



# SELECT SANDS

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### Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

This Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020 of Select Sands Corp. ("We", "Select Sands" or the "Company"), which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). This MD&A has been prepared as of April 29, 2021.

#### Nature of Operations and Going Concern

The Company's primary business is its advanced stage silica sand quarry and production facilities located in Arkansas, USA. The Company is focused on developing this business to enable long-term, profitable commercial silica sand sales to industrial and energy customers. Select Sands' goal is to be a premium silica sand supplier selling into the specialty industrial and oil & gas markets.

Select Sands was incorporated in Canada on July 31, 2006 pursuant to the *Business Corporations Act (British Columbia)*. Its corporate office and principal place of business is Suite 310, 850 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 1E1. The Company also maintains offices in Houston, Texas and Newark, Arkansas, U.S.A. The Company's wholly owned subsidiary Select Sands America Corp. actively operates the Company's silica sand business operations in Arkansas, USA. Select Sands shares trade on both the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSX-V") in Canada under symbol "SNS" as a Tier 2 company and in the U.S. on the OTCQB exchange under symbol "SLSDF".

The Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 have been prepared on the assumption that the Company will continue as a going concern, meaning it will continue in operation for the foreseeable future and will be able to realize assets and discharge liabilities in the ordinary course of operations. Different bases of measurement may be appropriate if the Company is not expected to continue operations for the foreseeable future. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company has continued to experience decreased demand for its sand products below its full production capacity resulting in sales of \$9,701,216 (2019 – \$4,360,617), a gross loss of \$333,767 (2019 – \$2,222,726), negative cash flow from operating activities of \$4,146,355 (2019 – \$3,867,428), a net loss of \$2,904,649 (2019 – \$9,250,440) and may not be able to continue to finance day to day activities through operations alone. The Company's continuation as a going concern is dependent upon achieving higher levels of sales and gross margin to maintain profitable operations and generate funds there from and/or raising equity capital or borrowings sufficient to meet current and future obligations. These factors indicate the existence of a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management intends to finance operating costs over the next twelve months with cash from operations, cash on hand, loans from financial institutions, the sale of non-core assets and if necessary, private placement of common shares. The Company's condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include adjustments to amounts and classifications of assets and liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue operations.

## **COVID-19 Pandemic**

During the year ended December 31, 2020, there was a global outbreak of a novel coronavirus identified as "COVID-19". On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared a global pandemic. In order to combat the spread of COVID-19 governments worldwide have enacted emergency measures including travel bans, legally enforced or self-imposed quarantine periods, social distancing and business and organization closures. These measures have caused material disruptions to businesses, governments and other organizations resulting in an economic slowdown and increased volatility in national and global equity and commodity markets. Central banks and governments, including Canadian federal and provincial governments, have reacted with significant monetary and fiscal interventions designed to stabilize economic conditions. The duration and impact of the COVID-19 outbreak is unknown at this time, as is the efficacy of any interventions. It is not possible to reliably estimate the length and severity of these developments and the impact on the financial results and condition of the Company and its operations in future periods.

The Company actively pursued relief programs such as sick leave supplements and the Paycheck Protection Program loans available through the Small Business Administration in the USA as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic during the year ended December 31, 2020. In April 2020, the Company received \$416,153 from the Payroll Protection Program available in the USA (the "PPP Loan"). During the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company was advised by its lending institution that it had successfully met all of the criteria necessary to have its PPP Loan forgiven. As a result, the Company has recorded a gain on extinguishment of debt of \$416,153 on the PPP Loan for the year ended December 31, 2020.

## **Discussion of Ongoing Business Operations**

In Q4, 2020 shipments continued to show some improvement with total frac and industrial sales of 53,009 tons versus Q3 sales of 49,225 tons. As of Q4, some of our anticipated oilfield service company customers and prospects had not restarted operations. Our discussions with those customers and potential customers have led us to expect that many of these operations have recently begun to start up their operations with increased operations later this year. As a result, the Company has begun to see its sales orders recently increase which are expected to continue to increase through 2021.

Our Arkansas operation is continuing to supply products in demand with shipments to the Eagle Ford Basin, while the in-basin distribution facility at George West, TX remains operating on a 24/7 basis.

As of the date of this report, the reconfiguration project is complete. In the fourth quarter, the wet plant was fully operational for the entire period. The dry plant in Diaz, Arkansas is producing 100 mesh northern white frac sand. The Company's 40/70 line of frac sand was re-started in January 2021 in anticipation of upcoming sales.

