

NEWS RELEASE

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SHAMARAN Q1 2017 FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RESULTS

Vancouver, British Columbia

ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. ("ShaMaran" or the "Company") (**TSX VENTURE: SNM**) (**OMX: SNM**) is pleased to announce its financial and operating results for three months ended March 31, 2017. Unless otherwise stated all currency amounts indicated as "\$" in this news release are expressed in thousands of United States dollars.

Chris Bruijnzeels, President and CEO of ShaMaran, commented *"I am extremely pleased that we expect to be producing before the end of June 2017. The Atrush field holds significant resources and the onset of production will allow us to move forward to realise full value from this asset."*

HIGHLIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENTS

Operations

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- The final 35km section of pipeline which will run from the Atrush Block boundary to the tie-in point on the main export pipeline (the "Feeder Pipeline") is nearing completion. It is expected that the Feeder Pipeline will be completed and first oil exports will commence by the end of June 2017.

Corporate

- In January 2017 the Company completed the issue of 360 million common shares of ShaMaran on a private placement basis at a price per share of CAD 0.10 (equal to SEK 0.67) which resulted in gross proceeds to the Company of \$27.3 million (\$26.4 million net of transaction related costs).

- In February 2017 the Company reported on a property gross basis estimates as at December 31, 2016 of 85.1 MMbbl of Total Field Proven plus Probable (“2P”) Reserves and 389 MMboe Total Field Unrisked Best Estimate Discovered Recoverable Resources (“2P + 2C”) ^{1 2}. Reserves and resources are unchanged from the 2015 year end estimates.

OUTLOOK

Operations

- First oil is expected by the end of June 2017.
- 2017 plans include conducting extended testing of the CK-6 well which is located on the eastern side of the Atrush Block and which is not one of the four initial production wells. This would involve the installation of temporary production facilities near the Chamanke–C well pad and the delivery by truck of oil to the main Phase I Production Facilities.
- Work on the final pipeline facilities, to allow for other future users, will continue after first oil.
- It is planned in 2017 to drill and test CK-7, an appraisal and development well located in the central area of the Atrush Block, and to commence drilling CK-9, a dedicated water disposal well.

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- Semi-annual coupon interest on the Senior Bonds and Super Senior Bonds issued by General Exploration Partners Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, which amounts to \$9.6 million in total and is due on May 13, 2017, will be paid in kind in accordance with the terms of the bond agreements by issuing new bonds (“PIK Bonds”).

¹ “MMbbl” means million barrels and “MMboe” means million barrels of oil equivalents. Boe may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A boe conversion ratio of 6 million cubic feet (“Mcf”) per one barrel is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead.

² This estimate of remaining recoverable resources (unrisked) includes contingent resources that have not been adjusted for risk based on the chance of development. It is not an estimate of volumes that may be recovered.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RESULTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2017

During the reporting period the Company continued with the first phase of the development program in respect of the Atrush petroleum property located in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. Atrush currently generates no revenues.

Financial Results

The Company reports a net loss of \$2.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017 which was primarily driven by routine general and administrative expenses and finance cost, the substantial portion of which was expensed borrowing costs on the Company's bonds. These charges have been offset by interest income on Atrush cost loans and interest on cash held in short term deposits.

Condensed Interim Statement of Comprehensive Income

(Unaudited, expressed in thousands of United States Dollars)

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Expenses		
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(10)	(11)
Share based payments expense	(11)	(76)
General and administrative expense	(1,090)	(1,302)
Loss before finance items and income tax expense	(1,111)	(1,389)
Finance income	352	21
Finance cost	(1,503)	(1,402)
Net finance cost	(1,151)	(1,381)
Loss before income tax expense	(2,262)	(2,770)
Income tax expense	(21)	(26)
Loss for the period	(2,283)	(2,796)
Other comprehensive income		
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>		
Currency translation differences	16	32
Total other comprehensive income	16	32
Total comprehensive loss for the period	(2,267)	(2,764)

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

At March 31, 2017 At December 31, 2016

Assets

Non-current assets

Property, plant and equipment	182,504	174,658
Intangible assets	89,202	89,007
Loans and receivables	47,614	46,114
	319,320	309,779

Current assets

Cash and cash equivalents	22,006	4,416
Loans and receivables	10,405	7,252
Other current assets	268	224
	32,679	11,892

Total assets	351,999	321,671
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Liabilities and equity

Current liabilities

Accrued interest expense on bonds	7,349	2,503
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	6,547	6,434
	13,896	8,937

Non-current liabilities

Borrowings	165,339	165,129
Provisions	9,898	8,869
Pension liability	1,697	1,670
	176,934	175,668

Total liabilities	190,830	184,605
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Equity

Share capital	637,538	611,179
Share based payments reserve	6,495	6,484
Cumulative translation adjustment	(45)	(61)
Accumulated deficit	(482,819)	(480,536)

Total equity	161,169	137,066
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Total liabilities and equity	351,999	321,671
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Total assets increased during the first quarter of 2017 by \$30.3 million as a result of increases in share capital and equity reserves by \$26.4 million, accrued bond interest by \$4.9 million and other non-current liabilities by \$1.3 million which were offset by an increase in the accumulated deficit by \$2.3 million, principally due to the net loss recorded in the period.

Property, plant & equipment assets increased during the first three months of 2017 by \$7.8 million which was due to addition of \$4.3 million in Atrush development costs and \$3.5 million in capitalised borrowing. The increase in intangible assets by \$0.2 million during 2016 resulted principally from capitalised borrowing costs. Loans and receivables increased by \$4.7 million from funding \$3.2 million of Feeder Pipeline costs, from funding \$1.2 million of the KRG's share of development costs and from accruing \$0.3 million in interest on the outstanding loan balances.

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

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Operating activities		
Loss for the period	(2,283)	(2,796)
Adjustments for:		
Interest expense on borrowings – net	1,466	1,335
Foreign exchange loss	47	41
Share based payments expense	11	76
Depreciation and amortisation expense	10	11
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	(10)	26
Interest income	(352)	(21)
Changes in accounts payable and accrued expenses	113	2,396
Changes in current tax liabilities	-	(15)
Changes in other current assets	(44)	(22)
Net cash (outflows to) / inflows from operating activities	(1,042)	1,031
Investing activities		
Interest received on cash deposits	26	21
Purchases of intangible assets	(30)	(361)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(3,391)	(8,365)
Loans and receivables – advances to joint venture partner	(4,327)	-
Net cash outflows to investing activities	(7,722)	(8,705)
Financing activities		
Shares issued on private placement	27,281	-
Transaction costs on private placement	(922)	-
Net cash inflows from financing activities	26,359	-
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(5)	(11)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	17,590	(7,685)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	4,416	31,921
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	22,006	24,236

The increase by \$17.6 million in the cash position of the Company during the first quarter of 2017 was due to cash inflows of \$26.4 million in net proceeds from the sale of the Company's shares in a private placement completed in January 2017 which were offset by spending of \$3.4 million on Atrush development activities, \$4.3 million of financing provided to a joint venture partner and \$1.1 million of cash out on G&A and other cash expenses.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Company also announces that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held on Wednesday, June 15, 2017, at 8:00 a.m. (Vancouver time) at Suite 2000, 885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 3E8.

