



# Half-Yearly Report

**Hot Chili Limited  
and Controlled Entities**

**ABN: 91 130 955 725**

**Interim Financial Report for the  
Half-Year Ended 31 December 2024**



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# 1 Review of Operations

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## Highlights

- Hot Chili adds former La Verde Copper Mine (La Verde) to its Costa Fuego coastal copper hub and confirms significant Cu-Au porphyry discovery.
- Costa Fuego Cu-Au Pre-feasibility Study (PFS): Final Stages Underway.
- Huasco Water – Water Supply PFS: Nearing Completion.
- 31 December 2024 cash position A\$19 million.

## Hot Chili Confirms Major Cu-Au Porphyry Discovery at La Verde

On 11<sup>th</sup> February 2025, the Company announced new drill results from ten Reverse Circulation (RC) drill holes, confirming La Verde as a significant copper-gold porphyry discovery in low elevation coastal Chile, with broad, consistently mineralised intersections extending over 300 m vertically, commencing at shallow depths.

### Drilling confirms scale & growth potential\*

- **Wide, shallow mineralisation** – current discovery footprint extends 550 m by 400 m and remains open in all directions.
- **Deeper potential remains untapped** – Mineralisation commences from shallow depths, extends to more than 300m below surface, and 8 of 12 drill holes reported to date end in mineralisation at the limit of RC drilling depth capability.
- **Gravel cover masking potentially much larger porphyry system** – step-out drilling underway.
- **Potential below the historical oxide copper open pit untested** – drill testing yet to commence.
- **Major discovery in its infancy** – every drill hole has intersected porphyry-style, copper-gold mineralisation (refer to Table 1 for details on significant intercepts).

As at 11<sup>th</sup> February 2025, Hot Chili had completed 19 RC drill holes (5,700 m) at La Verde, with assay results from 12 holes reported so far confirming a major copper-gold porphyry discovery\* in Chile's coastal range, with assays pending for seven additional RC holes, with geological logging confirming the presence of porphyry host-rock featuring porphyry-style A- and B-type veining in each of the pending drill holes.

Diamond drilling being planned, targeting potential for deeper, higher-grade zones intersected at depth and to test potential for +1km vertical depth extent, typical of other recent major porphyry discoveries, such as Hot Chili's neighbouring Cortadera discovery, \*La Verde Mineral Exploration/Exploration Target Area: Exploration targets and/or Exploration zones and/or Exploration areas are speculative and there is no certainty that any future work or evaluation will lead to the definition of a mineral resource.

*Adjacent Properties: The Company has no interest in, or rights to, any of the adjacent properties mentioned, and exploration results on adjacent properties are not necessarily indicative of mineralization on the Company's properties. Any references to exploration results or mineral occurrences on adjacent properties are provided for information only and do not imply any certainty of achieving similar results on the Company's properties.*

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**Table 1. Significant Drilling Intersections from La Verde**

Hole ID	Coordinates			Azim.	Dip	Hole Depth	Intersection		Interval (m)	Copper (% Cu)	Gold (g/t Au)	Silver (ppm Ag)	Molybdenum (ppm Mo)
	North	East	RL				From	To					
DKP001 <sup>1</sup>	6786079	324546	1153	89	-59	390	28	390	362	0.3	0.1	0.5	33
						Incl	36	210	174	0.4	0.1	0.6	24
						And Incl	72	82	10	0.6	0.1	0.3	10
						And Incl	96	122	26	0.5	0.1	0.9	20
						And Incl	144	166	22	0.6	0.2	0.7	49
						And Incl	248	272	24	0.4	0.1	1.0	54
DKP002 <sup>1</sup>	6785967	324835	1202	270	-60	354	46	354	308	0.5	0.3	0.6	11
						Incl	70	272	202	0.6	0.3	0.6	14
						Incl	76	90	14	0.8	0.4	0.3	6
						And Incl	118	218	100	0.7	0.3	0.8	15
						And Incl	178	198	20	0.8	0.4	1.0	11
DKP003	6785963	324836	1202	117	-59	282	36	246	210	0.2	0.1	0.4	5
						Incl	110	128	18	0.2	0.2	0.3	7
						And Incl	140	160	20	0.3	0.1	0.4	7
						And Incl	188	196	8	0.3	0.1	0.5	4
DKP004	6785831	324421	1123	90	-60	120	8	88	80	0.3	0.1	0.5	19
						Incl	8	42	34	0.4	0.0	0.6	16
						Which Incl	26	36	10	0.6	0.1	0.5	18
DKP005	6785792	324552	1167	91	-60	248	8	248	240	0.3	0.1	0.9	18
						Incl	48	248	200	0.4	0.1	1.0	21
						And Incl	32	40	8	0.5	0.1	0.5	8
						And Incl	68	106	38	0.5	0.2	1.1	9
						Which Incl	70	82	12	0.6	0.2	1.0	8
DKP006	6785717	324722	1178	110	-60	199.5	64	199.5	135.5	0.3	0.1	0.8	6
						Incl	124	186	62	0.4	0.2	1.1	7
						Which Incl	124	150	26	0.5	0.3	1.2	7
DKP007	6785846	324746	1148	270	-60	204	0	204	204	0.2	0.1	0.4	32
						Incl	80	88	8	0.3	0.1	0.7	23
						And Incl	160	204	44	0.3	0.1	0.5	84
						Which Incl	186	194	8	0.4	0.1	0.7	91
DKP008	6785854	324745	1145	5	-60	324	0	324	324	0.2	0.1	0.5	12
						Incl	0	16	16	0.3	0.1	0.3	6
						And Incl	144	154	10	0.3	0.1	1.4	20
						And Incl	174	218	44	0.3	0.1	0.5	7
DKP009	6786068	324546	1151	131	-60	354	34	354	320	0.3	0.1	0.7	13
						Incl	46	66	20	0.5	0.1	0.9	8
						And Incl	124	140	16	0.5	0.2	0.7	21
						And Incl	180	314	134	0.4	0.2	0.8	8
						Which Incl	258	314	56	0.5	0.2	1.1	6
DKP010	6786097	324436	1160	209	-60	276	0	92	92	0.2	0.1	0.3	10
						Incl	0	10	10	0.4	0.2	0.3	4
							136	220	84	0.3	0.1	0.8	15
						Incl	190	206	16	0.4	0.1	1.2	20
							252	274	22	0.3	0.1	0.6	14
DKP011	6786097	324436	1160	91	-60	326	0	32	32	0.4	0.0	0.8	23
							228	252	24	0.2	0.0	0.5	72
							274	310	36	0.2	0.0	0.3	31
DKP012	6785969	324839	1192	300	-60	306	48	220	172	0.4	0.2	0.5	14
						Incl	62	82	20	0.5	0.2	0.3	6
							228	306	78	0.5	0.1	0.8	24
						Incl	232	264	32	0.6	0.2	1.0	16
						Which Incl	248	260	12	0.7	0.2	0.8	21

Notes to Table 1: Significant intercepts for La Verde are calculated above a nominal cut-off grade of 0.2% Cu. Where appropriate, significant intersections may contain up to 30m down-hole distance of internal dilution (less than 0.2% Cu). Significant intersections are separated where internal dilution is greater than 30m down-hole distance. The selection of 0.2% Cu for significant intersection cut-off grade is aligned with marginal economic cut-off grade for bulk tonnage polymetallic copper deposits of similar grade in Chile and elsewhere in the world.

<sup>1</sup> Previously released significant intercepts. See announcement dated 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024

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## Hot Chili adds La Verde to its Costa Fuego Coastal Copper Hub

In November 2024, Hot Chili executed an Option Agreement to acquire a 100% interest in the historical La Verde Copper Mine (La Verde), located 30 km south of the Company's low-altitude, Costa Fuego copper-gold project in Chile (Figure 1).

La Verde encompasses 800m strike length of open pit workings, previously exploited by private interests for shallow copper-oxide mineralisation.

The La Verde Option Agreement, along with the recently executed Domeyko Option Agreement (see announcement dated 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024), for the first time consolidates and provides access to, a much larger potential porphyry copper deposit footprint measuring approximately 1.4km by 1.2km, based on geophysical surveys.