Even though the sales increased by only 6% from Q3 to Q4 2020, the Company recorded positive EBITDA of \$270,368 in Q4 compared to negative EBITDA of \$(256,869) in Q3 and \$(837,970) in Q2. The improving financial results are a direct result of cost cutting measures and the reconfiguration project. The Company is cautiously optimistic that this trend will continue for the balance of the year.

The Company had sales volumes of frac and industrial sand of 59,856 tons for Q1 2021. We expect sales volumes and EBITDA to increase in Q2 2021 with the positive trend continuing through the balance of 2021.

The Company has also been active in reviewing potential other business opportunities and transactions in the frac sand space but there is no assurance that any such transaction will be concluded this year or at all.

## Silica Sand Business

The Company is mining its 520-acre site in Arkansas called the Sandtown quarry. Sandtown is a commercial silica producing quarry underlain by the Ordovician St. Peter Sandstone Formation. It has a competitive location advantage by being closer to the Texas/Louisiana oil/gas plays, Houston Port and Industrial Hub compared to Wisconsin-based sand mines.

The St. Peter Sandstone formation is host to a number of producing silica sand mines/quarries throughout the central U.S.A. The Sandtown quarry contains "Tier 1" quality commercial silica sand (also known as "Northern White" or "Ottawa White Sand") which it supplies to oil and gas operations in the US. Tier 1 commercial silica sand specifications are detailed in ISO 13503-2:2006/API RP 19C Recommended Practice for Measurement of Properties of Proppants Used in Hydraulic Fracturing and Gravel-Packing Operations. These properties include sand sphericity and roundness, crush (K Value), acid solubility, turbidity and SiO<sub>2</sub> content.

## Oil & Gas Sector Sand

The Company has enhanced its product offering this year by adding a 30/50 mesh silica sand product to its 40/70 and 100 mesh products. The three products meet or exceed the API Tier-I specifications for frac sand.

The 100 mesh and 40/70 mesh silica sand products are the most commonly used proppant grades in the continental U.S for the unconventional hydrocarbon extraction process, commonly known as hydraulic fracturing or "fracking".

## Plant Reconfiguration Project and Completion of the Purchase of its Diaz Rail Facility

On January 15, 2020, the Company started a reconfiguration project to optimize and consolidate processing assets to lower costs of production and transportation.

During the pandemic and with the petroleum price downturn earlier in the year, the Company opted, as a precaution, to economize on the use of outside contractors for the reconfiguration project. Currently, 100 mesh production is in full production supplying product primarily to the company's major contract customer. Q3 and Q4 demand is was primarily in the 100 mesh product category with 40/70 mesh starting to ship again in late Q4 2020 and continuing into 2021.

## Summary of Annual Results

Year Ending	2020	2019	2018
	\$	\$	\$
Revenue	9,701,216	4,360,617	20,065,775
Cost of Goods Sold (excluding depreciation and depletion)	10,034,983	6,583,343	15,452,660
Operating Expenses	3,129,921	3,306,818	3,638,187
Other Income (Expense)	559,039	(1,963,520)	(992,912)
Net Loss for the Year	2,904,649	9,250,440	(474,680)
Comprehensive Loss for the year	2,940,594	9,295,046	(439,935)
Basic and Diluted Loss per Share	0.03	0.10	(0.01)
Total Assets	20,684,988	16,481,864	25,913,454
Total Liabilities	12,230,569	5,086,851	5,257,502

## Results of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company generated a net loss of \$2,904,649 (year ended December 31, 2019 ("2019") – \$9,250,440). Differences of note between the two years are:

- The Company recorded total revenue of \$9,701,216 (2019 – \$4,360,617) primarily from silica sand sales. The Company's Northern White Sand sales have increased significantly due to a new supply contract. While the Company saw significant sales in the first quarter of 2020, sales were negatively impacted during Q2 by the COVID-19 Pandemic and pricing/demand downturn in the oil and gas industry in the second quarter. In Q3, the Company saw its sales return to pre-COVID-19 levels.
- The Company recorded cost of goods sold of \$10,034,983 (2019 – \$6,583,343) primarily from silica sand sales. Included in cost of goods sold is \$1,736,853 (2019 – \$1,511,434) for employee compensation.
- Compensation and consulting decreased to \$725,750 (2019 – \$1,166,195) due to the Company employing fewer human resources for its sand operations and executive salary reductions compared to 2019.
- Interest on long-term debt increased to \$426,904 (2019 – \$172,060) due to the Company using more long-term debt to finance its heavy equipment, reconstruction loan, and other fixed asset acquisitions.
- Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased to \$418,314 (2019 – \$798,910) due to the Company reducing costs due to lower activity.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, net property plant and equipment acquisitions totaled \$4,230,613 compared to \$495,670 in 2019.

