

ATOK-BIG WEDGE CO., INC.

2022 ANNUAL REPORT



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ERIC O. RECTO
Chairman and Chief
Executive Officer



RODOLFO MA. A. PONFERRADA
President

LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Shareholders,

I am writing you this report with very mixed feelings.

For the first time since the RVO Group took over management of your company in 2009, this report is no longer being written by the same person.

On 5 February 2023, we lost a great man - our Chairman and CEO, Roberto V. Ongpin, who passed away unexpectedly. Shortly thereafter, I was voted in to replace him by your Board of Directors and I am now tasked with having to fill the shoes of my mentor and partner. This is undoubtedly a daunting task for which I must ask for your trust and patience. Rest assured however that I intend to exert all efforts to attain our Company's objectives - mainly to realize the returns on the investments we have already made in the promising Oil and Gas industry of our country.

As many of you are aware, the current economic environment remains very challenging. The CoVid-19 emergency has recently been lifted but what it has wrought on the world continues to be felt. We are now faced with stubbornly high inflation and higher borrowing costs which has affected all economies and most companies. This notwithstanding, we are pleased to share with you that your Company continues to have a strong balance sheet and sound business fundamentals, which enabled us to survive the pandemic, and which we believe will allow us to thrive as the world continues to recover.

In relation to our investment in Forum Energy PLC (Forum), the operator of Service Contract No. 72 (SC72) located in the West Philippine Sea, we reported last year that the Department of Energy (DOE) informed the consortium to suspend all exploration activities in SC72 "until such time that the Security, Justice & Peace Coordinating Cluster has issued the necessary clearance to proceed." As a result, the Consortium suspended operations sometime in April 2022.

Earlier this year, our partner in Forum and its majority shareholder (PXP Energy Corporation) sought the Philippine government's approval to continue Forum's exploration activities in the West Philippine Sea, including SC72.

Then and now, we firmly believe that DOE's suspension is temporary given its earlier lifting of force majeure and its keenness for exploration work to resume in the area; thus, we are hopeful that operations will resume soon, which will allow the company to realize the potential returns of our investment in Forum.

Overall, however, we recognized a loss in 2022 because of our share in the operating losses of Forum, as well as from our general and administrative expenses. However, we still remain confident that our investment in Forum will bear fruit sooner rather than later.

We continue to evaluate a number of offers regarding promising oil and gas businesses and we hope to be able to report on some significant developments in the very near future.

Until then, we thank all of you, our loyal shareholders, for your continuing patience and commitment to our company.

Very truly yours,



ERIC O. RECTO
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

ABOUT THE COMPANY

Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc. (Atok) was the result of a merger between Atok Gold Mining Co. and Big Wedge Mining Co., both of which were incorporated in the early 1930s. This makes Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc. one of the oldest mining companies existing in the country. Over the past eight decades, Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc. has established a strong foundation in the Philippine mining industry. We continue our legacy by having business in mining, oil, gas, and natural resources exploration and development, including renewable energy.



EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

ERIC O. RECTO

Chairman of the Board & Chief Executive Officer

DENNIS A. UY

Vice Chairman

RODOLFO MA. A. PONFERRADA

President

WALTER W. BROWN

Executive Vice President

CHARLES EDWARD M. CHENG

Corporate Secretary

JOSEPHINE A. MANALO

Treasurer

CRISTINA B. ZAPANTA

Senior Vice President for Finance

JERIC PAUL P. POSIO

Vice President for Finance

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ERIC O. RECTO

JOSE RAYMUND L. APOSTOL

MICHAEL ANGELO PATRICK M. ASPERIN

WALTER W. BROWN

JOHN PETER CHICK B. CASTELO

CHARLES EDWARD M. CHENG

PAUL FRANCIS B. JUAT

ANNA BETTINA ONGPIN

MARIO A. ORETA

RODOLFO MA. A. PONFERRADA

MARGARITO B. TEVES (INDEPENDENT)

DENNIS A. UY (INDEPENDENT)



EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS



ERIC O. RECTO

Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and Director

Mr. Recto was elected Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer on 2 March 2023 and appointed as Director on 10 December 2009. He is presently Chairman and President of Bedfordbury Development Corporation; Chairman and CEO of Alphaland Corporation; He is Vice Chairman and Lead Independent Director of Aboitiz Power Corporation; He is Independent Director of Manila Water Company, Inc.; and holds board positions in a few other publicly-listed companies. He was recently appointed Senior Advisor of Stonepeak Infrastructure Partners in the US and Director of Miescor Infrastructure Development Corporation. Prior to his current roles, he was President of Petron Corporation, the largest oil refining and marketing company in the Philippines. He also previously served as Undersecretary of Finance of the Republic of the Philippines from 2002 to 2005. Mr. Recto has an undergraduate degree in Industrial Engineering from the University of the Philippines and has an MBA from Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School of Management.



RODOLFO MA. A. PONFERRADA

President and Director

Atty. Ponferrada was elected Director and President on 2 March 2023. He is also the founding partner of Ponferrada San Juan & Fernandez Law Offices. He was the General Counsel of the RVO Group of Companies from 2006 to 2016. He was also the Corporate Secretary of Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc. from 2009 to 2016. Currently, he is a Director and President of Alphaland Corporation and several of its subsidiaries and affiliates. He also served in government as Technical Assistant to the Executive Secretary under President Macapagal-Arroyo and as Assistant Chief of Staff to Vice President De Castro. He started his law practice as an associate at SyCip Salazar Hernandez & Gatmaitan Law Office. Mr. Ponferrada graduated with a degree in Bachelor of Laws cum laude from the University of the Philippines and a degree of Bachelor of Science in Management (Honors Program) magna cum laude with a Minor in Japanese Studies from the Ateneo de Manila University. He placed number 1 in the 2001 Philippine Bar Examinations.



DENNIS A. UY
Vice Chairman and Independent Director

Mr. Uy was elected Independent Director and appointed as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors on 31 May 2018. He is a Director of Alphaland Corporation and the Founder, Chairman, and CEO of Udenna Corporation. He is the Chairman of Phoenix Petroleum Philippines, Inc., and Chelsea Logistics Holdings Corporation.



WALTER W. BROWN
Executive Vice President and Director

Dr. Brown was elected Director on 10 December 2009. He is presently the Executive Vice President of Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc. He is also the President and CEO of Apex Mining Co., Inc.; the Chairman of A Brown Company, Inc.; Palm Thermal Consolidated Holdings Corporation; International Cleanenvironment Systems, Inc.; North Kitanglad Agricultural Company, Inc.; PhiGold; and A Brown Energy & Resources Dev't. Inc.; President of Monte Oro Resources and Energy Inc.; and PBJ Corporation. He received two undergraduate degrees: B.S. Physical Science (1959) and B.S. Geology (1960), both from the University of the Philippines, and post graduate degrees from Stanford University: M.S. Economic Geology (1963), and Ph.D in Geology, and Major in Geochemistry (1965). He was a candidate in master of Business Economics (1980) from the University of Asia & the Pacific (formerly Center for Research & Communications). He is currently the Chairman and Director of Family Farm School (PPAI), Chairman and President of Studium Theologiae Foundation, Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Xavier University, and the Geological Society of the Philippines.



CHARLES EDWARD M. CHENG
**Corporate Information Officer, Compliance Officer,
Corporate Secretary, and Director**

Atty. Cheng was appointed as Corporate Information Officer, Compliance Officer and Corporate Secretary on 30 June 2021. He is also connected with Alphaland Corporation as Assistant to the Chairman and Sr. General Counsel. Immediately prior to joining the Company, Atty. Cheng served as Legal Counsel for Royal Dutch Shell PLC subsidiaries, including, among others, Shell Philippines Exploration B.V., Pilipinas Shell Petroleum Corporation and Shell Global Solutions International B.V. Before joining Shell, he was a Senior Associate in the Corporate and Special Projects Department of Villaraza Cruz Marcelo and Angangco (Carpio Villaraza Cruz). He finished his Bachelor of Science Degree in Management minor in Finance, Honorable Mention, from the Ateneo de Manila University and completed his L.I.B from the University of the Philippines College of Law in 2007, graduating with honors.



JOSEPHINE A. MANALO

Treasurer

Ms. Manalo was appointed Treasurer on 11 August 2015. She is connected with Alphaland Corporation as Executive Assistant to the Chairman. She also works in various capacities for Mr. Roberto V. Ongpin's Group of Companies. She has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree from St. Theresa's College, Manila.



CRISTINA B. ZAPANTA

Senior Vice President for Finance

Ms. Zapanta was appointed Vice President for Finance and Compliance Officer for Anti-Money Laundering Manual on 31 May 2016. She is presently the Company's Senior Vice President for Finance. She is also the Senior Vice President for Finance of Alphaland Corporation; Alphaland Balesin Island Resort Corporation; Alphaland Balesin Island Club, Inc.; Alphaland Makati Place, Inc. and Alphaland Southgate Tower, Inc. Prior to joining the Company, she was the Finance and Administration Head of Connectivity Unlimited Resources Enterprise, Inc. (2006-2008) and Accounting Head of Belle Corporation (1997-2006). She has more than 30 years solid experience in Finance, of which over half is in the real estate industry. She is a Certified Public Accountant.



JERIC PAUL P. POSIO

Vice President for Finance

Mr. Posio was appointed Vice President for Finance on 26 May 2022. He is also the Senior Vice President for Finance of Alphaland Corporation and its subsidiaries and affiliates.



JOSE RAYMUND LIM APOSTOL
Director

Mr. Apostol was elected Director on 2 August 2022. He was previously a Director and President of the Company from 01 June 2013 to 30 September 2016. He is currently the Senior Executive Vice President of Monte Oro Resources and Energy, Inc. He was a Director and the President of Forum Energy Philippines Corp. from 2007 to 2013 and President and Technical Director of PhiGold Metallic Ore Inc. from 2008 to 2013. He was also a Non-exclusive consultant of Forum Exploration Inc., Non-Exclusive Adviser to the Chairman & CEO of Philex Petroleum Corporation, and Country Manager for Philippine Operations of Sterling Energy (plc), U.K., among others. He is a Director of Petroleum Association of the Philippines. He is also a member of Southeast Asian Petroleum Exploration Society, American Association of Petroleum Geologists and Geological Society of the Philippines. He graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Geology from the University of the Philippines.



MICHAEL ANGELO PATRICK M. ASPERIN
Director

Mr. Asperin was elected Director on 28 August 2014. He is a Director and Chief Operating Officer of Alphaland Corporation and also handles the operations of the aviation and security divisions of the Alphaland Group of Companies. He is also the President and Chief Executive Officer of Alphaland Balesin Island Club, Inc. (ABICI). Prior to joining Alphaland, he served in Philweb Corporation from 2009 to 2012 as Senior Vice President for Enterprise Risk Management. He graduated from the Philippine Military Academy in 1981.



JOHN PETER CHICK B. CASTELO
Director

Mr. Castelo was elected Director on 28 August 2014. He is presently the Senior Vice President for Business Development of Araneta Center Inc. and sits in the board of its various subsidiaries and affiliates. He had 27 years of experience in real estate and finance industries. He earned his Masters in Business Administration and Degree in Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of the Philippines in Diliman.



PAUL FRANCIS B. JUAT
Director

Mr. Juat was elected Director on 31 May 2018. He is a Director of Brownfield Holdings Corporation, North Kitanglad Agricultural Company, Inc., PBJ Corporation, and Pacific Bougainville Holdings Corporation. He also currently serves as Assistant to the President of Apex Mining Co., Inc. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Engineering from the University of the Philippines, Diliman.