OTHER

This information in this release is subject to the disclosure requirements of ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. under the EU Market Abuse Regulation and the Swedish Securities Market Act. This information was publicly communicated on May 12, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. Toronto Time.

ABOUT SHAMARAN

ShaMaran Petroleum Corp. is a Kurdistan focused oil development and exploration company with a 20.1% direct interest in the Atrush oil discovery. 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 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 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) and are also available on the Company's website (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.

Reserves and resources: *ShaMaran Petroleum Corp.'s reserve and contingent resource estimates are as at December 31, 2016, and have been prepared and audited in accordance with National Instrument 51-101 Standards of Disclosure for Oil and Gas Activities ("NI 51-101") and the Canadian Oil and Gas Evaluation Handbook ("COGE Handbook"). Unless otherwise stated, all reserves estimates contained herein are the aggregate of "proved reserves" and "probable reserves", together also known as "2P reserves". Possible reserves are those additional reserves that are less certain to be recovered than probable reserves. There is a 10% probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the sum of proved plus probable plus possible reserves.*

Contingent resources: *Contingent resources are those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations using established technology or technology under development, but are not currently considered to be commercially recoverable due to one or more contingencies. Contingencies may include factors such as economic, legal, environmental, political and regulatory matters or a lack of markets. There is no certainty that it will be commercially viable for the Company to produce any portion of the contingent resources.*

BOEs: *BOEs may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A BOE conversion ratio of 6 Mcf per 1 Bbl is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead.*

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ShaMaran Petroleum Corp
Financial Report (unaudited)
For the three months ended March 31, 2017

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, 2017

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 12, 2017. The MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2017 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 20.1% direct interest in the Atrush Block production sharing contract ("Atrush PSC") relating to a property located in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq ("Kurdistan"). Atrush is currently in 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. First oil production is expected to start by the end of June 2017.

The oil discovery on the Atrush petroleum property is continuously being appraised. Further phases of development will be defined based on production data, appraisal information and economic circumstances.

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- On February 16, 2017 the Company reported estimated reserves and contingent resources for the Atrush block as of December 31, 2016. Reserves and resource estimates have remained unchanged from those reported for the prior year. 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 estimated at 85.1 MMbbl. Total Field Unrisked Best Estimate Discovered Recoverable Resources ("2P + 2C")¹ on a property gross basis is estimated at 389 million barrels oil equivalent (MMboe)².

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OPERATIONS

ShaMaran, through its wholly owned subsidiary, GEP, holds a 20.1% direct interest in the Atrush PSC. TAQA Atrush B.V. ("TAQA" and a subsidiary of Abu Dhabi National Energy Company PJSC), is the Operator of the Atrush Block with a 39.9% direct interest, the Kurdistan Regional Government ("KRG") holds a 25% direct interest and Marthon Oil KDV B.V. ("MOKDV") holds a 15% direct interest. TAQA, GEP, and MOKDV together are the "Non-Government Contractors" to the Atrush PSC. The Non-Government Contractors and the KRG together are the "Contractors" to the Atrush PSC.

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.

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. The 30,000 bopd Atrush Production Facility, the Spur Pipeline to the block boundary, the pump station, the IPPR and four production wells are now all ready for first oil.

The Feeder Pipeline which consists of a 18 kilometer 12 inch pipeline to the location of a possible future blending station followed by a 17 kilometer 36 inch pipeline to the tie-in point on the main export pipeline at Kurdistan Crude Pipeline pumping station #2 ("KCP2") is being constructed. On completion oil production will commence which is expected by the end of June 2017.

A fifth development well, Chiya Khere-7 ("CK-7") is planned for 2017 as well as the commencement of the Chiya Khere-9 ("CK-9") water disposal well. This well together with the four other producers, which are all situated in a small area in the center of the Atrush field, form the basis of the 2P reserves estimate of 85.1 MMbbl. In the absence of firm commitment by the Atrush partners for further wells, which, among other things, is pending further information from production, no further development wells are assumed in the reserves estimates.

A further two appraisal wells have been drilled and tested in the eastern part of the field. Good reservoir communication has been proven between the east and the west part of the field. This is reflected in the 2P + 2C estimate of 389 MMboe. The Company's independent reserves and resources evaluator, McDaniel & Associates Consultants Ltd ("McDaniel"), estimates the chance of developing the 2C contingent resources at 80 percent.

It is planned to conduct an extended well test in the two eastern appraisal wells. This will provide important production information on the heavier part of the oil column. Together with production data from the 5 development wells this will allow the Atrush partnership to define the next phases of development and decisions related to developing the 2C contingent resources.

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OWNERSHIP AND PRINCIPAL TERMS OF THE ATRUSH PSC

In August 2010 the Company acquired a 33.5% shareholding in GEP which then held an 80% working interest in the Atrush 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 Atrush 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, at that time, a 26.8% direct interest in the Atrush PSC.

On November 7, 2016 the Assignment, Novation and Fourth Amendment Agreement to the Atrush PSC (the “4th PSC Amendment”) and Atrush Facilitation Agreement were concluded between Non-Government Contractors and the KRG.

The 4th PSC Amendment and Atrush Facilitation Agreement include the following principal terms:

- The KRG acquires a 25% interest in the Atrush PSC effective November 7, 2012, the date of declaration of commerciality (“DOC date”). As a consequence the respective participating interests in the Atrush PSC are TAQA at 39.9%, the KRG at 25%, GEP at 20.1% and MOKDV at 15%;
- The Non-Government Contractors will fund the cost of constructing the Feeder Pipeline which will be novated to the KRG following the commencement of oil exports from Atrush;
- All Atrush petroleum costs from the DOC date through the commencement of oil exports from Atrush will be paid by the Non-Government Contractors and a defined portion of the KRG’s share of these costs will be repaid through an accelerated petroleum cost recovery arrangement from the sale of future oil production from Atrush; and
- Feeder Pipeline costs and the balance of the Atrush petroleum costs incurred by the Non-Government Contractors on behalf of the KRG that are not covered by the accelerated petroleum cost recovery arrangement will be repaid by the KRG within 2 years from the commencement of oil exports from Atrush.

