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# **ARGOGOLD** Discovering The Mines Of Tomorrow



**CSE: ARQ | OTC American: ARBTF** 

December 2018

# **Forward Looking Statements**



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## **Management Team**



### **Judy Baker, Founder & CEO**

Judy Baker has 28 years of extensive experience in the mining and resources markets. She was founder & CEO of Superior Copper where she raised \$3.5M for the Coppercorp Mine in Ontario. Also founder & CEO of Canada Lithium. She served on the board of Nemaska Lithium for 9 years, 2009-2018.

Paul Poggione, VP Corporate Development Paul Poggione has 21 years of capital markets experience, managing portfolios for high net worth clients. Most recently he worked in the junior mining space with the International Metals Group, helping to raise over \$1 million dollars for them.

## Ken Storey, CFO

Ken Storey has over 25 years of private and public entity accounting experience. He has held a number of senior financial positions in a number of publicly traded companies including: Dundee Corp., Vinci S.A., Caterpillar Inc., and Dundee Precious Metals.

### **Chris Irwin, Corporate Secretary**

Chris Irwin is a principal of Irwin Lowry LLP, a Toronto based law firm specializing in Corporate and Securities law. He is a director/officer of several public companies including: Seafield Resources, Laramide Resources, Roscan Minerals, Canada Lithium, Trelawney Mining, and Ursa Major Minerals.

## **Directors**



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### Bill Nielsen, Director

Bill Nielsen has over 35 years of worldwide mineral exploration and development experience. He is the former CEO of Kombat Copper, VP Exploration for Crocodile Gold and Nevsun Resources.

### **Paul Olmsted, Director**

Paul Olmsted has 30 years of experience in the mining industry. He is the CFO of Superior Gold. Prior to this he worked for IAMGOLD responsible for their acquisition and divestiture program.

### George Langdon, Director

George Langdon has spent over 35 years in the Oil and Gas sector working for Saudi Aramco, Mobil Oil and Hudson's Bay Oil. He was also the founding President of Shoal Point Energy.

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## **Technical Team**



## **Delio Tortosa, Geological Consultant**

Delio Tortosa has over 30 years of experience in mining and mineral exploration. He worked in the Ontario Geological Survey as the Resident Geologist for the Wawa District. He also taught GPS, GIS and Remote Sensing at Lake Superior State University.

## **Bill Kerr, Geological Consultant**

Bill Kerr is a geologist with over 40 years in the Canadian and international exploration/mining industry. He was directly responsible for discovery of two of the world four highest grade uranium deposits (Phoenix and Midwest A). He was exploration manager for Dome Mines involved in the discovery of gold deposits at Dona Lake, Detour Lake and Musslewhite. He has personally staked more than 500 claims and was awarded in 1996 a lifetime Prospector licence through the Ontario MNDM.

## Dr. Jay Hodgson, Geological Consultant

Jay Hodgson has over 40 years of worldwide experience in base metals and precious metal exploration. He was a professor of Geology at Queens University. He has worked for many companies over his career including Teck Resources and Kinross. He spent 10 years as Chief Geologist at Barrick, where he was involved in designing Barrick's worldwide exploration programs.

## Phillip Walford, Advisor

Phillip Walford is the President and CEO of Marathon Gold and was a founder of the predecessor company Marathon PGM which was sold to Stillwater Mining in 2010. He has over 40 years of experience working with various companies: Anaconda Mining, Geomaque Explorations, LAC Minerals, Pamour Porcupine Mines and Hudson Bay Exploration and Development.

## **Experienced & Technical Team**



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Paul Poggione, VP Corporate Development
Ken Storey, CFO
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### **ADVISORS**

Phil Walford, B.Sc, P.Geo

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#### TECHNICAL TEAM

Delio Tortosa, M.Sc, P.Eng Bill Kerr, B.Sc, P.Geo Dr. Jay Hodgson, B.Sc, M.Sc, PhD John Walmsley, B.Sc.