ANNA BETTINA ONGPIN
Director

Ms. Ongpin was elected Director on 16 August 2013. She is also currently the Vice Chairman and Director of Alphaland Corporation. She too is a Director and Vice Chairman of both Alphaland Balesin Island Club, Inc. and The City Club at Alphaland Makati Place, Inc. Ms. Ongpin has more than 30 years of communications, marketing, project management, and operations experience in the management consulting and media fields. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from Wellesley College.



MARIO A. ORETA
Director

Mr. Oreta was elected Director on 12 November 2009. He is also a Director of Alphaland Corporation and The City Club at Alphaland Makati Place, Inc. He served as President of Alphaland Corporation from 2009 to 2017. He graduated with honors from the Ateneo De Manila University with a degree in Bachelor of Laws and immediately joined the law firm of Siguion Reyna, Montecillo and Ongsiako after graduating from law school. He is the managing partner of The Law Firm of Mario Oreta and Partners.



MARGARITO B. TEVES
Independent Director

Mr. Teves was elected Independent Director on 26 May 2011. He is also an Independent Director of Alphaland Corporation, Alphaland Balesin Island Club, Inc., The City Club at Alphaland Makati Place, Inc., San Miguel Corporation and Petron Corporation. Mr. Teves was formerly Secretary of the Department of Finance, Landbank President and CEO, and a Member of the House of Representatives (representing the 3rd District of Negros Oriental). He obtained a Higher National Diploma (HND) in Business Studies, equivalent to a BSC in Business Economics, from the City of London College, and a Master of Arts (MA) in Development Economics from the Center for Development Economics, Williams College, Massachusetts, USA. He was recently conferred an Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, by Williams College, named Senior Adviser to the China-Asean Economic and Culture Research Center and Visiting Professor at the Guilin University of Electronic Technology in China.

STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY



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May 15, 2023

“STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT’S RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS”

The management of **Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc. and Subsidiaries** (the Group) is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements including the schedules attached therein, for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020, in accordance with the prescribed financial reporting framework indicated therein, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group’s ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors is responsible in overseeing the Group’s financial reporting process.

The Board of Directors reviews and approves the financial statements including the schedules attached therein, and submits the same to the stockholders.

Reyes Tacandong & Co., the independent auditor appointed by the stockholders, has audited the financial statements of the Group in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing, and in its report to the stockholders, has expressed its opinion on the fairness of presentation upon completion of such audit.



ERIC O. RECTO
Chairman

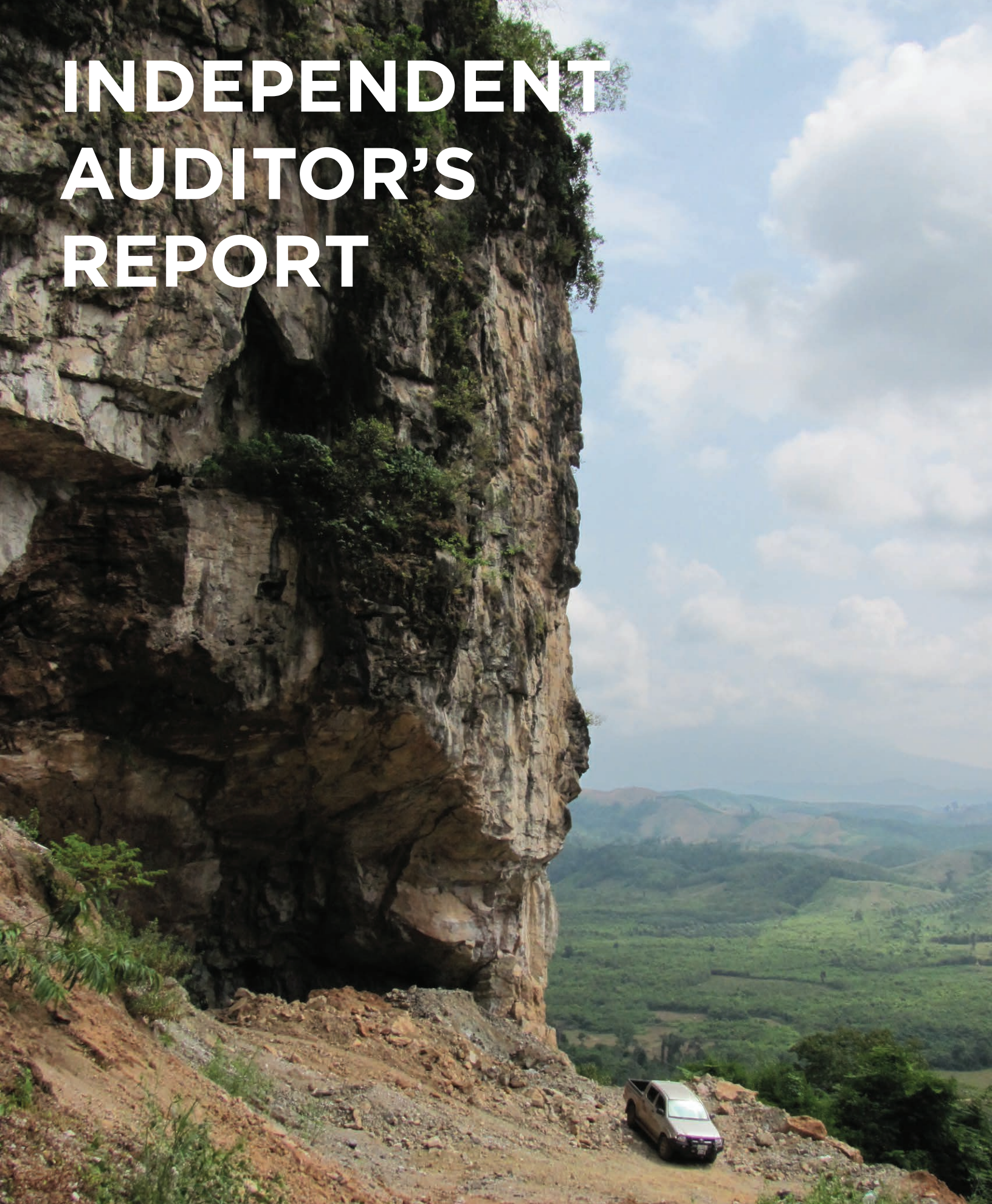


RODOLFO MA. A. PONFERRADA
President



CRISTINA B. ZAPANTA
Senior Vice President for Finance

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT





INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Stockholders and the Board of Directors
Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc.
Alphaland Makati Place
7232 Ayala Avenue corner Malugay Street
Makati City, Metro Manila

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc. and Subsidiaries (the Group), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the consolidated statements of comprehensive income, consolidated statements of changes in equity and consolidated statements of cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020, and notes to consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as at December 31, 2022 and 2021, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020 in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing (PSA). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants in the Philippines (Code of Ethics) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to the audit of the consolidated financial statements in the Philippines, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

We draw attention to Notes 1 and 7 to the consolidated financial statements concerning the delay in one of the planned drilling programs of Forum Energy Ltd., an associate of the Group, because of the suspension of the exploration activities in the West Philippine Sea on April 6, 2022. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Key Audit Matter

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.



Impairment Assessment of Investment in an Associate

The Group is required to review the carrying amount of its investment in an associate at each reporting date whenever there is any indication of impairment. The impairment assessment is significant to our audit since the carrying amount of the investment in an associate of ₱691.1 million is material to the consolidated financial statements as it represents 73.8% of the consolidated total assets as at December 31, 2022. Further, the impairment assessment involves management's judgment and estimate on recoverability of the investment which is significantly affected by the timing of the commencement and feasibility of the Associate's exploration projects, future market, economic conditions, and the outcome of territorial dispute in the West Philippine Sea.

Our audit procedures include, among others, the review of the assumptions used by the Group in the impairment assessment, in particular those involving the forecasted cash flows from the related service contract, commencement of exploration and the discount rate used. We also checked the adequacy of the Group's disclosures pertaining to the status of the Associate's significant exploration projects and the financial information of the Associate presented in Notes 1 and 7 to the consolidated financial statements.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the SEC Form 20-IS (Definitive Information Statement), SEC Form 17-A and Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2022, but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The SEC Form 20-IS (Definitive Information Statement), SEC Form 17-A and Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2022 are expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditors' report.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audits of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with PFRS, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.



Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with PSA will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, these could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with PSA, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.



We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during the audits.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore, the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditors' report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditors' report is Emmanuel V. Clarino.

REYES TACANDONG & Co.

EMMANUEL V. CLARINO

Partner

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Makati City, Metro Manila

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION



ATOK-BIG WEDGE CO., INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		December 31	
	Note	2022	2021
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash	4	₱35,685,197	₱93,846,057
Receivables	5	2,724,824	1,745,021
Advances to a stockholder	12	194,865,252	194,865,252
Other current assets	6	11,008,727	10,839,256
Total Current Assets		244,284,000	301,295,586
Noncurrent Assets			
Investment in an associate	7	691,063,887	541,013,886
Advances to mining right holders	1	1,525,000	1,525,000
Property and equipment	10	12,653	27,836
Total Noncurrent Assets		692,601,540	542,566,722
		₱936,885,540	₱843,862,308
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Current Liabilities			
Payables and other current liabilities	11	₱1,170,941	₱1,087,791
Income tax payable		825	3,270
Total Current Liabilities		1,171,766	1,091,061
Noncurrent Liability			
Deferred tax liability	17	20,968	41,588
Total Liabilities		1,192,734	1,132,649
Equity			
Capital stock	13	1,354,023,160	1,354,023,160
Deficit		(633,789,103)	(634,816,028)
Other comprehensive income		215,458,749	123,522,527
Total Equity		935,692,806	842,729,659
		₱936,885,540	₱843,862,308

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME



ATOK-BIG WEDGE CO., INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Note	Years Ended December 31		
		2022	2021	2020
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	14	₱4,468,169	₱5,338,223	₱5,076,924
OTHER INCOME (CHARGES)				
Share in net results of operations of an associate	7	2,861,936	(26,647,883)	(7,118,698)
Service fees		2,115,700	1,583,620	1,454,020
Interest income	4	616,802	132,423	428,882
Others – net		86,538	494,975	(1,424)
		5,680,976	(24,436,865)	(5,237,220)
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAX		1,212,807	(29,775,088)	(10,314,144)
PROVISION FOR (BENEFIT FROM) INCOME TAX				
Current	17	206,502	66,116	100,808
Deferred		(20,620)	41,588	–
		185,882	107,704	100,808
NET INCOME (LOSS)		1,026,925	(29,882,792)	(10,414,952)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)				
<i>Item that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss -</i>				
Foreign exchange differences on translation of the financial statements of Tidemark Holdings Limited (Tidemark)				
	7	91,936,222	57,589,571	(50,491,466)
<i>Item that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss -</i>				
Unrealized loss on valuation of equity investment designated as financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)				
	8	–	–	(2,152,285)
		91,936,222	57,589,571	(52,643,751)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)		₱92,963,147	₱27,706,779	(₱63,058,703)
BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE				
	15	₱0.0004	(₱0.0117)	(₱0.0041)