Under the terms of the Atrush 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 Atrush PSC. All modifications to the Atrush PSC are subject to the approval of the KRG.

Fiscal terms under the Atrush 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 Contractors are 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 Contractors are 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%.

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>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2015</u>
Continuing operations								
Service fees	-	-	90	30	-	-	-	-
Impairment loss	-	-	-	-	-	(244,557)	-	-
General and admin. expense	(1,090)	(805)	(695)	(1,009)	(1,302)	(460)	(384)	(552)
Share based payments expense	(11)	(57)	(58)	(58)	(76)	(172)	(186)	(176)
Depreciation and amortisation	(10)	(11)	(12)	(11)	(11)	(11)	(13)	(16)
Finance cost	(1,503)	(1,422)	(1,393)	(1,443)	(1,402)	(1,328)	(1,331)	(1,370)
Finance income	352	509	16	12	21	47	88	58
Income tax expense	(21)	(14)	(14)	(15)	(26)	(10)	(23)	(34)
Net loss from continuing ops.	<u>(2,283)</u>	<u>(1,800)</u>	<u>(2,066)</u>	<u>(2,494)</u>	<u>(2,796)</u>	<u>(246,491)</u>	<u>(1,849)</u>	<u>(2,090)</u>
Discontinued operations								
Gain on release of excess provision	-	-	-	-	-	-	46	-
Income / (expense)	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	(4)
Net income / (loss) from discontinued ops.	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>(4)</u>
Net loss	<u>(2,283)</u>	<u>(1,800)</u>	<u>(2,066)</u>	<u>(2,494)</u>	<u>(2,796)</u>	<u>(246,490)</u>	<u>(1,803)</u>	<u>(2,094)</u>
Basic income in \$ per share:								
Continuing operations	-	(0.01)	-	-	-	(0.17)	-	-
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>(0.01)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(0.17)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Diluted income in \$ per share:								
Continuing operations	-	(0.01)	-	-	-	(0.17)	-	-
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>(0.01)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(0.17)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Summary of Principal Changes in the First Quarter Financial Information

In the first quarter of 2017 work on the Atrush Block development program continued. The net loss was primarily driven by general and administrative expenses and finance cost, the substantial portion of which were expensed borrowing costs on the Company's Senior Bonds and Super Senior Bonds. These expenses have been slightly offset by interest income on Atrush cost loans to the KRG and interest on cash held in short term deposits.

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

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Salaries and benefits	705	856
Legal, accounting and audit fees	107	131
Management and consulting fees	102	142
Listing costs and investor relations	75	66
General and other office expenses	73	85
Travel expenses	28	22
General and administrative expense	1,090	1,302

The lower general and administrative expense incurred in the first three months of 2017 relative to the amount incurred in the comparative period of 2016 was principally due lower payroll related costs relating to discretionary salary bonus and a reduction by one employee in the Company's Swiss subsidiary.

Share based payments expense

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Share based payments expense	11	76

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, 2017 or in the year 2016. 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

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Depreciation and amortisation expense	10	11

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

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Interest on Atrush Development Cost Loan	232	-
Interest on Atrush Feeder Pipeline Cost Loan	94	-
Interest on deposits	26	21
Finance income	352	21

Under the terms of the 4th PSC Amendment and the Non-Government Contractors have agreed to pay their pro-rata share of the Feeder Pipeline costs and of the KRG's share of Atrush development costs up to the commencement of oil exports from Atrush. Thereafter these costs will be reimbursed to the Non-Government Contractors. The loan interest amounts reported in the first quarter of 2017 represent 7% per annum interest on the entire funded portion of Atrush Feeder Pipeline costs up to the balance sheet date and on a defined portion of the Atrush development costs which also bears interest at 7% per annum. As at the balance sheet date the Company has received no cash payments for interest income earned on either the Atrush Development Cost Loan or the Feeder

Pipeline Cost Loan. For further information on the loans refer to the discussion under the “Loans and receivables” section below.

Interest on deposits represents bank interest earned on cash and investments held in interest bearing funds. The increase in interest income reported in the first three months of 2017 relative to the amount reported in 2016 is due to a higher level of interest bearing funds held in the current year to date.

Finance cost

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Interest charges on bonds at coupon rate	4,846	4,360
Amortisation of bond transaction costs	210	153
Interest expense on borrowings	5,056	4,513
Foreign exchange loss	47	41
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	(10)	26
Total finance costs before borrowing costs capitalised	5,093	4,580
Borrowing costs capitalised as E&E and PP&E assets	(3,590)	(3,178)
Finance cost	1,503	1,402

During the three months ended March 31, 2017 the Company incurred interest expense relating to its Senior Bonds and Super Senior Bonds which both carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon interest rate. Interest expense on borrowings increased over the comparable period of the prior year due to the additional bonds outstanding in the period and the amortisation of additional bond transaction costs incurred in May 2016 with the first issue of Super Senior Bonds.

The foreign exchange loss in the first quarter of 2017 resulted primarily from holding in the Company’s Swiss subsidiary net liabilities denominated in USD while the USD strengthened during the period against the Swiss Franc, the functional currency of the Swiss subsidiary.

General and specific borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, exploration and development of Atrush have been capitalised together with the related Atrush oil and gas assets. All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Income tax expense

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Income tax expense	21	26

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 decrease in tax expense from the amount reported in the same period in 2016 is primarily due to lower taxable income in the Company’s Swiss subsidiary which decreased compared to 2016 consistent with lower costs of service resulting principally from a reduction in payroll related costs.

Capital Expenditures on Property Plant & Equipment (“PP&E”) Oil and Gas Assets

The net book value of PP&E oil and gas assets at March 31, 2017 is comprised of development costs related to the Company’s share of Atrush 2P reserves as estimated by McDaniel. These costs are not subject to depletion until commencement of commercial production. The movements in PP&E oil and gas assets are explained as follows:

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended	For the year ended
	March 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
Opening net book value	174,642	177,000
Additions	7,852	45,799
Transfer to Atrush development cost loan	-	(10,682)
Transfer to Atrush Exploration Costs receivable	-	(37,475)
Ending net book value	182,494	174,642

During the three month period ended March 31, 2017 borrowing costs of \$3.5 million (year 2016: \$13.1 million) were capitalised to PP&E oil and gas assets.

On November 7, 2016 the 4th PSC Amendment and Atrush Facilitation Agreement were concluded between Non-Government Contractors and the KRG which has resulted in the reclassification of certain costs from PP&E to loans and receivables.

