

**APRIL 2024** 

### **The Copper Factory**

Returning capital through sustainable and reliable copper production

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## **Forward Looking Information**



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- forecasted production and operating costs;
- our being a profitable long-term copper producer;
- our strategies and objectives;
- our estimates of the availability and quantity of tailings, and the quality of our mine plan estimates;
- the demand for and supply of copper, molybdenum, and other commodities and materials that we produce, sell and use;
- sensitivity of our financial results and share price to changes in commodity prices;
- the expected amount of MVC's annual free cash flow that will become available for distribution to Amerigo shareholders;
- the production capacity of our operations, our planned production levels and future production;
- our financial and operating objectives; and
- · general business and economic conditions.

These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Inherent in forward-looking statements are risks and uncertainties beyond our ability to predict or control, including risks that may affect our operating or capital plans; risks generally encountered in the permitting and development of mineral projects such as unusual or unexpected geological formations,

negotiations with government and other third parties, unanticipated metallurgical difficulties, delays associated with permits, approvals and permit appeals, ground control problems, adverse weather conditions, process upsets and equipment malfunctions; risks associated with labour disturbances and availability of skilled labour and management; risks related to the potential impact of global or national health concerns, including COVID-19, and the inability of employees to access sufficient healthcare; government or regulatory actions or inactions, fluctuations in the market prices of our principal commodities, which are cyclical and subject to substantial price fluctuations; risks created through competition for mining projects and properties; risks associated with lack of access to markets; risks associated with availability of and our ability to obtain both tailings from Codelco's Division El Teniente's current production and historic tailings from tailings deposits; risks with respect to the ability of the Company to draw down funds from bank facilities and lines of credit, and the availability of and ability of the Company to obtain adequate funding on reasonable terms for expansions and acquisitions; mine plan estimates; risks posed by fluctuations in exchange rates and interest rates, as well as general economic conditions; risks associated with environmental compliance and changes in environmental legislation and regulation; risks associated with our dependence on third parties for the provision of critical services; risks associated with non-performance by contractual counterparties; title risks; social and political risks associated with operations in foreign countries; risks of changes in laws affecting our operations or their interpretation, including foreign exchange controls; and risks associated with tax reassessments and legal proceedings. Many of these risks and uncertainties apply not only to the Company and its operations, but also to Codelco and its operations. Codelco's ongoing mining operations provide a significant portion of the materials MVC processes and its resulting metals production, therefore these risks and uncertainties may also affect their operations and in turn have a material effect on the Company.

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- general business and economic conditions;
- interest and currency exchange rates;
- changes in commodity and power prices;
- acts of foreign governments and the outcome of legal proceedings;
- the supply and demand for, deliveries of, and the level and volatility of prices of copper and other commodities and products used in our operations;
- the ongoing supply of material for processing from Codelco's current mining operations;
- the grade and projected recoveries of tailings processed by MVC;
- the ability of the Company to profitably extract and process material from the Cauquenes tailings deposit;
- the timing of the receipt of and retention of permits and other regulatory and governmental approvals;
- our costs of production and our production and productivity levels, as well as those of our competitors;
- changes in credit market conditions and conditions in financial markets generally;
- our ability to procure equipment and operating supplies in sufficient quantities and on a timely basis;
- the availability of qualified employees and contractors for our operations;
- our ability to attract and retain skilled staff;
- the satisfactory negotiation of collective agreements with unionized employees;
- the impact of changes in foreign exchange rates and capital repatriation on our costs and results;
- costs of closure of various operations;
- market competition;

- tax benefits and tax rates;
- the outcome of our copper concentrate sales and treatment and refining charge negotiations;
- the resolution of environmental and other proceedings or disputes;
- the future supply of reasonably priced power;
- rainfall in the vicinity of MVC returning to normal levels;
- average recoveries for fresh tailings and Cauquenes tailings;
- our ability to obtain, comply with and renew permits and licenses in a timely manner; and
- our ongoing relations with our employees and entities with which we do business.

Future production levels and cost estimates assume there are no adverse mining or other events which significantly affect budgeted production levels.

Although the Company believes that these assumptions were reasonable when made, because these assumptions are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies which are difficult or impossible to predict and are beyond the Company's control, the Company cannot assure that it will achieve or accomplish the expectations, beliefs or projections described in the forward-looking statements.

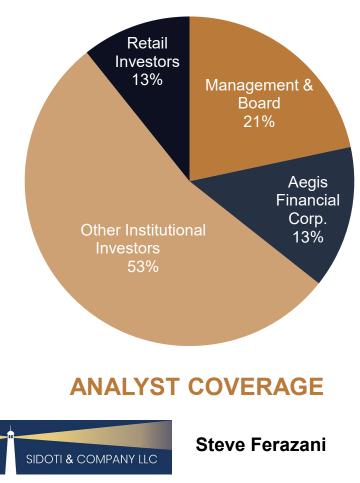
We caution you that the foregoing list of important factors and assumptions is not exhaustive. Other events or circumstances could cause our actual results to differ materially from those estimated or projected and expressed in, or implied by, our forward-looking statements. You should also carefully consider the matters discussed under Risk Factors in Amerigo's Annual Information Form. The forward-looking statements contained herein speak only as of the date of the presentation and except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update publicly or otherwise revise any forward-looking statements or the foregoing list of factors, whether as a result of new information or future events or otherwise.