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY



ATOK-BIG WEDGE CO., INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Note	Years Ended December 31		
		2022	2021	2020
CAPITAL STOCK - ₱1 par value				
	13			
Balance at beginning of year		₱1,354,023,160	₱1,060,000,000	₱1,060,000,000
Collection of subscription receivable		-	294,023,160	-
Balance at end of year		1,354,023,160	1,354,023,160	1,060,000,000
DEFICIT				
Balance at beginning of year		(634,816,028)	(604,933,236)	(594,518,284)
Net income (loss)		1,026,925	(29,882,792)	(10,414,952)
Balance at end of year		(633,789,103)	(634,816,028)	(604,933,236)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME				
Cumulative Translation Adjustment				
	7			
Balance at beginning of year		125,522,477	67,932,906	118,424,372
Foreign exchange differences on translation of the financial statements of Tidemark		91,936,222	57,589,571	(50,491,466)
Balance at end of year		217,458,699	125,522,477	67,932,906
Cumulative Valuation Loss on Equity				
Investment Designated as Financial Asset at FVOCI				
	8			
Balance at beginning of year		(1,999,950)	(1,999,950)	152,335
Unrealized fair value loss		-	-	(2,152,285)
Balance at end of year		(1,999,950)	(1,999,950)	(1,999,950)
		215,458,749	123,522,527	65,932,956
		₱935,692,806	₱842,729,659	₱520,999,720

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS



ATOK-BIG WEDGE CO., INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

		Years Ended December 31		
	Note	2022	2021	2020
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Income (loss) before income tax		₱1,212,807	(₱29,775,088)	(₱10,314,144)
Adjustments for:				
Share in net results of operations of an associate	7	(2,861,936)	26,647,883	7,118,698
Interest income	4	(616,802)	(132,423)	(428,882)
Unrealized foreign exchange loss (gain)		(83,872)	(200,974)	30,387
Depreciation and amortization	10	15,183	19,997	11,848
Operating loss before working capital changes		(2,334,620)	(3,440,605)	(3,582,093)
Decrease (increase) in:				
Receivables		(979,803)	379,573	(395,189)
Other current assets		(167,577)	(278,288)	(276,102)
Increase (decrease) in payables and other current liabilities		83,150	(152,573)	235,358
Net cash used for operations		(3,398,850)	(3,491,893)	(4,018,026)
Interest received		616,802	132,423	428,882
Income tax paid		(210,841)	(255,906)	(175,727)
Net cash used in operating activities		(2,992,889)	(3,615,376)	(3,764,871)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Additions to investment in an associate	7	(55,251,843)	(8,640,625)	(25,404,990)
Advances to a stockholder	12	-	(210,000,000)	-
Collection of advances to a stockholder		-	15,134,748	-
Additions to property and equipment		-	-	(45,550)
Net cash used in investing activities		(55,251,843)	(203,505,877)	(25,450,540)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Collection of subscription receivable	13	-	294,023,160	-
Advances from (payment to) stockholders		-	(7,621,500)	7,621,500
Net cash provided by financing activities		-	286,401,660	7,621,500
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(58,244,732)	79,280,407	(21,593,911)
EFFECT OF UNREALIZED FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAIN (LOSS) ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		83,872	200,974	(30,387)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		93,846,057	14,364,676	35,988,974
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR		₱35,685,197	₱93,846,057	₱14,364,676
COMPONENTS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS				
Cash on hand and in banks	4	₱35,685,197	₱93,846,057	₱821,633
Short-term placements		-	-	13,543,043
		₱35,685,197	₱93,846,057	₱14,364,676

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



ATOK-BIG WEDGE CO., INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021 AND
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020

1. Corporate Matters

Corporate Information

Atok-Big Wedge Co., Inc. (the Parent Company) was incorporated and registered with the Philippine Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on September 3, 1931. The Parent Company's corporate life was extended on September 25, 1981. The Parent Company's primary purpose is to engage in the business of exploration and development of mining, oil, gas and other natural resources. As prescribed by the Revised Corporation Code of the Philippines, effective February 23, 2019, the Parent Company shall have a perpetual existence.

On August 2, 2022, the Board of Directors (BOD) approved the amendment of the Parent Company's primary purpose as stated in the Articles of Incorporation (AOI) to allow the Parent Company's expansion into renewable energy. This was ratified by the stockholders on November 11, 2022. As at December 31, 2022, the Parent Company is completing the documentary requirements in order to file the amendment of the AOI with the SEC.

The Parent Company listed its shares in the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE) on January 8, 1948. As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, 953,963,474 of the Parent Company's common shares are listed in the PSE (see Note 13).

As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Parent Company is 69.8% owned by Boerstar Corporation, a holding company incorporated in the Philippines. The ultimate parent of the Group is Compact Holdings, Inc., a Philippine entity engaged in holding and investing activities.

As at December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020, the Parent Company's wholly-owned subsidiaries are as follows:

<u>Subsidiary</u>	<u>Place of Incorporation</u>	<u>Nature of Business</u>
Tidemark Holdings Limited (Tidemark)	Hong Kong	Holding
AB Stock Transfers Corporation (ABSTC)	Philippines	Stock Transfer Agency

The Parent Company and its subsidiaries are collectively referred herein as "the Group."

As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Group, through Tidemark, has 20.0% interest in Forum Energy Ltd. (FEL), a private limited company organized in the United Kingdom. FEL is an associate of the Group.

FEL has interests in various service contracts as follows:

<u>Service Contract</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Service contract 40 (North Cebu)*	100.0%
Service contract 72 (Reed Bank)	70.0%
Service contract 14B-1 (North Matinloc)**	19.5%
Service contract 14B (Matinloc)**	12.4%
Service contract 14A (Nido)**	8.5%
Service contract 14C-1 (Galoc)	3.2%
Other service contracts	5.0% - 9.1%

*Service contract 40 was plugged and abandoned in 2017

** Service contracts 14-B-1, 14B, and 14A were plugged and abandoned from 2019 to 2020

The Parent Company's registered address and principal place of business is Alphaland Makati Place, 7232 Ayala Avenue corner Malugay Street, Makati City, Metro Manila.

Status of the Significant Exploration Projects of FEL (Associate Entity)

Service Contract 72 (Reed Bank). FEL's principal asset is a 70.0% interest in Service Contract (SC) 72 which covers an area of 8,800 square kilometers in the West Philippine Sea. SC 72 is currently under Sub-Phase 2 of its exploration. The Department of Energy (DOE) granted *Force Majeure* to SC 72 work commitments suspending all exploration activities in the block due to the territorial dispute in the West Philippine Sea.

On July 12, 2016, the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague released a ruling on the maritime case filed by the Republic of the Philippines against the People's Republic of China. In particular, the Tribunal ruled that Reed Bank, where SC 72 lies, is within the Philippines' Exclusive Economic Zone as defined under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Seas.

On October 14, 2020, the moratorium on oil and gas exploration in the West Philippine Sea was lifted. FEL had 20 months upon lifting of the *Force Majeure* to complete the Sub-Phase 2 work commitment.

On April 6, 2022, there was a directive from the DOE to suspend exploration activities until the issuance of the "necessary clearance to proceed" from the Security, Justice and Peace Coordinating Cluster (SJGCC).

On October 11, 2022, the DOE again formally declared *Force Majeure* in SC 72 from April 6, 2022, until such time as the same shall be lifted by the DOE. The suspension has nullified all work done since the lifting of the *Force Majeure* in October 2020. Hence, SC 72 shall be entitled to an extension of the exploration period corresponding to the number of days that the contractors actually spent in preparation for the activities that were temporarily halted by the DOE on April 6, 2022.

On March 20, 2023, the DOE further affirmed that the entire period from October 14, 2020 (when the *Force Majeure* was lifted) to April 6, 2022 (when the same was re-imposed) will be credited back to SC 72. Thus, once the *Force Majeure* is lifted in the future, FEL will have 20 months to drill the two commitment wells, which is equivalent to the remaining term of Sub- Phase 2 of SC 72 prior to October 14, 2020.

Service Contract 14C-1 (Galoc). The Galoc Field produced a total of 565,084 barrels of oil in 2022 as compared to 630,250 barrels of oil in 2021. Cumulative production starting October 2008 up to reporting date is 23.98 million barrels of oil. The participating interest of FEL in SC 14-1 increased from 2.3% to 3.2% in 2021.

Other Service Contracts. FEL has participating interests in other service contracts including SC6A (Octon), SC6B (Bonita Block) and SC14C-2 (West Linapacan), among others, which are currently under exploration phase.

Potential Acquisition of Certain Mining Rights

The Parent Company entered into various Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) for the potential acquisition of certain mining rights. Total advances to the mining right holders amounted to ₱1.5 million as at December 31, 2022 and 2021. In view of the prevailing regulatory environment, the Parent Company is continuously evaluating the feasibility of this potential acquisition.

Stock Option Plan

In 2015, the BOD approved the Stock Option Plan (SOP) which provides among others the allocation of no more than 5% of the authorized capital for the SOP; each grant is for three years and will vest 1/3 for each of the succeeding years; and the strike price shall not be less than 80% of the market value at the time of grant. This was ratified by the stockholders on May 31, 2016.

As at December 31, 2022, the Parent Company is still completing the requirements for the SEC's approval of the exemption from its registration requirements and the PSE's approval of the listing of the shares under the SOP. To date, no grants have been made under the SOP.

Approval and Authorization for Issuance of Consolidated Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements as at December 31, 2022 and 2021 and for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020 were approved and authorized for issuance by the BOD on May 15, 2023, as reviewed and recommended for approval by the Audit Committee on the same date.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in compliance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS) issued by the Philippine Financial and Sustainability Reporting Standards Council (formerly Financial Reporting Standards Council) and adopted by the SEC. This financial reporting framework includes PFRS, Philippine Accounting Standards (PAS), Philippine Interpretations from International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC), and SEC provisions.

Measurement Bases

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Philippine Peso (Peso), the Parent Company's functional currency. All values are rounded to the nearest Peso, except otherwise indicated.

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting, except for equity investment designated as financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for an asset and fair value of consideration received in exchange for incurring a liability. Fair value is 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.

The Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximizing the use of relevant observable inputs and minimizing the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the consolidated financial statements are categorized within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

Level 1 – Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active market for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable.

Level 3 – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable.

For assets and liabilities that are recognized in the consolidated financial statements on a recurring basis, the Group determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorization (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Group has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy as explained above.

Further information about the assumptions made in measuring fair value is included in Note 18, *Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies*.

Adoption of Amendments to PFRS

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year, except for the adoption of the relevant amendments to PFRS effective January 1, 2022:

- Amendments to PFRS 3, *Business Combinations - Reference to Conceptual Framework* – The amendments replaced the reference of PFRS 3 from the 1989 Framework to the current 2018 Conceptual Framework. The amendments include an exception that specifies that, for some types of liabilities and contingent liabilities, an entity applying PFRS 3 should refer to PAS 37, *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*, or IFRIC 21, *Levies*, instead of the Conceptual Framework. The requirement ensures that the liabilities recognized in a business combination will remain the same as those recognized applying the current requirements in PFRS 3. The amendments also clarify that an acquirer shall not recognize contingent assets acquired in a business combination.
- Amendments to PAS 16, *Property, Plant and Equipment - Proceeds Before Intended Use* – The amendments prohibit deducting from the cost of property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for its intended use. Instead, the proceeds and related costs from such items shall be recognized in profit or loss.