Capital Expenditures on Exploration and Evaluation (“E&E”) Assets

The net book value of E&E assets at March 31, 2017 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 assets are explained as follows:

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended March 31, 2017	For the year ended December 31, 2016
Opening net book value	88,972	88,594
Additions	198	378
Ending net book value	89,170	88,972

During the three months ended March 31, 2017 the borrowing costs of \$0.1 million (year 2016: \$0.3 million) were capitalised to E&E assets.

Loans and receivables

On November 7, 2016 the 4th PSC Amendment and Atrush Facilitation Agreement were concluded between the Non-Government Contractors and the KRG. On the same day TAQA entered into an Engineering, Procurement and Construction (“EPC”) contract with KAR Company for the construction of the Feeder Pipeline.

Under the terms of the 4th PSC Amendment and Atrush Facilitation Agreement:

- The KRG acquires a 25% interest in the Atrush PSC effective November 7, 2012, the DOC date. As a consequence the respective participating interests in the Atrush PSC are TAQA at 39.9%, the KRG at 25%, GEP at 20.1% and MOKDV at 15%;
- All Atrush petroleum costs from the DOC date through the commencement of oil exports from Atrush will be paid by the Non-Government Contractors and a defined portion of the KRG’s share of these costs will be deemed Exploration Costs as defined in the Atrush PSC and repaid through an accelerated petroleum cost recovery arrangement from the sale of future oil production from Atrush. This arrangement has resulted in the Atrush Exploration Cost receivable as reported in the table below; and
- The Non-Government Contractors will fund the cost of constructing the Feeder Pipeline which will be novated to the KRG following the commencement of oil exports from Atrush. The Feeder Pipeline costs and the balance of the Atrush petroleum costs incurred by the Non-Government Contractors on behalf of the KRG excluding the portion deemed as Exploration Costs will be repaid with interest at 7% per annum by the KRG within 2 years from the commencement of oil exports from Atrush (respectively, the “Atrush Feeder Cost Loan” and the “Atrush Development Cost Loan”). These arrangements have resulted in loan balances as reported in the table below.

<i>In \$000</i>	For the three months ended March 31, 2017	For the year ended December 31, 2016
Atrush Exploration Costs receivable	37,475	37,475
Atrush Development Cost Loan	14,216	12,857
Atrush Feeder Pipeline Cost Loan	6,328	3,034
Total loans and receivables	58,019	53,366

Borrowings

At March 31, 2017 General Exploration Partners, Inc. had outstanding \$148.7 million of senior secured bonds (the "Senior Bonds") and \$18.1 million of super senior secured bonds (the "Super Senior Bonds"). The Senior Bonds are listed on the Oslo Børs in Norway under the symbol "GEP01", have a five year maturity from their issuance date of November 13, 2013 and carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon and were used to fund capital expenditures related to the development of the Atrush Block. The Super Senior Bonds also mature on November 13, 2018, carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon and are being used to fund capital expenditures related to the development of the Atrush Block. GEP has the option to pay in cash or in kind by issuing PIK Bonds the remaining coupon interest on both Senior and Super Senior bonds.

The movements in borrowings are explained as follows:

In \$000

	For the three months ended March 31, 2017	For the year ended December 31, 2016
Opening balance	167,632	150,515
Interest charges at coupon rate	4,846	17,951
Amortisation of bond transaction costs	210	943
Bonds issued as interest payment	-	17,700
Super Senior Bonds – net of transaction costs	-	16,223
Interest payments to bondholders	-	(17,700)
Senior Bonds exchanged for ShaMaran common shares	-	(18,000)
Ending balance	172,688	167,632
- Current portion: accrued bond interest expense	7,349	2,503
- Non-current portion: borrowings	165,339	165,129

The remaining contractual obligations comprising of repayment of principal and interest expense under the bond agreements, based on undiscounted cash flows at payment date and assuming all interest in 2017 is paid by issuing new bonds and the bonds are not redeemed early, are as follows:

	At March 31, 2017	At December 31, 2016
Less than one year	19,722	19,722
Between one and two years	188,138	188,138
Total	207,860	207,860

Debt Incurrence Tests

In accordance with the terms of GEP's Senior Bonds and Super Senior Bonds agreements 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 Bonds agreement, then ShaMaran's Book Equity Ratio, which is defined as shareholders' equity divided by total assets, shall be minimum 30% immediately thereafter, and
- ShaMaran and any of its subsidiaries (together 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

The security is held jointly for the Senior and Super Senior Bonds with the Super Senior Bonds on first rank and the Senior Bonds on second rank until the Super Senior Bonds are 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 \$22.0 million of total cash and cash equivalents at March 31, 2017 (December 31, 2016: \$4.4 million) \$nil was held in accounts pledged to the bond trustee (December 31, 2016: \$nil).

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Working capital at March 31, 2017 was \$18.8 million compared to \$5.9 million at March 31, 2016.

The overall cash position of the Company increased by \$17.6 million during the first three months of 2017 compared to a decrease in cash of \$7.7 million during the comparative period of year 2016. 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 2017 resulted in a decrease in the cash position of \$1 million compared to an increase of \$1.0 million in the cash position during the comparable period of 2016. The decrease in the cash position is explained by a net loss of \$2.3 million and \$1.3 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 2017 were \$7.7 million compared to cash outflows of \$8.7 million in the comparable period of 2016. Substantially all of the cash outflows to investing activities in the first three months of 2017 relate to investment in the Atrush Block development work program, and was comprised of \$3.4 million in respect of the Company's participating interest in the Atrush PSC and \$4.3 million in respect of loans to the KRG to fund a portion of their Atrush Feeder Pipeline and other development costs.

The Company had net cash inflows of \$16.4 million from financing activities in the first three months of 2017 compared to \$nil in the comparable period in 2016. The cash inflows relate entirely to the issuance of common shares of the company pursuant to the Private Placement conducted in January 2017. Refer also to the discussion above under the "Outstanding Share Data and Stock Options" section of this MD&A.

At March 31, 2017 ShaMaran held cash and cash equivalents of \$22.0 million. While cash inflows from oil sales will commence with Atrush production management forecasts that combined cash flows from oil sales, spending on Atrush development, Atrush Feeder Pipeline costs and technical and administrative costs in support of Atrush operations will result in net cash outflows of \$9.0 million for the 12 months ended March 31, 2018. The oil sales volume assumptions reflect production commencing in June 2017 and reaching, shortly thereafter, a rate of 27,000 barrels of oil per day which reflects the planned capacity of the Atrush production facility at 90% uptime and that all crude oil produced from Atrush will be delivered, sold and paid for in accordance with the terms of the Atrush PSC three months following the month of production. The forecasted revenue cash flows are based on ICE Brent forward contract prices as of the balance sheet date and discount for transportation costs and quality differentials consistent with observed practice in Kurdistan since mid-2015. The timing and extent of Atrush development costs is based on the Operator's latest forecasts for the 2017 work program while the technical and administrative support costs are management's latest estimates for these forthcoming requirements.