## Past & Present Companies The Argo Gold Team Has Worked With





































# **Capital Structure**



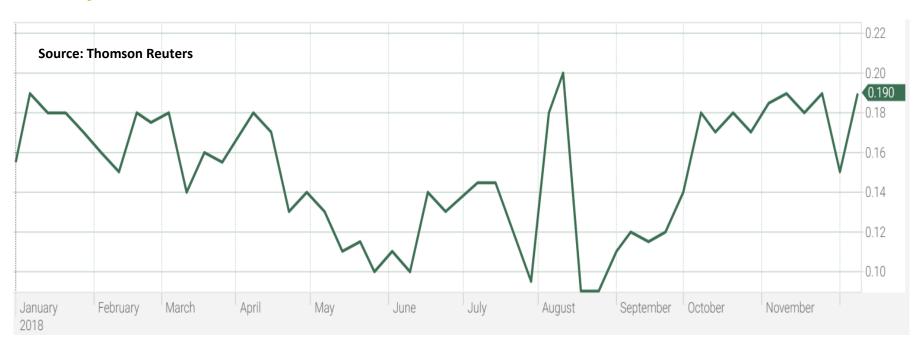
Price (November 7, 2018): \$0.19 Market Cap: \$5.7 million

**Shares Outstanding:** 30,497,928 **Management & Insiders:** 20%

Options (Avg. price = \$0.12): 3,000,000 Institutions: 7% - US Global

Warrants (Avg. price \$0.30): 1,400,000 52-Week High/Low: \$0.22/\$0.07

**Fully Diluted:** 34,897,928



## **Argo Gold History**



### May 2015

 Argo Gold commences trading on the CSE, under the name Arbitrage Explorations. At the time the company held one property, the Hurdman Silver/Zinc Property in Timmins.

#### **June 2016**

 Staked McVicar Lake Gold Project in Red Lake Ontario.

### September 2016

· Name changed to Argo Gold.

#### November 2016

- Acquired 3 Gold properties in the Wawa gold camp: Rockstar, Macassa Creek and Abbie Lake.
- Acquired Woco Gold property outside of Red Lake from Dollard Mines.

### February 2017

Acquired South Wawa Gold project.

#### March 2017

- Staked additional ground around Hurdman Silver/Zinc Property.
- Acquired Mishi Lake Gold Project in Wawa.

#### **June 2017**

Exploration work at Wawa and Woco.

### August 2017

Acquired Northgate property, adjacent to Woco.

#### October 2017

- Staked additional claims at McVicar Lake.
- Exploration results at Woco and South Wawa.

#### November 2017

Exploration results at Macassa Creek and Northgate.

### February 2018

- Sold South Wawa to RT Minerals.
- · Acquired Geisler Patents around Woco.

#### March 2018

Sold Rockstar to Manitou Gold.

### May 2018

- Staked South West Extension at Woco.
- Staked Angela Lake Gold Property in Red Lake area.
- Staked additional land at McVicar Lake, Abbie Lake, Macassa Creek, and Hurdman Silver-Zinc Project.

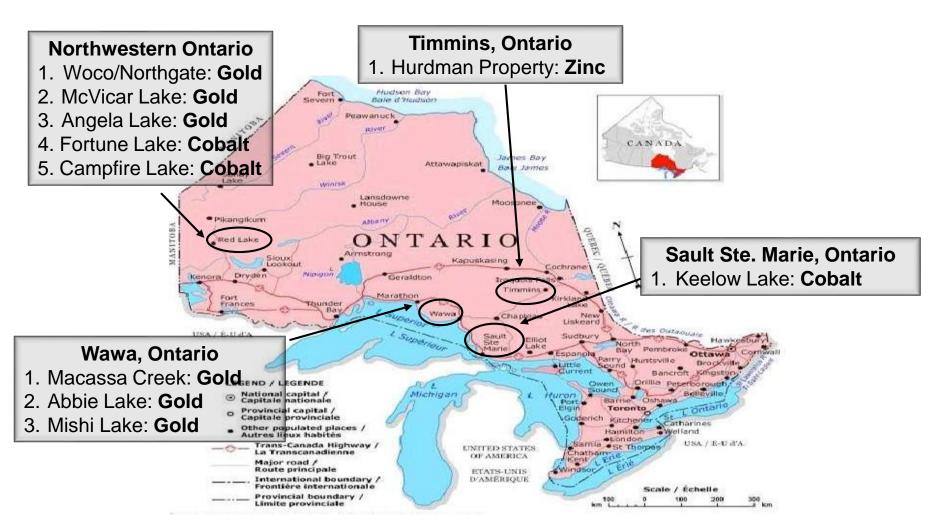
### **June 2018**

 Staked 3 Cobalt properties Fortune Lake, Campfire Lake and Keelow Lake in the Red Lake area.