- Amendments to PAS 37, *Onerous Contracts - Cost of Fulfilling a Contract* – The amendments specify which costs shall be included when assessing whether a contract is onerous or loss-making. The ‘costs of fulfilling’ a contract comprise the ‘costs that relate directly to the contract’. These costs can either be incremental (e.g., the costs of direct labor and materials) or can be an allocation of costs directly related to fulfilling a contract (e.g., depreciation of fixed assets).
- Annual Improvements to PFRS 2018 to 2020 Cycle:
 - Amendment to PFRS 9, *Financial Instruments - Fees in the ‘10 per cent’ Test for Derecognition of Financial Liabilities* – The amendment clarifies which fees an entity shall include when it applies the ‘10 per cent’ test in assessing whether to derecognize a financial liability (i.e. whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability is substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability). These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or the lender on the other’s behalf.
 - Amendment to PFRS 16 - *Lease Incentives* – The amendment removed from Illustrative Example 13 the illustration of the reimbursement of leasehold improvements by the lessor. The objective of the amendment is to avoid any potential confusion regarding the treatment of lease incentives because of how the requirements for lease incentives are illustrated.

The adoption of the foregoing amendments to PFRS did not have any material effect on the consolidated financial statements of the Group. Additional disclosures were included in the notes to consolidated financial statements, as applicable.

Amendments to PFRS Issued But Not Yet Effective

Relevant amendments to PFRS which are not yet effective and have not been applied in preparing the consolidated financial statements are summarized below.

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023:

- Amendments to PAS 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*, and PFRS Practice Statement 2, *Making Materiality Judgments - Disclosure Initiative - Accounting Policies* – The amendments require an entity to disclose its material accounting policies, instead of its significant accounting policies and provide guidance on how an entity applies the concept of materiality in making decisions about accounting policy disclosures. In assessing the materiality of accounting policy information, entities need to consider both the size of the transactions, other events or conditions and its nature. The amendments clarify (1) that accounting policy information may be material because of its nature, even if the related amounts are immaterial, (2) that accounting policy information is material if users of an entity’s financial statements would need it to understand other material information in the financial statements, and (3) if an entity discloses immaterial accounting policy information, such information should not obscure material accounting policy information. In addition, PFRS Practice Statement 2 is amended by adding guidance and examples to explain and demonstrate the application of the ‘four-step materiality process’ to accounting policy information. The amendments should be applied prospectively. Earlier application is permitted.

- Amendments to PAS 8, *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors - Definition of Accounting Estimates* – The amendments clarify the distinction between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies, and the correction of errors. Under the new definition, accounting estimates are “monetary amounts in financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty.” An entity develops an accounting estimate if an accounting policy requires an item in the financial statements to be measured in a way that involves measurement uncertainty. The amendments clarify that a change in accounting estimate that results from new information or new developments is not a correction of an error, and that the effects of a change in an input or a measurement technique used to develop an accounting estimate are changes in accounting estimates if they do not result from the correction of prior period errors. A change in an accounting estimate may affect only the profit or loss in the current period, or the profit or loss of both the current and future periods. Earlier application is permitted.
- Amendments to PAS 12, *Income Taxes - Deferred Tax Related Assets and Liabilities from a Single Transaction* – The amendments require companies to recognize deferred tax on transactions that, on initial recognition, give rise to equal amounts of taxable and deductible temporary differences. The amendments should be applied on a modified retrospective basis. Earlier application is permitted.

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024:

- Amendments to PFRS 16 - *Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback* – The amendments clarify that the liability that arises from a sale and leaseback transaction, that satisfies the requirements in PFRS 15, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, to be accounted for as a sale, is a lease liability to which PFRS 16 applies and give rise to a right-of-use (ROU) asset. For the subsequent measurement, the seller-lessee shall determine ‘lease payments’ or ‘revised lease payments’ in a way that the seller-lessee would not recognize any amount of the gain or loss that relates to the right of use retained by the seller-lessee. Applying this subsequent measurement does not prevent the seller-lessee from recognizing any gain or loss relating to the partial or full termination of a lease. Any gain or loss relating to the partial or full termination of the lease does not relate to the right of use retained but to the right of use terminated. The amendments must be applied retrospectively. Earlier application is permitted.
- Amendments to PAS 1, *Classification of Liabilities as Current or Noncurrent* – The amendments clarify the requirements for an entity to have the right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. The amendments also specify and clarify the following: (i) an entity’s right to defer settlement must exist at the end of the reporting period, (ii) the classification is unaffected by management’s intentions or expectations about whether the entity will exercise its right to defer settlement, (iii) how lending conditions affect classification, and (iv) requirements for classifying liabilities where an entity will or may settle by issuing its own equity instruments. The amendments must be applied retrospectively. Earlier application is permitted. If applied in earlier period, the Group shall also apply Amendments to PAS 1 - *Noncurrent Liabilities with Covenants* for that period.

- Amendments to PAS 1, *Noncurrent Liabilities with Covenants* – The amendments clarified that covenants to be complied with after the reporting date do not affect the classification of debt as current or noncurrent at the reporting date. Instead, the amendments require the entity to disclose information about these covenants in the notes to the financial statements. The amendments must be applied retrospectively. Earlier application is permitted. If applied in earlier period, the Group shall also apply Amendments to PAS 1 - *Classification of Liabilities as Current or Noncurrent* for that period.

Under prevailing circumstances, the adoption of the foregoing amendments to PFRS is not expected to have any material effect on the consolidated financial statements of the Group. Additional disclosures will be included in the consolidated financial statements, as applicable.

Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries. Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Parent Company. The Parent Company has control when it is exposed, or has right, to variable returns from its investment with the investee and it has the ability to affect those returns through its powers over the investee.

Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date of acquisition or incorporation, being the date on which the Parent Company obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date such control ceases. Assets, liabilities, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date the Group gains control until the date the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

Changes in the controlling equity ownership (i.e., acquisition of non-controlling interest or partial disposal of interest over a subsidiary) that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions.

When the Parent Company has less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- The contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee;
- Rights arising from other contractual arrangements; or
- The Parent Company's voting rights and potential voting rights.

The Parent Company re-assesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control.

Functional and Presentation Currency - The consolidated financial statements are presented in Peso, which is the Parent Company's functional currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency, which is the currency that best reflects the economic substance of the underlying transactions, events and conditions relevant to that entity, and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. When there is a change in those underlying transactions, events and conditions, the entity accounts for such change in accordance with the Group's policy on change in functional currency. At the reporting date, the assets and liabilities of Tidemark, a subsidiary whose functional currency is in United States Dollar (USD), are translated into the presentation currency of the Parent Company using the foreign exchange closing rate at the reporting date, components of equity using historical exchange rate, and the consolidated statement of comprehensive income are translated at the weighted average daily foreign exchange rates for the year. The exchange differences arising from translation are

taken directly to a separate component of equity under the “Cumulative Translation Adjustment” account. Upon disposal of the foreign entity, the cumulative translation adjustment shall be recognized in profit or loss.

Transactions Eliminated on Consolidation - All intra-group balances, transactions, income and expenses and unrealized gains and losses are eliminated in full.

Accounting Policies of Subsidiaries - The financial statements of subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting year using uniform accounting policies as that of the Group.

Current versus Noncurrent Classification

The Group presents assets and liabilities in the consolidated statement of financial position based on current or noncurrent classification. An asset is classified as current when it is:

- Expected to be realized or intended to be sold or consumed in normal operating cycle;
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading;
- Expected to be realized within 12 months after the reporting period; or,
- Cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

All other assets are classified as noncurrent.

A liability is classified as current when it is:

- Expected to be settled in its normal operating cycle;
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading;
- Expected to be settled within 12 months after the reporting period; or,
- There is no unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

The terms of the liability that could, at the option of the counterparty, result in its settlement by the issue of equity instruments do not affect its classifications.

The Group classifies all other liabilities as noncurrent.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are classified as noncurrent assets and liabilities, respectively.

Financial Assets and Liabilities

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

Date of Recognition. The Group recognizes a financial asset or a financial liability in the consolidated statement of financial position when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of a financial instrument. In the case of a regular way purchase or sale of financial assets, recognition and derecognition, as applicable, is done using settlement date accounting.

Initial Recognition and Measurement. Financial instruments are recognized initially at fair value, which is the fair value of the consideration given (in case of an asset) or received (in case of a liability). The initial measurement of financial instruments, except for those designated at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL), includes transaction cost. The Group has applied the practical expedient to measure at transaction price its accounts receivable from stock transfer services that do not contain a significant financing component.

“Day 1” Difference. Where the transaction in a non-active market is different from the fair value of other observable current market transactions in the same instrument or based on a valuation technique whose variables include only data from observable market, the Group recognizes the difference between the transaction price and fair value (a “Day 1” difference) in profit or loss. In cases where there is no observable data on inception, the Group deems the transaction price as the best estimate of fair value and recognizes “Day 1” difference in profit or loss when the inputs become observable or when the instrument is derecognized. For each transaction, the Group determines the appropriate method of recognizing the “Day 1” difference.

Classification. The Group classifies its financial assets at initial recognition under the following categories: (a) financial assets at FVPL, (b) financial assets at amortized cost and (c) financial assets at FVOCI. The classification of a financial asset largely depends on its contractual cash flow characteristics and the Group’s business model for managing them.

Financial liabilities, on the other hand, are classified as either financial liabilities at FVPL or financial liabilities at amortized cost.

As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Group does not have financial assets and liabilities at FVPL and debt instruments measured at FVOCI.

Financial Assets at Amortized Cost. Financial assets shall be measured at amortized cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

After initial recognition, financial assets at amortized cost are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less allowance for impairment, if any. Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. Gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss when the financial assets are derecognized and through amortization process.

The Group’s cash, receivables (excluding advances to officers and employees), advances to a stockholder and rental and security deposits (presented under “Other current assets” account) are classified under this category.

Equity Investment Designated as Financial Asset at FVOCI. On initial recognition, an equity instrument that is not held for trading may be irrevocably designated as a financial asset to be measured at FVOCI.

Dividends from equity instruments held at FVOCI are recognized in profit or loss when the right to receive payment is established, unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment.

Changes in the fair value of this instrument is recognized in other comprehensive income and presented in the equity section of the consolidated statement of financial position. The cumulative gains or losses will not be reclassified to profit or loss upon disposal of the equity investment; instead, these will be transferred to deficit.

This category includes the Parent Company's investment in unquoted shares of stock.

Financial Liabilities at Amortized Cost. Financial liabilities are categorized as financial liabilities at amortized cost when the substance of the contractual arrangement results in the Group having an obligation either to deliver cash or another financial asset to the holder, or to settle the obligation other than by the exchange of a fixed amount of cash or another financial asset for a fixed number of its own equity instruments.

These financial liabilities are initially recognized at fair value less any directly attributable transaction costs. After initial recognition, these financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method. Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on the issue and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. Gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognized or impaired or through the amortization process.

The Group's payables and other current liabilities (excluding statutory payables) are classified under this category.

Reclassification

The Group reclassifies its financial assets when, and only when, it changes its business model for managing those financial assets. The reclassification is applied prospectively from the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model (reclassification date).

Equity investment that has been designated to be classified and measured at FVOCI may not be reclassified to a different category.

There were no reclassifications of financial assets in 2022 and 2021.

Impairment of Financial Assets at Amortized Cost

The Group records an allowance for impairment losses on its financial assets measured at amortized cost based on expected credit loss (ECL).

ECL is the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at an approximation to the asset's original effective interest rate. The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equivalent to the 12-month ECL for receivables on which credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition and for debt instruments that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date.

The 12-month ECL is the portion of ECL that results from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date. However, when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the allowance will be based on the lifetime ECL. Lifetime ECL are the ECL that result from all possible default events over the expected life of the financial instrument.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition and consider reasonable and supportable information, that is available without undue cost or effort, that is indicative of significant increases in credit risk since initial recognition. In addition, the Group considers that there has been a significant increase in credit risk when contractual payments are more than 30 days past due.

