feasibility of its proved and probable reserves. Accordingly, \$410.5 million of costs related to the Atrush 2P reserves were transferred from intangible assets to PP&E in 2015.

Due to a significant decline in world oil prices in the year 2015 the Company conducted an impairment test to assess if the net book value of its oil and gas assets was recoverable. The impairment test was based on McDaniel's production and cost profiles related to Atrush 2P reserves and calculated the net present value at December 31, 2015 of the Company's projected share of future cash flows of the Atrush 2P reserves to determine a recoverable value of \$177 million. Therefore a non-cash impairment loss of the Company's oil and gas assets was recognized in the amount of \$244.6 million and included in the statement of comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2015.

### Capital Expenditures on Exploration and Evaluation Assets

The net book value of E&E assets at March 31, 2016 represents Atrush Block exploration and appraisal costs related to the Company's share of Atrush Block contingent resources as estimated by McDaniel. The movements in E&E are explained as follows:

*In \$000*

	For the three months ended March 31, 2016	For the year ended December 31, 2015
Opening net book value	88,645	429,277
Additions	834	69,852
Exchange differences	2	-
Depreciation charge	(4)	(12)
Transfer to PP&E	-	(410,472)
Ending net book value	89,477	88,645

During the three months ended March 31, 2016 the Company capitalised to E&E borrowing costs totalling \$0.4 million (2015: \$11.5 million).

The additions to E&E assets during the year 2015 of \$69.8 million were comprised of \$55.7 million in Atrush field exploration and appraisal costs, \$11.5 million of capitalised borrowing costs and general and administrative costs relating to Atrush Block E&E activities totalling \$2.6 million. In November 2015 \$410.5 million of costs related to Atrush 2P reserves were transferred from intangible assets to PP&E.



## Borrowings

At March 31, 2016 GEP had outstanding \$150 million of senior secured bonds ("Senior Bonds") which were listed in May 2014 on the Oslo Børs in Norway under the symbol "GEP01". The Senior Bonds have a five year maturity from their issuance date of November 13, 2013, carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon and were used to fund capital expenditures related to the development of the Atrush Block. The movements in borrowings are explained as follows:

*In \$000*

	For the three months ended March 31, 2016	For the year ended December 31, 2015
<b>Opening balance</b>	<b>150,515</b>	<b>149,909</b>
Interest charges on Senior Bonds at coupon rate	4,360	17,250
Amortisation of Senior Bond related transaction costs	153	606
Interest payments to bondholders	-	(17,250)
<b>Ending balance</b>	<b>155,028</b>	<b>150,515</b>
- Current portion: accrued interest expense on Senior Bonds	6,612	2,252
- Non-current portion: borrowings	148,416	148,263

The remaining contractual obligations comprising repayment of principal and interest expense under the Senior Bonds agreement, based on undiscounted cash flows at payment date and assuming the bonds are not early redeemed, are as follows:

	At March 31, 2016	At December 31, 2015
Less than one year	17,250	17,250
Between two and three years	182,916	182,763
<b>Total</b>	<b>200,166</b>	<b>200,013</b>

## Financing Arrangement – May 2016

In early May 2016 the Company completed a financing arrangement (the "Financing Arrangement") with holders of GEP's Senior Bonds (the "Existing Bondholders") which provides the Company with additional liquidity in 2016 of approximately \$33 million. The principal terms of the Financing Arrangement are:

- On May 3, 2016 GEP issued new \$17 million super senior bonds ("Super Senior Bonds") resulting in \$16.2 million in proceeds net of transaction costs. The Super Senior Bonds are based on the same agreement as the Senior Bonds with the same maturity date of November 13, 2018 and an 11.5% coupon interest payable semi-annually. GEP has the option to pay the coupon interest on the Super Senior Bonds in cash or in kind by issuing new bonds ("PIK Bonds"). ShaMaran's major shareholders, Lorito Holdings SARL and Zebra Holdings and Investments SARL, companies owned by the Lundin Family Trust, have subscribed for \$15.3 million of the Super Senior Bonds in accordance with the terms of their agreement with GEP to underwrite the Super Senior Bonds.
- On May 12, 2016 ShaMaran completed the issue of a total of 218,863,000 of its common shares to Existing Bondholders who elected to convert to shares a total of \$18 million in Senior Bonds at face value. The shares were issued at CAD 0.105 which was closing share price on the TSX Venture exchange on the day prior to when the Existing Bondholders approved the offer on April 19, 2016.
- The bond agreement for the Senior Bonds has been amended so that (a) the 2016 coupon interest (\$17.3 million before considering the conversion in 2 above) is settled by issuing new PIK Bonds; (b) GEP has the option to pay in cash or in kind (by issuing new PIK Bonds) the post 2016 coupon interest; and (c) certain waivers and amendments are made to the terms of the Senior Bonds including the subordination of Senior Bonds' security to the Super Senior Bonds' security and the replacement of the book equity ratio maintenance covenant with certain debt incurrence tests described below.

## Debt Incurrence Tests

In accordance with the amended terms of GEP's Senior Bonds' agreement and the Super Senior Bonds' agreement ShaMaran is required to be in compliance with certain debt incurrence tests as follows:

- upon incurrence of any new financial indebtedness, other than certain permitted financial indebtedness as described in the Super Senior Bond agreement, then ShaMaran's Book Equity Ratio, which is defined as shareholders' equity divided by total assets, shall be minimum 30% immediately thereafter, and

2. members of the Group (other than GEP which is not allowed to do so) may not enter into an agreement to make any acquisitions, merger or any other transactions involving another party being consolidated into the Group's accounts, unless such other party has a minimum 30% Book Equity Ratio prior to such transaction taking place.

### **Security**

Following the amendment to the Senior Bond agreement the security previously held for the Senior Bonds will become a joint security with the new Super Senior Bonds on first rank and the Senior Bonds on second rank until the Super Senior Bond is repaid in full.

The bonds include an unconditional and irrevocable on-demand guarantee on a joint and several basis from the Company and certain of the Company's direct and indirect subsidiaries and, among other arrangements, agreements which pledge all of the ordinary shares of GEP and the Company's Swiss service subsidiary, ShaMaran Services SA, as security for GEP's bond related obligations, as well as an internal credit facility agreement among the Company and certain of its subsidiaries setting out the terms and conditions for intra-group credit to be made available amongst the parties.

Under the terms of both bond agreements all bond proceeds are held in accounts pledged to the bond trustee as security and may be accessed by the Company on prior authorisation of the bond trustee provided the proceeds are to be employed for prescribed purposes, most notably to fund the financing, development and operation of the Atrush Block and to fund technical, management and administrative services of ShaMaran's subsidiary companies up to \$6 million per year over the term of the bonds. Of the Company's \$24.2 million of total cash and cash equivalents at March 31, 2016 (2015: \$98.3 million) \$5.8 million was held in accounts pledged to the bond trustee (2015: \$22 million).

### **LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**

Working capital at March 31, 2016 was \$5.9 million compared to \$80.2 million at March 31, 2015.

The overall cash position of the Company decreased by \$7.7 million during the first three months of 2016 compared to an increase in cash of \$41 million during the comparative period of 2015. The main components of the movement in funds are discussed in the following paragraphs.

The operating activities of the Company during the first quarter of 2016 resulted in an increase in the cash position of \$1.0 million compared to a decrease of \$2.3 million in the cash position during the comparable period of 2015. The increase in the cash position in the first quarter of 2016 is explained by a net loss of \$2.8 million, which was offset by \$3.8 million of net positive cash adjustments from working capital items and non-cash expenses.

Net cash outflows to investing activities in the first three months of 2016 were \$8.7 million compared to cash outflows in the amount of \$16.3 million in the comparable period of the year 2015. Substantially all of the cash outflows to investing activities in the first three months of 2016 relate to investment in the Atrush Block development work program.

There were no net cash inflows from financing activities in the first three months of 2016, compared to \$59.1 million in the comparable period in 2015. The 2015 cash inflows relate to the rights offering that was completed in the first quarter of 2015.

In the absence of production revenues, the Company is currently dependent upon its existing financial resources to satisfy its obligations and finance its appraisal and development program in Kurdistan. At March 31, 2016 ShaMaran held \$24.2 million of cash and cash equivalents and in May 2016 obtained an additional \$16.2 million of funds on the issuance of new bonds by GEP as well as the right to pay future bond interest through the issuance of additional bonds which creates \$17.3 million of additional liquidity in 2016. The Company believes that based on the forecasts and projections they have prepared and potential financing initiatives which will be pursued as required the Company will have the resources sufficient to satisfy its contractual obligations and commitments over the next 12 months and to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future. Nevertheless the possibility remains that the Company's operations and current and future financial resources could be significantly affected by adverse exploration and appraisal results, geopolitical events in the region, macroeconomic conditions or other risks, including uncertainty surrounding oil production forecasted to commence in the fourth quarter of 2016 and the level of project development costs that the Company may be required to fund. The potential that the Company's financial resources are insufficient to fund its appraisal, development and production activities for the next 12 months, particularly in case there are unforeseen delays in oil production or receipt of funds from oil sales, indicates a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt over the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

## OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA AND STOCK OPTIONS

At March 31, 2016 the Company had 1,579,768,534 shares outstanding (December 31, 2015: 1,579,768,534). As a result of issuing 218,863,000 ShaMaran common shares in early May 2016 in exchange for settling \$18 million of GEP's Senior Bonds the Company had 1,798,631,534 outstanding shares on the date of this MD&A.