## **World Class Portfolio: 100% Owned**

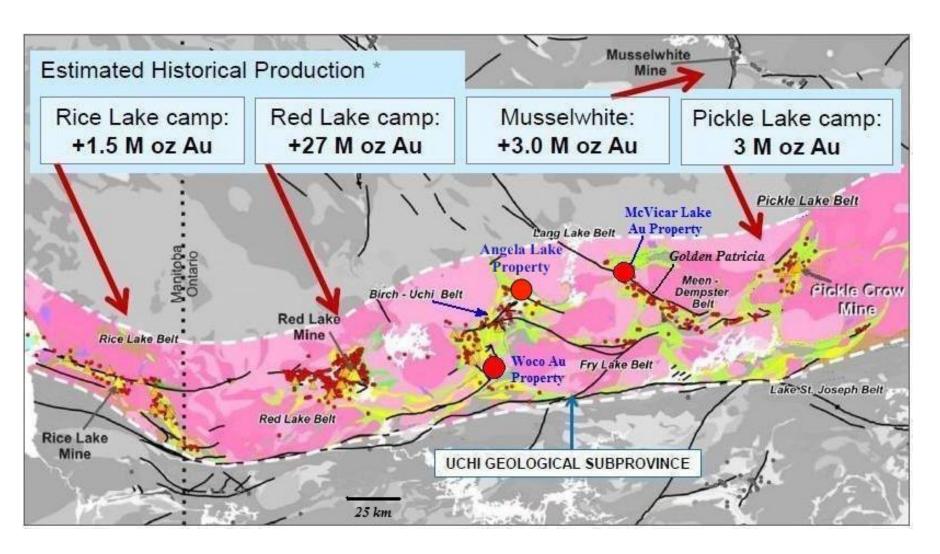


## All 10 properties are in Ontario, Canada: 6 Gold, 3 Cobalt, 1 Zinc



## Rice Lake – Pickle Lake Gold Belt





## **Woco Gold Project – Red Lake Area**



Woco Property Block: There are 4 properties that make up the Woco Property Block: Woco, Northgate, Geisler Patents and Southwest Extension.

Location: 90 Kms East Of Red Lake, 75 Kms East of Great Bear Resources Dixie Project, 8 Kms South Of South-Bay Mine.

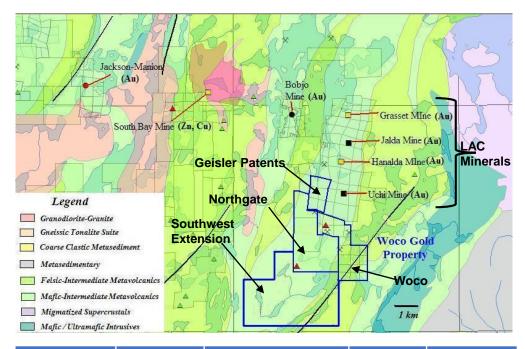
**Size:** 1,714 Hectares (4,235 Acres)

**Prospective Strike Horizon:** 7 Kms (North to South)

Access: Access is by float plane to Uchi Lake from Red Lake or Earl Falls and then a kilometer cross-country. The property is also accessible from the South Bay Mine road and then east along winter road that follows an Ontario Hydro power line to the Uchi Gold Mine from which the Woco Prospect can be accessed on foot about 1.5 km to the south.

Historic Drilling: First ever drilling was done by St. Jude Resources at Woco in 1993 with follow-up drilling in 1994 for a total of 35 holes.

**Deepest Drill Depth: 220 Metres.** 

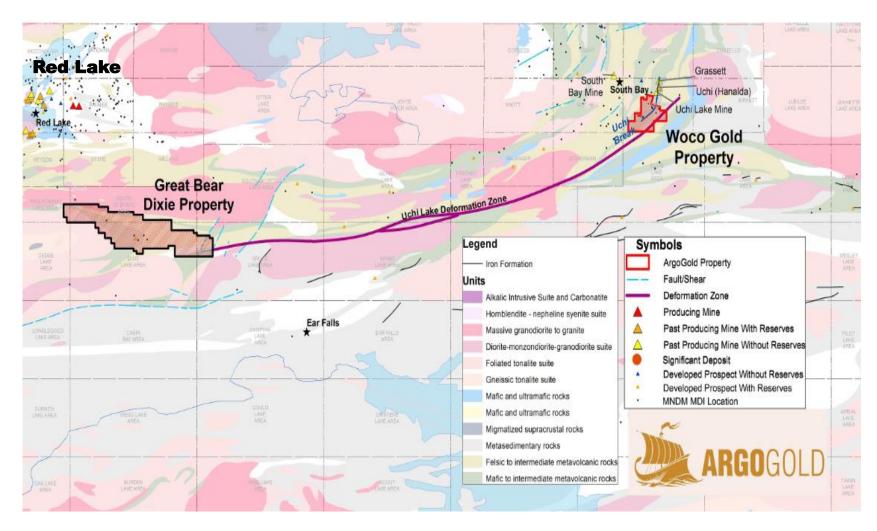


	Woco	Northgate	Geisler Patents	Southwest Extension
Acquired	November 2016	August 2017	February 2018	May 2018
Royalty	2%	2%	None	None
Royalty Holder	Dollard Mines	Rubicon Minerals (1%) & Royal Gold (1%)		
Royalty Buyback (%)	1%	0.5% - Rubicon		
Royalty Buyback (\$)	\$1,000,000	\$500,000 - Rubicon		