### **Corporate Structure**

CAPITALIZATION	
Shares outstanding <sup>1</sup>	165.4 M
Options <sup>1</sup> (average exercise price Cdn\$1.32)	11.3 M
Share price <sup>1</sup>	Cdn\$1.55
Market cap <sup>1</sup>	\$189.7 M
Yield <sup>1</sup>	7.7%
Capital Returned in 2023	\$17.2 M
Enterprise Value	\$188.5 M
Cash and Restricted Cash <sup>1</sup>	\$20.0 M
Debt outstanding <sup>1</sup>	\$19.5 M



**SHAREHOLDERS** 



# **Value Proposition**





#### WE RECOVER COPPER IN A "COPPER FACTORY"

Simple and sustainable business model; predictable operations and cash flow



#### DIRECT LEVERAGE TO COPPER PRICES

Full exposure to rising copper prices without traditional mining risk, minimal overhead and low CAPEX



#### ADDITIONAL UPSIDE THROUGH QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS, SHARE BUYBACKS AND PERFORMANCE DIVIDENDS

Current yield: 7.7% on quarterly dividends (based on March 31, 2024 share price)



#### SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS MODEL

Producing copper and molybdenum from waste streams using 100% renewable power

### What we do









We capture lost value through our operational excellence We produce copper from mining waste without traditional mining risk We replace the world's need for a 30,000 TPA copper mine

### How we do it

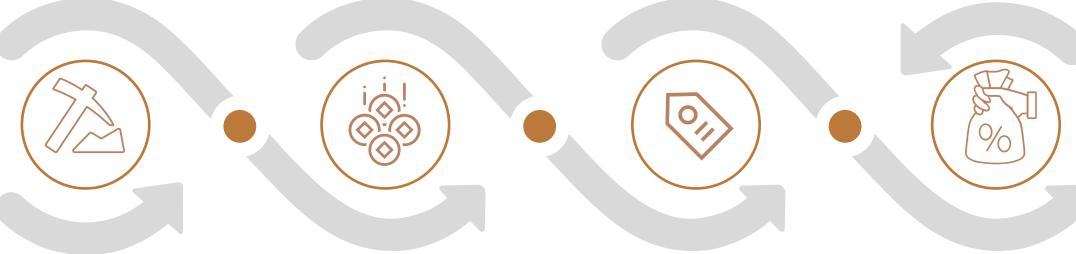
copper mines

We receive waste We process the streams from one waste streams to of Chile's largest

recover copper and molybdenum

We get market prices for the recovered copper and molybdenum

We return profits to shareholders





# Amerigo's Multi-year Capital Allocation Strategy: <u>A Long Term View</u>



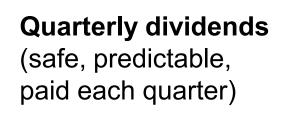
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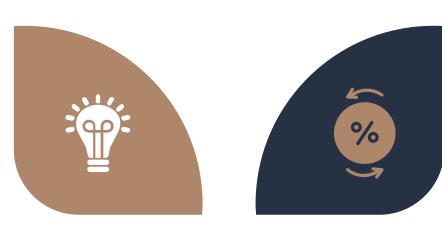
### Shareholder Friendly Capital Return Strategy

As we do not require growth capital, we can return capital to shareholders





**Performance dividends** (flexible in all aspects)



**Share buybacks** (Normal Course Issuer Bids, Substantial Bids)

### **Foundations of the Capital Return Strategy**





# Pure Copper Play – High Leverage to Copper Prices



Assumptions for 2024 Production Guidance (62.4 M lbs copper production) <sup>1</sup>						on) <sup>1</sup>
Copper price (\$/lb)	3.60	3.90	4.10	4.30	4.50	4.80
EBITDA <sup>2</sup> (\$M)	34.6	43.8	49.6	55.1	60.8	68.8
FCFE <sup>2</sup> (\$M)	3.3	10.0	14.2	18.2	22.3	28.2

<sup>1</sup> Excludes the effect of settlement adjustments from Q4-2023 in Q1-2024, assumes molybdenum price of \$21/lb and CLP : US conversion rate of 935 : 1.

<sup>2</sup> EBITDA and FCFE are non-IFRS measures. Refer to Amerigo's latest MD&A for Amerigo's disclosure and reconciliation of non-IFRS measures.

FCFE refers to FCFE guided to be generated in 2024. On January 1, 2024, cash balances were \$16.2M.