### The material terms of the executed La Verde Option Agreement are as follows:

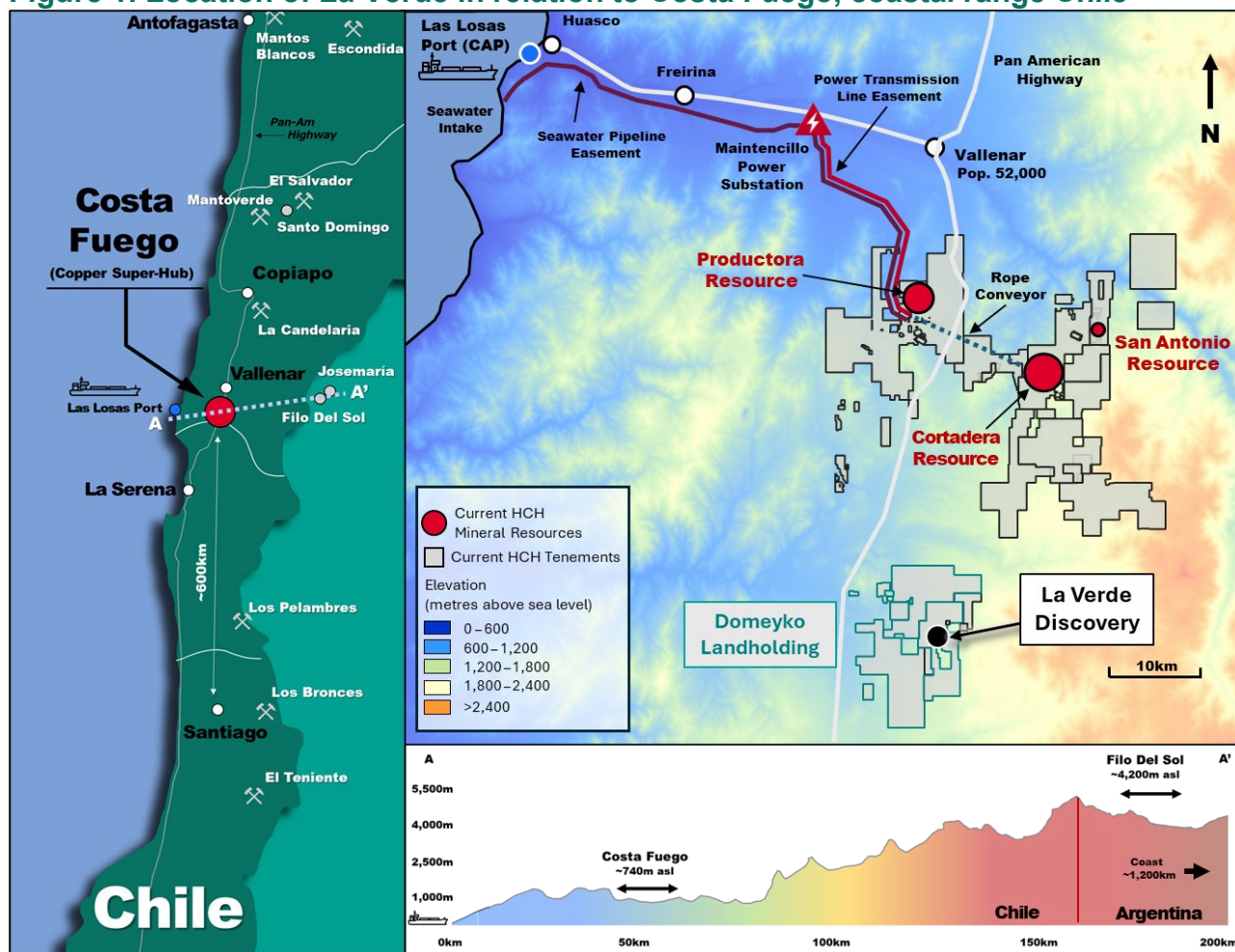
Hot Chili's 100% owned subsidiary Sociedad Minera La Frontera SpA ("Frontera") has executed a definitive option agreement with SLM Los Dominicos una de la Sierra Los Chiqueros ("SLM Dominicos"), the holder of a 100% interest in the concession comprising La Verde, for the grant to Frontera of an option to acquire a 100% interest in the La Verde concession ("La Verde Option Agreement").

- Non-refundable cash payment of US\$320,000 to SLM Dominicos upon grant of the La Verde Option Agreement.
- Non-refundable cash payment of US\$680,000 within 12 months from the grant of the La Verde Option Agreement.
- Non-refundable cash payment of US\$1,000,000 within 24 months from the grant of the La Verde Option Agreement.
- Option may be exercised within 36 months of the date of grant of the La Verde Option for a final non-refundable cash payment of US\$6,890,000.

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## Hot Chili adds La Verde to its Costa Fuego Coastal Copper Hub (Cont'd)

Figure 1. Location of La Verde in relation to Costa Fuego, coastal range Chile





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## Costa Fuego Cu-Au Pre-feasibility Study (PFS): Final Stages Underway

During the period, Hot Chili completed key workstreams for Costa Fuego's PFS and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), achieving milestones in metallurgy, mining, infrastructure, and environmental planning.

### **Metallurgy**

- Finalized metallurgical testwork using Nova Mineralis Novaminore® technology, which leverages saline water and regulated irrigation cycles for enhanced chalcopyrite recovery from heap leaching of low grade mineralisation.
- Demonstrated reduced freshwater dependency, aligning with Costa Fuego's planned seawater processing.
- Results informed predictive models for copper recovery and acid consumption, optimizing the mine schedule.

### **Mining**

- Mine scheduling finalised using advanced software, incorporating feed from four open pits (Productora, Cortadera, Alice, and San Antonio) and an underground block cave at Cortadera.
- Multiple schedule iterations prioritized lower pre-start capital, faster payback, and optimized production rates.
- Initial capital and operating cost estimates were completed, with further optimization underway for inclusion in the PFS financial model.

### **Infrastructure**

- Finalized site layout, including placement of heap/dump leach pads, waste dumps, stockpiles, mill site, tailings storage, and support buildings.
- Integrated surface water management systems, including diversion channels and dewatering infrastructure.
- Ongoing road optimization to align with the mining schedule.

### **Environment**

- Advanced EIA preparation with additional hydrogeological and geotechnical investigations planned for 2025.
- Completed collection of 122 rock samples for acid rock drainage (ARD) and metal leaching (ML) tests to inform long-term infrastructure and mine closure planning.
- Conducted baseline environmental studies and integrated results into design decisions.

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## Huasco Water – Water Supply PFS: Nearing Completion

During the quarter, Hot Chili's 80% owned subsidiary company Huasco Water continued to progress its PFS-level, water supply Business Case Study. Key deliverables finalised this quarter by international engineering firm ILF Group, include:

- Evaluation of marine works and the conveyance system to Costa Fuego and other potential third-party off-takers
- Completion of trade-off studies, including desalination plant (technology, location, and sizing), and pipeline configuration (routing and location of pumping stations) for potential third party off-takers. Note that Costa Fuego does not require desalinated water for processing.
- Optimisation of capital cost estimates for the initial stage of seawater supply to Costa Fuego
- Options for third party water supply, including desalinated water, continue to advance

Huasco Water controls the only active granted maritime water concession and most of the necessary permits to provide non-continental water supply to the Huasco Valley, following over a decade of permitting advancement for Hot Chili's coastal range Costa Fuego copper-gold project.

Uniquely, Huasco Water represents an opportunity for Hot Chili to potentially outsource its water infrastructure capital requirements in addition to providing significant additional funding optionality for Costa Fuego.

Hot Chili is continuing its discussions with potential water off-takers in the Huasco Valley and is also engaging with major water infrastructure groups in relation to potential partnership opportunities for financing and development of Huasco Water's future industrial water infrastructure.



## 2 Qualifying Statements

The Mineral Resource summary for the Costa Fuego Project is presented in Table 2.

**Table 2: Costa Fuego Copper-Gold Project Mineral Resource Estimate, 26 Feb 2024**

Costa Fuego OP Resource		Grade					Contained Metal				
Classification	Tonnes	CuEq	Cu	Au	Ag	Mo	Copper Eq	Copper	Gold	Silver	Molybdenum
(+0.20% CuEq <sup>1</sup> )	(Mt)	(%)	(%)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(ppm)	(tonnes)	(tonnes)	(ounces)	(ounces)	(tonnes)
Indicated	736	0.46	0.37	0.11	0.50	85	3,370,000	2,720,000	2,480,000	11,700,000	62,800
<b>M+I Total</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>0.46</b>	<b>0.37</b>	<b>0.11</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>3,370,000</b>	<b>2,720,000</b>	<b>2,480,000</b>	<b>11,700,000</b>	<b>62,800</b>
Inferred	170	0.30	0.25	0.06	0.36	65	520,000	420,000	340,000	1,900,000	11,000

Costa Fuego UG Resource		Grade					Contained Metal				
Classification	Tonnes	CuEq	Cu	Au	Ag	Mo	Copper Eq	Copper	Gold	Silver	Molybdenum
(+0.27% CuEq <sup>1</sup> )	(Mt)	(%)	(%)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(ppm)	(tonnes)	(tonnes)	(ounces)	(ounces)	(tonnes)
Indicated	62	0.39	0.31	0.08	0.55	85	250,000	190,000	160,000	1,100,000	5,300
<b>M+I Total</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>0.39</b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>190,000</b>	<b>160,000</b>	<b>1,100,000</b>	<b>5,300</b>
Inferred	33	0.35	0.29	0.07	0.41	46	120,000	96,000	76,000	430,000	1,500

Costa Fuego Total Resource		Grade					Contained Metal				
Classification	Tonnes	CuEq	Cu	Au	Ag	Mo	Copper Eq	Copper	Gold	Silver	Molybdenum
(+0.20% CuEq <sup>1</sup> OP 0.27% CuEq <sup>1</sup> UG)	(Mt)	(%)	(%)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(ppm)	(tonnes)	(tonnes)	(ounces)	(ounces)	(tonnes)
Indicated	798	0.45	0.37	0.10	0.50	85	3,620,000	2,910,000	2,640,000	12,800,000	68,100
<b>M+I Total</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>0.45</b>	<b>0.37</b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>3,620,000</b>	<b>2,910,000</b>	<b>2,640,000</b>	<b>12,800,000</b>	<b>68,100</b>
Inferred	203	0.31	0.25	0.06	0.36	61	640,000	516,000	416,000	2,330,000	12,500

<sup>1</sup> Mineral Resources are reported on a 100% Basis - combining Mineral Resource estimates for the Cortadera, Productora, Alice and San Antonio deposits. All figures are rounded, reported to appropriate significant figures and reported in accordance with the Joint Ore Reserves Committee Code (2012) and NI 43-101. Mineral Resource estimation practices are in accordance with CIM Estimation of Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserve Best Practice Guidelines (November 29, 2019) and CIM Environmental, Social and Governance Guidelines for Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserve Estimation (September 8, 2023) and reported in accordance CIM Definition Standards for Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves (May 10, 2014) that are incorporated by reference into NI 43-101.