In case there are delays in the forecasted receipt of cash from production or in the magnitude of those cash receipts, which are under the control of the Kurdistan Regional Government ("KRG"), the Company could, by the third of quarter 2017, require additional liquidity in order to fund the forecasted Atrush development program thereafter. Failure to meet development commitments could put the Atrush PSC and the Company's bond agreements at risk of forfeiture.

Management continues to monitor its financing requirements and consider appropriate financing alternatives which include a facility under the Company's existing bond agreements allowing for the Company to propose the issuance of up to an additional \$33 million of bonds under the same bond terms. Management estimates this financing source could be administered within two months. However, in the event that an offering of additional bonds cannot be completed, or that the Company could not secure external financing in an amount required to meet its obligations as they come due, the Company may be required to take measures such as divestment of assets and or further renegotiation of its debt. Should this not be successful, there is a risk that the Company would be subject to a partial or complete reorganization, or that the Company is declared bankrupt.

The Company believes that based on the forecasts and projections they have prepared and potential financing alternatives 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 geopolitical events in the region, macroeconomic conditions or other risks, including uncertainty surrounding oil production forecasted to commence by the end of June 2017 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

On January 30, 2017 the Company completed the issue of 360 million common shares of ShaMaran on a private placement basis (the "Private Placement") at a price per share of CAD 0.10 (equal to SEK 0.67) which resulted in gross proceeds to the Company of \$27.3 million (\$26.4 million net of transaction related costs). Zebra Holdings and Investments SARL, Lorito Holdings SARL and Lundin Petroleum BV, the Company's major shareholders, subscribed for 43,463,618 shares, 16,984,621 shares and 17,800,000 shares, respectively, in the Private Placement. As a result of the Private Placement the Company had 2,158,631,534 outstanding shares at March 31, 2016 and at the date of this MD&A.

At March 31, 2017 there were 28,165,000 stock options outstanding under the Company's employee incentive stock option plan, there is no change from the stock options outstanding at December 31, 2016. No stock options were forfeited or exercised in the first three months of 2017 (2016: nil). There has been no further movement in stock options from March 31, 2017 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

<i>In \$000</i>	Purchases of services for the three months ended		Amounts owing at the reporting dates,	
	March 31, 2017	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
Lundin Petroleum AB	51	95	17	24
Namdo Management Services Ltd.	12	43	23	1
McCullough O'Connor Irwin LLP	12	20	-	-
Total	75	158	40	25

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, 2017 of \$51 (2016: \$95) were comprised of technical service costs of \$nil (2016: \$2), investor relations services of \$7 (2016: \$7), office rental, administrative and building services of \$44 (2016: \$86).

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 "Outstanding Share Data and Stock Options" section above.

COMMITMENTS

Atrush Block Production Sharing Contract

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, 2017 the outstanding commitments of the Company were as follows:

<i>In \$000</i>	For the year ended March 31,				Total
	2018	2019	2020	Thereafter	
Atrush Block development	38,169	114	114	1,700	40,097
Office and other	31	-	-	-	31
Total commitments	38,200	114	114	1,700	40,128

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

PROPOSED TRANSACTIONS

The company had no transactions pending at the date of this MD&A. However, as part of its normal business, the Company continues to evaluate new opportunities.

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 as required. 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, 2017 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, 2018. 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, 2018.

IFRS 16: Leases will replace *IAS 17 Leases* and requires assets and liabilities arising from all leases, with some exceptions, to be recognized on the balance sheet. The new standard will be effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019. The Company is in the process of assessing the full impact of IFRS 16 and intends to adopt IFRS 16 no later than the accounting period beginning on or after January 1, 2019.

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 assessment.

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 exists 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 2017 to the reserves and resource estimates previously reported by the Company as at December 31, 2016.

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.

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 in the years 2014 and 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 GEP's outstanding Senior Bonds and Super Senior Bonds. 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

ShaMaran 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.shamaranpetroleum.com and on SEDAR at 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 supply and demand balances, 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 production sharing contracts 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 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 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 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 production sharing contracts. However, it is possible that the arrangements under the production sharing contracts 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. 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.

Payments for oil exports: Companies who have exported oil from Kurdistan since the year 2009 have reported significant amounts outstanding for past oil exports. Cash payments to oil companies for oil exported from Kurdistan has been under control of the KRG since the beginning of exports in 2009. Since February 1, 2016, when the KRG announced an interim measure whereby monthly payments to oil companies would be made based on an agreed mechanism, the KRG has established a relatively consistent record of delivering regular monthly payments to oil companies for their entitlement revenues in respect of monthly petroleum production, with producers' most recent reports indicating having received in May 2017 full payments for February 2017 oil exported. Nevertheless there remains a risk that the Company may face significant delays in the receipt of cash for its entitlement share of future oil exports.

Paying interest: On November 7, 2016 the KRG exercised its back-in right under the terms of the Atrush PSC and acquired a 25% participating interest. Upon the commencement of oil production exports from Atrush 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 future project development costs.

Default under the Atrush PSC and Atrush JOA: Should the Company fail to meet its obligations under the Atrush 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 Atrush 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 the Atrush PSC: The Atrush 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 Atrush 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 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 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 PSC. If such parties were to breach the terms of the Atrush PSC or any other documents relating to the Company's interest in the Atrush PSC, it could cause the KRG to revoke, terminate or adversely amend the Atrush PSC.

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 seven 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 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 potential 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 Atrush PSC / bond agreements 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 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 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 bond 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 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.

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 and on the Company's web-site at www.shamaranpetroleum.com.



ShaMaran Petroleum Corp.
Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements
For the three months ended March 31, 2017
(unaudited)

The accompanying unaudited interim financial statements of the Company have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the management of the Company. The Company's independent auditor has not performed a review of these financial statements.