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether financial assets carried at amortized cost are credit-impaired. A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred. ECL for credit-impaired financial assets is based on the difference between the gross carrying amount and present value of estimated future cash flows.

The Group considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Group may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the Group is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full before taking into account any credit enhancements held by the Group. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

Accounts Receivable. The Group has applied the simplified approach in measuring the ECL on accounts receivable from stock transfer services. Simplified approach requires that ECL should always be based on the lifetime ECL. Therefore, the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognizes a loss allowance based on lifetime ECL at each reporting date.

The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date, including time value of money where appropriate.

Other Financial Instruments Measured at Amortized Cost. For these financial instruments, the Group applies the general approach in determining ECL. The Group recognizes an allowance based on either the 12-month ECL or lifetime ECL, depending on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition.

Derecognition of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Financial Assets. A financial asset (or where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognized when:

- the right to receive cash flows from the asset has expired;
- the Group retains the right to receive cash flows from the financial asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay them in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; or
- the Group has transferred its right to receive cash flows from the financial asset and either (a) has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Group has transferred its right to receive cash flows from a financial asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset nor transferred control of the financial asset, the financial asset is recognized to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement in the financial asset. Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred financial asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the financial asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay.

Financial Liabilities. A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or has expired. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Offsetting of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the consolidated statement of financial position if, and only if, there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognized amounts and there is intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. This is not generally the case with master netting agreements, and the related assets and liabilities are presented gross in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Classification of Financial Instrument between Liability and Equity

A financial instrument is classified as liability if it provides for a contractual obligation to:

- Deliver cash or another financial asset to another entity;
- Exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another entity under conditions that are potentially unfavorable to the Group; or
- Satisfy the obligation other than by the exchange of a fixed amount of cash or another financial asset for a fixed number of own equity shares.

If the Group does not have an unconditional right to avoid delivering cash or another financial asset to settle its contractual obligation, the obligation meets the definition of a financial liability.

Otherwise, the financial instrument is classified as equity.

Value-Added Tax (VAT)

Revenue, expenses and assets, except receivables and payables, are recognized net of the amount of VAT. The net amount of VAT recoverable from the taxation authority is recognized under "Other current assets" account in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Creditable Withholding Taxes (CWT)

CWT represents the amount withheld by the Group's customers in relation to its income. CWT can be utilized as payment for income taxes provided that these are properly supported by certificates of creditable tax withheld at source subject to the rules on Philippine income taxation.

Prepayments

Prepayments represent expenses not yet incurred but already paid in cash. Prepayments are initially recorded as assets and measured at the amount of cash paid. Subsequently, these are charged to expense as these are consumed in operations or expire with the passage of time.

Investment in an Associate

The Group's investment in an associate is accounted for using the equity method. An associate is an entity in which the Group has significant influence.

Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the associate but is not control or joint control of those policies.

Under the equity method, investment in an associate is carried in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost plus post acquisition changes in the Group's share of net assets of the associate. Goodwill relating to an associate is included in the carrying amount of the investment and is neither amortized nor individually tested for impairment.

The consolidated statement of comprehensive income reflects the share of the results of operations of the associates. Where there has been a change recognized directly in the equity of the associate, the Group recognizes its share of any changes and discloses this, when applicable, in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. Unrealized gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and the associates are eliminated to the extent of the interest in the associate.

The share in net income or loss of the associate is shown as "Share in the net results of operations of an associate" account in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

The financial statements of the associates are prepared for the same reporting period as the Group. Where necessary, adjustments are made to bring the accounting policies in line with those of the Group.

Upon loss of significant influence over an associate, the Group measures and recognizes any retaining investment at its fair value. Any difference between the carrying amount of the associate upon loss of significant influence and the fair value of the retaining investment and proceeds from disposal is recognized in profit or loss.

Advances to Mining Right Holders

Advances to mining right holders are amounts paid in advance for the potential acquisition of certain mining rights. These are carried at the amount of cash paid and are reclassified to the corresponding asset account when the mining rights for which the advances were made are ultimately acquired.

Deferred Mining Exploration Cost

Deferred mining exploration cost is carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Exploration and evaluation activity involves the search for mineral resources, the determination of technical feasibility and the assessment of commercial viability of the mineral resource.

Exploration and evaluation activity includes:

- Gathering exploration data through geological studies;
- Exploratory drilling and sampling; and
- Evaluating the technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting the mineral resource.

Deferred mining exploration cost is no longer classified as such when the technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting the mineral reserve are demonstrable. Deferred mining exploration cost is assessed for impairment, and any impairment loss is recognized, before reclassification to mineral reserves.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization and any accumulated impairment in value.

The initial cost of property and equipment comprises its purchase price, after deducting trade discounts and rebates, and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use.

Expenditures incurred after the property and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs, maintenance and overhaul costs, are normally recognized in profit or loss in the year the costs are incurred. In situations where it can be clearly demonstrated that the expenditures have resulted in an increase in the future economic benefits expected to be obtained from the use of an item of property and equipment beyond its originally assessed standard of performance, the expenditures are capitalized as additional costs of property and equipment.

Depreciation and amortization are computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives of the property and equipment:

<u>Asset Type</u>	<u>Number of Years</u>
Exploration equipment	3
Leasehold improvements	5 or lease term, whichever is shorter
Transportation equipment	5
Office equipment	3
Furniture and fixtures	4

The assets' estimated useful lives and depreciation and amortization method are reviewed periodically to ensure that these are consistent with the expected pattern of economic benefits from items of property and equipment.

Fully depreciated items are retained as property and equipment until these are no longer in use.

When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and the related accumulated depreciation, amortization and any impairment in value are removed from the accounts. Any resulting gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss.

Impairment of Nonfinancial Assets

The nonfinancial assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists and where the carrying amount exceeds its estimated recoverable amounts, the asset or cash-generating unit is written down to its recoverable amount. The estimated recoverable amount

of the asset is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal or value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Impairment losses are recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that previously recognized impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognized impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognized. If that is the case, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable amount. However, that increased amount cannot exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation and amortization for property and equipment, had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior years. Such reversal is recognized in profit or loss. After such reversal, the depreciation and amortization charge is adjusted in future years to allocate the asset's revised carrying amount, on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

Derecognition of Nonfinancial Assets

A nonfinancial asset is derecognized upon disposal or when it is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from the disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of a nonfinancial asset is included in profit or loss in the period in which it is derecognized.

Equity

Capital Stock. Capital stock is measured at par value for all shares issued. Unpaid subscriptions are recognized as a reduction of subscribed capital if not collectible currently.

Deficit. Deficit represents the cumulative balance of results of operations.

Other Comprehensive Income. All resulting remeasurement differences arising from translation of financial statements of Tidemark and fair valuation of equity investment designated as financial asset at FVOCI are recognized in other comprehensive income or loss and accumulated in equity.

Revenue Recognition

The Group's revenue from contracts with customers primarily consists of fees from stock transfer services. Revenue from contract with customers is recognized when the performance obligation in the contract has been satisfied at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for those services.

The Group also assesses its revenue arrangements to determine if it is acting as a principal or as an agent. The Group has generally concluded that it is the principal in its revenue arrangements.

Service Fees. Fees from stock transfer services are recognized when the control of the services is transferred, which is the point in time when the related services are provided to the customers. The related contract balances is the accounts receivable which represents the Group's right to an amount of consideration that is unconditional i.e., only the passage of time is required before payment of the consideration is due.

The following specific recognition criteria must be met before other revenue items are recognized:

Interest income. Interest income is recognized as the interest accrues taking into account the effective yield on the assets, net of final tax.

Other Income. Income from other sources is recognized when earned during the period.

Expense Recognition

Expenses are recognized in profit or loss when a decrease in future economic benefits related to a decrease in an asset or an increase in a liability has arisen that can be measured reliably.

General and Administrative Expenses. General and administrative expenses constitute costs of administering the business. These are recognized in profit or loss upon receipt of goods, utilization of services or when the expenses are incurred.

Basic and Diluted Earnings (Loss) per Share

The Group presents basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share. Basic earnings (loss) per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Group by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year, excluding common shares purchased by the Group and held as treasury shares, if any. Diluted earnings (loss) per share is calculated in the same manner, adjusted for the effects of all the dilutive potential common shares.

Leases – the Group as a Lessee

A contract is, or contains, a lease when it conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time, the Group assesses whether, throughout the period of use, the Group has both of the following: (a) the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the identified asset; and (b) the right to direct the use of the identified asset.

If the Group has the right to control the use of an identified asset for only a portion of the term of the contract, the contract contains a lease for that portion of the term.

The Group also assesses whether a contract contains a lease for each potential separate lease component.

Short-term Lease and Lease of Low-value Assets. The Group has elected not to recognize ROU assets and lease liabilities for short-term lease and lease of low-value assets. The Group recognized the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Short-term Employee Benefits

The Group provides short-term benefits to its employees in the form of basic pay, 13th month pay, bonuses, employer's share on government contribution, and other short-term benefits.

The Group recognizes a liability net of amounts already paid and an expense for services rendered by employees during the year. Short-term employee benefit liabilities are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided.

Income Taxes

Current Tax. Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rate enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred Tax. Deferred tax is provided on all temporary differences at the reporting date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences, and carry forward benefits of the excess of minimum corporate income tax (MCIT) over the regular corporate income tax (RCIT) and net operating loss carryover (NOLCO), to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and excess MCIT and NOLCO can be utilized.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient future taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred income tax assets to be utilized. Unrecognized deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting year and are recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profit will allow the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rate that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realized or the liability is settled, based on tax rate (and tax laws) in effect at the reporting date.

Deferred tax is recognized in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity as other comprehensive income.

Offsetting. Current tax assets and current tax liabilities are offset, or deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if, and only if, an enforceable right exists to set off the amounts and it can be demonstrated without undue cost or effort that the Group plans either to settle on a net basis or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Foreign Currency Transactions

Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the consolidated financial statements are measured using the Parent Company's functional currency. Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded in the functional currency rate at the transaction date.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the functional currency rate at the reporting date. All differences are taken to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. Nonmonetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as at the dates of the initial transactions. Nonmonetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined.

Related Parties

Related party relationship exists when one party has the ability to control, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Such relationships also exist between and/or among entities which are under common control with the reporting entity, or between, and/or among the

reporting entity and its key management personnel, directors or its stockholders. In considering each possible related party relationship, attention is directed to the substance of the relationship, and not merely to the legal form.

A related party transaction is a transfer of resources, services or obligations between the Group and its related parties.

Segment Reporting

Operating segments are components of the Group: (a) that engage in business activities from which they may earn revenue and incur expenses (including revenues and expenses relating to transactions with other components of the Group); (b) whose operating results are regularly reviewed by the Group's senior management, its chief operating decision maker, to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance; and (c) for which discrete financial information is available.

For purposes of management reporting, the Group's operating businesses are organized and managed separately based on the nature of the business segment, with each business representing a strategic business segment.

Provisions and Contingencies

Provisions are recognized when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount can be reliably estimated.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to passage of time is recognized as interest expense.

Provisions are reviewed at the end of each reporting year and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate.