At March 31, 2016 there were 28,190,000 stock options outstanding under the Company's employee incentive stock option plan, there is no change from the stock options outstanding at December 31, 2015. No stock options were forfeited or exercised in the first three months of 2016 (2015: nil). There has been no further movement in stock options from March 31, 2016 to the date of this MD&A.

The Company has no warrants outstanding.

## OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements.

## RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

*In \$000*

	Purchases of services for the three months ended		Amounts owing at the reporting dates,	
	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Lundin Petroleum AB	95	129	34	40
Namdo Management Services Ltd.	43	87	41	9
McCullough O'Connor Irwin LLP	20	7	19	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>51</b>

The Company receives services from various subsidiary companies of Lundin Petroleum AB ("Lundin"), a shareholder of the Company. Lundin charges during the three months ended March 31, 2016 of \$95 (2015: \$129) were comprised of technical service costs of \$2 (2015: \$16), investor relations services of \$7 (2015: \$7), reimbursement for Company travel and related expenses of \$nil (2015: \$14), office rental, administrative and building services of \$86 (2015: \$92).

Namdo Management Services Ltd. is a private corporation affiliated with a shareholder of the Company and has provided corporate administrative support and investor relations services to the Company.

McCullough O'Connor Irwin LLP is a law firm in which an officer of the Company is a partner and has provided legal services to the Company.

All transactions with related parties are in the normal course of business and are made on the same terms and conditions as with parties at arm's length.

Also refer to the discussion under the "Borrowings" section above.

## COMMITMENTS

### Atrush Block Production Sharing Contract

ShaMaran holds a 26.8% direct interest in the Atrush Block PSC through GEP. TAQA is the Operator with a 53.2% direct interest and MOKDV holds a 20% direct interest.

On March 12, 2013 the KRG communicated its intention to exercise a right to acquire an interest in the Atrush Block PSC in accordance with the terms of the PSC. At the date of this MD&A discussions between the Contractors and the KRG to effect the exercise of the right were in progress but the process of exercising the right was not complete. Under the terms of the Atrush Block PSC, upon the exercise of the right the KRG would assume up to a 25% undivided interest in the petroleum operations and all the other rights, duties, obligations and liabilities of the Contractors from the date the block has first been declared commercially viable.

Under the terms of the PSC the development period is for 20 years with an automatic right to a five year extension and the possibility to extend for an additional five years. All qualifying petroleum costs incurred by the Contractors shall be recovered from a portion of available petroleum production, defined under the terms of the PSC. All modifications to the PSC are subject to the approval of the KRG. The Company is responsible for its pro-rata share of the costs incurred in executing the development work program on the Atrush Block which commenced on October 1, 2013.

As at March 31, 2016 the outstanding commitments of the Company were as follows:

<i>In \$000</i>	For the year ended March 31,				Total
	2017	2018	2019	Thereafter	
Atrush Block development and PSC	49,588	160	160	2,414	52,322
Office and other	60	-	-	-	60
<b>Total commitments</b>	<b>49,648</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>2,414</b>	<b>52,382</b>

Amounts relating to the Atrush Block represent the Company's unfunded share of the approved work program and other obligations under the Atrush Block PSC.

## PROPOSED TRANSACTIONS

In early May 2016 the Company completed the Financing Arrangement with holders of GEP's Senior Bonds which provides the Company with additional liquidity in 2016 of approximately \$33 million. Refer also to the discussion under the "Borrowings" section above.

The company had no other transactions pending at the date of this MD&A.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Accounting Estimates

The consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared by management using IFRS. In preparing financial statements, management makes informed judgments and estimates that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Specifically, estimates are utilised in calculating depletion, asset retirement obligations, fair values of assets on acquisition of control, share-based payments, amortisation and impairment write-downs. Actual results could differ from these estimates and differences could be material.

## **New Accounting Standards**

There are no IFRS or interpretations that have been issued effective for financial years beginning on or after January 1, 2016 that would have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

## **Accounting Standards Issued But Not Yet Applied**

Standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective up to the date of issuance of the financial statements are listed below.

*IFRS 9: Financial Instruments - Classification and Measurement*, addresses the classification, measurement and recognition of financial assets and financial liabilities. IFRS 9 was issued in November 2009 and amended in October 2010. It replaces the parts of IAS 39 that relate to the classification and measurement of financial instruments. IFRS 9 requires financial assets to be classified into two measurement categories: those measured at fair value and those measured at amortised cost. The determination is made at initial recognition. The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing its financial instruments and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the instrument. For financial liabilities, the standard retains most of the IAS 39 requirements. The main change is that, in cases where the fair value option is taken for financial liabilities, the part of a fair value change due to an entity's own credit risk is recorded in other comprehensive income rather than in net earnings, unless this creates an accounting mismatch. The new standard will be effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018. The Company is in the process of assessing the full impact of IFRS 9 and intends to adopt IFRS 9 no later than the accounting period beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

*IFRS 15: Revenue from contracts with customers* is the new standard which replaces IAS 18 Revenue and IAS 11 Construction Contracts and provides a five step framework for application to customer contracts; identification of customer contract, identification of the contract performance obligations, determination of the contract price, allocation of the contract price to the contract performance obligations, and revenue recognition as performance obligations are satisfied. A new requirement where revenue is variable stipulates that revenue may only be recognised to the extent that it is highly probable that significant reversal of revenue will not occur. The new standard will be effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2017. The Company is in the process of assessing the full impact of IFRS 15 and intends to adopt IFRS 15 no later than the accounting period beginning on or after January 1, 2017.

## **Accounting for Oil and Gas Operations**

The Company follows the successful efforts method of accounting for its oil and gas operations. Under this method acquisition costs of oil and gas properties, costs to drill and equip exploratory and appraisal wells that are likely to result in proved reserves and costs of drilling and equipping development wells are capitalised and subject to annual impairment testing.

Exploration well costs are initially capitalised and, if subsequently determined to have not found sufficient reserves to justify commercial production, are charged to exploration expense. Exploration well costs that have found sufficient reserves to justify commercial production, but whose reserves cannot be classified as proved, continue to be capitalised as long as sufficient progress is being made to assess the reserves and economic viability of the well and or related project.

Capitalised costs of proved oil and gas properties are depleted using the unit of production method based on estimated gross proved and probable reserves of petroleum and natural gas as determined by independent engineers. Successful exploratory wells and development costs and acquired resource properties are depleted over proved and probable reserves. Acquisition costs of unproved reserves are not depleted or amortised while under active evaluation for commercial reserves. Costs associated with significant development projects are depleted once commercial production commences. A revision to the estimate of proved and probable reserves can have a significant impact on earnings as they are a key component in the calculation of depreciation, depletion and accretion.

Producing properties and significant unproved properties are assessed annually, or more frequently as economic events dictate, for potential indicators of impairment. Economic events which would indicate impairment include:

- The period for which the Company has the right to explore in the specific area has expired during the period or will expire in the near future and is not expected to be renewed.

- Substantive expenditure on further exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources in the specific area is neither budgeted nor planned.
- Exploration for and evaluation of resources in the specific area have not led to the discovery of commercially viable quantities of mineral resources and the Company has decided to discontinue such activities in the specific area.
- Sufficient data exist to indicate that, although a development in the specific area is likely to proceed, the carrying amounts of E&E and oil and gas assets is unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or by sale.
- Extended decreases in prices or margins for oil and gas commodities or products.
- A significant downwards revision in estimated volumes or an upward revision in future development costs.

For the purpose of impairment testing the assets are aggregated into cash generating unit ("CGU") cost pools based on their ability to generate largely independent cash flows. The recoverable amount of a CGU is the greater of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. Fair value is determined to be the amount for which the asset could be sold in an arm's length transaction. Value in use is determined by estimating the present value of the future net cash flows expected to be derived from the continued use of the asset or CGU.

Where conditions giving rise to the impairment subsequently reverse the effect of the impairment charge is also reversed as a credit to the statement of comprehensive income net of any depreciation that would have been charged since the impairment.

A substantial portion of the Company's exploration and development activities are conducted jointly with others.

There were no changes in the first three months of 2016 to the reserves and resource estimates previously reported by the Company as at December 31, 2015.

**Risks in estimating resources:** There are a number of uncertainties inherent in estimating the quantities of reserves and resources including factors which are beyond the control of the Company. Estimating reserves and resources is a subjective process and the results of drilling, testing, production and other new data subsequent to the date of an estimate may result in revisions to original estimates.

Reservoir parameters may vary within reservoir sections. The degree of uncertainty in reservoir parameters used to estimate the volume of hydrocarbons, such as porosity, net pay and water saturation, may vary. The type of formation within a reservoir section, including rock type and proportion of matrix and or fracture porosity, may vary laterally and the degree of reliability of these parameters as representative of the whole reservoir may be proportional to the overall number of data points (wells) and the quality of the data collected. Reservoir parameters such as permeability and effectiveness of pressure support may affect the recovery process. Recovery of reserves and resources may also be affected by the availability and quality of water, fuel gas, technical services and support, local operating conditions, security, performance of the operating company and the continued operation of well and plant equipment.

Additional risks associated with estimates of reserves and resources include risks associated with the oil and gas industry in general which include normal operational risks during drilling activity, development and production; delays or changes in plans for development projects or capital expenditures; the uncertainty of estimates and projections related to production, costs and expenses; health, safety, security and environmental risks; drilling equipment availability and efficiency; the ability to attract and retain key personnel; the risk of commodity price and foreign exchange rate fluctuations; the uncertainty associated with dealing with governments and obtaining regulatory approvals; performance and conduct of the Operator; and risks associated with international operations.