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,	
		2017	2016
Expenses			
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(10)	(11)
Share based payments expense	15	(11)	(76)
General and administrative expense		(1,090)	(1,302)
Loss before finance items and income tax expense		(1,111)	(1,389)
Finance income	5	352	21
Finance cost	6	(1,503)	(1,402)
Net finance cost		(1,151)	(1,381)
Loss before income tax expense		(2,262)	(2,770)
Income tax expense	7	(21)	(26)
Loss for the period		(2,283)	(2,796)
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>			
Currency translation differences		16	32
Total other comprehensive income		16	32
Total comprehensive loss for the period		(2,267)	(2,764)
Loss in dollars per share:			
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, 2017	At December 31, 2016
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	182,504	174,658
Intangible assets	9	89,202	89,007
Loans and receivables	10	47,614	46,114
		319,320	309,779
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		22,006	4,416
Loans and receivables	10	10,405	7,252
Other current assets		268	224
		32,679	11,892
Total assets		351,999	321,671
Liabilities and equity			
Current liabilities			
Accrued interest expense on bonds	12	7,349	2,503
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	11	6,547	6,434
		13,896	8,937
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	12	165,339	165,129
Provisions	13	9,898	8,869
Pension liability		1,697	1,670
		176,934	175,668
Total liabilities		190,830	184,605
Equity			
Share capital	14	637,538	611,179
Share based payments reserve		6,495	6,484
Cumulative translation adjustment		(45)	(61)
Accumulated deficit		(482,819)	(480,536)
Total equity		161,169	137,066
Total liabilities and equity		351,999	321,671

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

SHAMARAN PETROLEUM CORP.
Condensed Interim Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity (unaudited)
(Expressed in thousands of United States dollars)

	Share capital	Share based payments reserve	Cumulative translation adjustment	Accumulated deficit	Total
Balance at January 1, 2016	593,179	6,235	(83)	(469,707)	129,624
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
Balance at March 31, 2016	593,179	6,311	(51)	(472,503)	126,936
Balance at December 31, 2016	611,179	6,484	(61)	(480,536)	137,066
Total comprehensive loss for the period:					
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(2,283)	(2,283)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	16	-	16
	-	-	16	(2,283)	(2,267)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:					
Share based payments expense	-	11	-	-	11
Shares issued on private placement	27,281	-	-	-	27,281
Transaction costs	(922)	-	-	-	(922)
	26,359	11	-	-	26,370
Balance at March 31, 2017	637,538	6,495	(45)	(482,819)	161,169

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

SHAMARAN PETROLEUM CORP.
Condensed Interim Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (unaudited)
(Expressed in thousands of United States dollars)

	Note	For the three months ended March 31,	
		2017	2016
Operating activities			
Loss for the period		(2,283)	(2,796)
Adjustments for:			
Interest expense on borrowings – net		1,466	1,335
Foreign exchange loss	6	47	41
Share based payments expense	15	11	76
Depreciation and amortisation expense		10	11
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision		(10)	26
Interest income		(352)	(21)
Changes in accounts payable and accrued expenses		113	2,396
Changes in current tax liabilities		-	(15)
Changes in other current assets		(44)	(22)
Net cash (outflows to) / inflows from operating activities		(1,042)	1,031
Investing activities			
Interest received on cash deposits		26	21
Purchases of intangible assets		(30)	(361)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(3,391)	(8,365)
Loans and receivables – advances to joint venture partner		(4,327)	-
Net cash outflows to investing activities		(7,722)	(8,705)
Financing activities			
Proceeds from shares issued		27,281	-
Share issue related transaction costs		(922)	-
Net cash inflows from financing activities		26,359	-
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(5)	(11)
Change in cash and cash equivalents		17,590	(7,685)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period		4,416	31,921
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period*		22,006	24,236
*Inclusive of restricted cash	12	-	5,825

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SHAMARAN PETROLEUM CORP.
Notes to the Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited)
For the three months ended March 31, 2017
(Expressed in thousands of United States dollars unless otherwise stated)

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 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 first phase of the development program in respect of the Atrush Block production sharing contract (“Atrush PSC”) related to a petroleum property located in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (“Kurdistan”).

2. Basis of preparation and going concern

a. Basis of preparation

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 12, 2017, 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, 2016. 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, 2016.

b. Going concern

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.

Management has applied significant judgment in preparing forecasts supporting the going concern assumption. Specifically, management has made assumptions regarding projected oil sale volumes and pricing, and the timing and extent of capital, operating, and general and administrative expenditures. A number of uncertainties outside the control of the Company could impact its ability to fund its obligations without securing additional financing including the completion according to plan and proper functioning of production facilities and pipelines, the stability of the oil price, the timing of cash receipts from the sale of oil and the Company’s obligations under the 2017 Atrush work program and budget.

At March 31, 2017 ShaMaran held cash and cash equivalents of \$22.0 million. While cash inflows from oil sales will commence with Atrush production management forecasts that combined cash flows from oil sales, spending on Atrush development, Atrush Feeder Pipeline costs and technical and administrative costs in support of Atrush operations will result in net cash outflows of \$9.0 million for the 12 months ended March 31, 2018. The oil sales volume assumptions reflect production commencing in June 2017 and reaching, shortly thereafter, a rate of 27,000 barrels of oil per day which reflects the planned capacity of the Atrush production facility at 90% uptime and that all crude oil produced from Atrush will be delivered, sold and paid for in accordance with the terms of the Atrush PSC three months following the month of production. The forecasted revenue cash flows are based on ICE Brent forward contract prices as of the balance sheet date and discount for transportation costs and quality differentials consistent with observed practice in Kurdistan since mid-2015. The timing and extent of Atrush development costs is based on the Operator’s latest forecasts for the 2017 work program while the technical and administrative support costs are management’s latest estimates for these forthcoming requirements.

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In case there are delays in the forecasted receipt of cash from production or in the magnitude of those cash receipts, which are under the control of the Kurdistan Regional Government (“KRG”), the Company could, by the third of quarter 2017, require additional liquidity in order to fund the forecasted Atrush development program thereafter. Failure to meet development commitments could put the Atrush PSC and the Company’s bond agreements at risk of forfeiture.

Management continues to monitor its financing requirements and consider appropriate financing alternatives which include a facility under the Company’s existing bond agreements allowing for the Company to propose the issuance of up to an additional \$33 million of bonds under the same bond terms. Management estimates this financing source could be administered within two months. However, in the event that an offering of additional bonds cannot be completed, or that the Company could not secure external financing in an amount required to meet its obligations as they come due, the Company may be required to take measures such as divestment of assets and or further renegotiation of its debt. Should this not be successful, there is a risk that the Company would be subject to a partial or complete reorganization, or that the Company is declared bankrupt.

The Company believes that based on the forecasts and projections they have prepared and potential financing alternatives 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 geopolitical events in the region, macroeconomic conditions or other risks, including uncertainty surrounding oil production forecasted to commence by the end of June 2017 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.

Refer also to Notes 12 and 17.

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, 2016.

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.

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5. Finance income

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Interest on Atrush Development Cost Loan	232	-
Interest on Atrush Feeder Pipeline Cost Loan	94	-
Interest on deposits	26	21
Finance income	352	21

As at the balance sheet date the Company has received no cash payments for interest income earned on either the Atrush Development Cost Loan or the Feeder Pipeline Cost Loan. For further information on the loans refer to Note 10.