## Cash Flows for the Years Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company used \$4,146,355 in operating activities compared to using \$3,867,428 in 2019. The increase is mostly due to an increase in accounts receivable and inventory during the current year that was partially offset by a decrease in operating expenses.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company used \$4,143,189 in investing activities compared to receiving \$276,693 in 2019. The Company spent \$4,230,613 on property, plant and equipment primarily for its plant reconfiguration project (2019 - \$495,670) and increased deposits by \$131,949 (2019 – decrease of \$7,199) due to paying deposits for the utilities at the Company's new Diaz Dry Plant. The Company received \$219,373 from the disposal of equipment compared to \$765,164 in the prior year.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company received \$7,440,127 from financing activities compared to using \$350,032 in 2019. The Company received \$3,789,942 on its line of credit (2019 – \$628,125) and \$5,201,682 in long-term debt for its operations and plant reconfiguration project (2019 - \$Nil). The Company made principal repayments of long-term debt totaling \$1,019,104 which includes \$968,747 for the final payment on the Company's Diaz Rail Facility (2019 - \$978,157).

Cash decreased by \$885,362 in the current period, compared to a \$3,696,651 decrease in 2019.

## Discussion of Fourth Quarter 2020 Results

The Company sold 53,009 tons of frac and industrial sand and recorded total revenues of \$3,128,659 during the fourth quarter. The gross margin from sand operations including depreciation was \$229,322 for the quarter ended December 31, 2020. The Company's revenues were directly impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic and the subsequent disruptions to the oil and gas industry. The Company ended the fourth quarter of 2020 with inventory valued at \$2,941,717 and accounts receivable from customers of \$1,553,921.

## Summary of Quarterly Results

The following table sets forth selected quarterly financial information for the three months ended December 31, 2020 and each of the prior eight quarters.

Quarter Ending	Revenue	Net Income (Loss)	Earnings (Loss) per share
December 31, 2020	\$3,128,659	\$434,385*	\$0.01
September 30, 2020	\$2,942,727	\$(654,464)	\$(0.01)
June 30, 2020	\$38,973	\$(1,207,351)	\$(0.01)
March 31, 2020	\$3,590,857	\$(1,477,219)	\$(0.02)
December 31, 2019	\$280,419	\$(3,373,728)**	\$(0.04)
September 30, 2019	\$1,146,487	\$(1,992,381)***	\$(0.02)
June 30, 2019	\$1,367,450	\$(3,077,785)****	\$(0.03)
March 31, 2019	\$1,566,261	\$(806,546)	\$(0.01)
December 31, 2018	\$913,482	\$(2,517,676)*****	\$(0.03)
September 30, 2018	\$3,992,438	\$(136,140)	\$(0.00)
June 30, 2018	\$9,504,445	\$1,605,078	\$0.02

\* Net income includes \$416,153 gain for forgiven PPP loan and a one-time gain of \$280,300 on return of capital from investment in affiliate.

\*\* Net loss includes impairment of property, plant and equipment for \$952,313.

\*\*\* Net loss includes impairment of Bell Farm property for \$274,476.

\*\*\*\* Increase in net loss due to the Company taking a non-cash one-time charge derecognizing \$2,075,595 in deferred income taxes and continued lower sales.

\*\*\*\*\* Increased loss due to lower sales during the period and recognition of \$668,024 loss in equity investee.

## Non-IFRS Financial Measures

The following information is included for convenience only. Generally, a non-IFRS financial measure is a numerical measure of a company's performance, cash flows or financial position that either excludes or includes amounts that are not normally excluded or included in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with IFRS. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not recognized measures of financial performance (nor do they have standardized meanings) under IFRS. In evaluating non-IFRS financial measures, investors should consider that the methodology applied in calculating such measures may differ among companies and analysts.

The Company uses both IFRS and certain non-IFRS measures to assess operational performance and as a component of employee remuneration. Management believes certain non-IFRS measures provide useful supplemental information to investors in order that they may evaluate Select Sand's financial performance using the same measures as management. Management believes that, as a result, the investor is afforded greater transparency in assessing the financial performance of the Company. These non-IFRS financial measures should not be considered as a substitute for, nor superior to, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with IFRS.

## EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA

The Company defines EBITDA as net loss before finance costs, income taxes, depreciation and amortization and non-cash share-based compensation. The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA as net loss/ income before finance costs, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, non-cash share-based compensation, share of loss of equity investee, provision for impairment in investment in affiliate, provision for impairment of property, plant and equipment, loss on sale of property, plant and equipment, unrealized loss on investments, gain on return of capital from equity investee and gain on extinguishment of debt. Select Sands uses Adjusted EBITDA as a supplemental financial measure of its operational performance. Management believes Adjusted EBITDA to be important measures as they exclude the effects of items that primarily reflect the impact of long-term investment and financing decisions, rather than the performance of the Company's day-to-day operations. As compared to net income according to IFRS, this measure is limited in that it does not reflect the periodic costs of certain capitalized tangible and intangible assets used in generating revenues in the Company's business, the charges associated with impairments, termination costs or Proposed Transaction costs. Management evaluates such items through other financial measures such as capital expenditures and cash flow provided by operating activities. The Company believes that these measurements are useful to measure a company's ability to service debt and to meet other payment obligations or as a valuation measurement.

### Reconciliation of Net Loss to EBITDA to Adjusted EBITDA

	Year ended	Three Months Ended			
	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2020	September 30, 2020	June 30, 2020	March 31, 2020
<b>Net Loss</b>	<b>\$ (2,904,649)</b>	<b>\$ 434,385</b>	<b>\$ (654,464)</b>	<b>\$ (1,207,351)</b>	<b>\$ (1,477,219)</b>
Add Back					
Depreciation and depletion	1,558,953	737,198	274,092	276,993	270,670
Interest on long-term debt	426,904	132,485	123,503	92,388	78,528
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ (918,792)</b>	<b>\$ 1,304,068</b>	<b>\$ (256,869)</b>	<b>\$ (837,970)</b>	<b>\$ (1,128,021)</b>
Add Back					
Gain on extinguishment of debt	(416,153)	(416,153)	-	-	-
Gain on return of capital from equity investee	(280,300)	(280,300)	-	-	-
unrealized loss on investments	25,307	25,307	-	-	-
Provision for impairment of property, plant and equipment	136,012	136,012	-	-	-
Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	33,377	33,377	-	-	-
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ (1,420,549)</b>	<b>\$ 802,311</b>	<b>\$ (256,869)</b>	<b>\$ (837,970)</b>	<b>\$ (1,128,021)</b>

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	Year ended	Three Months Ended			
	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2019	September 30, 2019	June 30, 2019	March 31, 2019
<b>Net Loss</b>	<b>\$ (9,250,440)</b>	<b>\$ (3,373,728)</b>	<b>\$ (1,992,381)</b>	<b>\$ (3,077,785)</b>	<b>\$ (806,546)</b>
Add Back					
Depreciation and depletion	1,135,546	306,312	276,748	276,321	276,165
Share-based compensation	34,107	(40,593)	-	17,782	56,918
Interest on long-term debt	172,060	34,024	49,313	44,213	44,510
Deferred income tax expense (recovery)	1,754,361	-	-	2,075,595	(321,234)
Income tax expense	3,015	3,015	-	-	-
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ (6,151,351)</b>	<b>\$ (3,070,970)</b>	<b>\$ (1,666,320)</b>	<b>\$ (663,874)</b>	<b>\$ (750,187)</b>
Add Back					
Gain on extinguishment of debt	(21,195)	-	-	-	(21,195)
Share of loss of equity investee	586,849	299,566	111,291	34,826	141,166
Provision for impairment of property, plant and equipment	952,313	952,313	-	-	-
Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	547,774	273,298	274,476	-	-
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ (4,085,610)</b>	<b>\$ (1,545,793)</b>	<b>\$ (1,280,553)</b>	<b>\$ (629,048)</b>	<b>\$ (630,216)</b>

### Liquidity

As of December 31, 2020, the Company had working capital deficiency of \$(1,804,943) including cash on hand of \$265,961.

### Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The Company has not entered into any off-balance sheet arrangements.

### Share Capital

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, there were 88,563,316 common shares issued and outstanding. The Company did not issue any common shares for private placement during the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019. There are no warrants outstanding at December 31, 2020 and 2019. As of December 31, 2020, there are 4,645,000 options outstanding with a weighted-average exercise price of \$0.74 (2019 – 5,045,000 at \$0.70).

