



Consolidated Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 December 2021

(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

MANAGEMENT'S REPORT

Management of New Zealand Energy Corp. (the "Company") is responsible for the reliability and integrity of the consolidated financial statements and the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements were prepared by management in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Since a precise determination of many assets and liabilities is dependent on future events, the timely preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions and use judgment. When alternate accounting methods exist, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances.

Ernst & Young, an independent firm of Chartered Accountants, were appointed by shareholders as the external auditors of the Company to express an audit opinion on the consolidated financial statements. Their examination included such tests and procedures as they considered necessary to provide reasonable assurance the consolidated financial statements are in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring management fulfils its responsibilities for financial reporting and internal control. The Board exercises this responsibility through the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee recommends appointment of the external auditors to the Board, ensures their independence and approves their fees. The Audit Committee meets regularly with management and the external auditors to ensure management's responsibilities are properly discharged, to review the consolidated financial statements and recommend the consolidated financial statements be presented to the Board for approval. The external auditors have full and unrestricted access to the Audit Committee to discuss their audit and their findings.

"James Willis"
James Willis, Chief Executive Officer

"Ketan Chhima"
Ketan Chhima, Chief Financial Officer



Independent auditor's report to the Shareholders of New Zealand Energy Corp.

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of New Zealand Energy Corp. and its subsidiaries (the Group), which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as at December 31, 2021, and the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as at December 31, 2021, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report.

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Material uncertainty related to going concern

We draw attention to Note 1 in the consolidated financial statements. The Group has incurred a net loss of \$751,070 for the year ended 31 December 2021 and has a liability of \$2,087,696 due for repayment within 12 months. The Group intends to repay the convertible note by raising funds in a planned new capital raise, the success of which is uncertain. In addition the future operational cash flows are uncertain, as is the viability of the proposed gas storage operation.

As stated in Note 1, these events and conditions, along with other matters explained in Note 1, indicate the existence of material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises:

- ▶ Management's Discussion and Analysis
- ▶ Management's Report (within the Annual Report)
- ▶ The information, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, in the Annual Report

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

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information, 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.

We obtained Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Annual Report prior to the date of this auditor's report. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact in this auditor's report. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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 IFRSs, 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.

Auditor's 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 auditor's 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 Canadian generally accepted auditing standards 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, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.



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As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism 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 auditor's 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 auditor's 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 our audit.

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

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Lloyd Bunyan.

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Chartered Accountants
Auckland
22 April 2022

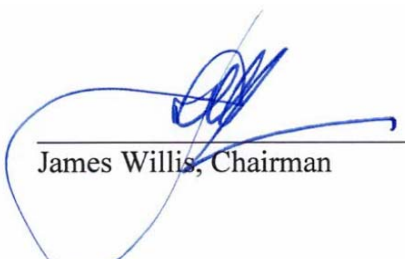
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2021 and 2020
(Expressed in Canadian Dollars)

	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
Assets			
<i>Current</i>			
Cash	4	463,272	1,020,085
Trade and other receivables	5	1,507,720	269,107
Prepaid expenses		100,630	169,466
Inventories	6	619,832	830,273
<i>Total current assets</i>		2,691,454	2,288,931
<i>Non-Current</i>			
Inventories	6	247,008	475,105
Property, plant and equipment	7	11,901,903	10,329,305
Intangible Assets	8	154,859	-
<i>Total non-current assets</i>		12,303,770	10,804,410
<i>Total assets</i>		14,995,224	13,093,341
Liabilities			
<i>Current</i>			
Trade and other payables	11	2,166,321	861,491
Convertible Loan	12	2,087,696	-
Asset retirement obligation	10	-	230,061
<i>Total current liabilities</i>		4,254,017	1,091,552
<i>Non-Current</i>			
Asset retirement obligations	10	9,129,665	9,397,239
<i>Total liabilities</i>		13,383,682	10,488,791
Shareholders' equity			
Share capital	13	109,738,706	109,738,706
Accumulated deficit		(108,127,164)	(107,134,156)
<i>Total shareholders' equity</i>		1,611,542	2,604,550
<i>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</i>		14,995,224	13,093,341

Description of business and going concern (Note 1)

These consolidated financial statements are authorized for issuance by the Board of Directors on 22 April 2022.

On behalf of the Board of Directors



James Willis, Chairman

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
As at 31 December 2021 and 2020
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	Note	Number of shares	Share Capital	Share based payments reserve (options)	Share based payments reserve (warrants)	Foreign currency translation reserve	Restated Accumulated deficit	Restated Total equity
Balance, 1 January 2020		232,123,459	109,738,706	21,289,710	1,349,289	11,984,224	(140,665,029)	3,696,900
Net loss for the period		-	-	-	-	-	(1,242,065)	(1,242,065)
Other comprehensive income for the period		-	-	-	-	149,715	-	149,715
Balance, 31 December 2020		232,123,459	109,738,706	21,289,710	1,349,289	12,133,939	(141,907,094)	2,604,550
Balance, 1 January 2021		232,123,459	109,738,706	21,289,710	1,349,289	12,133,939	(141,907,094)	2,604,550
Net loss for the period		-	-	-	-	-	(751,070)	(751,070)
Share Consolidation	13	(208,911,113)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other comprehensive loss for the period		-	-	-	-	(241,938)	-	(241,938)
Balance, 31 December 2021		23,212,346	109,738,706	21,289,710	1,349,289	11,892,001	(142,658,164)	1,611,542