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

6. Finance cost

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Interest charges on bonds at coupon rate	4,846	4,360
Amortisation of bond transaction costs	210	153
Interest expense on borrowings	5,056	4,513
Foreign exchange loss	47	41
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	(10)	26
Total finance costs before borrowing costs capitalised	5,093	4,580
Borrowing costs capitalised as E&E and PP&E assets	(3,590)	(3,178)
Finance cost	1,503	1,402

During the three months ended March 31, 2017 the Company incurred interest expense relating to its Senior Bonds and Super Senior Bonds which both carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon interest rate.

Refer also to Notes 8, 9 and 12.

7. Taxation

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Income tax expense	21	26

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.

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8. Property, plant and equipment

	Oil and gas assets	Computer equipment	Furniture and office equipment	Total
At January 1, 2016				
Cost	177,138	258	153	177,549
Accumulated depreciation	(138)	(214)	(153)	(505)
Net book value	177,000	44	-	177,044
For the year ended December 31, 2016				
Opening net book value	177,000	44	-	177,044
Additions	45,799	1	-	45,800
Transfer to Atrush Development Cost Loan	(10,682)	-	-	(10,682)
Transfer to Atrush Exploration Costs receivable	(37,475)	-	-	(37,475)
Depreciation expense	-	(29)	-	(29)
Net book value	174,642	16	-	174,658
At December 31, 2016				
Cost	174,780	253	150	175,183
Accumulated depreciation	(138)	(237)	(150)	(525)
Net book value	174,642	16	-	174,658
For the three months ended March 31, 2017				
Opening net book value	174,642	16	-	174,658
Additions	7,852	-	-	7,852
Depreciation expense	-	(6)	-	(6)
Net book value	182,494	10	-	182,504
At March 31, 2017				
Cost	182,632	258	153	183,043
Accumulated depreciation	(138)	(248)	(153)	(539)
Net book value	182,494	10	-	182,504

The net book value of oil and gas assets at March 31, 2017 are comprised of development costs related to the Company's share of Atrush PSC proved and probable reserves as estimated by McDaniel. These costs are not subject to depletion until commencement of commercial production. The additions to PP&E during the three months period included borrowing costs totalling \$3.5 million (year 2016: \$13.1 million).

Refer also to Notes 6, 9, 10, 12 and 18.

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9. Intangible assets

	Exploration and evaluation assets	Other intangible assets	Total
At January 1, 2016			
Cost	88,594	321	88,915
Accumulated amortisation	-	(270)	(270)
Net book value	88,594	51	88,645
For the year ended December 31, 2016			
Opening net book value	88,594	51	88,645
Additions	378	-	378
Amortisation expense	-	(16)	(16)
Net book value	88,972	35	89,007
At December 31, 2016			
Cost	88,972	314	89,286
Accumulated amortisation	-	(279)	(279)
Net book value	88,972	35	89,007
For the three months ended March 31, 2017			
Opening net book value	88,972	35	89,007
Additions	198	-	198
Exchange differences	-	1	1
Amortisation expense	-	(4)	(4)
Net book value	89,170	32	89,202
At March 31, 2017			
Cost	89,170	321	89,491
Accumulated amortisation	-	(289)	(289)
Net book value	89,170	32	89,202

The net book value of E&E assets at March 31, 2017 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 period borrowing costs of \$0.1 million (year 2016: \$0.3 million) were capitalised to E&E assets.

Refer also to Notes 6,8, 12 and 18.

10. Loans and receivables

On November 7, 2016 the Assignment Novation and Fourth Amendment Agreement to the Atrush PSC ("4th PSC Amendment") and Atrush Facilitation Agreement were concluded between TAQA Atrush B.V. ("TAQA", a subsidiary of Abu Dhabi National Energy Company PJSC and the Operator of the Atrush Block), General Exploration Partners, Inc., ("GEP" and a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company), and Marathon Oil KDV B.V. ("MOKDV") (together, the "Non-Government Contractors") and the KRG. On the same day TAQA entered into an Engineering, Procurement and Construction ("EPC") contract with KAR Company for the construction of the feeder pipeline from the Atrush block boundary to the tie-in point with the main Kurdistan export pipeline (the "Feeder Pipeline").

Under the terms of the 4th PSC Amendment and Atrush Facilitation Agreement:

- The KRG acquires a 25% interest in the Atrush PSC effective November 7, 2012, the date of declaration of commerciality ("DOC date"). As a consequence the respective participating interests in the Atrush PSC are TAQA at 39.9%, the KRG at 25%, GEP at 20.1% and MOKDV at 15%;

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- All Atrush petroleum costs from the DOC date through the commencement of oil exports from Atrush will be paid by the Non-Government Contractors and a defined portion of the KRG's share of these costs will be deemed Exploration Costs as defined in the Atrush PSC and repaid through an accelerated petroleum cost recovery arrangement from the sale of future oil production from Atrush. This arrangement has resulted in the Atrush Exploration Cost receivable as reported in the table below; and
- The Non-Government Contractors will fund the cost of constructing the Feeder Pipeline which will be novated to the KRG following the commencement of oil exports from Atrush. The Feeder Pipeline costs and the balance of the Atrush petroleum costs incurred by the Non-Government Contractors on behalf of the KRG excluding the portion deemed as Exploration Costs will be repaid with interest at 7% per annum by the KRG within 2 years from the commencement of oil exports from Atrush (respectively, the "Atrush Feeder Cost Loan" and the "Atrush Development Cost Loan"). These arrangements have resulted in loan balances as reported in the table below.

	At March 31, 2017	At December 31, 2016
Atrush Exploration Costs receivable	37,475	37,475
Atrush Development Cost Loan	14,216	12,857
Atrush Feeder Pipeline Cost Loan	6,328	3,034
Total loans and receivables	58,019	53,366
- Current portion	10,405	7,252
- Non-current portion	47,614	46,114

Refer also to Notes 5, 8 and 18.

11. Accounts payable and accrued expenses

	At March 31, 2017	At December 31, 2016
Payables to joint operations partner	6,105	6,146
Trade payables	276	170
Accrued expenses	166	118
Total accounts payable and accrued expenses	6,547	6,434

12. Borrowings

At March 31, 2017 General Exploration Partners, Inc. had outstanding \$148.7 million of senior secured bonds ("Senior Bonds") and \$18.1 million of super senior secured bonds ("Super Senior Bonds"). The Senior Bonds are listed on the Oslo Børs in Norway under the symbol "GEP01", have a five year maturity from their issuance date of November 13, 2013 and carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon and were used to fund capital expenditures related to the development of the Atrush Block. The Super Senior Bonds also mature on November 13, 2018, carry an 11.5% fixed semi-annual coupon and were used to fund capital expenditures related to the development of the Atrush Block. GEP has the option to pay in cash or in kind by issuing new bonds ("PIK Bonds") the remaining coupon interest on both Senior and Super Senior bonds.