Contingent liabilities are not recognized in the consolidated financial statements. These are disclosed in the notes to consolidated financial statements unless the possibility of an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits is remote. A contingent asset is not recognized in the consolidated financial statements but disclosed in the notes to consolidated financial statements when an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

Events After the Reporting Date

Post year-end events that provide additional information about the Group's consolidated financial position at the end of reporting year (adjusting events) are reflected in the consolidated financial statements. Post year-end events that are non-adjusting events are disclosed in the notes to consolidated financial statements when material.

Comparatives

When necessary, comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the changes in the presentation of the current year.

3. Significant Judgments, Accounting Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of the Group's consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. The judgments and estimates used in the consolidated financial statements are based upon management's evaluation of relevant facts and circumstances as at the reporting date.

While the Group believes that the assumptions are reasonable and appropriate, significant differences in the actual experience or significant changes in the assumptions may materially affect the estimated amounts. Actual results could differ from such estimates.

Judgments

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following judgments, apart from those involving estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the consolidated financial statements.

Determination of Functional Currency. Based on the economic substance of the underlying circumstances relevant to the Parent Company, the functional currency of the Parent Company has been determined to be the Peso, which is the primary economic environment in which the Parent Company operates.

Determination of Reportable Operating Segments. Determination of operating segments is based on the information about components of the Group that management uses to make decisions about the operating matters. Operating segments use internal reports that are regularly reviewed by the Parent Company's chief operating decision maker, which is defined to be the Parent Company's BOD, in order to allocate resources to the segment and assess its performance. The Group reports separate information about an operating segment that meets any of the following quantitative thresholds:

- a) its reported revenue, including both sales to external customers and intersegment sales or transfers, is 10% or more of the combined revenue, internal and external, of all operating segments;
- b) the absolute amount of its reported profit or loss is 10% or more of the greater, in absolute amount, of (i) the combined reported profit of all operating segments that did not report a loss and (ii) the combined reported loss of all operating segments that reported a loss; and
- c) the assets of the segment are 10% or more of the combined assets of all operating segments.

The Group determined that its operating segments are organized and managed separately based on the nature of the business segment, with each business representing a strategic segment.

As at December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020 the Group's operating segments consist of its mining, exploration and development, and stock transfer agency activities.

Estimates and Assumptions

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the financial reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

Assessment of the ECL on Financial Assets at Amortized Cost. The Group maintains allowance for ECL at a level considered adequate to provide for potential uncollectible financial assets.

Accounts Receivable

The Group estimates ECL of accounts receivable using a provision matrix. The provision rates are based on days past due for groupings of accounts receivable with similar credit risk characteristics and loss patterns. The provision matrix is based on the Group's historical default rates and is adjusted for forward-looking estimates, as appropriate.

The amounts and timing of recorded expenses for any period would differ if different estimates and assumptions were made or different estimates were utilized. An increase in the allowance for ECL would increase the recognized expense and decrease current assets.

No provision for ECL was recognized on the Group's accounts receivable in 2022, 2021 and 2020. The carrying amount of accounts receivable is disclosed in Note 5.

Other Financial Assets at Amortized Cost

Significant portion of the Group's other credit exposures from receivables (excluding accounts receivable and advances to officers and employees), advances to a stockholder as well as the refundable and security deposits are from its related parties. These financial assets are noninterest-bearing and payable on demand. These exposures are considered to be in default when there is evidence that the related party is in significant financial difficulty such that it will have insufficient liquid assets to repay its obligation upon demand. This is assessed based on a number of factors including key liquidity and solvency ratios. Relying on the 90 days past due rebuttable presumption is not considered an appropriate backstop indicator given the lack of contractual payment obligations due throughout the life of the financial asset. After taking into consideration the related parties' ability to pay depending on the sufficiency of liquid assets, credit enhancements and available forward-looking information, the risk of loss on exposures from the related parties are assessed to be minimal.

For cash and cash equivalents, the Group applies low credit risk simplification. It is the Group's policy to measure ECLs on such instruments on a 12-month basis. However, when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since origination, the allowance will be based on the lifetime ECL. The resulting ECL for these financial assets is considered insignificant because the counterparty banks have no history of default and have good credit ratings.

Financial assets at amortized cost are considered as credit-impaired when contractual payments are 90 days past due and the counterparty is unlikely to settle its obligation to the Group, as evidenced by the following, among others:

- Significant financial difficulty or insolvency;
- Breach of financial covenants;
- Probability that the counterparty will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganization.

No provision for ECL was recognized by the Group in 2022, 2021 and 2020 related to other financial assets at amortized cost. As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, allowance for impairment loss on credit-impaired receivables amounted to ₱41,550 (see Note 5).

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets at amortized cost that were subjected to impairment testing are disclosed in Note 18.

Assessment for the Impairment on Investment in an Associate. The Group assesses the impairment on investment in an associate whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the investment may not be recoverable. Factors that the Group considers in deciding whether to perform impairment review of investment in an associate include the following, among others:

- A significant financial difficulty of the associate.
- A significant change in the technological, legal or economic environment in which the business operates.
- A significant decline in market value of the investment.
- A current-period loss combined with a history of losses or a projection of continuing losses associated with the investment.

The recoverability of the Group's investment in an associate is dependent on the results of operations of FEL. As discussed in Note 1, FEL encountered a delay in one of its drilling programs. In 2022, 2021 and 2020, management has assessed that no impairment loss should be recognized because the expected recoverable amount exceeds the carrying amount of the investment in an associate.

The carrying amount of the investment in an associate and other relevant information on the status of operations and impairment assessment are disclosed in Note 7.

Assessment for the Recoverability of Input VAT. The carrying amount of input VAT is adjusted to an extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable revenue subject to output VAT will be available to allow all or part of the input VAT to be utilized. Any allowance for unrecoverable portion of input VAT is maintained at a level considered adequate to provide for potentially unrecoverable portion. The level of allowance is based on past application experience, validity period and other factors that may affect realizability.

No impairment loss was recognized on input VAT in 2022, 2021 and 2020. The carrying amount of input VAT is disclosed in Note 6.

Capitalization and Impairment Assessment of Exploration and Evaluation Expenditures. The capitalization of exploration and evaluation expenditures requires judgment in determining whether there are future economic benefits from future exploitation or sale of reserves. The capitalization requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions about future events or circumstances, in particular, whether an economically viable extraction operation can be established. Estimates and assumptions made may change if new information becomes available. If, after expenditure is capitalized, information becomes available suggesting that the recovery of expenditure is unlikely, the amount capitalized is written off in profit or loss in the period when the new information becomes available.

As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, deferred mining exploration costs amounting to ₱2.6 million were fully impaired upon management's assessment that the related projects were unsuccessful (see Note 9).

Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets. At each reporting date, the carrying amount of deferred tax assets are reviewed and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax assets to be utilized. The Group's assessment on the recognition of deferred tax assets on deductible temporary differences is based on the forecasted taxable income of the subsequent reporting periods. This forecast is based on the Group's past results and future expectations on revenue and expenses.

The Group did not recognize deferred tax assets on deductible temporary differences as disclosed in Note 17. Management has assessed that it is not probable that future taxable profit will be available in the near future against which the deferred tax assets on these temporary differences can be utilized.

4. Cash

This account consists of:

	2022	2021
Cash on hand	P34,726	P24,726
Cash in banks	35,650,471	93,821,331
	P35,685,197	P93,846,057

Cash in banks earn interest at the respective bank deposit rates and are immediately available for use in the current operations.

Interest income recognized in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income amounted to P616,802, P132,423, P428,882 in 2022, 2021, and 2020, respectively.

5. Receivables

This account consists of:

	Note	2022	2021
Receivables from:			
Related companies	12	P616,316	P750,946
Third parties		191,660	191,660
Accounts receivable		1,163,823	261,840
Advances to officers and employees		784,878	572,428
Others		9,697	9,697
		2,766,374	1,786,571
Less allowance for impairment losses		(41,550)	(41,550)
		P2,724,824	P1,745,021

Accounts receivable pertain to stock transfer services billed by ABSTC to its external clients. These are unsecured, noninterest-bearing and normally collected within 30 days from the date of billing.

Advances to officers and employees are unsecured, noninterest-bearing, and are subject to liquidation.

6. Other Current Assets

This account consists of:

	Note	2022	2021
Input VAT		₱9,045,803	₱8,854,368
Rental and security deposits	16	1,382,572	1,382,572
CWT		454,520	452,626
Prepayments		105,396	133,017
Others		20,436	16,673
		₱11,008,727	₱10,839,256

Prepayments consist of employees' medical insurance premiums which will expire within one year.

7. Investment in an Associate

Investment in an associate pertains to Tidemark's 20.0% ownership of FEL as at December 31, 2022 and 2021 (see Note 1).

Movements of this investment are as follows:

	2022	2021
Cost		
Balance at beginning of year	₱901,966,491	₱893,325,866
Additional investment	55,251,843	8,640,625
Balance at end of year	957,218,334	901,966,491
Accumulated Share in Net Results of Operations		
Balance at beginning of year	(486,475,082)	(459,827,199)
Share in net results of operations	2,861,936	(26,647,883)
Balance at end of year	(483,613,146)	(486,475,082)
Cumulative Translation Adjustment		
Balance at beginning of year	125,522,477	67,932,906
Foreign exchange differences	91,936,222	57,589,571
Balance at end of year	217,458,699	125,522,477
Carrying Amount	₱691,063,887	₱541,013,886

As discussed in Note 1, FEL encountered a delay in one of its drilling programs. It has submitted all the requirements for the issuance of required permits for the drilling program. The permit, however has not yet been issued by the relevant government body because of territorial dispute between the Philippines and China.

On July 12, 2016, the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague released a ruling on the maritime case filed by the Republic of the Philippines against the People's Republic of China. In particular, the Tribunal ruled that Reed Bank, where SC 72 lies, is within the Philippines' Exclusive Economic Zone as defined under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Seas.

In November 2018, the Philippines and China entered into a MOU on Cooperation on Oil and Gas Development. Under the MOU, a Steering Committee shall be established which will create one or more inter-Entrepreneurial Working Groups that will agree on entrepreneurial, technical, and commercial aspects of cooperation in certain areas in the West Philippine Sea.

On December 21, 2018, FEL, through its subsidiary, Forum (GSEC 101) Limited, has sent a letter of request to the DOE to lift the Force Majeure imposed on SC 72.

On October 14, 2020, the *Force Majeure* over SC 72 was lifted. The work program and budget and annual procurement plan for 2022 and 2021 were approved by the DOE and FEL proceeded with drilling preparations and is progressing accordingly.

However, on April 6, 2022, there was a directive from the DOE to suspend exploration activities until the issuance of the “necessary clearance to proceed” from the SJGCC.

In its April 8, 2022 reply to the DOE, FEL’s representative expressed willingness to resume activities immediately. However, if no written confirmation from the DOE is received that FEL can resume its activities, FEL will consider the suspension of work issued by the DOE to be indefinite and a *Force Majeure* event that will entitle FEL to be excused from the performance of its respective obligations and to the extension of the exploration period under SC 72.

On October 11, 2022, the DOE granted the following: (i) the Declaration of *Force Majeure* for SC 72 from April 6, 2022 until such time as the same is lifted by the DOE, (ii) the inclusion of total expenses incurred as a result of the DOE directive to suspend activities as part of the approved recoverable costs, subject to DOE audit, and (iii) in addition to the period in item (i) above, FEL will be entitled to an extension of the exploration period under SC 72 corresponding to the number of days that the contractors spent in preparation for the activities that were temporarily halted by the DOE’s suspension order on April 6, 2022.