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020
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	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
Revenues			
Revenue	14	5,109,671	5,657,058
Royalties		(139,122)	(86,660)
		<u>4,970,549</u>	<u>5,570,398</u>
Expenses and other items			
Production costs	15	1,403,952	1,252,588
Purchased oil		841,553	696,676
Processing costs		1,045,374	1,290,683
Depreciation, depletion and amortisation	7,8	605,553	1,008,537
Cost of Stock Sold		755,951	-
General and administrative	16	1,631,246	2,423,029
Finance expense		239,078	201,105
Foreign exchange (gain)/loss		16,754	35,998
Inventory write-down and provision adjustment from stock sale	6	(600,807)	(49,115)
Abandonment provision movement		(217,035)	(47,038)
		<u>5,721,619</u>	<u>6,812,463</u>
Net loss		(751,070)	(1,242,065)
Other comprehensive loss:			
Exchange difference on translation of foreign currency (i)		(241,938)	149,715
Total comprehensive loss		(993,008)	(1,092,350)
Basic and diluted loss per share	13	\$ (0.04)	\$ (0.05)
Weighted average shares outstanding	13	23,212,346	23,212,346

(i) Exchange difference on translation of foreign currency may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss.

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020
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	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
Operating activities			
Net loss for the period		(751,070)	(1,242,065)
<i>Changes for non-cash operating items</i>			
Depreciation, depletion and amortisation		605,553	1,008,537
Accretion on abandonment liability		151,382	201,105
Accrued Interest		87,696	-
Abandonment provision movement		(217,035)	(47,038)
Foreign exchange loss		16,754	35,998
Abandonment provision spend		-	(294,245)
<i>Change in working capital items</i>			
Accounts and other receivables		(1,238,613)	479,419
Prepaid expenses		68,836	27,044
Inventories		438,538	(74,484)
Trade and other payables		639,829	(587,369)
<i>Cash provided by (used in) operating activities</i>		(198,130)	(493,098)
Investing activities			
Purchase of oil and gas properties		(2,142,822)	(51,406)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(280,841)	-
<i>Cash provided by (used in) investing activities</i>		(2,423,663)	(51,406)
Financing activities			
Convertible Loan		2,000,000	-
<i>Cash provided by (used in) financing activities</i>		2,000,000	-
<i>Net increase (decrease) in cash</i>		(621,793)	(544,504)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		64,980	89,780
Cash, beginning of the period		1,020,085	1,474,809
Cash and equivalents, end of the period	4	463,272	1,020,085
<i>Supplemental cash-flow disclosures</i>			
Cash interest received		-	6,487

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

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1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND GOING CONCERN

New Zealand Energy Corp. (the "Company") commenced operations on 19 April 2010 through wholly-owned subsidiary, East Coast Energy Ventures Limited. The Company was subsequently incorporated on 29 October 2010 under the name 0894134 B.C. Ltd. Pursuant to the *Business Corporation Act* (British Columbia). On 10 November 2010, 0894134 B.C. Ltd. Changed its name to New Zealand Energy Corp.

The Company, through its subsidiaries, is engaged in the exploration and production of oil and natural gas, as well as the operation of midstream assets, in New Zealand.

The Company's registered and records office is located at Suite 2800, Park Place, 666 Burrard St, Vancouver BC V6C 2Z7. The Company's principal place of business is 14 Connett Road, New Plymouth, New Zealand 4312.

The Company's shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "NZ".

Going Concern

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared using International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") applicable to a going concern, which contemplates the realization of assets and settlement of liabilities in the normal course of business as they come due. Material uncertainty exists related to certain conditions that may cast significant doubt on the validity of this assumption. For the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group reported a Net Loss of \$751,070 (2020: \$1,242,065) and a cash outflow from operating activities of \$198,130 (2020: outflow \$493,098). The Group has a working capital deficit (total current assets, less total current liabilities) of \$1,562,563 (2020: surplus \$1,197,379). The deficit includes a liability of \$2,087,696 falling due in August 2022 which is expected to be repaid by way of a capital raise. In addition, the Group also has several permit expenditure plans (Note 21) which are associated with the Group's interest in its oil and gas properties and exploration and evaluation assets which requires expenditure to fulfil specified work programmes – as explained in Note 21 the group has some flexibility in the timing of the required expenditure and would seek to defer costs where funding is not available.

The Group continues to pursue a number of options to improve its financial capacity, including cash flow from oil and gas production, commercial arrangements or other financing alternatives which may involve obtaining additional debt or equity. The data collected from the completed 71 km² high-resolution 3D seismic over the Tariki structure has been sent for processing. The Group has completed preliminary analysis and interpretation of the data which suggests the overthrust Tariki structure is an excellent candidate for a gas storage project.

The Group is advancing plans to initiate a gas storage project and discussions with a storage counterparty are progressing. The potential for additional hydrocarbons within the Tariki complex is also being evaluated. The Group intends to fund its commitment to these projects, and to repay the convertible note debt of \$2,000,000 plus accumulated interest by raising additional capital. The directors have some confidence of support in respect of raising further capital.

The Group's ability to continue as a going concern is reliant at this time upon its ability to refinance the convertible note facility. Other factors affecting cash expenditure include deferral of expenditure on permits if necessary and generating budgeted cash flows from operations which are reliant on achieving planned production levels and forecast oil prices, all of which are uncertain. All of these factors are considered material uncertainties with respect to the Directors' assessment in respect of the ability of NZEC to operate as a going concern.

These consolidated financial statements do not reflect adjustments to the carrying values of the assets and liabilities, the reported revenues and expenses and the balance sheet classifications used that would be necessary if the Group were not a going concern and therefore was unable to realize its assets and settle its liabilities in the normal course of operations. Such adjustments could be material.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting policies specific to certain balances are described within the detailed note in the sections below.