<sup>2</sup> The Productora deposit is 100% owned by Chilean incorporated company Sociedad Minera El Aguila SpA (SMEA). SMEA is a joint venture (JV) company – 80% owned by Sociedad Minera El Corazón Limitada (a 100% subsidiary of Hot Chili Limited), and 20% owned by Compañía Minera del Pacífico S.A (CMP).

<sup>3</sup> The Cortadera deposit is controlled by a Chilean incorporated company Sociedad Minera La Frontera SpA (Frontera). Frontera is a subsidiary company – 100% owned by Sociedad Minera El Corazón Limitada, which is a 100% subsidiary of Hot Chili Limited.

<sup>4</sup> The San Antonio deposit is controlled through Frontera (100% owned by Sociedad Minera El Corazón Limitada, which is a 100% subsidiary of Hot Chili Limited) and Frontera has an Option Agreement to earn a 100% interest.

<sup>5</sup> The Mineral Resource Estimates in the tables above form coherent bodies of mineralisation that are considered amenable to a combination of open pit and underground extraction methods based on the following parameters: Base Case Metal Prices: Copper US\$ 3.00/lb, Gold US\$ 1,700/oz, Molybdenum US\$ 14/lb, and Silver US\$20/oz.

<sup>6</sup> All Mineral Resource Estimates were assessed for Reasonable Prospects of Eventual Economic Extraction (RPEEE) using both Open Pit and Block Cave Extraction mining methods at Cortadera and Open Pit mining methods at Productora, Alice and San Antonio.

<sup>7</sup> Metallurgical recovery averages for each deposit consider Indicated + Inferred material and are weighted to combine sulphide flotation and oxide leaching performance. Process recoveries:

Cortadera – Weighted recoveries of 82% Cu, 55% Au, 81% Mo and 36% Ag.  $CuEq(\%) = Cu(\%) + 0.55 \times Au(g/t) + 0.00046 \times Mo(ppm) + 0.0043 \times Ag(g/t)$

San Antonio - Weighted recoveries of 85% Cu, 66% Au, 80% Mo and 63% Ag.  $CuEq(\%) = Cu(\%) + 0.64 \times Au(g/t) + 0.00044 \times Mo(ppm) + 0.0072 \times Ag(g/t)$

Alice - Weighted recoveries of 81% Cu, 47% Au, 52% Mo and 37% Ag.  $CuEq(\%) = Cu(\%) + 0.48 \times Au(g/t) + 0.00030 \times Mo(ppm) + 0.0044 \times Ag(g/t)$

Productora – Weighted recoveries of 84% Cu, 47% Au, 48% Mo and 18% Ag.  $CuEq(\%) = Cu(\%) + 0.46 \times Au(g/t) + 0.00026 \times Mo(ppm) + 0.0021 \times Ag(g/t)$

Costa Fuego – Recoveries of 83% Cu, 53% Au, 71% Mo and 26% Ag.  $CuEq(\%) = Cu(\%) + 0.53 \times Au(g/t) + 0.00040 \times Mo(ppm) + 0.0030 \times Ag(g/t)$

<sup>8</sup> Copper Equivalent (CuEq) grades are calculated based on the formula:  $CuEq\% = ((Cu\% \times Cu \text{ price } 1\% \text{ per tonne} \times Cu\_recovery) + (Mo \text{ ppm} \times Mo \text{ price per g/t} \times Mo\_recovery) + (Au \text{ ppm} \times Au \text{ price per g/t} \times Au\_recovery) + (Ag \text{ ppm} \times Ag \text{ price per g/t} \times Ag\_recovery)) / (Cu \text{ price } 1\% \text{ per tonne} \times Cu \text{ recovery})$ . The base case cut-off grade for Mineral Resources considered amenable to open pit extraction methods at the Cortadera, Productora, Alice and San Antonio deposits is 0.20% CuEq, while the cut-off grade for Mineral Resources considered amenable to underground extraction methods at the Cortadera deposit is 0.27% CuEq.

<sup>9</sup> Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. These Mineral Resource estimates include Inferred Mineral Resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorised as Mineral Reserves. It is reasonably expected that the majority of Inferred mineral resources could be upgraded to Measured or Indicated Mineral Resources with continued exploration.

<sup>10</sup> The effective date of the estimate of Mineral Resources for the period ending June 30 2024 is February 23rd, 2024. Refer to ASX Announcement “Hot Chili Indicated Resource at Costa Fuego Copper-Gold Project Increases to 798 Mt” for JORC Table 1 information in this statement related to the Costa Fuego Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) by Competent Person Elizabeth Haren, who is also a qualified person (within the meaning of NI 43-101) constituting the MREs of Cortadera, Productora, Alice and San Antonio (which combine to form Costa Fuego). Hot Chili confirms it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Resource Announcement and all material assumptions and technical parameters stated for the Mineral Resource Estimates in the Resource Announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.

<sup>11</sup> Hot Chili Limited is not aware of political, environmental or other risks that could materially affect the potential development of the Mineral Resources.

## 2 Qualifying Statements (Cont'd)

The references to mineral resource estimates in this Half-yearly Report have been extracted from the estimate of mineral resources contained in the Company's announcement to ASX dated 26 February 2024 "Hot Chili Indicated Resource at Costa Fuego Copper-Gold Project Increases to 798 Mt", a copy of which is available on the Company's website at [www.hotchili.net.au/investors/asx-announcements/](http://www.hotchili.net.au/investors/asx-announcements/). The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in this report about the Company's mineral resources and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the mineral resource estimates continue to apply and have not materially changed.

The references to exploration results in this Annual Report have been extracted from the Company's announcements to ASX dated 3 August 2023, "Hot Chili Commences 30,000m Drill Programme at Costa Fuego Copper-Gold Project", 28 August 2023, "Hot Chili Signs Binding Letter of Intent for Option to Acquire Cometa Project in Chile", 15 November 2023 "Hot Chili Continues to Expand its Costa Fuego Coastal Copper Hub in Chile", 23 January 2024, "Hot Chili Commences Next Phase of Resource Expansion Drilling Programme at Costa Fuego" and 30 April 2024 "Hot Chili Secures Large Addition to its Costa Fuego Coastal Copper Hub in Chile", copies of which are available on the Company's website at [www.hotchili.net.au/investors/asx-announcements/](http://www.hotchili.net.au/investors/asx-announcements/). The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in this report about the Company's exploration results.

### Qualified Persons – NI 43-101

The information pertaining to the Mineral Resource Estimates included in this Report has been reviewed and approved by Ms. Elizabeth Haren (FAUSIMM (CP) & MAIG) of Haren Consulting Pty Ltd. All other scientific and technical information in this Report has been reviewed and approved by Mr Christian Easterday, MAIG, Hot Chili's Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer. Each of Ms. Haren and Mr. Easterday are a qualified person within the meaning of NI 43-101.

### Competent Person's Statement - JORC

The information in this Report that relates to Mineral Resources for Cortadera, Productora (including Alice) and San Antonio which constitute the combined Costa Fuego Project is based on information compiled by Ms Elizabeth Haren, a Competent Person who is a Fellow and Chartered Professional of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Ms Haren is a full-time employee of Haren Consulting Pty Ltd and an independent consultant to Hot Chili. Ms Haren has sufficient experience, which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and types of deposits under consideration and to the activities undertaken, to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code of Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Ms Haren consents to the inclusion in the Report of the matters based on her information in the form and context in which it appears.

The information in this announcement that relates to Exploration Results for the Cortadera projects is based upon information compiled by Mr Christian Easterday, the Managing Director and a full-time employee of Hot Chili Limited, whom is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG). Mr Easterday has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a 'Competent Person' as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves' (JORC Code). Mr Easterday consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.

## 2 Qualifying Statements (Cont'd)

### Production targets and forecast financial information contained in PEA

The information in this report relating to any production targets and forecast financial information derived from the production targets comprised in the statements in this report about the PEA for the Costa Fuego Copper-Gold Project was previously reported in the Company's announcement 'Hot Chili Announces PEA for Costa Fuego' (the "Technical Report") released to ASX on 28 June 2023 and is available to view on the Company's website at [www.hotchili.net.au/investors/asx-announcements/](http://www.hotchili.net.au/investors/asx-announcements/).