The Company's project is in the appraisal and development stages and, as such, additional information must be obtained by further appraisal drilling and testing to ultimately determine the economic viability of developing any of the contingent or prospective resources. There is no certainty that the Company will be able to commercially produce any portion of its contingent or prospective resources. Any significant change, in particular, if the volumetric resource estimates were to be materially revised downwards in the future, could negatively impact investor confidence and ultimately impact the Company's performance, share price and total market capitalisation.

The Company has engaged professional geologists and engineers to evaluate reservoir and development plans; however, process implementation risk remains. The Company's reserves and resource estimations are based on data obtained by the Company which has been independently evaluated by McDaniel & Associates Consultants Ltd.

## FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company's financial instruments currently consist of cash, cash equivalents, advances to joint operations, other receivables, borrowings, accounts payable and accrued expenses, accrued interest on bonds, provisions for decommissioning costs, and current tax liabilities. The Company classifies its financial assets and liabilities at initial recognition in the following categories:

- Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are those assets and liabilities acquired principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the short-term and are recognised at fair value. Transaction costs are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income and gains or losses arising from changes in fair value are also presented in the statement of comprehensive income within other gains and losses in the period in which they arise. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are classified as current except for the portion expected to be realised or paid beyond twelve months of the balance sheet date, which is classified as non-current.
- Loans and receivables comprise of other receivables and cash and cash equivalents and are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted on an active market and are generally included within current assets due to their short-term nature. Loans and receivables are initially recognised at fair value and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any provision for impairment.
- Financial liabilities at amortised cost comprise of trade and other payables and are initially recognised at the fair value of the amount expected to be paid and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Financial liabilities are classified as current liabilities unless the Company has an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the balance sheet date.

With the exception of borrowings, accrued interest on bonds and provisions for decommissioning costs, which have fair value measurements based on valuation models and techniques where the significant inputs are derived from quoted prices or indices, the fair values of the Company's other financial instruments did not require valuation techniques to establish fair values as the instrument was either cash and cash equivalents or, due to the short term nature, readily convertible to or settled with cash and cash equivalents.

The Company is exposed in varying degrees to a variety of financial instrument related risks which are discussed in the following sections:

### Financial Risk Management Objectives

The Company's management monitors and manages the Company's exposure to financial risks facing the operations. These financial risks include market risk (including commodity price, foreign currency and interest rate risks), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Company does not presently hedge against these risks as the benefits of entering into such agreements is not considered to be significant enough as to outweigh the significant cost and administrative burden associated with such hedging contracts.

**Commodity price risk:** The prices that the Company receives for its oil and gas production may have a significant impact on the Company's revenues and cash flows provided by operations. World prices for oil and gas are characterised by significant fluctuations that are determined by the global balance of supply and demand and worldwide political developments and in particular the price received for the Company's oil and gas production in Kurdistan is dependent upon the Kurdistan government and its ability to export production outside of Iraq. The spot price of Brent Crude Oil, a reference in determining the price at which the Company can sell future oil production, has experienced a significant decline since the beginning of the year 2015. A further decline in the price at which the Company can sell future oil and gas production could adversely affect the amount of funds available for capital reinvestment purposes as well as the Company's value in use calculations for impairment test purposes.

The Company does not hedge against commodity price risk.

**Foreign currency risk:** The substantial portion of the Company's operations require purchases denominated in USD, which is the functional and reporting currency of the Company and also the currency in which the Company maintains the substantial portion of its cash and cash equivalents. Certain of its operations require the Company to make purchases denominated in foreign currencies, which are currencies other than USD and correspond to the various countries in which the Company conducts its business, most notably, Swiss Francs and Canadian dollars. As a result, the

Company holds some cash and cash equivalents in foreign currencies and is therefore exposed to foreign currency risk due to exchange rate fluctuations between the foreign currencies and the USD. The Company considers its foreign currency risk is limited because it holds relatively insignificant amounts of foreign currencies at any point in time and since its volume of transactions in foreign currencies is currently relatively low. The Company has elected not to hedge its exposure to the risk of changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

**Interest rate risk:** The Company earns interest income on its cash and cash equivalents at both fixed and variable rates and is therefore exposed to interest rate risk due to a fluctuation in short-term interest rates.

The Company's policy on interest rate management is to maintain a certain amount of funds in the form of cash and cash equivalents for short-term liabilities and to have the remainder held on relatively short-term deposits.

The Group is highly leveraged through financing at the project level, for the continuation of Atrush project, and at the corporate level due to the \$150 million of senior secured bonds which were issued in November 2013. However, the Company is not exposed to interest rate risks associated with the bonds as the interest rate is fixed.

**Credit risk:** Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Company. The Company is primarily exposed to credit risk on its cash and cash equivalents and other receivables.

The Company manages credit risk by monitoring counterparty ratings and credit limits and by maintaining excess cash and cash equivalents on account in instruments having a minimum credit rating of R-1 (mid) or better (as measured by Dominion Bond Rate Services) or the equivalent thereof according to a recognised bond rating service.

The carrying amounts of the Company's financial assets recorded in the consolidated financial statements represent the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk.

**Liquidity risk:** Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will have difficulties meeting its financial obligations as they become due. In common with many oil and gas exploration companies, the Company raises financing for its exploration and development activities in discrete tranches in order to finance its activities for limited periods. The Company seeks to raise additional funding as and when required. The Company anticipates making substantial capital expenditures in the future for the acquisition, exploration, development and production of oil and gas reserves and as the Company's project moves further into the development stage, specific financing, including the possibility of additional debt, may be required to enable future development to take place. The financial results of the Company will impact its access to the capital markets necessary to undertake or complete future drilling and development programs. There can be no assurance that debt or equity financing, or future cash generated by operations, would be available or sufficient to meet these requirements or, if debt or equity financing is available, that it will be on terms acceptable to the Company.

The Company manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate cash reserves and by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows. Annual capital expenditure budgets are prepared, which are regularly monitored and updated as considered necessary. In addition, the Company requires authorisations for expenditure on both operating and non-operating projects to further manage capital expenditures.

## **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

Shamara Petroleum Corp. is engaged in the exploration, development and production of crude oil and natural gas and its operations are subject to various risks and uncertainties which include but are not limited to those listed below. If any of the risks described below materialise the effect on the Company's business, financial condition or operating results could be materially adverse.

The following sections describe material risks identified by the Company; however, risks and uncertainties of which the Company is not currently aware or currently believes to be immaterial could develop and may adversely affect the Company's business, financial condition or operating results. For more information on risk factors which may affect the Company's business refer also to the discussion of risks under the "Reserves and Resources" and "Financial Instruments" sections of this MD&A above, as well as to the "Risk Factors" section of its Annual Information Form, which is available for viewing both on the Company's web-site at [www.shamara petroleum.com](http://www.shamara petroleum.com) and on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com), under the Company's profile.



### *Political and Regional Risks*

**International operations:** Oil and gas exploration, development and production activities in emerging countries are subject to significant political, social and economic uncertainties which are beyond ShaMaran's control. Uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the risk of war, terrorism, criminal activity, expropriation, nationalisation, renegotiation or nullification of existing or future contracts, the imposition of international sanctions, a change in crude oil or natural gas pricing policies, a change in taxation policies, a limitation on the Company's ability to export, and the imposition of currency controls. The materialisation of these uncertainties could adversely affect the Company's business including, but not limited to, increased costs associated with planned projects, impairment or termination of future revenue generating activities, impairment of the value of the Company's assets and or its ability to meet its contractual commitments as they become due.

**Political uncertainty and potential impact of actions of the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria ("ISIS"):** ShaMaran's assets and operations are located in Kurdistan, a federally recognised semi-autonomous political region in Iraq, and may be influenced by political developments between Kurdistan and the Iraq federal government, as well as political developments of neighbouring states within MENA region, Turkey, and surrounding areas. Kurdistan and Iraq have a history of political and social instability. As a result, the Company is subject to political, economic and other uncertainties that are not within its control. These uncertainties include, but are not limited to, changes in government policies and legislation, adverse legislation or determinations or rulings by governmental authorities and disputes between the Iraq federal government and Kurdistan.

Over the last year actions of ISIS continued to represent a security threat in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. If ISIS were to engage in attacks or were to occupy areas within Kurdistan, it could result in the Company and its joint operations partners having to stop operations in the Atrush Block. This could result in delays in operations, additional costs for increased security and difficulty in attracting/retaining qualified service companies and related personnel, which could materially adversely impact the operations and future prospects of the Company and could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business and financial condition.

**International boundary disputes:** Although Kurdistan is recognised by the Iraq constitution as a semi-autonomous region, its geographical extent is neither defined in the Iraq constitution nor agreed in practice between the Federal Government and the KRG. There are ongoing differences between the KRG and the Federal Government regarding certain areas which are commonly known as "disputed territories". The Company believes that its current area of operation is not within the "disputed territories".

### *Industry and Market Risks*

**Exploration, development and production risks:** ShaMaran's business is subject to all of the risks and hazards inherent in businesses involved in the exploration, development, production and marketing of oil and natural gas, many of which cannot be overcome even with a combination of experience, knowledge and careful evaluation. The risks and hazards typically associated with oil and gas operations include drilling of unsuccessful wells, fire, explosion, blowouts, sour gas releases, pipeline ruptures and oil spills, each of which could result in substantial damage to oil and natural gas wells, production facilities, other property or the environment, or in personal injury. The Company is not fully insured against all of these risks, nor are all such risks insurable and, as a result, these risks could still result in adverse effects to the Company's business not fully mitigated by insurance coverage including, but not limited to, increased costs or losses due to events arising from accidents or other unforeseen outcomes including cleanup, repair, containment and or evacuation activities, settlement of claims associated with injury to personnel or property, and or loss of revenue as a result of downtime due to accident.