General accounting policies adhered to in these financial statements are as follows:

Basis of Preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRS IC) applicable to companies reporting under IFRS.

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These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except as disclosed in the accounting policies. In addition, these consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting except for cash flow information.

Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the Company and its subsidiaries. Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Company is able to exercise control. Control exists when the Company has the power to direct the activities of an entity and is exposed to variable returns.

Also see Note 3 Joint Arrangements.

The subsidiaries of the Company are as follows:

Company	Location	Interest 2021	Interest 2020
NZEC Holdings Limited (previously NZEC Riverlea Limited)	New Zealand	100%	100%
NZEC Management Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
Taranaki Ventures Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
East Coast Energy Ventures Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
ECEV II Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
ECEV III Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
Waihapa Production Services Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
Taranaki Ventures II Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
NZEC Tariki Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
NZEC Ahuroa Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
NZEC Waihapa Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
NZEC Stratford Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
NZEC Manaia Limited	New Zealand	100%	100%
NZEC Wairoa Limited	New Zealand	-	100%

All intercompany balances and transactions, income and expenses have been eliminated upon consolidation.

During the year NZEC Wairoa was removed from the companies office under section 318(1)(d) of the Companies Act 1993

Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Company and its subsidiaries are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the “functional currency”). The presentation currency of the Group is the Canadian dollar.

The functional currency of the Company’s New Zealand subsidiaries and joint arrangements is the New Zealand dollar (“NZ\$”).

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded in the Company’s or subsidiaries’ functional currency at the exchange rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities of the Company denominated in foreign currencies are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Non-monetary assets and liabilities are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency and are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

The results and financial position of subsidiaries that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- Assets and liabilities are translated at the closing rate at the reporting date;
- Income and expenses for each statement of comprehensive income are translated at average exchange rates for the period; and
- All resulting exchange differences are recognized in other comprehensive income as exchange difference on translation of foreign operations.

Foreign exchange differences arising on monetary items that form part of the Company’s net investment in foreign subsidiaries are initially recognized in other comprehensive income and reclassified from equity to the statement of comprehensive income on disposal of the net investment.

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Significant Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make certain estimates, judgements and assumptions.

The principal areas of estimates and judgement for the Group are found in the following notes:

- Note 1 – Going concern
- Note 6 - Inventories
- Note 7 – Property, plant and equipment
- Note 10 – Long term asset retirement obligations

Financial Instruments

All financial assets and liabilities of the company are carried at amortised cost.

As at 31 December 2021, the average expected credit loss of the Group’s accounts receivable balance was not material. This is based on historical performance and forward-looking assessments of the counterparties. Additional required disclosures have been included in Note 22

3. JOINT ARRANGEMENTS

The consolidated financial statements include the Group’s share of the assets, liabilities and cash flows of the joint arrangements, as they are accounted for as joint operations. The Group combines its share of the joint arrangements’ individual income and expenses, assets and liabilities and cash flows on a line-by-line basis with similar items in the Group’s financial statements. Income taxes are recorded based on the Group’s share of the joint arrangement’s activities.

The Group accounts for the following joint arrangements.

Company	Principal activity	Location	Interest
TWN Limited Partnership	Operate the Waihapa Production Station	New Zealand	50%
NZEC Ngaere	General Partner of TWN Limited Partnership	New Zealand	50%
Tariki Joint Arrangement	Operate the Tariki license	New Zealand	50%
Waihapa-Ngaere Joint Arrangement	Operate the Waihapa and Ngaere licenses	New Zealand	50%

4. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY

Cash is composed of cash on hand and deposits held at banks. Cash equivalents consist of short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

On 7 July 2016, NZEC subsidiary company Taranaki Ventures Limited (TVL) entered into an on demand revolving credit facility with the Bank of New Zealand, giving the Company the ability to draw down up to NZ\$250,000 (2020:NZ\$500,000). The interest rate at 31 December 2021 was 5.14% (2020: 3.2%). The facility is secured by way of a general security agreement over the present and after acquired assets of TVL with NZEC subsidiaries NZEC Holdings Limited, NZEC Management, NZEC Tariki Limited and NZEC Waihapa Limited guaranteeing the obligations of TVL under the facility. No amounts are drawn under the facility as at 31 December 2021 (2020: nil)

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5. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

NZEC's business model is to hold accounts receivable for collection. As a result, NZEC has classified its accounts receivable as amortized cost financial assets.

Receivables are recognized initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost.

NZEC applies the simplified approach to providing for expected credit losses prescribed by IFRS 9 which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for all trade receivables. Prior credit losses in the collection of accounts receivable by NZEC have been negligible and the Group does not anticipate any significant future credit losses based on forward looking information. Hence, the average expected credit loss of the Group's accounts receivable balance was not material. See also Note 24.

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Trade receivables	1,507,720	269,107
<i>Total Current Accounts and other receivables</i>	1,507,720	269,107

6. INVENTORIES

Material and supply inventories consist of wellheads and tubulars purchased for use in oil and gas operations and are valued at the lower of cost, or net realizable value (NRV). The costs of purchase of material and supply inventories comprise the purchase price, import duties and other taxes and transport, handling and other costs directly attributable to their acquisition. Non-current inventories are not expected to be utilised within 1 year.

Oil inventories, as well as any unused purchased oil and condensate, are valued at the lower of the cost and net realizable value. Cost includes those incurred in bringing inventories to their present location and condition and the portion of depletion expense associated with oil and condensate production.