For readers to fully understand the information in this Half Year Report, they should read the Technical Report (available on [www.SEDAR.com](http://www.SEDAR.com) or at [www.hotchili.net.au](http://www.hotchili.net.au)) in its entirety, including all qualifications, assumptions and exclusions that relate to the information set out in this Half Year Report that qualifies the technical information contained in the Technical Report. The Technical Report is intended to be read as a whole, and sections should not be read or relied upon out of context. The technical information in this Half Year Report is subject to the assumptions and qualifications contained in the Report.

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement, and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the production targets and forecast financial information derived from the production targets contained in the original market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.

### Disclaimer

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### Cautionary Note for U.S. Investors Concerning Mineral Resources

NI 43-101 is a rule of the Canadian Securities Administrators which establishes standards for all public disclosure an issuer makes of scientific and technical information concerning mineral projects. Technical disclosure contained in this report has been prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 and the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum Classification System. These standards differ from the requirements of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and resource information contained in this report may not be comparable to similar information disclosed by domestic United States companies subject to the SEC's reporting and disclosure requirements.

All amounts in this report are in U.S. dollars unless otherwise noted.

### Forward Looking Statements

This report contains certain statements that are "forward-looking information" within the meaning of Canadian securities legislation and Australian securities legislation (each, a "forward-looking statement"). Forward-looking statements reflect the Company's current expectations, forecasts, and projections with respect to future events, many of which are beyond the Company's control, and are based on certain assumptions. No assurance can be given that these expectations, forecasts, or projections will prove to be correct, and such forward-looking statements included in this report should not be unduly relied upon. Forward-looking information is by its nature prospective and requires the Company to make certain assumptions and is subject to inherent risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements. The use of any of the words "believe", "could", "estimate", "expect", "may", "plan", "potential", "project", "should", "toward", "will", "would" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

## 2 Qualifying Statements (Cont'd)

### Forward Looking Statements (Cont'd)

The forward-looking statements within this Report are based on information currently available and what management believes are reasonable assumptions. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report. In addition, this report may contain forward-looking statements attributed to third-party industry sources, the accuracy of which has not been verified by the Company.

In this Report, forward-looking statements relate, among other things, to: projections for and success of the Company and its projects; the ability of the Company to expand mineral resources beyond current mineral resource estimates; the results of current and planned geophysical, soil sampling and other exploration programs, including MIMDAS and Mag; the results and impacts of current and planned drilling to extend mineral resources and identify new deposits; the Company's ability to convert mineral resources to mineral reserves; the timing and outcomes of current and future planned economic studies including the planned PFS and DFS; the potential to develop a water business in the Huasco valley and the future economics thereof; the timing and results of the Water Supply Business Case Study; whether or not a second maritime water extraction permit will be granted; whether or not water offtake agreements and/or infrastructure partner agreements will be entered into and, if so, on what terms; the timing and outcomes of regulatory processes required to obtain permits for the development and operation of the Costa Fuego Project, including the EIA; whether or not the Company will make a development decision and the timing thereof; and estimates of planned exploration costs and the results thereof.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors, which may cause the actual results, performance, or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. A number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from a conclusion, forecast or projection contained in the forward-looking statements in this Report, including, but not limited to, the following material factors: operational risks; risks related to the cost estimates of exploration; sovereign risks associated with the Company's operations in Chile; changes in estimates of mineral resources of properties where the Company holds interests; recruiting qualified personnel and retaining key personnel; future financial needs and availability of adequate financing; fluctuations in mineral prices; market volatility; exchange rate fluctuations; ability to exploit successful discoveries; the production at or performance of properties where the Company holds interests; ability to retain title to mining concessions; environmental risks; financial failure or default of joint venture partners, contractors or service providers; competition risks; economic and market conditions; and other risks and uncertainties described elsewhere in this report and elsewhere in the Company's public disclosure record.

Although the forward-looking statements contained in this Report are based upon assumptions which the Company believes to be reasonable, the Company cannot assure investors that actual results will be consistent with these forward-looking statements. With respect to forward-looking statements contained in this Report, the Company has made assumptions regarding: future commodity prices and demand; availability of skilled labour; timing and amount of capital expenditures; future currency exchange and interest rates; the impact of increasing competition; general conditions in economic and financial markets; availability of drilling and related equipment; effects of regulation by governmental agencies; future tax rates; future operating costs; availability of future sources of funding; ability to obtain financing; and assumptions underlying estimates related to adjusted funds from operations. The Company has included the above summary of assumptions and risks related to forward-looking information provided in this Report to provide investors with a more complete perspective on the Company's future operations, and such information may not be appropriate for other purposes. The Company's actual results, performance or achievement could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements and, accordingly, no assurance can be given that any of the events anticipated by the

## 2 Qualifying Statements (Cont'd)

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### Forward Looking Statements (Cont'd)

forward-looking statements will transpire or occur, or if any of them do so, what benefits the Company will derive therefrom.

For additional information with respect to these and other factors and assumptions underlying the forward-looking statements made herein, please refer to the public disclosure record of the Company, including the Company's most recent Annual Report, which is available on SEDAR+ ([www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca)) under the Company's issuer profile. New factors emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for management to predict all those factors or to assess in advance the impact of each such factor on the Company's business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement.

The forward-looking statements contained in this report are expressly qualified by the foregoing cautionary statements and are made as of the date of this Report. Except as may be required by applicable securities laws, the Company does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, whether as a result of new information, future events or results, or otherwise. Investors should read this entire report and consult their own professional advisors to ascertain and assess the income tax and legal risks and other aspects of an investment.

## 3 Directors' Report

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The Directors of Hot Chili Limited present their report on the consolidated entity consisting of Hot Chili Limited ("the Company" or "Hot Chili") and the entities it controlled ("consolidated entity" or "the Group") at the end of, or during, the half-year ended 31 December 2024.

### Directors

The following persons held office as directors of Hot Chili Limited at the date of this report or were directors at any time during the half-year ended 31 December 2024, unless otherwise stated:

Dr Nicole Adshead-Bell (Independent Non-Executive Chairman) (Resigned 11 March 2025)  
Christian Easterday (Managing Director)  
Roberto de Andraca Adriasola (Non-Executive Director)  
Mark Jamieson (Non-Executive Director)  
Stephen Quin (Independent Non-Executive Director) (Resigned 11 March 2025)

### Principal Activities

The principal continuing activity of the consolidated entity is mineral exploration.

### Significant Changes in the State of Affairs

During the half year under review, significant changes in the state of affairs of the consolidated entity were as follows:

In November 2024, the Company executed an Option Agreement to acquire a 100% interest in the historical La Verde Copper Mine (La Verde), located 30 km south of the Company's low-altitude, Costa Fuego copper-gold project in Chile.

In December 2024, the Company announced significant copper-gold, porphyry-style mineralisation at La Verde, with 202m grading 0.6% copper, 0.3g/t gold from 70m depth.

### Results of Operations for the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2024

The results of the consolidated entity from continuing operations after providing for income tax and non-controlling interest for the half-year ended 31 December 2024 was a loss of \$6,509,483 (half-year ended 31 December 2023: loss of \$4,131,534).

### Dividends

No dividends were paid or declared since the end of the previous year ending 30 June 2024. The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.



## 3 Directors' Report (Cont'd)

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### Rounding Off of Amounts

The Company is of a kind referred to in *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191*, dated 24 March 2016, issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission. Therefore, the amounts contained in the Directors' Report and in the financial report have been rounded to the nearest dollar in accordance with that Corporations Instrument, unless otherwise stated.

### Review of Operations and Qualifying Statements

Refer to the Review of Operations report in Section 1 and associated Qualifying Statements in Section 2.

### Matters Subsequent to Reporting Date 31 December 2024

On 6 January 2025, the Company issued 352,913 Service Rights and 366,094 Performance Rights under an employee incentive scheme. The Service and Performance Rights have been issued effective from the individuals start dates with the Company.

On 7 January 2025, announced that 1,850,001 options had expired without exercise or conversion.

On 4 February 2025, the Company announced that 1,259,789 options had expired without exercise or conversion.

On 11 February 2025, Hot Chili reported a second round of strong assay results from its La Verde copper-gold discovery, located approximately 30km south of the Company's Costa Fuego Copper-Gold Project planned central processing hub at low elevation in the coastal range of the Atacama region, Chile. The Company has now completed 19 RC drill holes (5,700 m) at La Verde, with assay results from 12 holes reported so far confirming a major copper-gold porphyry discovery in Chile's coastal range.

On 11 March 2025 Dr Nicole Adshead-Bell, Non-Executive Chairman and Mr Stephen Quin, Non-Executive Director tendered their resignations, effectively immediately.