# Flagship Woco Project

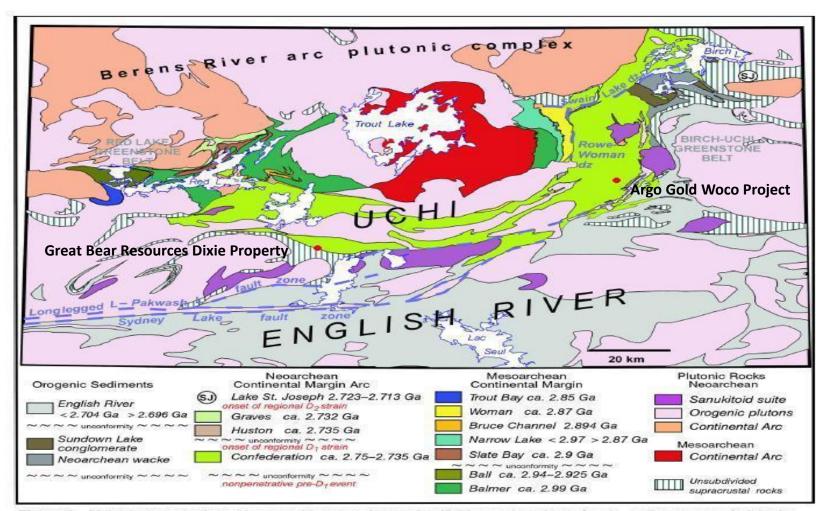


## Woco is 75 Kms (46 Miles) from Great Bear's Dixie Property



# Flagship - Woco Gold Project





**Figure 2.** Major tectonostratigraphic assemblages and tectonic affinities assigned to volcanic, sedimentary and plutonic rocks of the eastern Uchi Subprovince and adjacent English River Subprovince (dz = deformation zone).

# **Could Argo Gold Be The Next Great Bear?**



## Comparison of Great Bear's Dixie Project and Argo Gold's Woco Project

Criteria	Great Bear Resources: Dixie	Argo Gold: Woco
Geology	Confederation Sequence	Confederation Sequence
Structure	Proximal to major structure	Proximal to major structure
Gold Mineralization	Quartz Vein System	Quartz Vein System
Overburden	Approx. 2 metres	Approx. 3 metres
Outcrop	Little to none	Little to none

	Great Bear Resources Dixie Project				Argo Gold Woco Project			ect
	Hole	Length	Zone	Au g/t	Au g/t	Zone	Length	Hole
	DHZ-004	7.00	Hinge	68.76	139.10	Woco	2.10	94-J3
$\ $	DHZ-003	16.35	Hinge	26.91	65.93	Woco	1.83	JR-22-93
	DC-10-07	3.82	Hinge	17.22	62.31	Woco	3.63	JR-93-4
1	DL-005	10.40	Dixie	16.84	34.75	Woco	1.00	94-J2
1	DL-89-9	2.83	Dixie	15.56	31.92	Woco	3.51	JR-93-1
1	DNW-001	1.40	NW Step	12.40	31.34	Woco	2.32	94-J5
_	DNW-002	1.00	NW Step	8.28	22.12	Woco	1.09	94-J7
	DL-04-06	12.34	Dixie	7.54	20.79	Woco	1.68	JR-20-93
	DL-03-08	5.25	Dixie	7.44	20.02	Woco	0.61	94-J1
	DI-004	6.3	Dixie	5.56	14.08	Woco	0.46	94-J8
	DL-007a	3.00	Dixie	5.25	11.42	Woco	1.74	JR-21-93
	DL-04-04	9.87	Dixie	5.08	8.18	Woco	1.53	JR-93-10
	DL-013	40.30	Dixie	1.73	3.24	Woco	0.56	JR-93-14
	Great Bear Resources information taken from their October 2018 Corporate Profile			Note Woco composite average includes adjacent values > 1 g/t Au				

## **Could Argo Gold Be The Next Great Bear?**



# Comparison of Great Bear's Dixie Project Historic Drill Results and Argo Gold's Woco Project Historical Drill Results

Press Release.