Cost is determined using the weighted average cost method. NRV is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Current		
Material and supplies	182,860	264,359
Oil inventories	436,972	565,914
	619,832	830,273
Non Current		
Non-current material and supplies	496,127	1,353,235
Less write down provision	(249,119)	(878,130)
	247,008	475,105
Write down Provision non-current material and supplies		
Opening Balance	(878,130)	(889,351)
Movement in provision recognised as expense	28,204	(37,894)
Provision reversed on material and supplies sold	600,807	49,115
Closing Balance	(249,119)	(878,130)

Write downs of materials and supplies to net realizable value of \$(28,204) (2020: \$37,894) were recognized as an expense. In addition, the Group used/sold materials and supplies of \$600,807 (2020: \$49,115) and recognized them as an expense.

Key estimates and assumptions

The key estimates and assumptions in determining net realizable value for non-current materials and supplies include the following:

Each individual item within material and supplies was assessed for its likelihood to be used by the Group in its future work program, as detailed in Note 21. Those items considered unlikely to be used, were all considered as unlikely to be saleable, were valued at scrap value. Scrap value has been estimated at 23% (2020: 23%) of original cost based on the current market pricing of scrapped steel.

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7. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment (PP&E) is carried at cost, less accumulated depreciation. The depreciable amount is the cost of the asset less its residual value. Depreciation ceases to be recognized when an asset's residual value exceeds its carrying amount. The Group reviews residual values, depreciation methods and useful lives at least annually. Any changes in estimates that arise from this review are accounted for prospectively.

PP&E is depreciated over the estimated useful life of the assets using the straight -line method at the following rates per annum:

Furniture and fixtures	8.5% - 10.5%
Computer equipment	40%
Plant and equipment	5% - 8.5%
Buildings	7%

Oil and gas properties

All costs directly associated with the development of oil and gas reserves are capitalized on an area-by-area basis. These costs include proved property acquisitions, development drillings, completion of wells, gathering facilities and infrastructure, asset retirement costs and transfers from exploration and evaluation assets where technical feasibility and commercial viability has been determined.

The net carrying value of oil and gas properties is depleted using the unit-of-production method by reference to the ratio of production in the year to the related total proved and probable reserves of oil and natural gas, taking into account estimated future development costs necessary to bring those reserves into production.

Impairment

Assets that are subject to depreciation and depletion are reviewed for impairment at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use.

For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets i.e cash-generating units (CGU). Impairment is allocated on a pro rata basis to the assets within the CGU. The impairment is recognized as an expense in profit or loss. The group has determined it has two CGUs, being the Tariki project carried at \$2.7m and the other oil and gas properties which comprise most of the balance of the remaining assets.

Where an impairment subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset or CGU is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount. Hence the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset or CGU in prior years. A reversal of an impairment is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

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	Furniture and fixtures \$	Land \$	Plant and equipment \$	Oil and gas properties \$	Total \$
Cost					
Balance, 1 January 2020	330,600	1,339,041	2,370,019	23,826,996	27,866,656
Additions	-	-	-	51,406	51,406
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Change in asset retirement cost due to change in estimate	-	-	287,803	156,255	444,058
Foreign currency translation adjustment	15,635	63,329	134,749	1,039,179	1,252,892
Balance, 31 December 2020	346,235	1,402,370	2,792,571	25,073,836	29,615,012
Additions	-	-	530,053	2,229,178	2,759,231
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Change in asset retirement cost due to change in estimate	-	-	152,925	(53,434)	99,491
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(19,093)	(77,334)	(162,805)	(1,468,467)	(1,727,699)
Balance, 31 December 2021	327,142	1,325,036	3,312,744	25,781,113	30,746,035
Accumulated depreciation					
Balance, 1 January 2020	236,429	-	1,479,691	15,764,546	17,480,666
Depreciation and depletion	12,614	-	328,900	667,023	1,008,537
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Foreign currency translation adjustment	11,825	-	86,772	697,907	796,504
Balance, 31 December 2020	260,868	-	1,895,363	17,129,476	19,285,707
Depreciation and depletion	11,528	-	178,916	413,788	604,232
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(14,580)	-	(107,537)	(923,690)	(1,045,807)
Balance, 31 December 2021	257,816	-	1,966,742	16,619,574	18,844,132
Net Book Value					
Balance, 31 December 2020	85,367	1,402,370	897,208	7,944,360	10,329,305
Balance, 31 December 2021	69,326	1,325,036	1,346,002	9,161,539	11,901,903

The Director's identified indicators of impairment in relation to the existing Oil and Gas Properties. No indicators of impairment were determined for the Tariki project CGU. The Group undertook an impairment test on the remaining Oil and Gas Properties. The judgements made by the Directors in undertaking this impairment test are detailed below.

As per the prior year the recoverable amount was determined using a value in use approach by applying a discounted cashflow methodology. The value in use was calculated using a discounted cash flow with the following key inputs: recoverable reserve forecasts, including future oil prices, based on the independent qualified reserves engineers' forecasts as at 31 December 2021, a long term growth rate of 2% per annum, customer volume growth at the TWN treatment plant and a post tax discount rate of 7.14%. The recoverable amount of the remaining Oil and Gas Properties is approximately \$0.2 million more than the carrying value of the assets tested, thus no impairment was recognised (2020: nil).

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Key estimates and assumptions

Determination of cash-generating units (“CGUs”)

Oil and gas properties, resources properties and other corporate assets are aggregated into CGUs based on their ability to generate largely independent cash inflows and are used for impairment testing. The Group had one CGU in the prior year. The determination of this CGU was based on management’s judgement in regard to similar geological structure, shared infrastructure, geographical proximity, commodity type and similar exposure to market risks.