Management has determined that there is no impairment loss to be recognized in 2022, 2021 and 2020 based on the most recent cash flow projections from FEL’s service contracts.

The projections are mainly based on cash flows expected to be generated by SC 72 as approved by the management and are determined from feasibility studies and expectations on market development. Cash inflows consider the existing contracts and management’s estimate of the average price per barrel of oil and revenue growth range. The cash flow projections were discounted using a rate that reflects current market assessments of time value of money and the risk specific to FEL. The status of other service contracts is also discussed in Note 1.

Following are the summarized financial information of FEL as at and for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020 (in millions):

	2022	2021	2020
Current assets	₱44.8	₱49.8	₱57.7
Noncurrent assets	2,207.8	1,746.2	1,509.4
Current liabilities	1,047.6	698.9	519.5
Noncurrent liabilities	146.0	139.9	7.0
Equity	1,059.0	957.2	1,040.6
Revenue	74.1	64.2	30.2
Net income (loss)/total comprehensive income (loss)	14.3	(133.2)	(35.6)

8. Equity Investment Designated as Financial Asset at FVOCI

This account pertains to the Parent Company's investment in unquoted shares of stock with an acquisition cost of ₱2.0 million.

Movements of this investment are as follows:

	2022	2021
Cost		
Balance at beginning and end of year	₱1,999,950	₱1,999,950
Cumulative Fair Value Adjustment		
Balance at beginning and end of year	(1,999,950)	(1,999,950)
Carrying Amount	₱-	₱-

Quoted market prices are not readily available. Fair value of the investment is determined based on net asset method. The fair value of the equity investment designated as financial asset at FVOCI is classified under Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. Management has assessed that any reasonably possible changes in the key assumptions would result to changes in the fair value of the equity investment (see Note 18).

9. Deferred Mining Exploration Cost

The realizability of deferred mining exploration cost is dependent upon the success of future exploration and development activities in proving the mining property's viability to produce minerals in commercial quantities. As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, deferred mining exploration costs amounting to ₱2.6 million were fully impaired upon management's assessment that the related projects were unsuccessful.

10. Property and Equipment

The composition of and movements in this account are as follows:

	2022					Total
	Exploration Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Transportation Equipment	Office Equipment	Furniture and Fixtures	
Cost						
Balances at beginning and end of year	₱56,235	₱4,422,518	₱1,665,548	₱1,316,281	₱1,374,483	₱8,835,065
Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization						
Balances at beginning of year	56,235	4,422,518	1,665,548	1,288,445	1,374,483	8,807,229
Depreciation and amortization	-	-	-	15,183	-	15,183
Balances at end of year	56,235	4,422,518	1,665,548	1,303,628	1,374,483	8,822,412
Carrying Amount	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱12,653	₱-	₱12,653

	2021					Total
	Exploration Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Transportation Equipment	Office Equipment	Furniture and Fixtures	
Cost						
Balances at beginning and end of year	₱56,235	₱4,422,518	₱1,665,548	₱1,316,281	₱1,374,483	₱8,835,065
Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization						
Balances at beginning of year	51,422	4,422,518	1,665,548	1,273,261	1,374,483	8,787,232
Depreciation and amortization	4,813	–	–	15,184	–	19,997
Balances at end of year	56,235	4,422,518	1,665,548	1,288,445	1,374,483	8,807,229
Carrying Amount	₱–	₱–	₱–	₱27,836	₱–	₱27,836

The cost of fully depreciated and amortized property and equipment still in use by the Group amounted to ₱8.8 million as at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

11. Payables and Other Current Liabilities

This account consists of:

	Note	2022	2021
Payable to related companies	12	₱41,510	₱41,510
Accruals:			
Professional fees		330,845	297,996
Utilities and other office expenses		110,370	102,488
Salaries and employee benefits		31,240	47,113
Advances from officers and employees		368,924	368,924
Statutory payables		153,659	99,959
Retention payable		95,000	95,000
Others		39,393	34,801
		₱1,170,941	₱1,087,791

Payable to related companies, advances from officers and employees and retention payable are noninterest-bearing, due and demandable, and are payable in cash.

Accrued expenses, statutory and other payables are normally settled within the following month.

12. Related Party Transactions

The Group, in its regular conduct of business, has transactions with its related parties. The outstanding balances and amount of transactions with related parties are as follows:

	Note	Nature of Transaction	Transactions During the Year		Outstanding Balances		Terms and Conditions
			2022	2021	2022	2021	
Receivable from related companies 5							
<i>Entities under common management:</i>							
Alphaland Corporation		Service fee	₱180,000	₱182,030	₱-	₱-	Unsecured and noninterest-bearing, 30 days term for receivables from service fees; due on demand for other receivables
		Reimbursements	-	-	3,715	₱37,545	
Alphaland Heavy Equipment Corporation		Allocated costs	-	-	579,305	579,305	
The City Club at Alphaland Makati Place, Inc.		Service fee	180,000	180,000	-	33,600	
Alphaland Balesin Island Club, Inc.		Service fee	180,000	180,000	-	-	
		Reimbursements	-	16,800	32,500	99,700	
Alphaland Aviation Inc.		Reimbursements	-	-	796	796	
					₱616,316	₱750,946	
Rental and security deposits 16							
<i>Entities under common management:</i>							
Alphaland Southgate Tower, Inc. (ASTI)		Deposits in relation to a lease agreement	₱-	₱-	₱1,349,090	₱1,349,090	Unsecured and noninterest-bearing,
Alphaland Makati Place, Inc. (AMPI)			-	-	33,482	33,482	
					₱1,382,572	₱1,382,572	
Payable to related companies 11							
<i>Entities under common management:</i>							
AMPI		Lease of office space	₱-	₱39,395	₱7,736	₱7,736	Unsecured and noninterest-bearing, due on demand
ASTI		Reimbursements	-	-	33,774	33,774	
					₱41,510	₱41,510	
Advances to a stockholder							
Stockholder		Cash advances	₱-	₱210,000,000	₱194,865,252	₱194,865,252	Secured and noninterest-bearing, due on demand

In 2022, 2021, and 2020 the Group has not made any provision for impairment losses relating to the amounts owed by related parties.

On May 9, 2023, the Parent Company entered into an amended agreement with the stockholder to extend the payment of the advances until May 9, 2024.

Following are the intergroup balances presented under receivables account in the Parent Company's separate financial statements which were eliminated in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements:

	Nature of Transaction	Amount of Transactions		Outstanding Balance	
		2022	2021	2022	2021
Receivable from related companies					
Tidemark	Cash advances for investing and working capital requirements	₱55,301,642	₱8,657,220	₱89,640,951	₱34,339,309
ABSTC	Allocated rent, salaries, utilities and reimbursements	8,141	475,916	44,696	36,555
				₱89,685,647	₱34,375,864

Intergroup balances which were eliminated in the consolidated financial statements are unsecured, noninterest-bearing, due and demandable and are normally settled in cash.

Compensation of Key Management Personnel

The compensation of the key management personnel is handled by AMPI, an entity under common management, at no cost to the Group.

13. Capital Stock

The composition of the Parent Company's capital stock consisting of all common shares as at December 31, 2022 and 2021 is as follows:

	2022		2021	
	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount
Authorized - ₱1.0 par value	10,000,000,000	₱10,000,000,000	10,000,000,000	₱10,000,000,000
Subscribed and issued				
Balance at beginning and end of year	2,545,000,000	₱2,545,000,000	2,545,000,000	₱2,545,000,000
Less subscription receivable				
Balance at beginning of year	–	(1,190,976,840)	–	(1,485,000,000)
Collection	–	–	–	294,023,160
Balance at end of year	–	(1,190,976,840)	–	(1,190,976,840)
Outstanding	2,545,000,000	₱1,354,023,160	2,545,000,000	₱1,354,023,160

The Parent Company listed its shares in the PSE on January 8, 1948. As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, 953,963,474 of the Parent Company's shares are listed in the PSE (see Note 1).

Pursuant to the PSE's rules on minimum public ownership, at least 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of a listed company must be owned and held by the public. As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, public ownership over the Parent Company is 14.10% and 13.64%, respectively.

As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Parent Company has 4,179 stockholders of record.

14. General and Administrative Expenses

This account consists of:

	Note	2022	2021	2020
Salaries and wages		₱1,428,304	₱1,695,797	₱1,293,405
Professional fees		1,346,288	1,584,777	1,726,067
PSE listing maintenance fee		577,148	765,217	1,056,544
Rent	16	346,601	346,601	346,601
Supplies		173,853	148,909	227,516
Utilities, dues and subscriptions		116,977	96,127	114,006
Transportation and travel		100,063	57,578	39,828
Representation		72,823	235,865	14,214
Communications		59,760	87,562	54,504
Taxes and licenses		58,561	78,495	119,170
Repairs and maintenance		41,330	2,890	–
Depreciation and amortization	10	15,183	19,997	11,848
Others		131,278	218,408	73,221
		₱4,468,169	₱5,338,223	₱5,076,924

15. Basic and Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share

Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share is computed as follows:

	2022	2021	2020
Net income (loss) (a)	₱1,026,925	(₱29,882,792)	(₱10,414,952)
Weighted average number of outstanding shares (b)	2,545,000,000	2,545,000,000	2,545,000,000
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share (a/b)	₱0.0004	(₱0.0117)	(₱0.0041)

The Group has no dilutive potential common shares outstanding, therefore basic earnings (loss) per share is the same as diluted earnings (loss) per share.

16. Lease Agreements

The Group has an existing lease agreement with AMPI for its office space. The lease can be terminated by any party upon sixty (60) days advance written notice to the other party. The Group paid security deposit amounting to ₱33,482 (see Note 12).

The Parent Company is also being charged an annual rent for a leased storage facility located in Agusan Del Norte. The contract is renewable upon mutual agreement of the parties.

Rent expense recognized by the Group amounted to ₱346,601 in 2022, 2021 and 2020 (see Note 14).

As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, rental and security deposits relating to the Group's lease agreements amounted to ₱1.4 million, including a security deposit of ₱1.3 million for the cancelled office and parking space leases with ASTI (see Note 12).

17. Income Taxes

The provision for current income tax pertains to:

	2022	2021	2020
RCIT - ABSTC	₱205,677	₱62,846	₱100,808
MCIT - Parent Company	825	3,270	–
	₱206,502	₱66,116	₱100,808

Deferred tax liability amounting to ₱20,968 and ₱41,588 as at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, arises from unrealized foreign exchange gain.

The deferred tax assets on the following deductible temporary differences were not recognized because management has assessed that it is not probable that there will be sufficient taxable profit against which the benefits of the deferred tax assets on these temporary differences can be utilized.

	Note	2022	2021
NOLCO		₱10,851,846	₱11,964,085
Accumulated impairment losses on:			
Deferred mining exploration cost	9	2,613,940	2,613,940
Receivables	5	41,550	41,550
MCIT		4,095	3,270
		₱13,511,431	₱14,622,845

As at December 31, 2022, the Parent Company has NOLCO which can be carried forward and claimed as deduction from future taxable income as follows:

Year Incurred	Balance at Beginning of Year	Incurred	Expired	Balance at End of Year	Valid Until
2022	₱-	₱3,250,247	₱-	₱3,250,247	2025
2021	3,650,053	-	-	3,650,053	2026
2020	3,951,546	-	-	3,951,546	2025
2019	4,362,486	-	(4,362,486)	-	2022
	₱11,964,085	₱3,250,247	(₱4,362,486)	₱10,851,846	

As mandated by Section 4 of Republic Act (RA) No. 11494 or the "Bayanihan to Recover as One Act" and implemented under Revenue Regulations No. 25-2020, the net operating loss of a business enterprise incurred for the taxable years 2020 and 2021 can be carried over as a deduction from taxable income for the next five consecutive taxable years following the year of such loss.