### Auditors' Independence Declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out immediately after this Directors' Report.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors made pursuant to section 306(3)(a) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors by:

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**Christian Easterday**  
Managing Director

Dated this 14 day of March 2025  
Perth, Western Australia



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**AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

As lead auditor for the review of the financial report of Hot Chili Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2024, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) The auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- (ii) Any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

  
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AIK KONG TING  
Partner

Perth, WA  
Dated: 14 March 2025

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

### To the Members of HOT CHILI LIMITED

#### Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

##### *Conclusion*

We have reviewed the accompanying interim financial report of Hot Chili Limited (the Company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, notes comprising material accounting policy information and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration of the Consolidated Entity comprising the Company and the entities it controlled at the half-year end or from time to time during the half-year.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the interim financial report of Hot Chili Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) Giving a true and fair view of the Consolidated Entity's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

##### *Basis for Conclusion*

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*. Our responsibilities are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of Hot Chili Limited, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

*Directors' responsibility for the interim financial report*

The directors of Hot Chili Limited are responsible for the preparation of the interim financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the interim financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

*Auditor's Responsibility for the Review of the Financial Report*

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including: giving a true and fair view of the Consolidated Entity's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.



RSM AUSTRALIA



AIK KONG TING  
Partner

Perth, WA  
Dated: 14 March 2025



## 6 Directors' Declaration

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In the opinion of the Directors:

- a) the attached financial statements and notes thereto comply with the *Corporations Act 2001*, the accounting standards (including Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting*), the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
- b) the attached financial statements and notes thereto give a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors made pursuant to section 303(5)(a) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Christian Easterday".

**Christian Easterday**

Managing Director

Dated this 14 day of March 2025  
Perth, Western Australia

# 7 Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Consolidated Entity Half-Year Ended	
		Dec 2024 \$	Dec 2023 \$
Interest income		350,031	173,425
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>350,031</b>	<b>173,425</b>
Depreciation		(98,050)	(65,336)
Corporate fees		(254,732)	(221,257)
Legal and professional		(654,930)	(290,490)
Employee benefits expense		(1,065,067)	(961,504)
Administration expenses		(680,568)	(454,355)
Accounting fees		(84,378)	(17,033)
Marketing expenses		(595,620)	(607,061)
Travel costs		-	(100,003)
Tenement write off	3	(2,909,169)	-
Foreign exchange gain		98,946	207,735
Share-based payments expense		(754,210)	(1,860,807)
Direct costs expensed		(1,350)	-
Finance costs		(29,598)	(19,961)
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>(7,028,726)</b>	<b>(4,390,072)</b>
Loss before income tax		(6,678,695)	(4,216,647)
Income tax expense		-	-
<b>Loss After Income Tax</b>		<b>(6,678,695)</b>	<b>(4,216,647)</b>
Other comprehensive income		-	-
<b>Total Comprehensive Loss</b>		<b>(6,678,695)</b>	<b>(4,216,647)</b>
<b>Loss Attributable To:</b>			
Non-controlling interest		(169,212)	(85,113)
Owners of Hot Chili Limited		(6,509,483)	(4,131,534)
		<b>(6,678,695)</b>	<b>(4,216,647)</b>
Basic and diluted loss per share (cents) attributable to the owners of Hot Chili Limited		(5.27)	(3.46)

The above Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# 8 Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 December 2024

		Consolidated Entity	
	Note	Dec 2024 \$	June 2024 \$
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		19,032,095	33,741,518
Other current assets		342,885	278,530
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>19,374,980</b>	<b>34,020,048</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Plant and equipment		198,266	162,654
Exploration and evaluation expenditure	3	224,663,494	215,831,609
Right-of-use assets	4	418,562	508,689
Other non-current assets		400,761	359,309
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b>225,681,083</b>	<b>216,862,261</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>245,056,063</b>	<b>250,882,309</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables		2,803,139	2,608,414
Provisions		237,209	267,526
Lease liabilities	5	181,779	162,588
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>3,222,127</b>	<b>3,038,528</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>			
Provisions		26,262	24,591
Lease liabilities	5	306,847	392,014
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>		<b>333,109</b>	<b>416,605</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>3,555,236</b>	<b>3,455,133</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>241,500,827</b>	<b>247,427,176</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Contributed equity	8	297,713,521	297,651,726
Share-based payments reserve		7,136,250	6,445,699
Foreign currency translation reserve		1,222	1,222
Accumulated losses		(82,829,379)	(76,319,896)
<b>Capital and Reserves Attributable to Owners of Hot Chili Limited</b>		<b>222,021,614</b>	<b>227,778,751</b>
Non-controlling interest		19,479,213	19,648,425
<b>Total Equity</b>		<b>241,500,827</b>	<b>247,427,176</b>

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# 9 Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2024

Consolidated Entity	Contributed Equity \$	Share-Based Payments Reserve \$	Foreign Currency Translation Reserve \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Non-Controlling Interest ("NCI") \$	Total Equity \$
<b>Half-Year Ended Dec 2024</b>						
Balance at 1 July 2024	297,651,726	6,445,699	1,222	(76,319,896)	19,648,425	247,427,176
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(6,509,483)	(169,212)	(6,678,695)
Total Comprehensive Loss	-	-	-	(6,509,483)	(169,212)	(6,678,695)
Share issue costs	(1,864)	-	-	-	-	(1,864)
Rights exercised	63,659	(63,659)	-	-	-	-
Share-based payments	-	754,210	-	-	-	754,210
<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2024</b>	<b>297,713,521</b>	<b>7,136,250</b>	<b>1,222</b>	<b>(82,829,379)</b>	<b>19,479,213</b>	<b>241,500,827</b>
<b>Half-Year Ended Dec 2023</b>						
Balance at 1 July 2023	269,189,573	5,230,152	1,222	(71,081,853)	19,309,663	222,648,757
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(4,131,534)	(85,113)	(4,216,647)
Total Comprehensive Loss	-	-	-	(4,131,534)	(85,113)	(4,216,647)
Performance rights lapsed	-	(2,331,333)	-	2,331,333	-	-
Share-based payments	-	1,860,807	-	-	-	1,860,807
<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2023</b>	<b>269,189,573</b>	<b>4,759,626</b>	<b>1,222</b>	<b>(72,882,054)</b>	<b>19,224,550</b>	<b>220,292,917</b>

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



# 10 Statement of Cash Flows

For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Consolidated Entity Half-Year Ended	
		Dec 2024 \$	Dec 2023 \$
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>			
Payments to suppliers and employees		(3,522,097)	(2,802,824)
Interest received		355,726	118,364
Interest paid		(6)	(943)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities		(3,166,377)	(2,685,403)
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>			
Payments for plant and equipment		(58,977)	(4,484)
Payments for tenements	3	(2,471,940)	(1,353,279)
Payments for exploration and evaluation		(8,856,940)	(7,017,096)
Proceeds on sale of NSR, net of transaction costs		-	21,286,690
Net Cash (Used in)/Received from Investing Activities		(11,387,857)	12,911,831
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>			
Share issue costs		(117,115)	-
Repayment of lease liabilities		(95,568)	(77,361)
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities		(212,683)	(77,361)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held		(14,766,917)	10,149,067
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		33,741,518	2,948,964
Foreign exchange differences on cash		57,494	222,855
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the Period</b>		<b>19,032,095</b>	<b>13,320,886</b>

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2024

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## 1. SUMMARY OF MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Statement of Compliance

The half-year financial report is a general purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting*. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

The half-year financial report does not include full disclosures of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, it is recommended that this financial report be read in conjunction with the annual financial report for the year ended 30 June 2024 and any public announcements made by Hot Chili Limited and its controlled entities during the half-year in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

### Basis of Preparation

The same accounting policies and methods of computation have been followed in this interim financial report as were applied in the most recent annual financial statements, unless otherwise stated. The accounting policies are consistent with Australian Accounting Standards and with IFRS Standards.

### New or Amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations Adopted

The consolidated entity has adopted all new or amended accounting standards, interpretations and other accounting pronouncements issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ("AASB") that are effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2025 and therefore mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended accounting standards, interpretations and other accounting pronouncements that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

## 2. OPERATING SEGMENTS

The Company's operations are in one reportable business segment, being the exploration for Copper. The Company operates in one geographical segment, being Chile.

The operating segment information is the same information as provided throughout the consolidated financial statements and therefore not duplicated. The information reported to the CODM is on at least a monthly basis.

# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2024

## 3. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION EXPENDITURE

	Consolidated Entity	
	Half-Year Ended 31 Dec 2024 \$	Year Ended 30 June 2024 \$
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period	215,831,609	220,436,849
Tenement write off <sup>5</sup>	(2,909,169)	-
Partial disposal of underlying mineral resource and property rights, net of transaction costs <sup>1</sup>	-	(21,286,690)
Consideration given for mineral exploration acquisition <sup>4</sup>	2,471,940	2,625,969
Capitalised mineral exploration and evaluation <sup>2</sup>	9,269,114	14,055,481
<b>Carrying Amount at the End of the Period<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>224,663,494</b>	<b>215,831,609</b>

<sup>1</sup> In July 2023, the Company closed a US\$15 million investment by Osisko Gold Royalties Limited, pursuant to which Hot Chili received proceeds of US\$15 million in exchange for the sale of a 1% NSR royalty on copper and a 3% NSR royalty on gold across the Company's Costa Fuego Copper-Gold Project.