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Movements in borrowings are explained as follows:

	For the three months ended March 31, 2017	For the year ended December 31, 2016
Opening balance	167,632	150,515
Interest charges at coupon rate	4,846	17,951
Amortisation of bond transaction costs	210	943
Bonds issued as interest payments	-	17,700
Super Senior Bonds issued – net of transaction costs	-	16,223
Interest payments to bondholders	-	(17,700)
Senior Bonds exchanged for ShaMaran common shares	-	(18,000)
Ending balance	172,688	167,632
- Current portion: accrued bond interest expense	7,349	2,503
- Non-current portion: borrowings	165,339	165,129

The remaining contractual obligations comprising of repayment of principal and interest expense under the bond agreements, based on undiscounted cash flows at payment date and assuming all interest in 2017 is paid by issuing new bonds and the bonds are not redeemed early, are as follows:

	At March 31, 2017	At December 31, 2016
Less than one year	19,722	19,722
Between one and two years	188,138	188,138
Total	207,860	207,860

Debt Incurrence Tests

In accordance with the terms of GEP's Senior Bonds and Super Senior Bonds agreements 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 Bonds 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. ShaMaran and any of its subsidiaries (together 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

The security is held jointly for the Senior and Super Senior Bonds with the Super Senior Bonds on first rank and the Senior Bonds on second rank until the Super Senior Bonds are 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 \$22.0 million of total cash and cash equivalents at March 31, 2017 (December 31, 2016 : \$4.4 million) \$nil was held in accounts pledged to the bond trustee (December 31, 2016: \$nil).

Refer also to Notes 2, 6, 8, 9 and 16.

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13. 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, 2017	For the year ended December 31, 2016
Opening balance	8,869	8,080
Changes in discount and inflation rates	945	1,840
Changes in estimates and obligations incurred	94	(1,119)
Unwinding discount on decommissioning provision	(10)	68
Total decommissioning and site restoration provisions	9,898	8,869

14. 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
At January 1, 2016	1,579,768,534	593,179
Shares issued to holders of GEP's Senior Bonds	218,863,000	18,000
At December 31, 2016	1,798,631,534	611,179
Shares issued on private placement	360,000,000	27,281
Transaction costs on private placement	-	(922)
At March 31, 2017	2,158,631,534	637,538

On January 30, 2017 the Company completed the issue of 360 million common shares of ShaMaran on a private placement basis (the "Private Placement") at a price per share of CAD 0.10 (equal to SEK 0.67) which resulted in gross proceeds to the Company of \$27.3 million (\$26.4 million net of transaction related costs). Zebra Holdings and Investments SARL, Lorito Holdings SARL and Lundin Petroleum BV, the Company's major shareholders, subscribed for 43,463,618 shares, 16,984,621 shares and 17,800,000 shares, respectively, in the Private Placement. Refer also to Note 19.

15. 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
At January 1, 2016	28,190,000	0.13
Expired in the year 2016	(25,000)	0.80
At December 31, 2016	28,165,000	0.13
At March 31, 2017	28,165,000	0.13
Share options exercisable:		
At December 31, 2016	19,498,333	0.14
At March 31, 2017	28,165,000	0.13

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 and for the three months ended March 31, 2017 was \$11 thousand (2016: \$0.1 million).

There were no options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2017 or during the year ended December 31, 2016.

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.

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16. Financial instruments

Financial assets

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

	Carrying and fair values ¹	
	At March 31, 2017	At December 31, 2016
Loans and receivables ²	58,019	53,366
Cash and cash equivalents ²	22,006	4,416
Other receivables ²	100	77
Total financial assets	80,125	57,859

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.

Financial liabilities

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

	Fair value hierarchy ⁴	Carrying values	
		At March 31, 2017	At December 31, 2016
Borrowings ³	Level 2	165,339	165,129
Provisions for decommissioning costs		9,898	8,869
Accrued interest on bonds		7,349	2,503
Accounts payable and accrued expenses ²		6,547	6,434
Pension liability		1,697	1,670
Total financial liabilities		190,830	184,605

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.

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

² No valuation techniques have been applied to establish the fair value of these financial instruments as they are either cash and cash equivalents, correspond to payment terms fixed by contract or, due to the short term nature, are readily convertible to or settled with cash and cash equivalents.

³ The fair value of the Company's borrowings at the balance sheet date was \$76.7 million (December 31, 2016: \$63.1 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.

⁴ *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.

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17. Commitments

As at March 31, 2017 the outstanding commitments of the Company were as follows:

	For the year ended March 31,				Total
	2018	2019	2020	Thereafter	
Atrush Block development	38,169	114	114	1,700	40,097
Office and other	31	-	-	-	31
Total commitments	38,200	114	114	1,700	40,128

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

Refer also to Notes 2, 12 and 18.

18. Interests in joint operations and other entities

Interests in joint operations - Atrush Block Production Sharing Contract

ShaMaran holds a 20.1% direct interest in the Atrush PSC through GEP. TAQA Atrush B.V. is the Operator of the Atrush Block with a 39.9% direct interest, the KRG holds a 25% direct interest and MOKDV holds a 15% direct interest. TAQA, the KRG, GEP and MOKDV together are "the Contractors" to the Atrush PSC. Under the terms of the 4th PSC Amendment and the Facilitation Agreement, which became effective on November 7, 2016, the Non-Government Contractors have agreed to pay their pro-rata share of the Feeder Pipeline costs and of the KRG's share of Atrush development costs up to the commencement of oil exports from Atrush. Thereafter these costs will be reimbursed to the Non-Government Contractors.

Under the terms of the Atrush 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 Atrush PSC. All modifications to the Atrush 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 Notes 10 and 17.

Information about subsidiaries

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company include:

Subsidiary	Principal activities	Country of Incorporation	% equity interest as at	
			31 Dec 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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19. Related party transactions

Transactions with corporate entities

	Purchases of services for the three months ended		Amounts owing at the balance sheet dates,	
	March 31, 2017	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
Lundin Petroleum AB	51	95	17	24
Namdo Management Services Ltd.	12	43	23	1
McCullough O'Connor Irwin LLP	12	20	-	-
Total	75	158	40	25

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, 2017 of \$51 (2016: \$95) were comprised of technical service costs of \$nil (2016: \$2), investor relations services of \$7 (2016: \$7), office rental, administrative and building services of \$44 (2016: \$86).

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 Note 14.

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