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Great Bear Resources Dixie Project			Argo G	old Woco Project		
Hole	Length	Au g/t	Au g/t	Length	Hole	
DC-10-07	0.47	163.75	139.10	2.10	94-J3	
DC-10-07	3.82	17.22	65.93	1.83	JR-22-93	
DC-08-01R	2.2	17.2	62.31	3.63	JR-93-4	
DL-89-9	2.83	15.56	34.75	1.00	94-J2	
DL-03-08	1.86	14.64	31.92	3.51	JR-93-1	
DL-04-04	3.08	13.63	31.34	2.32	94-J5	
DL-04-06	7.07	12.26	22.12	1.09	94-J7	
DL-04-06	12.34	7.54	20.79	1.68	JR-20-93	
DL-03-08	5.25	7.44	20.02	0.61	94-J1	
DL-2005-09	4.50	5.95	14.08	0.46	94-J8	
DL-03-06	4.31	5.79	11.42	1.74	JR-21-93	
DL-04-04	9.87	5.08	8.18	1.53	JR-93-10	
DL-89-3	4.02	4.81	3.24	0.56	JR-93-14	
Great Bear Resources information taken from their April 18 2017			Note Woco composite average includes adjacent values > 1 g/t Au			

# **Discovering The Mines Of Tomorrow**



## **World Class Gold Exploration Portfolio**

- All projects are 100% owned and located in Ontario, Canada.
- All 6 gold projects are situated among current and past producing mines.

# **Experienced Exploration Team**

Over 150 years of exploration experience, making it one of the best in junior mining, rivalling exploration teams found in mid and major miners.

# **Committed Ownership**

Management owns 20% of the stock, US Global Investors hold 7%.

# **Significant Growth Upside**

➤ Serious discovery potential at Woco, following up on 1993/1994 drill results of: 65 g/t gold over 1.8M, 62 g/t gold over 3.6M, 139 g/t over over 2.1M.

# **Current Financing**



Launched: Mid November 2018 Closing: Mid December 2018

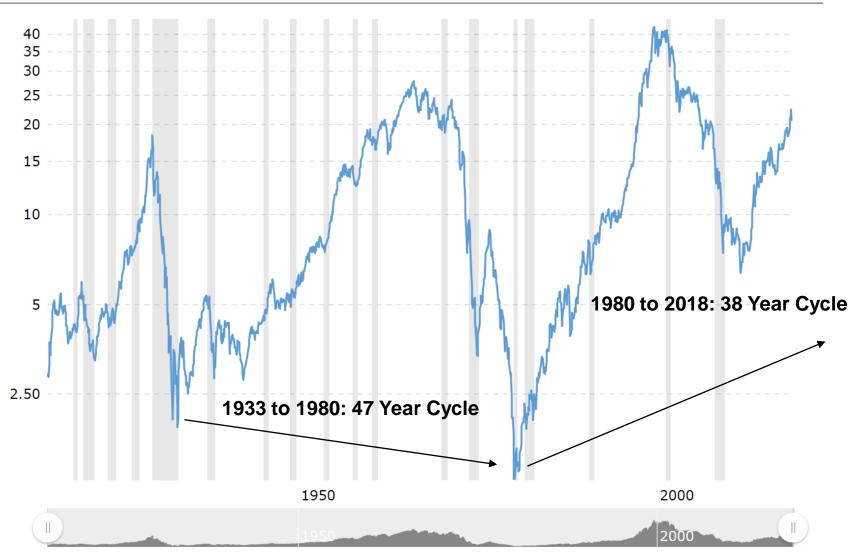
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Raise of \$500,000 Raise of \$1,000,000 \$0.18 with a half-warrant at \$0.25 \$0.22 no warrant

USE OF PROCEEDS				
Date	Work	Estimated Cost		
Present	Data consolidation, digitization, review and analysis	\$75,000		
Mid-January 2019	Camp set up and location of drill holes in field	\$75,000		
January – March 2019	Drill program – 2,500 metres – Woco, Northgate, Uchi Break and new targets	\$650,000		
May - June 2019	Hydraulic stripping of Northgate	\$200,000		
Summer 2019	Initiation of test Geochemical targeting	TBD		
	Total Funds	\$1,000,000		