<sup>2</sup> Capitalised mineral exploration and evaluation is net of reimbursements of VAT recovered following approval for VAT refunds from the Chilean Tax Authorities.

<sup>3</sup> Management have determined that the capitalised expenditure relating to the projects in Chile are still in the exploration phase and are to be classified as exploration and evaluation expenditure. In accordance with AASB 6 Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources, management have assessed whether there are any indicators of impairment on the capitalised expenditure as at balance date. In making this assessment management have considered whether sufficient data exists to conclude that the exploration and evaluation assets are unlikely to be recovered in full from successful development or sale. Based on this assessment, management are satisfied that there are no impairment indicators as at balance date.

<sup>4</sup> Payments required under option and purchase agreements to secure tenements together with associated taxes & registration costs.

The future realisation of these non-current assets is dependent on further exploration and funding necessary to commercialise the resources or realisation through sale.

<sup>5</sup> Marsellesa and Antofagasta Minerals S.A. (AMSA) Option agreements have been terminated due to unsuccessful exploration assessments by the Company. These terminations are not considered material to the exploration program.

# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2024

## 4. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

	Consolidated Entity	
	Dec 2024 \$	June 2024 \$
Right-of-use assets at cost	831,495	831,495
Less: Accumulated amortisation	(412,933)	(322,806)
	<b>418,562</b>	<b>508,689</b>

	Half-Year Ended 31 Dec 2024 \$	Year Ended 30 June 2024 \$
<b>Reconciliation of Right-of-Use Assets</b>		
Opening balance	508,689	277,591
Additions <sup>1</sup>	-	356,835
Amortisation	(90,127)	(125,737)
Closing balance <sup>2</sup>	<b>418,562</b>	<b>508,689</b>

- From the previous year up until 1 June 2024, the Chilean entities leased their previous office premises at Avenida Isidora Goyenechea, Las Condes, Santiago under an operating lease. The commitments for minimum lease payments in relation to the previous Chilean office was previously disclosed in Note 17(c) of the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023. Effective on 1 June 2024, the Chilean entities entered into a new lease agreement for their new Chilean office premises at Lan Condes, Santiago, Republic of Chile. This lease has a fixed term of 3 years, with the option to renew for a further 3 years. The lease is denominated in "Unidad de Fomento", or "Development Units", which is a Chilean inflation-indexed unit of account.
- During the year, the Company continued its leases for its premises at 768 Canning Highway, Applecross, Western Australia. The lease for the ground floor terminates on 28 February 2025 and the lease for the first floor terminates on 28 February 2026.

# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

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## 5. LEASE LIABILITIES

	Consolidated Entity	
	Dec 2024 \$	June 2024 \$
Current	181,779	162,588
Non-current	306,847	392,014
	<b>488,626</b>	<b>554,602</b>

	Half-Year Ended 31 Dec 2024 \$	Year Ended 30 June 2024 \$
<b>Reconciliation of Lease Liabilities</b>		
Opening balance	554,602	333,608
Additions	-	356,835
Repayments	(110,692)	(162,742)
Interest	29,592	37,435
Foreign exchange differences	15,124	(10,534)
Closing balance	<b>488,626</b>	<b>554,602</b>

## 6. COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE

### (a) Exploration Commitments

In order to maintain current rights of tenure to exploration and mining tenements, the consolidated entity has the following discretionary exploration expenditure requirements up until the expiry of leases. These obligations are not provided for in the financial statements and are payable as follows:

	Consolidated Entity	
	31 Dec 2024 \$	30 Jun 2024 \$
Within one year	402,123	377,415
Later than one year but not later than five years	1,608,493	1,509,662
More than five years	4,825,479	4,906,401
	<b>6,836,095</b>	<b>6,793,478</b>

# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

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## 6. COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE (CON'T)

### (b) Option Payment Commitments

The mining rights (which vary between 90% to 100%) of the various projects undertaken by Hot Chili will be transferred upon satisfaction of the option payments committed as at 31 December 2024, as tabled below:

	Consolidated Entity	
	31 Dec 2024 \$	30 Jun 2024 \$
Within one year	3,506,514	4,378,019
Later than one year but not later than five years	32,765,000	22,388,285
More than five years	-	-
	<b>36,271,514</b>	<b>26,766,304</b>

# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

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## 7. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

### a) VAT

As at 31 December 2024, Hot Chili Limited had accumulated:

- VAT refund payments of \$15,434,266 (30 June 2024: \$14,939,275) with respect to VAT recovered as at 31 December 2024 by Sociedad Minera El Águila SpA (refer to the table below); and
- VAT refund payments of \$10,157,243 (30 June 2024: \$9,731,571) with respect to VAT recovered as at 31 December 2024 by Sociedad Minera Frontera SpA (refer to the table below).

	Consolidated Entity	
	Dec 2024 \$	June 2024 \$
VAT recovered by Sociedad Minera El Águila SpA (CLP 9,561,515; 30 June 2024: CLP 9,344,976,756 )	15,434,266	14,939,275
VAT recovered by Sociedad Minera Frontera SpA (CLP 6,292,404; 30 June 2024: CLP 6,087,397,302)	10,157,243	9,731,571
<b>Total VAT Recovered by Chilean Subsidiaries (CLP 15,853,919; 30 June 2024: CLP 14,100,115,924)</b>	<b>25,591,509</b>	<b>24,670,846</b>

Under the initial terms of the VAT refund payment, the consolidated entity initially had until the 31 December 2019 to commercialise production from Productora and meet certain export targets. Hot Chili also had the right to extend this term. The Company exercised its right to extend the date of commercial production from Productora with the Chilean Tax Authority. An extension to the benefit was extended to 30 June 2022 and a further extension until 30 June 2026 was also granted. An agreement with Sociedad Minera Fronteras SpA provides an extension to 31 December 2026 for exports related to the Cortadera deposit.

In the event that the term is not extended further and the Company does not meet certain export targets, the Company will be required to re-pay the VAT refund payments to the Chilean Tax Authority subject to certain terms and conditions. However, if Hot Chili achieves the export targets within that timeframe or its renewal, if required, any VAT refund payments will not be required to be repaid.

### b) Future Royalty Payments

In July 2023, the Company closed an Investment Agreement with Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd ("Osisko"). Under the terms of the Investment Agreement Osisko purchased a net smelter return royalty comprising 1% of payable copper production and 3% of gold payable production. Hot Chili retains a buyback right if a change of control event occurs prior to the 4th anniversary of closing under the terms and conditions of the announcement dated 28 June 2023.



# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

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## 8. CONTRIBUTED EQUITY

	Consolidated Entity			
	31 Dec 2024		30 June 2024	
a) Share Capital	No. Shares	\$	No. Shares	\$
Ordinary shares – fully paid	151,420,450	297,713,521	151,345,206	297,651,726
<b>b) Movement in Ordinary Share Capital</b>				
Balance at the beginning of the period	151,345,206	297,651,726	119,445,206	269,189,573
Shares issued under Private Placement to institutional & professional investors	-	-	24,900,000	24,900,000
Shares issued under Share Purchase Plan to eligible shareholders	75,244	63,659	7,000,000	7,000,000
Less: Costs associated with issue of share capital	-	(1,864)	-	(3,437,847)
Balance at the End of the Period	151,420,450	297,713,521	151,345,206	297,651,726

## c) Unlisted Options Over Ordinary Share Capital

Issue Date	Expiry Date	Balance at 1 July 2024 No.	Issued During the Period No.	Expiry / Exercise No.	Balance at 31 Dec 2024 No.	Exercisable at 31 Dec 2024 No.
20 Sep 2021	30 Sep 2024	1,850,001	-	(1,850,001)	-	-
4 Sep 2022	28 Jan 2025	1,259,789	-	-	1,259,789	1,259,789
25 Jul 2024 <sup>1</sup>	25 Jul 2026	1,914,000	-	-	1,914,000	1,914,000
		<b>5,023,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,850,001)</b>	<b>3,173,789</b>	<b>3,173,789</b>

1. Approved at the General Meeting of Shareholders on 4 July 2024.

The weighted average exercise price of options on issue is \$2.07 (30 June 2024: \$2.16). The weighted average remaining contractual life of options outstanding at the end of the period was 0.08 years (30 June 2024: 0.38 years)

# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

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## 8. CONTRIBUTED EQUITY (CONT'D)

### d) Service Rights

Grant Date	Last Vesting Day	Expiry Date <sup>1</sup>	Balance at 1 July 2024 No.	Issued During the Period <sup>2</sup> No.	Lapsed / Exercise No.	Balance at 31 Dec 2024 No.	Exercisable at 31 Dec 2024 <sup>3</sup> No.
10 May 2023	31 Dec 2023	12 May 2028	938,953	-	(47,404)	891,549	891,549
10 May 2023	31 Dec 2024	12 May 2028	938,955	-	(55,692)	883,263	883,263
10 May 2023	31 Dec 2025	12 May 2028	938,956	-	(111,384)	827,572	-
21 Aug 2023	31 Dec 2023	22 Aug 2028	115,006	-	(8,333)	106,673	106,673
21 Aug 2023	31 Dec 2024	22 Aug 2028	115,006	-	-	115,006	115,006
21 Aug 2023	31 Dec 2025	22 Aug 2028	114,988	-	-	114,988	-
1 Jul 2024	31 Dec 2024	6 Jan 2030	-	115,231	-	115,231	115,231
1 Jul 2024	31 Dec 2025	6 Jan 2030	-	237,682	-	237,682	-
			<b>3,161,864</b>	<b>352,913</b>	<b>(222,813)</b>	<b>3,291,964</b>	<b>2,111,722</b>

1. Later expiry dates apply if service rights have vested on or before the last vesting day.
2. There were 352,913 service rights issued during the period.
3. Denotes service rights exercisable as a result of vesting conditions being met during the year.