With the seismic acquisition undertaken during FY 21 year, a second CGU has been identified. It utilises the existing Waihapa Production Station and associated facilities – for hydrocarbon processing, gas import and gas export functions, accordingly some of the WPS assets have been allocated to this CGU, there are no indications of impairment for the Tariki Seismic CGU.

Key input judgements and estimates used in the determination of cash flows from oil and gas reserves and processing revenues for the first CGU include the following:

- a) Reserves – assumptions that are valued at the time of reserve estimation.
- b) Oil and natural gas prices – forward price estimates of oil and natural gas prices are used.
- c) Processing revenues – based on expected future cashflows which include the ongoing processing and other service requirements of existing customers, cost and economics associated with providing those services and the recovery of own oil and gas in utilising the shared infrastructure.
- d) Expenses – future operating expenses which change commensurate with the level of activities and the economics of continuing operation.
- e) Discount rate – The discount rate used to calculate the net present value of cash

The recoverable amount of PP&E is sensitive to the above factors. Reasonably possible changes to the key assumptions may lead to further impairment of the assets.

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8. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Intangible Assets \$
Cost	
Balance, 31 December 2020	-
Additions	156,180
Disposals	-
Foreign currency translation adjustment	-
Balance, 31 December 2021	156,180
	Intangible Assets \$
Balance, 31 December 2020	-
Amortisation	1,321
Disposals	-
Foreign currency translation adjustment	-
Balance, 31 December 2021	1,321
Net Book Value	
Balance, 31 December 2020	-
Balance, 31 December 2021	154,859

Intangible assets relate to the extinguishing of an overriding royalty during the 2021 year.

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at costs and are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed as either finite or indefinite. Intangible assets with finite lives are amortised over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation of the intangible assets is based on the unit-of-production method by reference to the ratio of production in the year to the related total proved and probable reserves of oil and natural gas.

Intangible asset is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use. Any gain or loss arising upon derecognition of the asset is included in the statement of profit or loss

9. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

The Group uses the successful efforts method of accounting for oil and gas exploration costs. All general exploration and evaluation costs are expensed as incurred except the direct costs of acquiring the rights to explore, drilling exploratory wells and evaluating the results of drilling. These direct costs are capitalised as exploration and evaluation assets pending the determination of the success of the well. If a well does not result in a successful discovery, the previously capitalised costs are immediately expensed.

Exploration and evaluation assets are assessed for impairment if facts and circumstances suggest the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount. At 31 December 2021 exploration and evaluation assets were nil (2020: nil).

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10. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

The Group recognizes liabilities for statutory, contractual, constructive or legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets in the period when the liability arises. The net present value of the asset retirement obligation (discounted to its present value using an appropriate discount rate) is capitalized to the long-lived asset to which it relates with a corresponding increase to the liability in the period incurred.

Changes in the liability for an asset retirement obligation due to the passage of time are recognized in profit or loss as an accretion expense (within finance expense) and an increase in the liability in the balance sheet.

Changes resulting from abandonment and reclamation cost estimate revisions, timing, discount rates, regulatory requirements or the amount of the original estimate of undiscounted cash flows are recognized as an increase or a decrease to the carrying amount of the liability and the related long-lived asset. The Group's estimates are reviewed at the end of each reporting period for such changes.

The Group's asset retirement obligations are estimated based on the costs to abandon and reclaim its wells in certain licences and permits and restoration obligations associated with the land at the Waihapa Production Station together with the estimated timing of the costs to be paid in future periods. The estimated expected life of the long-lived assets is the later of the permit life, or economic life based on proved and probable reserves.

<u>Non-Current</u>	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Opening Balance 1 January	9,397,239	8,263,618
Change in estimate	(146,278)	404,809
Accretion expense for the year	180,114	201,127
Reclassified as current	217,374	119,728
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(518,784)	407,957
Closing Balance 31 December	9,129,665	9,397,239

<u>Current</u>		
Opening Balance 1 January	230,061	627,350
Liabilities settled during the year	-	(294,244)
Change in estimate	-	3,633
Reclassified from non-current	(217,374)	(119,728)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(12,687)	13,050
Closing Balance 31 December	-	230,061

Assumptions

Total undiscounted value of payments	\$14,875,238	\$14,085,626
Discount rate	1.76% to 3.11%	0.24% to 2.67%
Inflation rate	2.66%	1.92%
Expected life	1 to 34 years	1 to 35 years

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Key estimates and assumptions

Estimates for the Asset Retirement Obligations (ARO) of the NZEC owned & operated wells have been reviewed and updated using 2021 data and recent applicable Taranaki wide experience for the 31 December 2021 estimates.

The Group has estimated the expected life of assets and the period in which abandonment costs are expected to incur as follows:

- Producing wells – through to the end of the economic life (per the assumptions used by the reserve engineers);
- Non-producing wells – through to the end of the permit period unless the Group intends to take remedial actions earlier.