**General market conditions:** ShaMaran's business and operations depend upon conditions prevailing in the oil and gas industry including the current and anticipated prices of oil and gas and the global economic activity. A reduction of the oil price, a general economic downturn, or a recession could result in adverse effects to the Company's business including, but not limited to, reduced cash flows associated with the Company's future oil and gas sales. Worldwide crude oil commodity prices are expected to remain volatile in the near future as a result of global excess supply, recent actions taken by the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries ("OPEC"), and ongoing global credit and liquidity concerns. This volatility may affect the Corporation's ability to obtain equity or debt financing on acceptable terms.

**Competition:** The petroleum industry is intensely competitive in all aspects including the acquisition of oil and gas interests, the marketing of oil and natural gas, and acquiring or gaining access to necessary drilling and other equipment and supplies. ShaMaran competes with numerous other companies in the search for and acquisition of such prospects and in attracting skilled personnel. ShaMaran's competitors include oil companies which have greater financial resources, staff and facilities than those of the Company. ShaMaran's ability to increase reserves in the future will depend on its ability to develop its present property, to select and acquire suitable producing properties or prospects on which to conduct future exploration and to respond in a cost-effective manner to economic and competitive factors that affect the distribution and marketing of oil and natural gas.

**Reliance on key personnel:** ShaMaran's success depends in large measure on certain key personnel and directors. The loss of the services of such key personnel could negatively affect ShaMaran's ability to deliver projects according to plan and result in increased costs and delays. ShaMaran has not obtained key person insurance in respect of the lives of any key personnel. In addition, competition for qualified personnel in the oil and gas industry is intense and there can be no assurance that ShaMaran will be able to attract and retain the skilled personnel necessary for the operation and development of its business.

### *Business Risks*

**Risks associated with petroleum contracts in Iraq:** The Iraq oil ministry has historically disputed the validity of the KRG's production sharing contracts and, as a result indirectly, the Company's right and title to its oil and gas assets. The KRG is disputing the claims and has stated that the contracts are compliant with the Iraq constitution. At the present time there is no assurance that the PSCs agreed with the KRG are enforceable or binding in accordance with ShaMaran's interpretation of their terms or that, if breached, the Company would have remedies. The Company believes that it has valid title to its oil and gas assets and the right to explore for and produce oil and gas from such assets under the Atrush Block PSC. However, should the Iraq federal government pursue and be successful in a claim that the production sharing contracts agreed with the KRG are invalid, or should any unfavourable changes develop which impact on the economic and operating terms of the Atrush Block PSC, it could result in adverse effects to the Company's business including, but not limited to, impairing the Company's claim and title to assets held, and or increasing the obligations required, under the Atrush Block PSC.

**Government regulations, licenses and permits:** The Company is affected by changes in taxes, regulations and other laws or policies affecting the oil and gas industry generally as well as changes in taxes, regulations and other laws or policies applicable to oil and gas exploration and development in Kurdistan specifically. The Company's ability to execute its projects may be hindered if it cannot secure the necessary approvals or the discretion is exercised in a manner adverse to the Company. The taxation system applicable to the operating activities of the Company in Kurdistan is pursuant to the Oil and Gas Law governed by general Kurdistan tax law and the terms of its PSCs. However, it is possible that the arrangements under the PSCs may be overridden or negatively affected by the enactment of any future oil and gas or tax law in Iraq or Kurdistan which could result in adverse effects to the Company's business including, but not limited to, increasing the Company's expected future tax obligations associated with its activities in Kurdistan.

**Marketing, markets and transportation:** The export of oil and gas and payments relating to such exports from Kurdistan remains subject to uncertainties which could negatively impact on ShaMaran's ability to export oil and gas and receive payments relating to such exports. Further, ShaMaran's ability to export and market oil and gas may also depend upon its ability to secure transportation and delivery, in view of related issues such as the proximity of its potential production to pipelines and processing facilities. Potential government regulation relating to price, quotas and other aspects of the oil and gas business could result in adverse effects to the Company's business including, but not limited to, impairing the Company's ability to export and sell oil and gas and receive full payment for all sales of oil and gas.

**Default under the Atrush Block PSC and Atrush JOA:** Should the Company fail to meet its obligations under the Atrush Block PSC and or Atrush Block joint operating agreement ("Atrush JOA") it could result in adverse effects to the Company's business including, but not limited to, a default under one or both of these contracts, the termination of future revenue generating activities of the Company and impairment of the Company's ability to meet its contractual commitments as they become due.

**Kurdistan legal system:** The Kurdistan Region of Iraq has a less developed legal system than that of many more established regions. This could result in risks associated with predicting how existing laws, regulations and contractual obligations will be interpreted, applied or enforced. In addition it could make it more difficult for the Company to obtain effective legal redress in courts in case of breach of law, regulation or contract and to secure the implementation of arbitration awards and may give rise to inconsistencies or conflicts among various laws, regulations, decrees or judgments. The Company's recourse may be limited in the event of a breach by a government authority of an agreement governing the PSC in which ShaMaran acquires or holds an interest.

**Enforcement of judgments in foreign jurisdictions:** The Company is party to contracts with counterparties located in a number of countries, most notably Kurdistan. Certain of its contracts are subject to English law with legal proceedings in England. However, the enforcement of any judgments thereunder against a counterparty will be a matter of the laws of the jurisdictions where counterparties are domiciled.

**Change of control in respect of PSC:** The Atrush Block PSC definition of "change of control" in a Contractor includes a change of voting majority in the Contractor, or in a parent company, provided the value of the interest in the Atrush field represents more than 50% of the market value of assets in the Company. Due to the limited amount of other assets held by the Company this will apply to a change of control in GEP or any of its parent companies. Change of control requires the consent of KRG or it will trigger a default under the PSC.

#### *Project and Operational Risks*

**Shared ownership and dependency on partners:** ShaMaran's operations are to a significant degree conducted together with one or more partners through contractual arrangements with the execution of the operations being undertaken by the Operator in accordance with the terms of the Atrush JOA. As a result, ShaMaran has limited ability to exercise influence over the deployment of those assets or their associated costs and this could adversely affect ShaMaran's financial performance. If the operator or other partners fail to perform, ShaMaran may, among other things, risk losing rights or revenues or incur additional obligations or costs in order to itself perform in place of its partners. If a dispute would arise with one or more partners such dispute may have significant negative effects on the Company's operations relating to its projects.

**Security risks:** Kurdistan and other regions in Iraq have a history of political and social instability which have culminated in security problems which may put at risk the safety of the Company's personnel, interfere with the efficient and effective execution of the Company's operations and ultimately result in significant losses to the Company. There have been no significant security incidents in the Company's area of operation.

**Risks relating to infrastructure:** The Company is dependent on access to available and functioning infrastructure (including third party services in Kurdistan) relating to the properties on which it operates, such as roads, power and water supplies, pipelines and gathering systems. If any infrastructure or systems failures occur or access is not possible or does not meet the requirements of the Company, the Company's operations may be significantly hampered which could result in lower production and sales and or higher costs.

**Environmental regulation and liabilities:** Drilling for and producing, handling, transporting and disposing of oil and gas and petroleum by-products are activities that are subject to extensive regulation under national and local environmental laws, including in those countries in which ShaMaran currently operates. The Company has implemented health, safety and environment policies since its incorporation, complies with industry environmental practices and guidelines for its operations in Kurdistan and is currently in compliance with these obligations in all material aspects. Environmental protection requirements have not, to date, had a significant effect on the capital expenditures and competitive position of ShaMaran. Future changes in environmental or health and safety laws, regulations or community expectations governing the Company's operations could result in adverse effects to the Company's business including, but not limited to, increased monitoring, compliance and remediation costs and or costs associated with penalties or other sanctions imposed on the Company for non-compliance or breach of environmental regulations.

**Risk relating to community relations / labour disruptions:** The Company's operations may be located in or near communities that may regard operations as detrimental to their environmental, economic or social circumstances. Negative community reactions and any related labour disruptions or disputes could increase operational costs and result in delays in the execution of projects.

**Petroleum costs and cost recovery:** Under the terms of the Atrush Block PSC the KRG is entitled to conduct an audit to verify the validity of incurred petroleum costs which the Operator has reported to the KRG and is therefore entitled under the terms of the Atrush Block PSC to recover through cash payments from future petroleum production. No such audit has to date taken place. Should any future audits result in negative findings concerning the validity of reported incurred petroleum costs the Company's petroleum cost recovery entitlement could ultimately be reduced.

**Legal claims and disputes:** The Company may suffer unexpected costs or other losses if a counterparty to any contractual arrangement entered into by the Company does not meet its obligations under such agreements. In particular, the Company cannot control the actions or omissions of its partners in the Atrush Block PSC. If such parties were to breach the terms of the Atrush Block PSC or any other documents relating to the Company's interest in the Atrush Block PSC, it could cause the KRG to revoke, terminate or adversely amend the Atrush Block PSC.

**Paying interest:** Under the terms of the Atrush Block PSC, on exercise of its back-in right, the KRG is required to pay its share of project development costs. There is a risk that the Contractors may be exposed to fund the KRG share of project development costs.

**Uninsured losses and liabilities:** Although the Company maintains insurance in accordance with industry standards to address risks relating to its operations, the insurance coverage may under certain circumstances not protect it from all potential losses and liabilities that could result from its operations.