## **DJIA - GOLD Ratio**





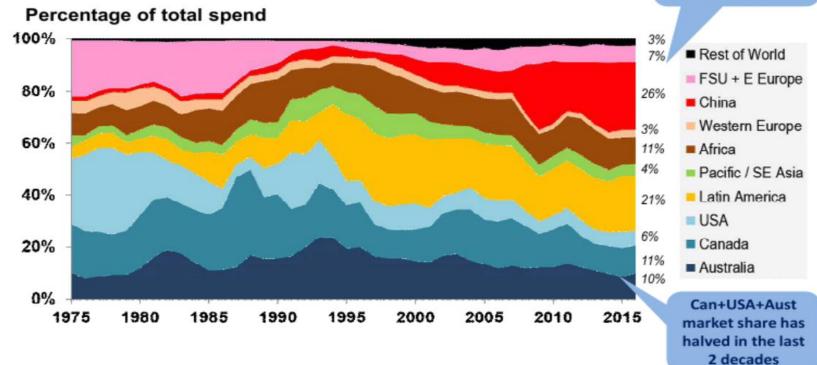
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# **Worldwide Exploration Declining**





China spends more on exploration than any other country in the World



Note: Includes spend on Bulk Minerals
"Rest of World" refers to Mongolia, Middle East and
South West Asia (including India and Pakistan)

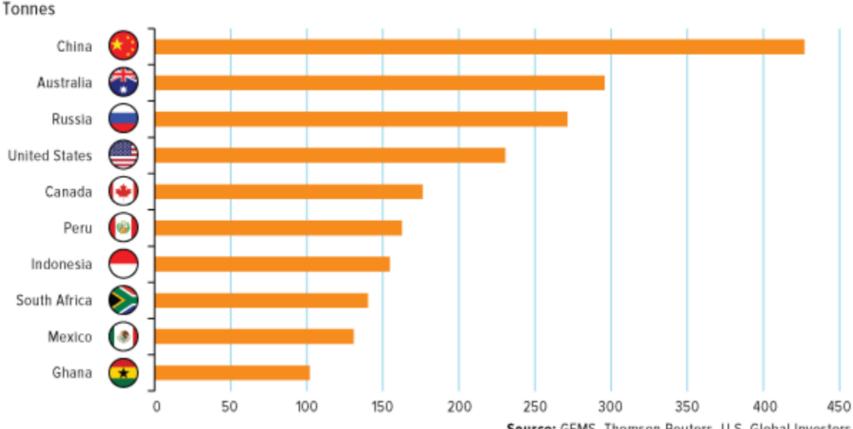
Sources: MinEx Consulting estimates © March 2017, based on data from ABS, NRCan, MLR (China), OECD and SNL Metals & Mining data, an offering of S&P Global Market Intelligence

## **Worldwide Gold Production**



## Canada is the 5th largest gold producer in the world

## Top 10 Gold Producing Countries in 2017



Source: GFMS, Thomson Reuters, U.S. Global Investors

# **Investor Presentation** H<sub>2</sub>O Innovation

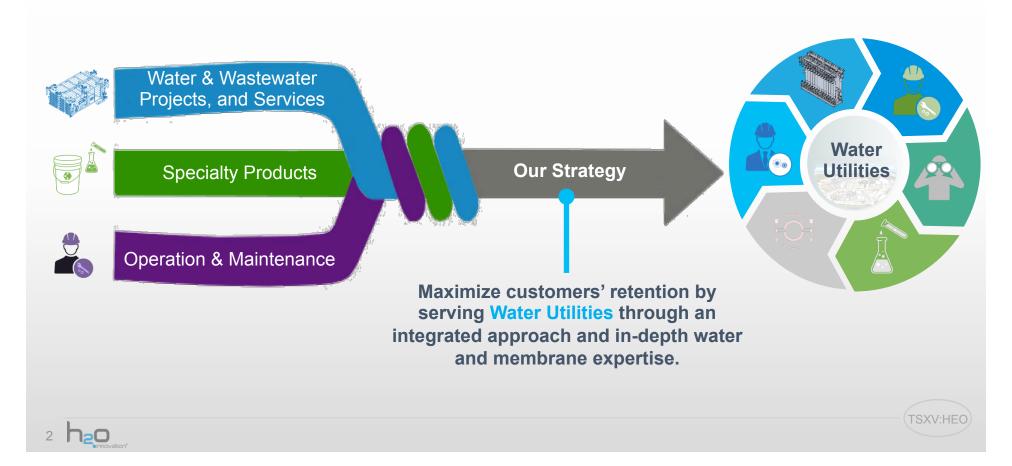
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<u>Presented by :</u> Frédéric Dugré, President & CEO