### We have Inexhaustible Material to Process



El Teniente began operating in 1905

Amerigo processes the daily waste material from the world's largest underground copper mine – El Teniente

> El Teniente's current life of mine is projected to run to 2082

Long-term strategic agreement to continue processing its waste material

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**Operations** located in Chile, the world's leading copper producer

Jurisdictional Codelco is Chile's state-owned copper producer - largest

Copper is the "salary of Chile" – building block of the economy and social contract

Chile

Minimal

Risk

Amerigo has a +30year strategic relationship with Codelco's El Teniente mine

Amerigo provides additional copper and income to Chile

Fraser Institute Overall Ranking (2021): Chile 7.66; Canada 7.98; United States 8.14 (scores shown are out of 10).

global copper produce



# Appendices

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### Water Supply – A Managed and Controlled Risk



Chile faced drought conditions for 10 years until mid-2023



Amerigo took steps to **mitigate water supply risk** and ensure having water reserves to operate for at least 18 months without curtailing operations during the drought



**Multiple sources of water:** water from fresh tailings, water rights, recirculated water (water thickeners), rainfall and surplus water stored in water dam



Water reserves on March 31, 2024: >10.0 MM m<sup>3</sup> (Sufficient for > 18 months of operations)

### **El Teniente Royalties**

Sliding scale tied to copper prices

	price \$/lb)			oyalty \$/lb)
Fresh tailings	\$ 1.95	13.5%	\$	0.26
	\$ 4.80	28.4%	\$	1.36
Cauquenes	\$ 1.95	16%	\$	0.31
	\$ 5.50	39%	\$	2.15

- Outside of these price ranges, parties would meet to reset royalty factors
- The table shows the EI Teniente copper royalties at various copper prices



(\$/lb)				
Cu	price	Ro	yalty	
\$	3.00	\$	0.72	
\$	3.20	\$	0.80	
\$	3.40	\$	0.89	
\$	3.50	\$	0.93	
\$	3.60	\$	0.98	
\$	3.80	\$	1.07	
\$	4.00	\$	1.17	
\$	4.20	\$	1.27	
\$	4.40	\$	1.38	
\$	4.60	\$	1.48	
\$	4.80	\$	1.59	

# Moly by-product credit

- MVC produces molybdenum as a byproduct
- When talking about cash cost (a non-GAAP measure) moly is considered a "credit" to cash cost
- At the right moly market price, the contribution of the moly by-product credit to cash cost can be significant
- The table shows the moly-by product credit to cash cost at various moly prices



(\$/lb)				
	Moly price		Credit to Cash Cost	
\$	14.00	\$	(0.22)	
\$	16.00	\$	(0.25)	
\$	18.00	\$	(0.29)	
\$	20.00	\$	(0.32)	
\$	22.00	\$	(0.35)	
\$	24.00	\$	(0.38)	
\$	26.00	\$	(0.41)	
\$	28.00	\$	(0.45)	
\$	30.00	\$	(0.48)	
\$	32.00	\$	(0.51)	
\$	34.00	\$	(0.54)	

#### Management





Aurora Davidson President, CEO & Director

Ms. Davidson has been with Amerigo since 2003. She is a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA, CGA) with over 30 years of international experience in financial and general business management. She has assisted numerous private and public companies in the mining, engineering and high-technology sectors as Chief Financial Officer, Vice President, Finance and Corporate Controller.



Dr. Klaus Zeitler Executive Chairman & Director

Dr. Zeitler founded Amerigo in 2003. He has more than 50 years of experience in the mining industry and has financed, built and managed base metal and gold mines throughout the world with a total investment value of more than \$4 billion. He was founder and first CEO of Inmet Mining Corporation and a director of Teck Corp. and Cominco Limited for many years.



Carmen Amezquita Chief Financial Officer

Ms. Amezquita is a Chartered Professional Accountant having received her Chartered Accountant designation in 2010. Prior to joining Amerigo, Ms. Amezquita worked as the Chief Financial Officer and Controller of public companies in the mining industry. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from UBC and has a Diploma in Accounting from the UBC Sauder School of Business



Christian Cáceres General Manager, MVC

Mr. Cáceres is a Metallurgical Engineer with an MBA, and is a Registered Member of the Chilean Mining Commission. He has over 30 years of experience in metallurgical processes, tailings processing, water recovery, engineering projects, operation management and sustainability, leading MVC as General Manager since 2015.

#### **Directors**





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Robert Gayton Lead Independent Director

Dr. Gayton, FCDA (FCA) is a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA, CA) with a Ph.D. in Business from the University of California, Berkeley.



George Ireland Director

George Ireland has almost 40 years of experience in the mining and metals industry in positions ranging from field geologist and operations to banking.



#### Alberto Salas Director

Alberto Salas is a mining entrepreneur, former President of Chile's National Mining Society, former Chairman of Chile's SQM and Chairman of the National Institute of Professional Training (INACAP), Chile's largest higher education and training institute.



#### Michael Luzich Director

Mr. Luzich is the founder of Luzich Partners LLC, a multi-strategy investment firm formed in 2013 and a significant shareholder in the Company.



#### Margot Naudie Director

Margot Naudie is a seasoned 25-year capital markets professional with global investment expertise as a Senior Portfolio Manager for long-only and long/short North American and global natural resource portfolios.



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