**Availability of equipment and services:** ShaMaran's oil and natural gas exploration and development activities are dependent on the availability of third party services, drilling and related equipment and qualified staff in the particular areas where such activities are or will be conducted. Shortages of such equipment or staff may affect the availability of such equipment to ShaMaran and may delay and or increase the cost of ShaMaran's exploration and development activities.

**Early stage of development:** ShaMaran has conducted oil and gas exploration and development activities in Kurdistan for approximately six years. The current operations are in an appraisal and development stage and there can be no assurance that ShaMaran's operations will be profitable in the future or will generate sufficient cash flow to satisfy its future commitments.

#### *Financial and Other Risks*

**Financial statements prepared on a going concern basis:** The Company's financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis under which an entity is considered to be able to realise its assets and satisfy its liabilities in the ordinary course of business. ShaMaran's operations to date have been primarily financed by debt and equity financing. The Company's future operations are dependent upon the identification and successful completion of additional equity or debt financing or the achievement of profitable operations. There can be no assurances that the Company will be successful in completing additional financing or achieving profitability. The consolidated financial statements do not give effect to any adjustments relating to the carrying values and classification of assets and liabilities that would be necessary should ShaMaran be unable to continue as a going concern.

**Substantial capital requirements:** ShaMaran anticipates making substantial capital expenditures in the future for the acquisition, exploration, development and production of oil and gas. ShaMaran's results could impact its access to the capital necessary to undertake or complete future drilling and development programs. To meet its operating costs and planned capital expenditures, ShaMaran may require financing from external sources, including from the sale of equity and debt securities. There can be no assurance that such financing will be available to the Company or, if available, that it will be offered on terms acceptable to ShaMaran. If ShaMaran or any of its partners in the oil asset are unable to complete minimum work obligations on the Atrush Block PSC, this PSC could be relinquished under applicable contract terms.

**Dilution:** The Company may make future acquisitions or enter into financings or other transactions involving the issuance of securities of the Company. If additional financing is raised through the issuance of equity or convertible debt securities, control of the Company may change and the interests of shareholders in the net assets of ShaMaran may be diluted.

**Tax legislation:** The Company has entities incorporated and resident for tax purposes in Canada, the Cayman Islands, the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, the Netherlands, Switzerland and the United States of America. Changes in the tax legislation or tax practices in these jurisdictions may increase the Company's expected future tax obligations associated with its activities in such jurisdictions.

**Capital and lending markets:** As a result of general economic uncertainties and, in particular, the lack of risk capital available to the junior resource sector, the Company, along with other junior resource entities, may have reduced access to bank debt and to equity. As future capital expenditures will be financed out of funds generated from operations, bank borrowings if available, and possible issuances of debt or equity securities, the Company's ability to do so is dependent on, among other factors, the overall state of lending and capital markets and investor and lender appetite for investments in the energy industry generally, and the Company's securities in particular. To the extent that external sources of capital become limited or unavailable or available only on onerous terms, the Company's ability to invest and to maintain existing assets may be impaired, and its assets, liabilities, business, financial condition and results of operations may be materially and adversely affected as a result.

**Uncertainty in financial markets:** In the future the Company is expected to require financing to grow its business. The uncertainty which has periodically affected the financial markets in recent years and the possibility that financial institutions may consolidate or go bankrupt has reduced levels of activity in the credit markets which could diminish the amount of financing available to companies. The Company's liquidity and its ability to access the credit or capital markets may also be adversely affected by changes in the financial markets and the global economy.

**Conflict of interests:** Certain directors of ShaMaran are also directors or officers of other companies, including oil and gas companies, the interests of which may, in certain circumstances, come into conflict with those of ShaMaran. If and when a conflict arises with respect to a particular transaction, the affected directors must disclose the conflict and abstain from voting with respect to matters relating to the transaction.

#### *Risks Related to the GEP's Senior Bonds and Super Senior Bonds*

**Possible termination of PSC / Bond Agreement in event of default scenario:** Should GEP default its obligations under either of the Bond agreements GEP may also not be able to fulfil its obligations under the Atrush Block PSC and or Atrush JOA, with the effect that these contracts may be terminated or limited. In addition, should GEP default its obligations under the Atrush Block PSC and or Atrush JOA, with the effect that these contracts may be terminated or limited, GEP may also default in respect of its obligations under the Bond agreements. Either default scenario could result in the termination of the Company's future revenue generating activities and impair the Company's ability to meet its contractual commitments as they become due.

**Ability to service indebtedness:** GEP's ability to make scheduled payments on or to refinance its obligations under the Bonds agreements will depend on GEP's financial and operating performance which, in turn, will be subject to prevailing economic and competitive conditions beyond GEP's control. It is possible that GEP's activities will not generate sufficient funds to make the required interest payments which could, among other things, result in an event of default under the Bond agreements.

**Significant operating and financial restrictions:** The terms and conditions of the Bond agreements contain restrictions on GEP's and the Guarantors' activities which restrictions may prevent GEP and the Guarantors from taking actions that it believes would be in the best interest of GEP's business, and may make it difficult for GEP to execute its business strategy successfully or compete effectively with companies that are not similarly restricted. No assurance can be given that it will be granted the necessary waivers or amendments if for any reason GEP is unable to comply with the terms of the Bond Agreements. A breach of any of the covenants and restrictions could result in an event of default under the Bond Agreements.

**Mandatory prepayment events:** Under the terms of the Bond Agreements the Bonds are subject to mandatory prepayment by GEP on the occurrence of certain specified events, including if (i) the ownership in the Atrush Block is reduced to below 20.10% (ii) ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. ceases to indirectly own, or ShaMaran Ventures B.V. ceases to directly own, 100% of the shares in GEP (iii) GEP invests in any assets or enters into any other activities unrelated to the Atrush Block PSC or (iv) an event of default occurs under either of the Bond agreements. Following an early redemption after the occurrence of a mandatory prepayment event, it is possible that GEP will not have sufficient funds to make the required redemption of the Bonds which could, among other things, result in an event of default under the Bond agreements.

## OUTLOOK

The outlook for the remainder of the year 2016 is as follows:

### **Atrush Block**

#### *Production Facility*

Construction of the 30,000 bopd Atrush Phase 1 Production Facility will continue and commissioning is scheduled to be completed mid 2016.

Engineering and design of water injection facilities is planned to commence in 2016.

#### *Oil Export Pipeline*

Construction of the export pipeline has started. The scope of the pipeline has changed downstream of the Atrush Block boundary and it is now planned to consist of an 18 kilometre 12" section to the location of a future blending station and a 16 kilometre 36 inch section to the main export pipeline. First oil is now expected in the fourth quarter of 2016.

#### *Wells*

The Operator plans to complete the AT-2 and AT-4 wells prior to first production. Four producers, all equipped with ESPs, are planned to be available for production at start up.

This will be followed by the drilling and completion of a dedicated water disposal well and the drilling of an appraisal and development well in 2017.

### **New Ventures**

As part of its normal business the Company continues to evaluate new opportunities.

## FORWARD LOOKING INFORMATION

This report contains forward-looking information and forward-looking statements. Forward-looking information concerns possible events or financial performance that is based on management's assumptions concerning anticipated developments in the Company's operations; the adequacy of the Company's financial resources; financial projections, including, but not limited to, estimates of capital and operating costs, production rates, commodity prices, exchange rates, net present values; and other events and conditions that may occur in the future. Information concerning the interpretation of drill results and reserve estimates also may be deemed to be forward-looking information, as it constitutes a prediction of what might be found to be present if and when a project is actually developed.

Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical and are frequently, but not always, identified by the words such as "expects," "anticipates," "believes," "intends," "estimates," "potential," "possible," "outlook", "budget" and similar expressions, or statements that events, conditions or results "will," "may," "could," or "should" occur or be achieved. Forward-looking statements are statements about the future and are inherently uncertain, and actual achievements of the Company or other future events or conditions may differ materially from those reflected in the forward-looking statements due to a variety of risks, uncertainties and other factors, including, without limitation, those described in this MD&A.

The Company's forward-looking information and forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs, expectations and opinions of management on the date the statements are made. Management is regularly considering and evaluating assumptions that will impact on future performance. Those assumptions are exposed to generic risks and uncertainties as well as risks and uncertainties that are specifically related to the Company's operations.

The Company cautions readers regarding the reliance placed by them on forward-looking information as by its nature, it is based on current expectations regarding future events that involve a number of assumptions, inherent risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated by the Company.

Except as required by applicable securities legislation the Company assumes no obligation to update its forward-looking information and forward-looking statements in the future. For the reasons set forth above, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking information and forward-looking statements.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information related to the Company, including its Annual Information Form, is available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and on the Company's web-site at [www.shamaranpetroleum.com](http://www.shamaranpetroleum.com).