### e) Performance Rights

Grant Date	Last Vesting Day	Expiry Date <sup>1</sup>	Balance at 1 July 2024 No.	Issued During the Period <sup>2</sup> No.	Lapsed / Exercise No.	Balance at 31 Dec 2024 No.	Exercisable at 31 Dec 2024 <sup>3</sup> No.
10 May 2023	31 Dec 2023	12 May 2028	290,480	-	(16,591)	273,889	273,889
10 May 2023	31 Dec 2024	12 May 2028	290,485	-	(38,984)	251,501	251,501
10 May 2023	31 Dec 2025	12 May 2028	1,286,433	-	(172,646)	1,113,787	-
10 May 2023	10 May 2026	12 May 2028	622,466	-	(83,538)	538,928	-
21 Aug 2023	31 Dec 2023	22 Aug 2028	40,244	-	(2,916)	37,328	37,328
21 Aug 2023	31 Dec 2024	22 Aug 2028	40,244	-	-	40,244	40,244
21 Aug 2023	31 Dec 2025	22 Aug 2028	178,262	-	-	178,262	-
21 Aug 2023	21 Aug 2026	22 Aug 2028	86,250	-	-	86,250	-
1 Jul 2024	31 Dec 2024	6 Jan 2030	-	40,371	-	40,371	40,371
1 Jul 2024	31 Dec 2025	6 Jan 2030	-	232,531	-	232,531	-
1 Jul 2024	21 Aug 2026	6 Jan 2030	-	93,192	-	93,192	-
			<b>2,834,864</b>	<b>366,094</b>	<b>(314,675)</b>	<b>2,886,283</b>	<b>643,333</b>

1. Later expiry dates apply if performance rights have vested on or before the last vesting day.
2. There were 366,094 performance rights issued during the period.
3. Denotes performance rights exercisable as a result of vesting conditions being met during the year.

# 11 Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

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## 9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Remuneration, share-based payments and other arrangements of key management personnel are disclosed in the annual financial report for the year ended 30 June 2024. These arrangements with related parties continued to be in place during the period. No further related party arrangements were made, nor were there further related party transactions during the half-year period to 31 December 2024.

## 10. EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER REPORTING DATE

On 6 January 2025, the Company issued 352,913 Service Rights and 366,094 Performance Rights under an employee incentive scheme. The Service and Performance Rights have been issued effective from the individuals start dates with the Company.

On 7 January 2025, the Company announced that 1,850,001 options had expired without exercise or conversion.

On 4 February 2025, the Company announced that 1,259,789 options had expired without exercise or conversion.

On 11 February 2025, Hot Chili reported a second round of strong assay results from its La Verde copper-gold discovery, located approximately 30km south of the Company's Costa Fuego Copper-Gold Project planned central processing hub at low elevation in the coastal range of the Atacama region, Chile. The Company has now completed 19 RC drill holes (5,700 m) at La Verde, with assay results from 12 holes reported so far confirming a major copper-gold porphyry discovery in Chile's coastal range.

On 11 March 2025 Dr Nicole Adshead-Bell, Non-Executive Chairman and Mr Stephen Quin, Non-Executive Director tendered their resignations, effectively immediately.

The Directors are not aware of any other matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the consolidated entity the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity in future financial periods.

## 11. DIVIDENDS

No dividends were paid or declared for the period.

# 12 Tenement Schedule

This section does not form part of the notes to the financial statements.

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024**

## Cortadera Project

License ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Agreement Details
MAGDALENITA 1/20	100% Frontera SpA		100	
ATACAMITA 1/82	100% Frontera SpA		82	
AMALIA 942 A 1/6	100% Frontera SpA		53	
PAULINA 10 B 1/16	100% Frontera SpA		136	
PAULINA 11 B 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		249	
PAULINA 12 B 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		294	
PAULINA 13 B 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		264	
PAULINA 14 B 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		265	
PAULINA 15 B 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		200	
PAULINA 22 A 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		300	
PAULINA 24 1/24	100% Frontera SpA		183	
PAULINA 25 A 1/19	100% Frontera SpA		156	
PAULINA 26 A 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		294	
PAULINA 27A 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CORTADERA 1 1/200	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CORTADERA 2 1/200	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CORTADERA 41	100% Frontera SpA		1	
CORTADERA 42	100% Frontera SpA		1	
LAS CANAS 16	100% Frontera SpA		1	
LAS CANAS 1/15	100% Frontera SpA		146	
CORTADERA 1/40	100% Frontera SpA		374	
LAS CANAS ESTE 2003 1/30	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CORROTEO 1 1/260	100% Frontera SpA		260	
CORROTEO 5 1/261	100% Frontera SpA		261	
PURISIMA	100% Frontera SpA		20	NSR 1.5%

*Note. Frontera SpA is a 100% owned subsidiary company of Hot Chili Limited*

# 12 Tenement Schedule (Cont'd)

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

## Productora Project

License ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Agreement Details
FRAN 1 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		220	
FRAN 2 1/20	80% SMEA SpA		100	
FRAN 3 1/20	80% SMEA SpA		100	
FRAN 4 1/20	80% SMEA SpA		100	
FRAN 5 1/20	80% SMEA SpA		100	
FRAN 6 1/26	80% SMEA SpA		130	
FRAN 7 1/37	80% SMEA SpA		176	
FRAN 8 1/30	80% SMEA SpA		120	
FRAN 12 1/40	80% SMEA SpA		200	
FRAN 13 1/40	80% SMEA SpA		200	
FRAN 14 1/40	80% SMEA SpA		200	
FRAN 15 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
FRAN 18, 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		273	
FRAN 21, 1/46	80% SMEA SpA		226	
ALGA 7 A 1/32	80% SMEA SpA		89	
ALGA VI 5/24	80% SMEA SpA		66	
MONTOSA 1/4	80% SMEA SpA		35	NSR 3%
CHICA	80% SMEA SpA		1	
ESPERANZA 1/5	80% SMEA SpA		11	
LEONA 2A 1/4	80% SMEA SpA		10	
CARMEN I, 1/50	80% SMEA SpA		222	
CARMEN II, 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		274	
ZAPA 1 1/10	80% SMEA SpA		100	
ZAPA 3 1/23	80% SMEA SpA		92	
ZAPA 5A 1/16	80% SMEA SpA		80	
ZAPA 7 1/24	80% SMEA SpA		120	
CABRITO-CABRITO 1/9	80% SMEA SpA		50	
CUENCA A 1/51	80% SMEA SpA		255	
CUENCA B 1/28	80% SMEA SpA		139	
CUENCA C 1/51	80% SMEA SpA		255	
CUENCA D	80% SMEA SpA		3	
CUENCA E	80% SMEA SpA		1	
CHOAPA 1/10	80% SMEA SpA		50	
ELQUI 1/14	80% SMEA SpA		61	
LIMARÍ 1/15	80% SMEA SpA		66	
LOA 1/6	80% SMEA SpA		30	
MAIPO 1/10	80% SMEA SpA		50	
TOLTÉN 1/14	80% SMEA SpA		70	

# 12 Tenement Schedule (Cont'd)

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

**Productora Project (Cont'd)**

License ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Agreement Details
CACHIYUYITO 1 1/20	80% SMEA SpA		100	
CACHIYUYITO 2 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
CACHIYUYITO 3 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
PRODUCTORA 1/16	80% SMEA SpA		75	
ORO INDIO 1A 1/20	80% SMEA SpA		82	
AURO HUASCO 1A 1/8	80% SMEA SpA		35	
URANIO 1/70	0%	0%	350	25-year Lease Agreement US\$250,000 per year (average for the 25 year term); plus 2% NSR all but gold; 4% NSR gold; 5% NSR non-metallic
JULI 9, 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 10, 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 11, 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 12, 1/42	80% SMEA SpA		210	
JULI 13, 1/20	80% SMEA SpA		100	
JULI 14, 1/50	80% SMEA SpA		250	
JULI 15, 1/55	80% SMEA SpA		275	
JULI 16 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 17 1/20	80% SMEA SpA		100	
JULI 19	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 20	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 21 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 22	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 23 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 24 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 25	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULI 27, 1/30	80% SMEA SpA		146	
JULI 27 B, 1/10	80% SMEA SpA		48	
JULI 28, 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULIETA 5	80% SMEA SpA		200	
JULIETA 6	80% SMEA SpA		200	
JULIETA 7	80% SMEA SpA		100	
JULIETA 8	80% SMEA SpA		100	
JULIETA 9	80% SMEA SpA		100	
JULIETA 10, 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULIETA 11	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULIETA 12	80% SMEA SpA		300	
JULIETA 13 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		298	