# Who is H<sub>2</sub>O Innovation?



# Our Business Pillars

1. Water & Wastewater **Projects, and Services** 





2. Specialty Products







3. Operation & **Maintenance** 



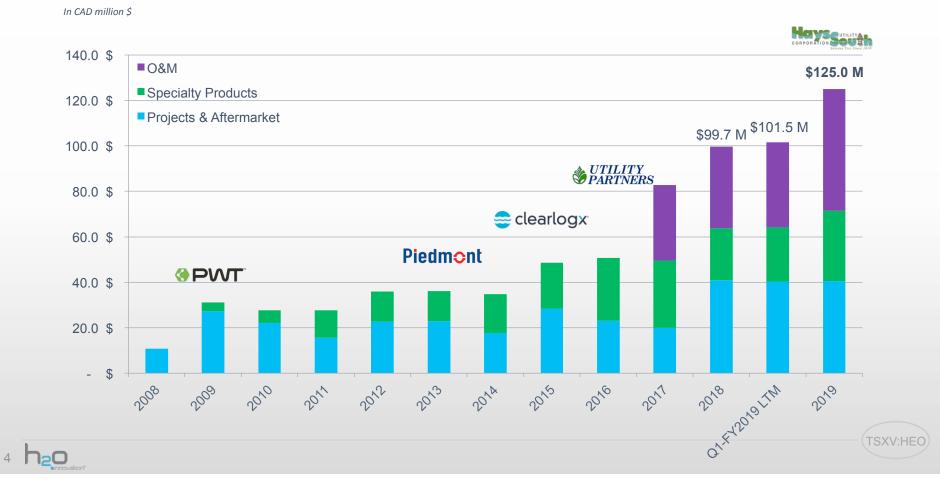








# Revenue Growth: Organic & Acquisitions



# Company Overview (Including Hays)

- ♦ A total of **675** employees throughout United States (500), Canada (155) and Europe (5);
- More than 750 installed water treatment systems;
- ♠ Exports its specialty products (chemicals, couplings and filter housings) in > 40 countries;
- ♦ Operates water & wastewater plants in 37 municipalities, 35 MUDs and 6 private utilities
- ♦ Strategic geographical presence in 9 states and 2 provinces;
- ♦ Acquired and integrated 12 companies since its inception;
- ♦ Awarded the **Water Technology Company of the Year 2016** prize, Global Water Awards.



# H<sub>2</sub>O's OFFICES

## Head office:

♦ Québec, QC, CAN

## **Manufacturing plants:**

- ♦ Ham-Nord, QC, CAN
- ♦ Champlin, MN, USA
- 🔖 Vista, CA USA 💻

## Engineering & Sales offices:

- Burlington, ON, CAN
- ♦ Calgary, AB, CAN
- Bilbao, SP, EUR

### Other (franchises, stores)

- Swanton, VT, USA 🔙
- Saint-Louis-du-Ha!-Ha!, QC, CAN
- ♦ H2O Mexico, Cancùn, MEX

## **Utility Partners:**

- Gulfport, MS, USA
- ♦ Claremont, NH, USA
- Forsyth, GA, USA

### **H2O Innovation O&M:**

♦ Kananaskis, AB, CAN













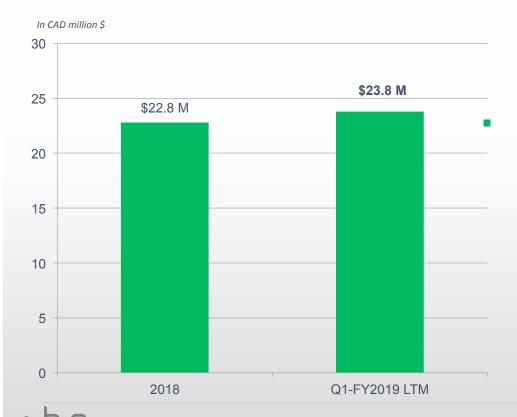


# 1<sup>st</sup> Business Pillar - Backlog Diversification Water & Wastewater Projects, and Services



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Business Pillar

## **Specialty Products**



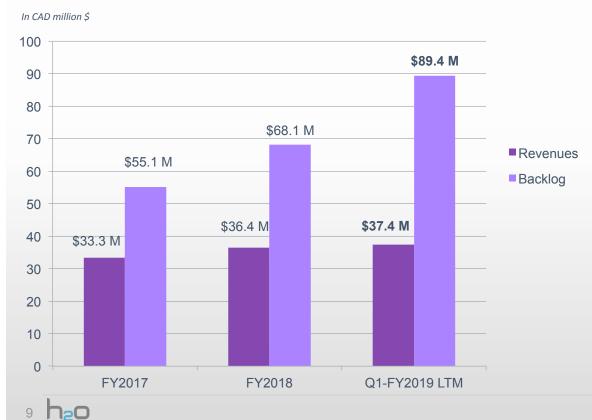


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- Specialty products revenues stood at \$4.2 M, from \$3.2 M for Q1-FY2018, representing a \$1.0 M, or 29.6% increase;
- · Expanded products offering by
  - > adding new products and new distributors;
  - broadening the existing offering;
  - > positioning the Corporation strategically in the market.
- Improved our GPM by manufacturing our liquid cleaners inhouse.