The provision is sensitive to movements in the above assumptions as follows:

Assumption	Change	Increase / (decrease) to Provision
Undiscounted value of payments	10%	\$924,382
Discount rate	+0.1%	(\$124,945)
Life	+1 year	(\$216,667)
Life	-1 year	243,365

11. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
Trade payables		1,506,588	581,786
GST payable		45,222	62,806
Deferred Revenue		475,388	-
Accrued liabilities - payroll		139,123	216,899
<i>Total Current trade and other payables</i>		2,166,321	861,491

12. CONVERTIBLE LOAN

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
Convertible Loan		2,087,696	-

The company drew down CAD \$2,000,000 under the convertible loan agreement it entered into with Arizona Finance Limited ("Arizona"). The maximum number of common shares issuable if Arizona elects to convert the entire principal amount of the loan will be 6,666,667 shares, at an exercise price of 30 cents per share. Any common shares issued to Arizona upon conversion of the principal amount under the loan agreement are subject to a hold period that has expired on November 21, 2021. Interest of CAD87,696 has been accrued. Interest at 10% per annum is payable on the loan and has been capitalised against the loan as at Dec-21. The loan is repayable on the 16 August 2022 if the loan is not converted to shares. At 31 December the share price is trading significantly below the conversion price of 30c and no value has been attributed to the option for the holder to convert the debt to equity. Accordingly the full value of the convertible note is shown as debt.

13. SHARE CAPITAL

a) Common shares

Common shares are classified as equity. Transaction costs directly attributable to the issue of common shares and share options are recognized as a deduction from equity.

Common shares issued for non-monetary consideration are recorded at their fair value on the measurement date. The measurement date is defined as the earliest of the date at which the commitment for performance by the counterparty to earn the common shares is reached or the date at which the counterparty's performance is complete.

The Company has an unlimited number of common shares without par value authorized for issuance.

On 21 June 2021, the company consolidated its shares on a 10:1 basis. Earnings per share has been retrospectively adjusted to ensure comparability.

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b) Share purchase options (equity settled)

No new options were granted in 2021 or 2020. As at 31 December, Officers held nil (2020: Nil) outstanding and exercisable options.

14. REVENUE

The revenue from the sale of commodities and other operating revenue the Group earns represent contractual arrangements with customers. Revenue from the sale of crude oil, purchased oil and condensate and natural gas is measured based on the consideration specified in contracts with customers. NZEC recognizes revenue when control of the product transfers to the buyer and collection of the amount due to NZEC is probable. This is generally at the point in time when the customer obtains legal title to the product which is when it is physically transferred to the ship, pipeline or other transportation method agreed upon. Revenues from processing activities are recognized over time as processing occurs and are billed monthly. Revenue is deferred when services are yet to be rendered or control has not transferred to the buyer. The Group reviews material new contracts using the IFRS 15 5 step model for revenue recognition.

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
Oil sales		2,729,980	2,098,026
Gas sales		61,535	58,183
Processing revenue		1,082,095	2,276,449
Interest income		1,598	6,561
Other revenue	a)	353,649	535,865
		4,228,857	4,975,084
Purchased oil sold	b)	880,814	681,974
<i>Total Revenue</i>		5,109,671	5,657,058

- a) The Group has provided services to a third party, that have been performed through a combination of work by employees and subcontracted companies. NZEC has used judgement and concluded it is the principal party, as it has the performance obligation to the customer and has discretion in establishing pricing with the customer.
- b) The Group has an arrangement with a third party whereby the Group purchases oil, charges a processing fee and subsequently sells the oil where NZEC is the principal party. Any unsold oil is carried as inventory.

15. PRODUCTION COSTS

Production costs incurred by the Group include the transportation, day-to-day servicing of the production facilities and other costs directly relating to the revenue recognized from the oil and gas or purchased oil and condensate. Costs paid by the Group for the transportation of oil, natural gas and condensate from the wellhead to the point of title transfer are recognized when the transportation is provided.

16. GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Professional fees	270,011	138,371
Consulting fees	59,553	130,253
Travel and accommodation	9,445	18,698
Administrative expenses	191,819	262,012
Short term lease	11,659	23,760
Filing and transfer agent fees	43,208	34,064
Insurance	105,672	188,470
Low value equipment lease	10,823	8,119
Salary and wages	929,056	1,619,282
	1,631,246	2,423,029

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17. INCOME TAXES

Any income tax on profit or loss for the periods presented comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in the profit or loss based on the applicable income tax rate for each jurisdiction adjusted by changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities attributable to temporary differences and to unused tax losses. The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period in the countries where the Company and its subsidiaries and associates operate and generate taxable income.

Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for deferred tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using the enacted or substantively enacted tax rates expected to apply when the asset is realised or the liability settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in the profit or loss in the period substantive enactment occurs.

A deferred tax asset is recognized to the extent it is probable future taxable profits will be available in the foreseeable future against which the asset can be used. To the extent the Group does not consider it probable a deferred tax asset will be recovered, the deferred tax asset is reduced.

A reconciliation of the income tax benefit determined by applying the Canadian income tax rates to the consolidated loss for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 has been prepared as follows:

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Loss before income taxes	751,070	1,242,065
Statutory tax rate	27.0%	27.0%
Income tax (recovery) at statutory rates	(202,789)	(335,358)
Effect of tax rates in other jurisdictions	4,900	(11,109)
Effect of changes in foreign exchange rates	(34,062)	(19,183)
Adjustment to return	231,951	364,003
Tax losses not recognised	-	1,647
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The significant components of the Group's deferred income tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Deferred income tax assets		
Employee benefits	38,954	60,732
Non-capital losses available for future periods	32,586,046	31,979,488
Property, plant and equipment	282,382	595,511
Environmental liabilities	2,556,306	2,695,643
Share issue costs	1,739	1,739
	<u>35,465,427</u>	<u>35,333,113</u>
Unrecognized deferred tax assets	(33,645,329)	(33,550,219)
Deferred tax assets	<u>1,820,098</u>	<u>1,782,894</u>
Deferred income tax liability		
Inventory	(4,891)	(3,960)
Property, plant and equipment	-	-
Resources property	(1,815,207)	(1,778,934)
	<u>(1,820,098)</u>	<u>(1,782,894)</u>
Net deferred income tax asset*	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

*The net amount charged to the profit or loss is \$nil (2020: \$nil).