## Long-Term Debt

Details of the Company's long-term debt are as follows:	<b>December 31, 2020</b>	<b>December 31, 2019</b>
Financing agreement, dated April 1, 2017, with Newport Rail Co., for the rail loading facility with an option to purchase at the end of the lease, imputed interest at 4.5%, fixed annual payments of \$387,500, through March 2021, secured by certain assets of the Company.	\$ -	\$ 968,750
Note payable, dated October 26, 2018, payable in monthly installments of \$5,343, including interest at 6.00%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on July 26, 2023, secured by equipment.	153,100	190,515
Note payable, dated November 28, 2018, payable in monthly installments of \$5,092, including interest at 5.99%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on August 28, 2023, secured by equipment.	150,245	185,587
Note payable, dated December 2, 2017, payable in monthly installments of \$5,584, including interest at 3.90%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on September 12, 2022, secured by equipment.	113,181	158,055
Term loan, dated October 27, 2017, payable in monthly installments of \$14,710, including interest at 5.25%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on November 5, 2020, secured by equipment.	-	157,576
Note payable, dated November 13, 2017, payable in monthly installments of \$5,059, including interest at 4.75%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on February 13, 2022, secured by equipment.	54,338	110,935
Note payable, dated November 3, 2017, payable in monthly installments of \$4,583, including interest at 4.75%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on February 3, 2022, secured by equipment.	62,279	100,496
Note payable, dated November 3, 2017, payable in monthly installments of \$4,463, including interest at 4.75%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on February 3, 2022, secured by equipment.	60,642	97,855
Note payable, dated May 16, 2018, payable in monthly installments of \$2,660, including interest at 7.79%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on February 16, 2023, secured by equipment.	64,435	81,431



**Long-Term Debt (Continued)**

	<b>December 31, 2020</b>	<b>December 31, 2019</b>
Note payable, dated December 26, 2017, payable in monthly installments of \$3,073, including interest at 5.17%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on January 5, 2022, secured by equipment.	\$ 38,760	\$ 72,654
Note payable, dated June 29, 2017, payable in monthly installments of \$2,908, including interest at 5.79%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on March 29, 2022, secured by equipment.	41,982	65,067
Note payable, dated February 28, 2020, payable in monthly installments of \$4,873, including interest at 4.74%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on March 1, 2025, secured by equipment.	224,690	-
Note payable, dated October 12, 2020, payable in monthly installments of \$7,968, including interest at 5.54%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on October 9, 2023, secured by equipment.	249,729	-
Note payable, dated December 17, 2020, payable in monthly installments of \$3,853, including interest at 4.99%, outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on June 17, 2025, secured by equipment.	185,995	-
Interest only construction loan payable for six months beginning on February 9, 2020 at 5.25%. Starting August 9, 2020, monthly payments are due in the amount of \$64,298 per month. Any outstanding amounts on this note are due in full on July 9, 2023, secured by property, plant, and equipment.	4,499,970	-
SBA Payroll Protection Program loan (See also Note 13e)	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,898,346</b>	<b>\$ 2,188,921</b>
<b>Less current maturities</b>	<b><u>(1,145,476)</u></b>	<b><u>(1,152,770)</u></b>
<b>Long-term debt</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,752,870</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,036,151</u></b>

In addition to the long-term debt instruments, the Company maintains a revolving line of credit which provides for maximum borrowings of \$5,000,000. Outstanding borrowings on the revolving line of credit were \$4,418,067 and \$628,125 at December 31, 2020 and 2019 respectively. The revolving line of credit requires monthly payments of interest at a fixed rate of 5.25% and expires on February 20, 2021, Subsequent to year-end, the Company renewed the revolving line of credit with identical terms at a fixed rate of 4.75% through February 2022.

Annual aggregate repayments of the long-term debt and revolving line of credit are as follows:

2021	\$	5,563,542
2022		980,497
2023		3,634,855
2024		100,231
2025		37,288
		<u>\$ 10,316,413</u>

## Related Parties Transactions

As of the date of this report, the Company's officers and directors are as follows:

Name	Position
Zigurds Vitols	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director
Daniel Gillett	Director and Chair
John Kime	Director and Audit Committee Chair
Douglas Turnbull	Director
Steven Goldman	Director
Darren Urquhart	Chief Financial Officer

The following amounts were incurred with respect to officers and directors of the Company or corporations controlled by them:

	Year Ended	
	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Zigurds Vitols – Salary	\$ 164,615	\$ 210,000
Zigurds Vitols – Share based compensation	-	-
Doug Turnbull – Consulting fees	12,250	27,825
Doug Turnbull – Share based compensation	-	27
John Kime – Consulting fees	8,000	26,300
John Kime – Share based compensation	-	-
Dan Gillet – Consulting fees	19,000	74,971
Dan Gillet – Share based compensation	-	10,565
Steven Goldman – Consulting fees	8,500	30,510
Steven Goldman – Share based compensation	-	10,565
Darren Urquhart – Consulting fees	62,616	70,842
Darren Urquhart – Share based compensation	-	55
Rasool Mohammad (Former Director and COO) – Salary	-	127,692
Rasool Mohammad (Former Director and COO) – Share based compensation	-	135
<b>Total compensation of officers and directors</b>	<b>\$ 274,981</b>	<b>\$ 589,487</b>
Total salaries and consulting fees	274,981	568,140
Total share based compensation	-	21,347
<b>Total compensation of officers and directors</b>	<b>\$ 274,981</b>	<b>\$ 589,487</b>

Note: Share based compensation is a non-cash expense for valuing stock option grants that is computed using the Black-Scholes Valuation Model.

The Company shares office space with Comstock Metals Ltd. which has a common director and officer. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company recovered \$13,271 in shared office costs (2019 - \$27,137).

As at December 31, 2020, the Company had accounts payable and accrued liabilities to directors and officers in the amount of \$36,106 (2019 - \$27,664) for consulting fees and reimbursement of expenses.

The above transactions were in the normal course of operations and have been recorded at amounts agreed to by the related parties. All amounts either due from or due to related parties are non-interest bearing, unsecured and have no fixed terms of repayment.

### **Lawsuit**

A legal claim against the Company, its CEO and former COO was filed in 2018. During the year ended December 31, 2019, the legal claim was settled by all parties. The terms of the settlement remain confidential as of the date of this report, but were not material to the Company.

### **2021 AGM Results**

At the Company's annual and special meeting of shareholders held February 10, 2021, each of Zigurds Vitols, Douglas Turnbull, John Kime, Daniel Gillett and Steven Goldman, management's director nominees, were elected as directors. In addition, Morgan & Company LLP was re-appointed as auditors of the Company. The resolution re-approving the stock option plan of the Company was also approved by shareholders.

### **Subsequent Events**

#### *Disposal of Investments*

During January 2021, the Company disposed of its Investments for net proceeds of \$361,623.

#### *Stock Options Expired*

On January 26, 2021, a total of 500,000 stock options expired unexercised.

#### *Stock Option Plan Approved*

At the Company's Special and General Annual Meeting held February 10, 2021, the Company's stock option plan received approval from shareholders.

#### *Renewal of Line of Credit*

During February 2021, the Company renewed its \$5,000,000 line of credit until February 20, 2022. Interest payable on the Line of Credit will be fixed at 4.75% for the new term. The Line of Credit requires interest-only payments during the next 12 months, after which the balance outstanding will be converted into a loan.

#### *Winter Storm Impact On Operations*

During the month of February 2021, the Company's operations in Arkansas were hit by a severe winter storm. During this time, the Company was forced to cease operations. As a result of the storm and the extended period of extremely low temperatures, physical gas and power infrastructure was severely impaired. At the same time, demand for natural gas was higher than normal due to increased heating demand during the extremely cold weather. This considerable increase in demand, coupled with a severe reduction in supply, resulted in extremely high natural gas market prices during the period of the storm.

As a result of this winter storm event, the Company received a bill for its February 2021 natural gas consumption of \$373,043 where the bill was only \$49,548 in February 2020. The Company has a supply agreement with a natural gas company for the supply of natural gas to its sand processing plants in Arkansas. The supply agreement stipulates that the Company will be charged for a minimum usage at market rates each billing period, even if the Company does not consume the minimum usage. The Company did not consume any natural gas during the winter storm, because it was unable to operate due to the storm. Furthermore, the Company received a notice to curtail its natural gas consumption from its natural gas supplier during this same period and yet was still charged for the minimum monthly usage. As a result of the foregoing, the Company is disputing the amount of the February 2021 invoice. The natural gas supplier has agreed not to interrupt supply while the Company goes through the dispute process. The Company is currently seeking legal advice with respect to this matter.

### **Outstanding Share Data as of the Report Date**

The Company's authorized share capital consists of an unlimited number of common shares. As of the date of this report, there are an aggregate of 88,563,316 common shares issued, Nil warrants and 4,145,000 stock options outstanding.

### **Proposed Transactions**

The Company is continually reviewing potential acquisitions and joint venture transactions and opportunities that could enhance shareholder value. The Company is actively working on a number of potential M & A and joint venture opportunities, one or more of which are in advanced stages of discussions, and which management believes could be material for the Company. There is no assurance that any of these opportunities will be finalized.

### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in compliance with IFRS requires management to make certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the Company's accounting policies. Actual outcomes could differ from these estimates. The consolidated financial statements include estimates which, by their nature, are uncertain. The impacts of such estimates are pervasive throughout the consolidated financial statements and may require accounting adjustments based on future occurrences. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised.

Significant assumptions about the future and other sources of estimation uncertainty that management has made at the statement of financial position date, that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities, in the event that actual results differ from assumptions made, relate to, but are not limited to, the following:

- Commencement of commercial production is an important "point in time" determination for accounting purposes and signifies the point in time at which a constructed asset is capable of operating in the manner intended by management. At this point in time, recognition of revenue and expenses from the operation commences for accounting purposes. The date of transition from pre-commercial production to production accounting is based on both qualitative and quantitative measures such as substantial physical project construction, sustained level of mining and sustained levels of processing activity.

- Management determines costs for stock-based compensation using market-based valuation techniques. The fair value of the share awards was determined at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Assumptions were made, and judgment was used in applying the valuation model. The assumptions and judgments on the estimated future volatility of the Company's stock price and the expected forfeiture rate may have a very high degree of estimation uncertainty. Such judgments and assumptions are inherently uncertain and as such the grant date fair value estimates of stock-based compensation can be materially different from the fair values of the stock options when the stock options are exercised or expire in the future.
- The Company uses significant judgment in its assessment of impairment indicators on its equity-accounted investment and its related estimate of the recoverable amount of the investment.
- The Company uses significant judgment in its allocation of costs between inventory and cost of goods sold. The Company measures its remaining inventory at the end of each quarter and uses drones to assist in estimating quantities.
- The Company uses significant judgment in recognizing and derecognizing deferred income tax assets. Management performs a "more likely than not" test to see if there is a greater than 50% chance that the Company will realize its deferred income tax assets in the future.

### **Risks and Uncertainties**

The Company is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties due to the nature of its business. The Company's activities expose the Company to various financial and operational risks that could have a significant impact on its level of operating cash flows in the future. Readers are advised to study and consider risk factors stressed below. The following are identified as main risk factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those stated in any forward-looking statements made by, or on behalf of, the Company.

#### ***Operational Risks***

The Company is subject to operational risk from such factors as personnel and/or environmental accidents at the plant or sand quarry; fire; title disputes; changes in supplier pricing; non-performance of obligations under existing agreements; technical difficulties including plant and equipment breakdown; loss of significant customers; access to water, fuel and electricity; problems with product transportation and logistics; legal action from persons or entities adversely impacted by the Company's business; the ability to obtain financing to expand and improve cost per ton efficiency; and plant and mine shutdown due to regulatory violations.

#### ***Governmental Regulation***

Regulatory standards continue to change, making the review process longer, more complex and therefore more expensive. Sand mining and production on the Company's properties are affected by government regulations relating to such matters as environmental protection, health, safety and labour, mining law reform, restrictions on production, price control, tax increases, maintenance of claims, and tenure. There is no assurance that future changes in such regulations couldn't result in additional expenses and capital expenditures, decreasing availability of capital, increased competition, reserve uncertainty, title risks, and delays in operations. The Company relies on the expertise and commitment of its management team, advisors, employees and contractors to ensure compliance with current laws.

### ***Customer Demand***

The Company is subject to risk from falling customer demand for its products. Customer demand for silica sand can be influenced by demand for oil and gas products; industrial demand for silica sand; global, regional and seasonal economic, political and military events including recessions and wars; competition including pricing and availability of similar products from competitors; changes in technology; and changes in laws and regulations affecting the Company's customers.

### ***Financial Instruments and Risk Management***

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured on an ongoing basis at fair value or amortized cost. The disclosures in the notes to these financial statements describe how the categories of financial instruments are measured and how income and expenses, including fair value gains and losses, are recognized.

As of the date of this report and December 31, 2020, the Company's financial instruments which are measured at fair value on a recurring basis are cash and cash equivalents and available for sale investments. The available-for-sale investments are based on quoted prices. The carrying values of the Company's loans and receivables and financial liabilities were a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of their maturities.

The Company is exposed to potential loss from various risks including commodity price risk, interest rate risk, currency risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. Based on the Company's operations the liquidity risk and commodity price risk are considered the most significant. There have been no substantive changes in the Company's exposure to financial instrument risks, its objectives, policies and processes for managing those risks or the methods used to measure them from previous years unless otherwise stated in the note.