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Business Pillar

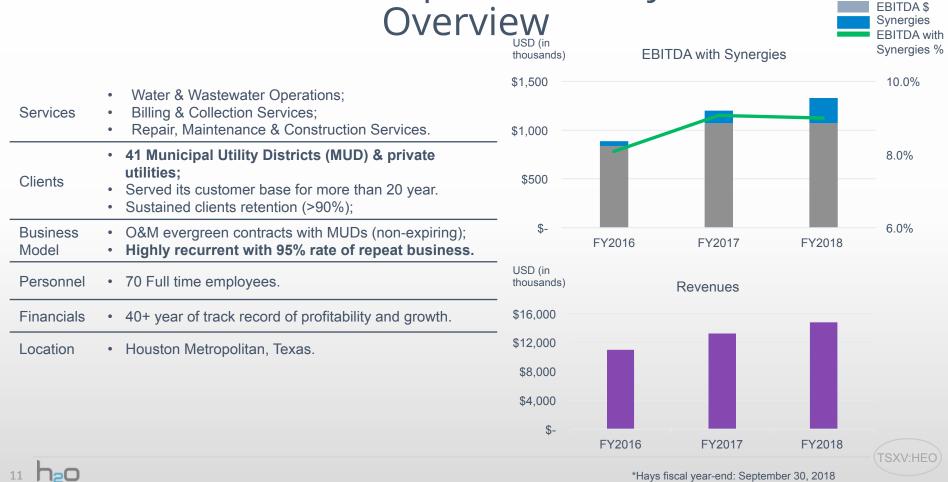
## Operation & Maintenance (O&M)

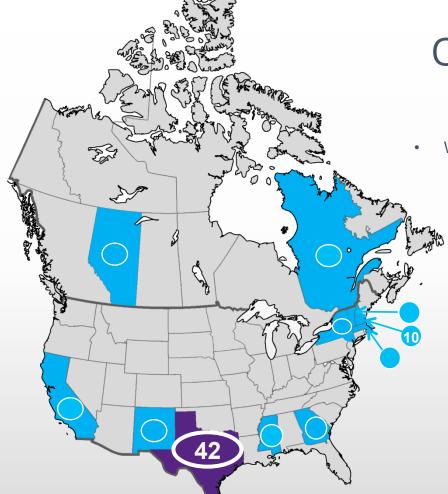


- Recurring revenues of \$9.9 M for Q1-FY2019, compared with \$8.4 M for Q1-FY2018, representing an increase of \$1.5 M, or 17.2%;
- Continuous growth explained by:
  - Renewal of projects with scope expansions;
  - Annual consumer price index ("CPI") adjustments; and
- O&M backlog stands at \$89.4 M as at September 30, 2018, compared with \$50.6 M as at September 30, 2017, representing a 76.7% increase over a twelve-month period.
- As at October 31, 2018, the backlog reached \$102.5 M.









# **O&M Contracts & Footprint**

Total of <u>37 O&M</u> contracts + <u>41 from Hays</u>

- We are operating in 9 states and 2 provinces:
  - California
  - New Mexico
  - Mississippi
  - Georgia
  - Massachusetts
  - Vermont
  - New Hampshire
  - New-York
  - Quebec

  - **♦** Texas: 1 with UP + 41 with Hays



# Key Highlights



- Revenue growth of 7.7% and significant adjusted EBITDA improvement of 115.1%;
- Combined backlog of \$139.9 M (Projects and O&M), as of September 30, 2018, remains strong and diversified;
- **68.5** % of the revenues are recurrent by nature (Aftermarket, Specialty Products and O&M);
- Our business model proposes many sales synergies among three business pillars.

## **Projects & Aftermarket**



- Project sales backlog: \$50.5 M (as of September 30, 2018);
- Growing momentum for industrial and wastewater projects.

## **Specialty Products**



- Improved gross profit margin by manufacturing our liquid cleaners inhouse;
- Keep developing new products, and expanding our distribution network.

## O&M



- Continuous growth of the pillar with two projects renewals & scope expansions;
- Backlog of \$89.4 M for operation and maintenance contracts (as of September 30, 2018), and reached \$102.5 M as at October 30, 2018;