As at December 31, 2022, the Parent Company's excess of MCIT over RCIT can be claimed as deduction against tax due as follows:

Year Incurred	Balance at Beginning of Year	Incurred	Expired	Balance at End of Year	Valid Until
2022	₱-	₱825	₱-	₱825	2025
2021	3,270	-	-	3,270	2024
	₱3,270	₱825	₱-	₱4,095	

The reconciliation between the provision for (benefit from) income tax computed at statutory income tax rate and provision for income tax at effective income tax rate is as follows:

	2022	2021	2020
Provision for (benefit from) income tax computed at statutory income tax rate	₱248,097	(₱7,493,248)	(₱3,094,243)
Add (deduct) tax effects of:			
Expired NOLCO	1,090,622	1,026,114	2,058,632
Share in net results of operation of an associate	(715,484)	6,661,971	2,135,609
Interest income already subjected to final tax	(150,516)	(32,381)	(128,664)
Nondeductible expenses	11,366	43,542	2,642
Effect of change in tax rate	–	765,737	–
Others	(20,968)	–	–
Changes in unrecognized deferred tax assets	(277,235)	(864,031)	(873,168)
Provision for income tax at effective tax rate	₱185,882	₱107,704	₱100,808

The Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises (CREATE) Act or RA No. 11534 was signed into law on March 26, 2021 and took effect on April 11, 2021 which reduced the RCIT from 30% to 25% or 20% depending on the amount of total assets and taxable income and MCIT rate from 2% to 1% starting July 1, 2020. The changes in income tax rates took effect retrospectively beginning July 1, 2020.

In 2020, the enactment of the CREATE Act was treated as a non-adjusting event and the current income tax rate used in preparing the 2020 consolidated financial statements is 30% RCIT and 2% MCIT, respectively. Hence, the impact of the change in income tax rate in 2020 was reflected in 2021.

In 2022 and 2021, the current income tax rate used in preparing the consolidated financial statements is 1% MCIT and 25% RCIT for the Parent Company and 20% RCIT for ABSTC.

18. Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies

The Group's principal financial instruments consist of cash, receivables (excluding advances to officers and employees), advances to a stockholder and rental and security deposits (presented under "Other current assets" account), equity investment designated as financial asset at FVOCI, and payables and other current liabilities (excluding statutory payables).

The main purpose of the Group's dealings in financial instruments is to fund its operations and capital expenditures.

The Group's risk management policies are established to identify and analyze the risks faced by the Group, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and the Group's activities. All risks faced by the Group are incorporated in the annual operating budget. Mitigating strategies and procedures are also devised to address the risks that inevitably occur so as not to affect the Group's operations and detriment forecasted results. The Group, through its training and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The BOD reviews and institutes policies for managing each of the risks and these are summarized below.

Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates and other market prices will adversely affect the Group's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimizing the return.

The Group is subject to minimal transaction and translation exposures resulting from currency exchange fluctuations in relation to its financial instruments. The Group regularly monitors outstanding financial assets and liabilities in foreign currencies and maintains them at a level responsive to the current exchange rates so as to minimize the risks related to these foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is a risk wherein a counterparty fails to meet its obligations. When the counterparty defaults, the maximum exposure is generally equal to the carrying amount of the related financial asset. The Group's credit risk arises principally from cash, receivables (excluding advances to officers and employees), advances to a stockholder and rental and security deposits (presented under "Other current assets" account).

The Group trades only with recognized and creditworthy third parties as well as with related parties. It is the Group's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures. In addition, the Group only deals with financial institutions duly evaluated and approved by the BOD.

The table below shows the credit quality per class of financial assets as at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

	2022					
	Neither Past Due nor Impaired			Past Due but not Impaired	Credit-impaired	Total
	High Grade	Standard Grade	Substandard Grade			
Financial assets at amortized cost:						
Cash in banks	₱35,650,471	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱35,650,471
Receivables*	1,939,946	-	-	-	41,550	1,981,496
Advances to a stockholder	-	-	-	194,865,252	-	194,865,252
Rental and security deposits**	1,382,572	-	-	-	-	1,382,572
	₱38,972,989	₱-	₱-	₱194,865,252	₱41,550	₱233,879,791

* Excluding advances to officers and employees.

** Presented under "Other current assets" account.

	2021					
	Neither Past Due nor Impaired			Past Due but not Impaired	Credit-impaired	Total
	High Grade	Standard Grade	Substandard Grade			
Financial assets at amortized cost:						
Cash in banks	₱93,821,331	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱-	₱93,821,331
Receivables*	665,579	84,040	61,600	361,374	41,550	1,214,143
Advances to a stockholder	194,865,252	-	-	-	-	194,865,252
Rental and security deposits**	1,382,572	-	-	-	-	1,382,572
	₱290,734,734	₱84,040	₱61,600	₱361,374	₱41,550	₱291,283,298

* Excluding advances to officers and employees.

** Presented under "Other current assets" account.

The credit quality of the financial assets is managed by the Group using internal credit quality ratings.

High grade consists of financial assets from counterparties with good financial condition and with relatively low defaults. This also includes transactions with related parties with sufficient liquid assets to settle its obligation upon demand of the Group. Financial assets having risks of default but are still collectible are considered as standard grade accounts. Financial assets that require persistent effort from the Group to collect are considered substandard grade accounts.

Cash in banks are considered high grade as these pertain to deposits and placements in reputable banks with prime ratings. The Group considers that these financial assets have low credit risk based on the external ratings of the counterparties.

Receivables and rental and security deposits are mainly exposures to related parties and are considered as high grade because the related parties are part of a group with sufficient liquid assets to repay the receivables upon demand by the Group. Advances to a stockholder are secured and therefore assessed to be collectible.

With the exception of accounts receivable from stock and transfer services and past due financial assets which are subject to lifetime ECL, impairment of financial assets at amortized cost has been measured on 12-month ECL basis and reflects the short maturities of the exposures. The resulting ECL is not significant based on the foregoing discussions.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Group manages liquidity risk by forecasting projected cash flows and maintaining a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility in operations. Treasury controls and procedures are in place to ensure that sufficient cash is maintained to cover daily operational and working capital requirements. Management closely monitors the Group's future and contingent obligations and sets up required cash reserves as necessary in accordance with internal requirements.

The Group's payable to related companies and advances from officers and employees aggregating ₱410,434 as at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, are due and demandable. The remaining balance of payables and other current liabilities (excluding statutory payables) amounting to ₱606,848 and ₱577,398 as at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, have a maturity of less than three months.

Fair Value Measurement

The table below presents the financial assets and liabilities of the Group whose carrying amounts approximate its fair values primarily due to the short-term and demandable nature of the financial instruments:

	2022	2021
Financial Assets at Amortized Cost		
Cash	₱35,685,197	₱93,846,057
Receivables*	1,939,946	1,172,593
Advances to a stockholder	194,865,252	194,865,252
Rental and security deposits**	1,382,572	1,382,572
	₱233,872,967	₱291,266,474
Financial Liabilities at Amortized Cost		
Payables and other current liabilities***	₱1,017,282	₱987,832

* Excluding advances to officers and employees.

** Presented under "Other current assets" account.

*** Excluding statutory payables.

Equity Investment Designated as Financial Asset at FVOCI. Fair value of equity investment designated as financial asset at FVOCI is determined using the adjusted net asset method. Adjusted net asset method focuses on an entity's net asset value or the fair market value of its total assets minus total liabilities to determine what it would cost to recreate the business. This fair value measurement approach is categorized under Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy (significant unobservable inputs). Increase (decrease) in the investee's net assets will result to a higher (lower) fair value. There were no changes in the fair value hierarchy.

Capital Management Policy

The primary objective of the Group's capital management is to ensure its ability as a going concern and that it maintains healthy capital ratios in order to support its business operations and maximize shareholder value.

The Group considers its equity amounting to ₱935.7 million and ₱842.8 million as at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, as capital employed.

The Group monitors capital on the basis of the debt-to-equity ratio which is calculated as total debt divided by total equity. Total equity comprises all components of equity.

The debt-to-equity ratios as at December 31 are as follows:

	2022	2021
Total debt	₱1,192,734	₱1,132,649
Total equity	935,692,806	842,729,659
	0.001:1	0.001:1

The Group manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it when there are changes in economic conditions. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust its borrowings or raise capital. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes in 2022 and 2021.

19. Segment Information

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Group that is engaged either in providing types of services (business segment) or in providing the services within a particular economic environment (geographic segment).

The table below present financial information on business segments as at and for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020:

	2022			
	Mining, Exploration and Development	Stock Transfer Agency	Eliminations	Total
Segment Revenue				
Revenue from external customers	₱–	₱2,115,700	₱–	₱2,115,700
Interest income	543,104	73,698	–	616,802
Income from other segments	–	180,000	(180,000)	–
Other income	83,872	2,666	–	86,538
Share in net results of operations of an associate	2,861,936	–	–	2,861,936
	3,488,912	2,372,064	(180,000)	5,680,976
Depreciation and amortization	–	(15,183)	–	(15,183)
Other general and administrative expense	(3,378,190)	(1,254,796)	180,000	(4,452,986)
Benefit from (provision for) income tax	19,795	(205,677)	–	(185,882)
Segment Operating Profit	₱130,517	₱896,408	₱–	₱1,026,925
Segment Assets	₱2,143,638,487	₱4,192,557	(₱1,210,945,504)	₱936,885,540
	2021			
	Mining, Exploration and Development	Stock Transfer Agency	Eliminations	Total
Segment Revenue				
Revenue from external customers	₱–	₱1,583,620	₱–	₱1,583,620
Interest income	117,925	14,498	–	132,423
Income from other segments	–	180,000	(180,000)	–
Other income	493,353	1,622	–	494,975
Share in net results of operations of an associate	(26,647,883)	–	–	(26,647,883)
	(26,036,605)	1,779,740	(180,000)	(24,436,865)
Depreciation and amortization	(4,813)	(15,184)	–	(19,997)
Other general and administrative expense	(4,146,406)	(1,351,820)	180,000	(5,318,226)
Provision for income tax	(44,858)	(62,846)	–	(107,704)
Segment Operating Profit (Loss)	(₱30,232,682)	₱349,890	₱–	(₱29,882,792)
Segment Assets	₱1,999,118,528	₱3,148,937	(₱1,158,405,157)	₱843,862,308
	2020			
	Mining, Exploration and Development	Stock Transfer Agency	Eliminations	Total
Segment Revenue				
Revenue from external customers	₱–	₱1,454,020	₱–	₱1,454,020
Interest income	403,308	25,574	–	428,882
Income from other segments	–	180,000	(180,000)	–
Other charges	–	(1,424)	–	(1,424)
Share in net results of operations of an associate	(7,118,698)	–	–	(7,118,698)
	(6,715,390)	1,658,170	(180,000)	(5,237,220)
Depreciation and amortization	(4,811)	(7,037)	–	(11,848)
Other general and administrative expense	(3,955,543)	(1,289,533)	180,000	(5,065,076)
Provision for income tax	–	(100,808)	–	(100,808)
Segment Operating Profit (Loss)	(₱10,675,744)	₱260,792	₱–	(₱10,414,952)
Segment Assets	₱1,650,108,780	₱2,914,217	(₱1,123,161,413)	₱529,861,584

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