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The above losses available for future years have been determined by applying a Canadian income tax rate of 27% (2020: 27%) and a New Zealand tax rate of 28% (2020: 28%). These tax benefits have not been recognized in the profit or loss as they do not meet the recognition requirements under IFRS.

Subject to future Canadian tax requirements being met, the Company has operating losses available in Canada, to reduce future taxable income of \$18,939,811 (2020: \$17,784,928), which will expire between 2030 and 2038. Tax losses carried forward in New Zealand do not expire, subject to certain requirements related to shareholder or business continuity and are estimated at NZ\$115,653,158 (2020: NZ\$114,321,591).

18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Entities associated (by virtue of there being a common director) with the Company include: Greymouth Petroleum Limited, Tiger Drilling Company Ltd, GMP Environmental Ltd, Greymouth Gas Taranaki Ltd and Geoservices Ltd (a 19.82% shareholder in the Company). The following transactions and balances with these related parties are:

	Note	2021	2020
		\$	\$
Processing revenue		86,350	307,164
Production costs		414,846	204,129
Processing costs		92,254	101,809
Rent expense		-	5,737
Trade receivables		9,307	29,563
Trade payables		54,905	10,102

Key Management and Personnel Compensation

The key management personnel include the directors and other officers of the Company. Key management compensation consists of the following:

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Salary and consulting fees	418,673	595,202
	418,673	595,202
Included in the above amounts are:		
Upstream Consulting Ltd (James Willis)	38,290	18,406
Arenig Energy Ltd (David Llewellyn)	12,749	15,364
2X Energy Limited (Michael Adams)	199,901	276,862

19. SEGMENTED DISCLOSURES

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segment, has been identified as the Chief Executive Officer.

The Group conducts its business as a single operating segment being the acquisition, exploration, development and production of conventional oil and natural gas resources in New Zealand. The Group's geographic area for all assets, liabilities and revenues is New Zealand.

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20. COMMITMENTS

As at 31 December 2021, the Group had the following undiscounted contractual obligations:

	2022 \$	2023 and onwards \$	Total \$
Contract and purchase commitments	179,000	120,000	299,000
	179,000	120,000	299,000

Bank Guarantees

Bonds provided to the Crown in respect of the Tariki, Waihapa and Ngaere petroleum mining licences are issued by Bank of New Zealand (NZ\$375,000).

These bonds are secured by way of general security agreement over the present and after acquired assets of Taranaki Ventures Limited (TVL) with NZEC subsidiaries NZEC Holdings Limited, NZEC Tariki Limited, NZEC Waihapa Limited and NZEC Management Limited guaranteeing the obligations of TVL under the facility.

21. PERMIT EXPENDITURE PLANS

The Group undertakes oil and gas production, development and exploration activities and has plans to complete certain exploration activities. Certain permits and licences held by the Group require various work obligations to be performed in order to maintain the permits or licences in good standing. The Group and, where relevant, its co-venturers in a permit, may apply to alter the exploration programs, request extensions, reject development costs, relinquish certain permits or farm out an interest in permits. The permit expenditure plans include those required to maintain its permits in good standing during the current permit term, prior to the Group committing to the next stage of the permit term, where additional expenditure would be required.

Maintaining the permits in good standing during the permit term is based on the fulfilment of the work program and is not based on a specific expenditure level. The anticipated cost of the works planned are set out below and relate to the following permits/licences (in the Taranaki Basin):

Permit/Licence	Note	Type	2022 to 2023 \$	2024 and onwards \$	Total \$
Eltham Permit	i	Exploration	-	-	-
Tariki Licence	ii	Producing	200,000	-	200,000
Waihapa Ngaere Licence	iii	Producing	10,000	10,000	20,000
			210,000	10,000	220,000

- i. Eltham: Evaluate and implement artificial lift.
- ii. Tariki: Processing and Interpretation.
- iii. Waihapa Ngaere: 2021 studies, 2022 updated field development

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22. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

The classification and measurement of the Group's financial assets and liabilities is outlined below:

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Financial assets at amortised cost – cash, receivables, loans	1,970,992	1,289,192
Financial liabilities – at amortised cost – borrowings, payables, loans	3,778,629	861,491

Financial assets

Cash, trade and other receivables and loans are classified as financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and with no intention of being traded. They are included in current assets except for maturities greater than 12 months after the balance sheet date, which are classified as non-current assets. Financial assets are recognized at the amount expected to be received less any discount or rebate to reduce the loan and receivables to estimated fair value. Loans and receivables are subsequently measured at amortized cost.

The fair values of all financial assets are considered to be the same as their carrying amounts. For current receivables, this is due to their short-term nature and for non-current financial assets, they have been discounted as described above.

All financial assets are classified as level 2 per the fair value hierarchy levels.

Financial liabilities

Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and operating line of credit are classified as other financial liabilities and are initially recognized at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred and are subsequently stated at amortized cost. Any difference between the amounts originally received, net of transaction costs and the redemption value is recognized in the profit or loss over the period to maturity using the effective interest method.

The fair values of all financial liabilities are considered to be the same as their carrying amounts. For current payables, this is due to their short-term nature and for non-current financial liabilities, they have been discounted as described above.

Impairment of financial assets

NZEC applies the simplified approach to providing for expected credit losses prescribed by IFRS 9 Financial Instruments which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for all trade receivables carried at amortized cost.