**SHAMARAN PETROLEUM CORP.**  
**Condensed Interim Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income (unaudited)**  
*(Expressed in thousands of United States dollars, except for per share data)*

	Note	For the three months ended March 31, 2016	2015
<b>Expenses from continuing operations</b>			
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(11)	(16)
Share based payments expense	17	(76)	(676)
General and administrative expense	5	(1,302)	(963)
<b>Loss before finance items and income tax expense</b>		<b>(1,389)</b>	<b>(1,655)</b>
Finance income	6	21	542
Finance cost	7	(1,402)	(1,346)
<b>Net finance cost</b>		<b>(1,381)</b>	<b>(804)</b>
<b>Loss before income tax expense</b>		<b>(2,770)</b>	<b>(2,459)</b>
Income tax expense	8	(26)	(27)
<b>Loss from continuing operations</b>		<b>(2,796)</b>	<b>(2,486)</b>
<b>Discontinued operations</b>			
Net loss from discontinued operations	9	-	(10)
<b>Loss for the period</b>		<b>(2,796)</b>	<b>(2,496)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>			
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>			
Currency translation differences		32	11
<b>Total other comprehensive income</b>		<b>32</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Total comprehensive loss for the period</b>		<b>(2,764)</b>	<b>(2,485)</b>
<b>Loss in dollars per share:</b>			
Continuing operations			
Basic and diluted		-	-
Discontinued operations			
Basic and diluted		-	-
Continuing and discontinued operations			
Basic and diluted		-	-

*The accompanying Notes are an integral part of these condensed interim consolidated financial statements.*



**SHAMARAN PETROLEUM CORP.**  
**Condensed Interim Consolidated Balance Sheet (unaudited)**  
*(Expressed in thousands of United States dollars)*

	Note	At March 31, 2016	At December 31, 2015
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	10	188,823	177,044
Intangible assets	11	89,477	88,645
		<b>278,300</b>	<b>265,689</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents, unrestricted		18,411	30,409
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted		5,825	1,512
Other current assets	12	222	200
		<b>24,458</b>	<b>32,121</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>302,758</b>	<b>297,810</b>
<b>Liabilities and equity</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	13	11,956	9,560
Accrued interest expense on bonds	14	6,612	2,252
Current tax liabilities		16	31
		<b>18,584</b>	<b>11,843</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings	14	148,416	148,263
Provisions	15	8,822	8,080
		<b>157,238</b>	<b>156,343</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>175,822</b>	<b>168,186</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Share capital	16	593,179	593,179
Share based payments reserve		6,311	6,235
Cumulative translation adjustment		(51)	(83)
Accumulated deficit		(472,503)	(469,707)
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>126,936</b>	<b>129,624</b>
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>		<b>302,758</b>	<b>297,810</b>

*The accompanying Notes are an integral part of these condensed interim consolidated financial statements.*

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors:

/s/Ashley Heppenstall

C. Ashley Heppenstall, Director

/s/Keith Hill

Keith C. Hill, Director

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	Share capital	Share based payments reserve	Cumulative translation adjustment	Accumulated deficit	Total
<b>Balance at January 1, 2015</b>	<b>534,068</b>	<b>5,025</b>	<b>(65)</b>	<b>(216,824)</b>	<b>322,204</b>
Total comprehensive loss for the period:					
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(2,496)	(2,496)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	11	-	11
	-	-	11	(2,496)	(2,485)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:					
Share based payments expense	-	676	-	-	676
Shares issued on Rights Offering	60,462	-	-	-	60,462
Transaction costs	(1,351)	-	-	-	(1,351)
	59,111	676	-	-	59,787
<b>Balance at March 31, 2015</b>	<b>593,179</b>	<b>5,701</b>	<b>(54)</b>	<b>(219,320)</b>	<b>379,506</b>
<b>Balance at December 31, 2015</b>	<b>593,179</b>	<b>6,235</b>	<b>(83)</b>	<b>(469,707)</b>	<b>129,624</b>
Total comprehensive loss for the period:					
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(2,796)	(2,796)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	32	-	32
	-	-	32	(2,796)	(2,764)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:					
Share based payments expense	-	76	-	-	76
	-	76	-	-	76
<b>Balance at March 31, 2016</b>	<b>593,179</b>	<b>6,311</b>	<b>(51)</b>	<b>(472,503)</b>	<b>126,936</b>

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		For the three months ended March 31,	
	Note	2016	2015
<b>Operating activities</b>			
Net loss from continuing operations		(2,796)	(2,486)
Adjustments for:			
Interest expense on senior secured bonds – net		1,335	1,336
Share based payments expense	17	76	676
Foreign exchange loss / (gain)	6, 7	41	(479)
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	7	26	-
Depreciation and amortisation expense		11	16
Interest income		(21)	(63)
Changes in accounts payable and accrued expenses		2,396	(2,480)
Changes in provisions		-	(76)
Changes in current tax liabilities		(15)	(8)
Changes in other current assets		(22)	1,290
Cash used in discontinued operations		-	(8)
<b>Net cash inflows from / (outflows to) operating activities</b>		<b>1,031</b>	<b>(2,282)</b>
<b>Investing activities</b>			
Interest received on cash deposits		21	63
Purchases of intangible assets		(361)	(16,324)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(8,365)	(1)
<b>Net cash outflows to investing activities</b>		<b>(8,705)</b>	<b>(16,262)</b>
<b>Financing activities</b>			
Shares issued on Rights Offering		-	60,462
Transaction costs on Rights Offering		-	(1,351)
<b>Net cash inflows from financing activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>59,111</b>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(11)	487
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>(7,685)</b>	<b>41,054</b>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period		31,921	57,204
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period*</b>		<b>24,236</b>	<b>98,258</b>
<b>*Inclusive of restricted cash</b>	14	<b>5,825</b>	<b>22,034</b>

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**1. General information**

Shamaran Petroleum Corp. ("Shamaran" and together with its subsidiaries the "Company") is incorporated under the Business Corporations Act, British Columbia, Canada. The address of the registered office is Suite 2600 Oceanic Plaza, 1066 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia V6E 3X1. The Company's shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange and NASDAQ OMX First North Exchange (Stockholm) under the symbol "SNM".

The Company is engaged in the business of oil and gas exploration and development and is currently in the pre-production stages of an exploration and development campaign in respect of the Atrush Block production sharing contract ("Atrush Block PSC") related to a petroleum property located in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq ("Kurdistan").

**2. Basis of preparation and summary of significant accounting policies**

These unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and the IFRS Interpretations Committee which were outstanding and effective as of May 17, 2016, the date these condensed interim consolidated financial statements were approved for issuance by the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") and should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2015. The accounting policies and methods of application adopted are consistent with those disclosed in Note 3 of the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Certain amounts presented in the condensed interim consolidated balance sheet of the prior year have been reclassified for comparative purposes in the condensed interim consolidated balance sheet of the current year.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis which assumes that the Company will be able to realise into the foreseeable future its assets and liabilities in the normal course of business as they come due. The ability of the Company to continue as a going concern and to successfully carry out its business plan is primarily dependent upon the continued support of its shareholders, the resolution of remaining political disputes in Iraq and the ability of the Company to obtain additional financing for its activities to develop, produce and sell economically recoverable reserves.

In the absence of production revenues, the Company is currently dependent upon its existing financial resources to satisfy its obligations and finance its appraisal and development program in Kurdistan. At March 31, 2016 Shamaran held \$24.2 million of cash and cash equivalents and in May 2016 obtained an additional \$16.2 million of funds on the issuance of new bonds by General Exploration Partners, Inc., ("GEP") a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, as well as the right to pay future bond interest through the issuance of additional bonds which creates \$17.3 million of additional liquidity in 2016. Failure to meet appraisal and development commitments could put the Atrush Block PSC at risk of forfeiture. Refer also to Notes 14 and 22.

The Company believes that based on the forecasts and projections they have prepared and potential financing initiatives which will be pursued as required the Company will have the resources sufficient to satisfy its contractual obligations and commitments over the next 12 months and to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future. Nevertheless the possibility remains that the Company's operations and current and future financial resources could be significantly affected by adverse exploration and appraisal results, geopolitical events in the region, macroeconomic conditions or other risks, including uncertainty surrounding oil production forecasted to commence in the fourth quarter of 2016 and the level of project development costs that the Company may be required to fund. The potential that the Company's financial resources are insufficient to fund its appraisal, development and production activities for the next 12 months, particularly in case there are unforeseen delays in oil production or receipt of funds from oil sales, indicates a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt over the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. These condensed interim consolidated financial statements do not include the adjustments that would result if the Company is unable to continue as a going concern.

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**3. Critical accounting judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

Areas of critical accounting judgments that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the financial statements are disclosed in Note 4 of the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2015.

**4. Business and geographical segments**

The Company operates in one business segment, the exploration and development of oil and gas assets, in one geographical segment, Kurdistan. As a result, in accordance with *IFRS 8 Operating Segments*, the Company has presented its financial information collectively for one operating segment. Refer to Note 9 for disclosure of the Company's discontinued operations.

**5. General and administrative expense**

	<b>For the three months ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
General and administrative expenses incurred	1,302	2,026
General and administrative expenses capitalised as E&E assets	-	(1,063)
<b>General and administrative expense</b>	<b>1,302</b>	<b>963</b>

The Company capitalises as exploration and evaluation ("E&E") assets general and administrative expenses supporting E&E activities which relate to its direct interests held the Atrush Block. There were no significant E&E activities in the first three months of 2016.

**6. Finance income**

	<b>For the three months ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Interest income	21	63
Foreign exchange gain	-	479
<b>Total finance income</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>542</b>

Interest income represents bank interest earned on cash and investments held in interest bearing term deposits.

**7. Finance cost**

	<b>For the three months ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Interest charges on bonds at coupon rate	4,360	4,360
Amortisation of bond related transaction costs	153	153
Interest expense on borrowings	4,513	4,513
Foreign exchange loss	41	-
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	26	10
Total finance costs before borrowing costs capitalised	4,580	4,523
Borrowing costs capitalised as E&E and PP&E assets	(3,178)	(3,177)
<b>Total finance costs</b>	<b>1,402</b>	<b>1,346</b>

During the three months ended March 31, 2016 the Company incurred interest expense relating to senior secured bonds which carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon interest rate. Refer also to Notes 10, 11, 14 and 22.