### ***Commodity Price Risk***

Market prices for silica sand products historically have fluctuated widely and are affected by numerous factors outside of the Company's control, including, but not limited to, levels of worldwide production, short-term changes in supply and demand, industrial and retail demand, central bank lending, and forward sales by producers and speculators.

### ***Liquidity Risk***

The liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they come due. The Company manages its liquidity risk through careful management of its financial obligations in relation to its cash position. Using budgeting processes, the Company manages its liquidity requirements based on expected cash flow to ensure there are adequate funds to meet the short-term obligations during the year, as well as capital expansion plans.

During the past year the Company has been able to maintain its liquidity position through cash flow from operations and cash on hand, as well as some bank loans. The Company intends to continue using cash flow from operations and bank loans to fund its operations through 2021.

### ***Credit Risk***

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. Financial instruments which are potentially subject to credit risk for the Company consist of cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. Cash and cash equivalents are maintained with financial institutions of reputable credit and may be redeemed on demand.

Accounts receivable are subject to counter-party risk of not being collected. The Company manages credit risk of accounts receivable through its credit and collection policies and established allowances for doubtful accounts as required at each reporting period.

The Company had sales to one major customer of approximately 82% of total sales for the year ended December 31, 2020. Approximately 84% of outstanding accounts receivable is from the one major customer at December 31, 2020.

### ***Interest Rate Risk***

The Company's exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates relates primarily to the \$5 million line of credit, which bears a floating interest rate of 5.25% per annum (see also Subsequent Events). As a result, the Company is subject to a moderate level of interest rate risk. All other financial assets and liabilities are non-interest bearing or bear interest at fixed rates

### ***Competition***

The industry in which the Company operates is highly competitive. The Company faces strong competition from other companies in the industry. Many of these companies have greater financial resources, operational experience and technical capabilities than Select Sands. As a result of this competition, the Company may be unable to maintain its operations or develop them as currently proposed, on terms it considers acceptable or at all. Consequently, the revenues, operations and financial condition of the Company could be materially adversely affected.

### ***Key Executives***

Select Sands is dependent on the services of key executives, including its directors and has a small number of highly skilled and experienced executives and personnel. Due to the relatively small size of Select Sands, the loss of these persons or either company's inability to attract and retain additional highly skilled employees may adversely affect its business and future operations.

### ***Internal Controls and Procedures***

Management of the Company has established processes to provide them with sufficient knowledge to support representations that they have exercised reasonable diligence to ensure that (i) the financial statements of the Company do not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances under which it is made, as of the date of and for the periods presented thereby, and (ii) the financial statements of the Company fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flow of the Company, as of the date of and for the periods presented. However, as a venture issuer, the certifying officers of the Company filing such financial statements do not make any representations relating to the establishment and maintenance of:

- controls and other procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the Company in its annual filings, interim filings or other reports filed or submitted under securities legislation is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in securities legislation; and

- a process to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with the Company's accounting principles.

The Company's certifying officers are responsible for ensuring that processes are in place to provide them with sufficient knowledge to support the representations they are making in the certificate. Investors should be aware that inherent limitations on the ability of certifying officers of a venture issuer to design and implement on a cost effective basis disclosure controls and procedures, and internal controls over financial reporting, may result in additional risks to the quality, reliability, transparency and timeliness of interim and annual filings and other reports provided under securities legislation.

### ***Lack of Trading***

The lack of trading volume of the Company's shares reduces the liquidity of an investment in the Company's shares.

### ***Volatility of Share Price***

Market prices for shares of TSX Venture Exchange listed companies are often volatile. Factors such as announcements of financial results, and other factors could have a significant effect on the price of the Company's shares.

### **Approval**

The Board of Directors of Select Sands Corp. has approved the contents of this Management Discussion and Analysis as of the date of this report.

### **Additional Information**

Additional information relating to the Company and its operations is available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and also on the Company's website at [www.selectsands.com](http://www.selectsands.com)

### **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward Looking Statements**

*This MD&A includes some statements that may be considered "forward-looking statements". All statements in this discussion that address the Company's expectations about future revenues, cost reductions, capital acquisitions and corporate development are forward-looking statements. Although the Company believes the expectations presented in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward-looking statements include market prices, exploration successes, availability of capital and financing, future sales and cost projections and general economic, market, and business conditions, as well as COVID-19 pandemic related business disruptions. Readers are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements.*