At each reporting date, the Group measures the lifetime expected loss provision taking into consideration NZEC's historical credit loss experience as well as forward-looking information in order to establish loss rates. The impairment loss (or reversal) is the amount of expected credit losses that is required to adjust the loss allowance at the reporting date to the amount that is required to be recognized.

23. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's capital includes share capital, shares subscribed and the cumulative deficit. The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern. The Group manages its capital structure and adjusts for changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. The Group's short-term operating budgets and capital budgets are reviewed and updated annually and as necessary depending on various factors, including successful capital deployment. The Group may issue new shares, issue new debt or dispose of interests in assets in order to meet its financial obligations.

24. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks, including credit risk, liquidity risk, foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, price risk and fair value risk. The Group's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the Group. This note presents information about the Group's exposure to each of these risks, the Group's objectives and processes for measuring and managing risk and the Group's management of capital. The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's risk management framework.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of potential loss to the Group if the counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Group's credit risk is primarily attributable to its liquid financial assets including cash and cash equivalents and trade receivables.

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Cash consists of cash deposits that are held with a registered New Zealand bank.

All the Group's oil production and purchased oil and condensate is sold directly to a major oil Group with payment due 30 days after lifting. The Group has assessed the risk of non-collection from the buyer as low due to the buyer's financial condition, as assessed by their published investment grade credit rating. Natural gas sales and processing services delivered are invoiced monthly and due for payment on the 20th of the month following. The Group has assessed the risk of non-collection from the individual customers as low to medium based on published credit ratings, knowledge of substantial New Zealand based operations and previous payment history.

NZEC applies the simplified approach to providing for expected credit losses as detailed in Note 5.

Trade receivables reported in the Group's balance sheet are aged at or under 30 days. The Group monitors the exposure to any single counterparty along with its financial position through general industry knowledge, timeliness of payment of amounts due and periodic confirmation of credit rating. If it is deemed that a counterparty has become materially weaker, the Group will work to reduce the credit exposure to that counterparty.

The carrying value of the Group's cash and trade receivables represents the maximum exposure to credit risk. There were no significant amounts past due or impaired as at either 31 December 2021 or 2020.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk the Group will not be able to meet its capital commitments and other financial obligations as they are due. The Group's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, to the extent possible, that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due without incurring unacceptable losses or risking harm to the Group's reputation.

The Group's liquidity is dependent upon maintaining its current working capital balances, operating cash flows and ability to raise funds. To forecast and monitor liquidity the Group prepares operating and capital expenditure budgets which are monitored and updated as considered necessary.

At 31 December 2021, the Group had \$nil drawn in a revolving credit facility (2020: \$nil), \$463,272 in cash (2020: \$1,020,085) and (\$1,562,563) in working capital (2020: \$1,197,379). As disclosed in Note 21, the Group has various ongoing permit expenditure plans which are associated with the Group's interest in its exploration and evaluation assets. To the extent the Group elects not to carry out the permit expenditure plans pertaining to a specific permit, the Group stands to forfeit its interest in the relevant permit.

Management has estimated the Group has sufficient working capital to meet short-term operating and development requirements. However, in light of the reliance on ongoing efforts to increase financial capacity and successful completion of development activities, there is significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Refer Note 1, Going Concern.

The following are the expected undiscounted maturities of financial liabilities and obligations at 31 December 2021:

	Less than 1 year	2 to 5 years	Thereafter	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Trade and other payables	1,690,933	-	-	1,690,933
Convertible Loan	2,087,696	-	-	2,087,696

See also: Asset Retirement Obligations (Note 10) and Guarantees (Note 20).

Foreign Exchange Risk

The Group operates in New Zealand only. All of the Group's petroleum sales are denominated in United States dollars, while gas sales and processing revenues are New Zealand dollar denominated. Operational and capital activities related to our properties are transacted primarily in New Zealand dollars and/or United States dollars with some costs also being incurred in Canadian dollars. Foreign exchange risk arises when the future commercial transactions, recognized assets and liabilities are denominated in a currency that is not the entity's functional currency.

The Group currently does not have significant exposure to other currencies and this is not expected to change in the foreseeable future as the work commitments in New Zealand are expected to be carried out in New Zealand dollars and to a lesser extent, in United States dollars. All US dollar revenues are converted to NZ dollars in the spot market.

The sensitivity of profit or loss to changes in the USD/NZD exchange rate of an increase in the rate by 10% is a loss of \$248,180 (2020: \$190,730) and a decrease in the rate of 10% is a gain of \$268,547 (2020: \$233,114).

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Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk future cash flows will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates. The Group is exposed to interest rate fluctuations on its cash and cash equivalents that bear a variable rate of interest. The risk is not considered significant.

The Group did not have any interest rate swaps or financial contracts with variable interest rates in place during the period ended 31 December 2021 and any variations in interest rates would not have materially affected net income.

Price Risk

The Group is exposed to price movements as part of its operations in relation to the prices received for its oil production. Such prices may also affect the value of resources properties and the level of spending for future activities. Prices received by the Group for its production are largely beyond the Group's control as petroleum prices are impacted by numerous factors, including, but not limited to, industrial and retail demand, levels of worldwide production, short-term changes in supply and demand related to speculative activities, forward sales by producers and speculators and other factors. The Group's oil production is priced based on an agreed contract price marker based on spot prices, exposing the Group to the risk of price movements. The Group has not entered into any hedge instruments.

Fair Value

Financial instruments recognized at fair value on the consolidated balance sheets must be classified into one of the three following fair value hierarchy levels. The Group has no assets recognised at fair value

25. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Group is intending to raise capital for future projects which include gas storage, funds will be expected to be raised with a target date of late July, early August.