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**8. Taxation**

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
<b>Income tax expense from continuing operations</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>

The Company's income tax expense relates to a provision for income tax on service income generated in Switzerland and is calculated at the effective tax rate of 24% prevailing in this jurisdiction.

**9. Discontinued operations**

During May of 2009 the Company sold to a third party its oil and gas properties located in the United States in the Gulf of Mexico. The results of the discontinued operations included in the condensed interim consolidated statement of comprehensive income are as follows:

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
General, administrative and professional expenses	-	10
<b>Net loss from discontinued operations</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10</b>

**10. Property, plant and equipment**

	Oil and gas assets	Computer equipment	Furniture and office equipment	Total
<b>At January 1, 2015</b>				
Cost	194	256	154	604
Accumulated depreciation	(105)	(188)	(139)	(432)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>172</b>
<b>For the year ended December 31, 2015</b>				
Opening net book value	89	68	15	172
Additions	11,029	4	-	11,033
Transfer from intangible E&E	410,472	-	-	410,472
Impairment loss	(244,557)	-	-	(244,557)
Exchange difference	-	1	-	1
Depreciation expense	(33)	(29)	(15)	(77)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>177,000</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>177,044</b>
<b>At December 31, 2015</b>				
Cost	177,138	258	153	177,549
Accumulated depreciation	(138)	(214)	(153)	(505)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>177,000</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>177,044</b>
<b>For the three months ended March 31, 2016</b>				
Opening net book value	177,000	44	-	177,044
Additions	11,785	-	-	11,785
Exchange difference	-	1	-	1
Depreciation expense	-	(7)	-	(7)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>188,785</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>188,823</b>
<b>At March 31, 2016</b>				
Cost	188,923	266	158	189,347
Accumulated depreciation	(138)	(228)	(158)	(524)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>188,785</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>188,823</b>

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The net book value of oil and gas assets at March 31, 2016 are comprised of development costs related to the Company's share of Atrush Block PSC proved and probable reserves as estimated by McDaniel & Associates Consultants Ltd. ("McDaniel"). These costs are not subject to depletion until commencement of commercial production.

During the three month period ended March 31, 2016 the Company capitalised to oil and gas assets borrowing costs totalling \$2.8 million (2015: \$nil).

Refer also to Notes 7, 11, 14 and 20.

**11. Intangible assets**

	Exploration and evaluation assets	Other intangible assets	Total
<b>At January 1, 2015</b>			
Cost	429,245	292	429,537
Accumulated amortisation	-	(260)	(260)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>429,245</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>429,277</b>
<b>For the year ended December 31, 2015</b>			
Opening net book value	429,245	32	429,277
Additions	69,821	31	69,852
Transfer to PP&E	(410,472)	-	(410,472)
Amortisation expense	-	(12)	(12)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>88,594</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>88,645</b>
<b>At December 31, 2015</b>			
Cost	88,594	321	88,915
Accumulated amortisation	-	(270)	(270)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>88,594</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>88,645</b>
<b>For the three months ended March 31, 2016</b>			
Opening net book value	88,594	51	88,645
Additions	834	-	834
Exchange difference	-	2	2
Amortisation expense	-	(4)	(4)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>89,428</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>89,477</b>
<b>At December 31, 2015</b>			
Cost	89,428	333	89,761
Accumulated amortisation	-	(284)	(284)
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>89,428</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>89,477</b>

The net book value of E&E assets at March 31, 2016 represents Atrush Block exploration and appraisal costs related to the Company's share of Atrush Block contingent resources as estimated by McDaniel. During the three months ended March 31, 2016 the Company capitalised to E&E borrowing costs totalling \$0.4 million (2015: \$3.2 million).

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**12. Other current assets**

	At March 31, 2016	At December 31, 2015
Prepaid expenses	182	171
Other receivables	40	29
<b>Total other current assets</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>200</b>

**13. Accounts payable and accrued expenses**

	At March 31, 2016	At December 31, 2015
Payables to joint operations partners	11,342	8,970
Accrued expenses	392	273
Trade payables	222	317
<b>Total accounts payable and accrued expenses</b>	<b>11,956</b>	<b>9,560</b>

**14. Borrowings**

At March 31, 2016 GEP had outstanding \$150 million of senior secured bonds ("Senior Bonds") which are listed on the Oslo Børs in Norway under the symbol "GEP01". The Senior Bonds have a five year maturity from their issuance date of November 13, 2013, carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon and were used to fund capital expenditures related to the development of the Atrush Block.

	For the three months ended March 31, 2016	For the year ended December 31, 2015
<b>Opening balance</b>	<b>150,515</b>	<b>149,909</b>
Interest charges on Senior Bonds at coupon rate	4,360	17,250
Amortisation of Senior Bond related transaction costs	153	606
Interest payments to bondholders	-	(17,250)
<b>Ending balance</b>	<b>155,028</b>	<b>150,515</b>
- Current portion: accrued interest expense on Senior Bonds	6,612	2,252
- Non-current portion: borrowings	148,416	148,263

The remaining contractual obligations comprising of repayment of principal and interest expense under the Senior Bonds agreement, based on undiscounted cash flows at payment date and assuming the bonds are not redeemed early, are as follows:

	At March 31, 2016	At December 31, 2015
Less than one year	17,250	17,250
Between two and three years	182,916	182,763
<b>Total</b>	<b>200,166</b>	<b>200,013</b>



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**Financing Arrangement – May 2016**

In early May 2016 the Company completed a financing arrangement (the “Financing Arrangement”) with holders of GEP’s Senior Bonds (the “Existing Bondholders”) which provides the Company with additional liquidity in 2016 of approximately \$33 million. The principal terms of the Financing Arrangement are:

1. On May 3, 2016 GEP issued new \$17 million super senior bonds (“Super Senior Bonds”) resulting in \$16.2 million in proceeds net of transaction costs. The Super Senior Bonds are based on the same agreement as the Senior Bonds with the same maturity date of November 13, 2018 and an 11.5% coupon interest payable semi-annually. GEP has the option to pay the coupon interest on the Super Senior Bonds in cash or in kind by issuing new bonds (“PIK Bonds”). ShaMaran’s major shareholders, Lorito Holdings SARL and Zebra Holdings and Investments SARL, companies owned by the Lundin Family Trust, have subscribed for \$15.3 million of the Super Senior Bonds in accordance with the terms of their agreement with GEP to underwrite the Super Senior Bonds.
2. On May 12, 2016 ShaMaran completed the issue of a total of 218,863,000 of its common shares to Existing Bondholders who elected to convert to shares a total of \$18 million of Senior Bonds at face value. The shares were issued at CAD 0.105 which was closing share price on the TSX Venture exchange on the day prior to when the Existing Bondholders approved the offer on April 19, 2016.
3. The bond agreement for the Senior Bonds has been amended so that (a) the 2016 coupon interest (\$17.3 million before considering the conversion in 2 above) is settled by issuing new PIK Bonds; (b) GEP has the option to pay in cash or in kind (by issuing new PIK Bonds) the post 2016 coupon interest; and (c) certain waivers and amendments are made to the terms of the Senior Bonds including the subordination of Senior Bonds’ security to the Super Senior Bonds’ security and the replacement of the book equity ratio maintenance covenant with certain debt incurrence tests described below.

**Debt Incurrence Tests**

In accordance with the amended terms of GEP’s Senior Bonds’ agreement and the Super Senior Bonds’ agreement ShaMaran is required to be in compliance with certain debt incurrence tests as follows:

1. upon incurrence of any new financial indebtedness, other than certain permitted financial indebtedness as described in the Super Senior Bond agreement, then ShaMaran’s Book Equity Ratio, which is defined as shareholders’ equity divided by total assets, shall be minimum 30% immediately thereafter, and
2. members of the Group (other than GEP which is not allowed to do so) may not enter into an agreement to make any acquisitions, merger or any other transactions involving another party being consolidated into the Group’s accounts, unless such other party has a minimum 30% Book Equity Ratio prior to such transaction taking place.

**Security**

Following the amendment to the Senior Bond agreement the security previously held for the Senior Bonds will become a joint security with the new Super Senior Bonds on first rank and the Senior Bonds on second rank until the Super Senior Bond is repaid in full.

The bonds include an unconditional and irrevocable on-demand guarantee on a joint and several basis from the Company and certain of the Company’s direct and indirect subsidiaries and, among other arrangements, agreements which pledge all of the ordinary shares of GEP and the Company’s Swiss service subsidiary, ShaMaran Services SA, as security for GEP’s bond related obligations, as well as an internal credit facility agreement among the Company and certain of its subsidiaries setting out the terms and conditions for intra-group credit to be made available amongst the parties.

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Under the terms of both bond agreements all bond proceeds are held in accounts pledged to the bond trustee as security and may be accessed by the Company on prior authorisation of the bond trustee provided the proceeds are to be employed for prescribed purposes, most notably to fund the financing, development and operation of the Atrush Block and to fund technical, management and administrative services of ShaMaran's subsidiary companies up to \$6 million per year over the term of the bonds. Of the Company's \$24.2 million of total cash and cash equivalents at March 31, 2016 (2015: \$98.3 million) \$5.8 million was held in accounts pledged to the bond trustee (2015: \$22 million).

Refer also to Notes 7, 10, 11, 19 and 22.

#### 15. Provisions

The Company has provided for its working interest share of decommissioning and site restoration costs in relation to activities undertaken to date on the Atrush Block in Kurdistan.

	For the three months ended March 31, 2016	For the year ended December 31, 2015
Opening balance	8,080	1,846
Changes in discount and inflation rates	622	100
Changes in estimates and obligations incurred	93	6,098
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	27	36
<b>Total decommissioning and site restoration provisions</b>	<b>8,822</b>	<b>8,080</b>

#### 16. Share capital

The Company is authorised to issue an unlimited number of common shares with no par value. The Company's issued share capital is as follows:

	Number of shares	Share capital
<b>At January 1, 2015</b>	<b>810,983,860</b>	<b>534,068</b>
Shares issued on Rights Offering, net of issuance costs	754,214,990	59,111
Shares issued to Standby Purchasers as equity based guarantee fee	14,569,684	1,346
Guarantee fee charged directly to share capital	-	(1,346)
<b>At December 31, 2015</b>	<b>1,579,768,534</b>	<b>593,179</b>
<b>At March 31, 2016</b>	<b>1,579,768,534</b>	<b>593,179</b>

As a result of issuing 218,863,000 ShaMaran common shares in early May 2016 in exchange for settling \$18 million of GEP's Senior Bonds the Company had 1,798,631,534 outstanding shares on the day these financial statements were approved.

Refer also to Notes 14, 21 and 22.

#### 17. Share based payments expense

The Company has an established share purchase option plan whereby a committee of the Company's Board may, from time to time, grant up to a total of 10% of the issued share capital to directors, officers, employees or consultants. The number of shares under option at any specific time to any one option holder shall not exceed 5% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company. The term of any options granted under the plan will be fixed by the Board and may not exceed five years from the date of grant. A four month hold period may be imposed by the stock exchange from the date of grant. Vesting terms are at the discretion of the Board. All issued share options have terms of five years and vest over two years from grant date. The exercise prices reflect trading values of the Company's shares at grant date.

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Movements in the Company's outstanding share options are explained as follows:

	Number of share options outstanding	Weighted average exercise price CAD
<b>At January 1, 2015</b>	<b>6,755,000</b>	<b>0.38</b>
Granted in the year 2015	26,000,000	0.12
Expired in the year 2015	(4,565,000)	0.39
<b>At December 31, 2015</b>	<b>28,190,000</b>	<b>0.13</b>
<b>At March 31, 2016</b>	<b>28,190,000</b>	<b>0.13</b>

**Share options exercisable:**

At December 31, 2015	10,856,667	0.17
At March 31, 2016	19,523,333	0.14

The Company recognises compensation expense on share options granted to both employees and non-employees using the fair value method at the date of grant, which the Company records as an expense. The share based payments expense is calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model.

The weighted average fair value of options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and the assumptions used in their determination are as follows:

	For the three months ended March 31, 2016	For the year ended December 31, 2015
Expected dividend yield	-	0%
Risk-free interest rate (weighted average)	-	1.07%
Expected share price volatility (weighted average)	-	74.01%
Expected option life in years (weighted average)	-	5.00
Grant date fair value (weighted average)	-	CAD 0.07

Share based payments expense for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$0.1 million (2015: \$0.7 million).

Option pricing models require the input of highly subjective assumptions including the expected price volatility. Changes in the subjective input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate and therefore the existing models do not necessarily provide a reliable single measure of the fair value of the Company's share options.

## **18. Financial instruments**

### **Financial assets**

The financial assets of the Company on the balance sheet dates were as follows:

	Carrying and fair values <sup>1</sup>	
	At March 31, 2016	At December 31, 2015
Cash and cash equivalents, unrestricted <sup>2</sup>	18,411	30,409
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted <sup>2</sup>	5,825	1,512
Other receivables <sup>2</sup>	40	29
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>24,276</b>	<b>31,950</b>

Financial assets classified as other receivables are initially recognised at fair value and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any provision for impairment.

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**Financial liabilities**

The financial liabilities of the Company on the balance sheet dates were as follows:

	Fair value hierarchy <sup>4</sup>	Carrying values At March 31, 2016	At December 31, 2015
Borrowings <sup>3</sup>	Level 2	148,416	148,263
Accounts payable and accrued expenses <sup>2</sup>		11,956	9,560
Provisions for decommissioning costs		8,822	8,080
Accrued interest on bonds		6,612	2,252
Current tax liabilities <sup>2</sup>		16	31
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>		<b>175,822</b>	<b>168,186</b>

Financial liabilities are initially recognised at the fair value of the amount expected to be paid and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

<sup>1</sup> The carrying amount of the Company's financial assets approximate their fair values at the balance sheet dates.

<sup>2</sup> No valuation techniques have been applied to establish the fair value of these financial instruments as they are either cash and cash equivalents or, due to the short term nature, readily convertible to or settled with cash and cash equivalents.

<sup>3</sup> The fair value of the Company's borrowings is \$97.9 million (2015: \$102.2 million). The fair value was determined by reference to the bond agreement terms and the weighted average of available annual published price quotations on the Oslo Børs.

<sup>4</sup> *Fair value measurements*

IFRS 13 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date and establishes a fair value hierarchy of three levels to classify the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value:

- Level 1: fair value measurements are based on unadjusted quoted market prices;
- Level 2: fair value measurements are based on valuation models and techniques where the significant inputs are derived from quoted prices or indices;
- Level 3: fair value measurements are derived from valuation techniques that include inputs that are not based on observable market data.

**19. Commitments**

As at March 31, 2016 the outstanding commitments of the Company were as follows:

	2017	2018	2019	Thereafter	Total
Atrush Block development and PSC	49,588	160	160	2,414	52,322
Office and other	60	-	-	-	60
<b>Total commitments</b>	<b>49,648</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>2,414</b>	<b>52,382</b>

Amounts relating to the Atrush Block represent the Company's unfunded share of the approved work program and other obligations under the Atrush Block PSC. Refer also to Notes 14 and 20.

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**20. Interests in joint operations and other entities**

***Interests in joint operations - Atrush Block Production Sharing Contract***

Shamaran holds a 26.8% direct interest in the PSC through GEP. TAQA Atrush B.V. ("TAQA"), a subsidiary of Abu Dhabi National Energy Company PJSC, is the Operator of the Atrush Block with a 53.2% direct interest, Marathon Oil KDV B.V. ("MOKDV") holds a 20% direct interest. GEP, MOKDV and TAQA together are "the Contractors" to the PSC.

On March 12, 2013 the KRG communicated its intention to exercise a right to acquire an interest in the Atrush Block PSC in accordance with the terms of the PSC. At the date these condensed interim consolidated financial statements were approved discussions between the Contractors and the KRG to effect the exercise of the right were in progress but the process of exercising the right was not complete. Under the terms of the PSC, upon the exercise of the right the KRG would assume up to a 25% undivided interest in the petroleum operations and all the other rights, duties, obligations and liabilities of the Contractors from the date the block has first been declared commercially viable.

Under the terms of the Atrush Block PSC the development period is for 20 years with an automatic right to a five year extension and the possibility to extend for an additional five years. All qualifying petroleum costs incurred by the Contractors shall be recovered from a portion of available petroleum production, defined under the terms of the PSC. All modifications to the PSC are subject to the approval of the KRG. The Company is responsible for its pro-rata share of the costs incurred in executing the development work program on the Atrush Block which commenced on October 1, 2013. Refer also to Note 19.

***Information about subsidiaries***

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company include:

Subsidiary	Principal activities	Country of Incorporation	% equity interest as at	
			31 Mar 2016	31 Dec 2015
Shamaran Petroleum Holdings Coöperatief U.A.	Oil exploration and production	The Netherlands	100	100
Shamaran Ventures B.V.	Oil exploration and production	The Netherlands	100	100
General Exploration Partners, Inc.	Oil exploration and production	Cayman Islands	100	100
Shamaran Petroleum B.V.	Oil exploration and production	The Netherlands	100	100
Shamaran Services S.A.	Technical and admin. services	Switzerland	100	100
Bayou Bend Petroleum U.S.A. Ltd	Inactive	United States of America	100	100

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**21. Related party transactions**

***Transactions with corporate entities***

	<b>Purchases of services for the three months ended</b>		<b>Amounts owing at the balance sheet dates,</b>	
	<b>March 31, 2016</b>	<b>March 31, 2015</b>	<b>March 31, 2016</b>	<b>December 31, 2015</b>
Lundin Petroleum AB	95	129	34	40
Namdo Management Services Ltd.	43	87	41	9
McCullough O'Connor Irwin LLP	20	7	19	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>51</b>

The Company receives services from various subsidiary companies of Lundin Petroleum AB ("Lundin"), a shareholder of the Company. Lundin charges during the three months ended March 31, 2016 of \$95 (2015: \$129) were comprised of technical service costs of \$2 (2015: \$16), investor relations services of \$7 (2015: \$7), reimbursement for Company travel and related expenses of \$nil (2015: \$14), office rental, administrative and building services of \$86 (2015: \$92).

Namdo Management Services Ltd. is a private corporation affiliated with a shareholder of the Company and has provided corporate administrative support and investor relations services to the Company.

McCullough O'Connor Irwin LLP is a law firm in which an officer of the Company is a partner and has provided legal services to the Company.

All transactions with related parties are in the normal course of business and are made on the same terms and conditions as with parties at arm's length.

Refer also to Notes 14 and 22.

**22. Events after the reporting period**

On May 6, 2016 the Company closed the Financing Arrangement with holders of GEP's Senior Bonds which provides the Company with additional liquidity in 2016 of approximately \$33 million net of transaction costs. The principal terms of the Financing Arrangement have been described in Note 14 to these financial statements.

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