JULIETA 14 1/60	80% SMEA SpA		269	
JULIETA 15 1/40	80% SMEA SpA		200	

# 12 Tenement Schedule (Cont'd)

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

## Productora Project (Cont'd)

License ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Agreement Details
JULIETA 16	80% SMEA SpA		200	
JULIETA 17	80% SMEA SpA		200	
JULIETA 18 1/40	80% SMEA SpA		200	
ARENA 1 1/6	80% SMEA SpA		40	
ARENA 2 1/17	80% SMEA SpA		113	
ZAPA 1/6	80% SMEA SpA		6	GSR 1%
JULIETA 1/4	80% SMEA SpA		4	

*Note. SMEA SpA is subsidiary company - 80% owned by Hot Chili Limited, 20% owned by CMP (Compañía Minera del Pacífico)*

## El Fuego Project

Licence ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	penditure Commitment- Payments
SANTIAGO 21/36		100% Frontera SpA	76	100% HCH Purchase Option Agreement
SANTIAGO 37/43		100% Frontera SpA	26	
SANTIAGO A, 1/26		100% Frontera SpA	244	USD 300,000 already paid.
SANTIAGO B, 1/20		100% Frontera SpA	200	
SANTIAGO C, 1/30		100% Frontera SpA	300	US\$1,000,000 payable September 30th 2024
SANTIAGO D, 1/30		100% Frontera SpA	300	
SANTIAGO E, 1/30		100% Frontera SpA	300	US\$1,000,000 payable September 30th 2025
PRIMA 1		100% Frontera SpA	1	
PRIMA 2		100% Frontera SpA	2	US\$2,000,000 payable by September 30th 2026 to exercise the El Fuego Option.
SANTIAGO 15/19		100% Frontera SpA	25	
SAN ANTONIO 1/5		100% Frontera SpA	25	(2 additional and conditional payments of USD 2,000,000, each one, to be paid by December 31, 2030 under certain conditions detailed at title "Tenement Changes During the Quarter" of this quarterly report.)
SANTIAGO 1/4 Y 20		100% Frontera SpA	75	
ROMERO 1/31		100% Frontera SpA	31	
MERCEDES 1/3		100% Frontera SpA	50	
KRETA 1/4		100% Frontera SpA	16	
MARI 1/12		100% Frontera SpA	64	
PORFIADA VII 1/60		100% Frontera SpA	270	
PORFIADA VIII 1/60		100% Frontera SpA	300	
SANTIAGO Z 1/30		100% Frontera SpA	300	
PORFIADA IX 1/60		100% Frontera SpA	300	
PORFIADA A 1/33		100% Frontera SpA	160	
PORFIADA C 1/60		100% Frontera SpA	300	
PORFIADA E 1/20		100% Frontera SpA	100	
PORFIADA F 1/50		100% Frontera SpA	240	
SAN JUAN SUR 1/5		100% Frontera SpA	10	
SAN JUAN SUR 6/23		100% Frontera SpA	90	



PORFIADA G	100% Frontera SpA	200
CORTADERA 1	100% Frontera SpA	200

# 12 Tenement Schedule (Cont'd)

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

## El Fuego Project (Cont'd)

Licence ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Exploration and Expenditure Commitment- Payments
CORTADERA 2	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CORTADERA 3	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CORTADERA 4	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CORTADERA 5	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CORTADERA 6 1/60	100% Frontera SpA		265	
CORTADERA 7 1/20	100% Frontera SpA		93	
SAN ANTONIO 1	100% Frontera SpA		200	
SAN ANTONIO 2	100% Frontera SpA		200	
SAN ANTONIO 3	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SAN ANTONIO 4	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SAN ANTONIO 5	100% Frontera SpA		300	
DORO 1	100% Frontera SpA		200	
DORO 2	100% Frontera SpA		200	
DORO 3	100% Frontera SpA		300	
PORFIADA I	100% Frontera SpA		300	
PORFIADA II	100% Frontera SpA		300	
PORFIADA III	100% Frontera SpA		300	
PORFIADA IV	100% Frontera SpA		300	
PORFIADA V	100% Frontera SpA		200	
PORFIADA X	100% Frontera SpA		200	
PORFIADA VI	100% Frontera SpA		100	
PORFIADA B	100% Frontera SpA		200	
PORFIADA D	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CHILIS 1	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CHILIS 3	100% Frontera SpA		100	
CHILIS 4	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CHILIS 5	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CHILIS 6	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CHILIS 7	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CHILIS 8	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CHILIS 9	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CHILIS 10 1/38	100% Frontera SpA		190	
CHILIS 11	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CHILIS 12 1/60	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CHILIS 13	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CHILIS 14	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CHILIS 15	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CHILIS 16	100% Frontera SpA		300	

CHILIS 17	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CHILIS 18	100% Frontera SpA		300	

# 12 Tenement Schedule (Cont'd)

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

## El Fuego Project (Cont'd)

Licence ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Exploration and Expenditure Commitment- Payments
SOLAR 1	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 2	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 3	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 4	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 5	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 6	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 7	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 8	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 9	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLAR 10	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLEDAD 1	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLEDAD 2	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLEDAD 3	100% Frontera SpA		300	
SOLEDAD 4	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF 1	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF 2	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF 3	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF 4	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF 5	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CHAPULIN COLORADO 1/3	100% Frontera SpA		3	
PEGGY SUE 1/10	100% Frontera SpA		100	
DONA FELIPA 1/10	100% Frontera SpA		50	
ELEANOR RIGBY 1/10	100% Frontera SpA		100	
CF 6	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF 7	100% Frontera SpA		100	
CF 8	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF 9	100% Frontera SpA		100	
MARI 1	100% Frontera SpA		300	
MARI 6	100% Frontera SpA		300	
MARI 8	100% Frontera SpA		300	
FALLA MAIPO 2 1/10	100% Frontera SpA		99	
FALLA MAIPO 3 1/8	100% Frontera SpA		72	
FALLA MAIPO 4 1/26	100% Frontera SpA		26	

# 12 Tenement Schedule (Cont'd)

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

## El Fuego Project (Cont'd)

Licence ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Exploration and Expenditure Commitment- Payments
CORDILLERA 1/5	Option Cordillera	100% Frontera SpA	20	100% HCH Purchase Option Agreement USD 100,000 already paid US\$200,000 payable by November 14th 2025 US\$3,700,000 payable by November 14th 2027 NSR 1% for underground mining and 1,5% for open-pit mining
QUEBRADA 1/10		100% Frontera SpA	28	
ALBORADA III 1/35		100% Frontera SpA	162	
ALBORADA IV 1/20		100% Frontera SpA	54	
ALBORADA VII 1/25		100% Frontera SpA	95	
CAT IX 1/30		100% Frontera SpA	150	
CATITA IX 1/20		100% Frontera SpA	100	
CATITA XII 1/13		100% Frontera SpA	61	
MINA HERREROS III 1/6		100% Frontera SpA	18	
MINA HERREROS IV 1/10		100% Frontera SpA	23	
HERREROS 1/14		100% Frontera SpA	28	
VETA 1/17		100% Frontera SpA	17	
PORSIACA 1/20		100% Frontera SpA	20	
MARSELLESA 1/5	Option Marsellesa	100% Frontera SpA	50	100% HCH Purchase Option Agreement US\$100,000 paid at signature (already satisfied) US\$100,000 payable by November 14th 2024 (pending a registration issue and subject to company decision to continue the option) US\$150,000 payable by November 14th 2025 US\$1,000,000 by November 14, 2027 NSR 1%
COMETA 1 1/60	Option Cometa	100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA 2 1/60		100% Frontera SpA	300	Option may be exercised, alternatively, within 12, 18 or 30 months of the date of grant at the discretion of the Hot Chili  • If the Option is exercised within 12 months the price is US\$2.500.000: a) US\$100,000 already satisfied and b) US\$ 2.400.000 within 12 months from the date of grant of the Option.  • If the Option is exercised within 18 or 30 months the price is US\$2.700.000 or US\$3.300.000, depending on the date the Option is exercised, as indicated below: a) US\$100,000 already satisfied; b) US\$200,000 within 12 months from the grant of the Option; and c) If the Option is exercised, the consideration payable to Bastion to purchase the Cometa concessions is US\$2,400,000 if the Option is exercised by Hot Chili within 18 months from the date of grant of the Option or US\$3,000,000 if the Option is exercised by Hot Chili within 30 months from the date of grant of the Option. Hot Chili may, subject to applicable regulatory approvals, including the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSXV"), elect to satisfy the purchase consideration in cash (100%), or in cash (50%) and ordinary shares of Hot Chili (50%) issued at a price per share equal to the greater of (i) the 15-day VWAP at the
COMETA 3 1/60		100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA NORTE 1 B 1/40		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA NORTE 2 B 1/40		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA ESTE 1B		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA ESTE 2B		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA ESTE 3B		100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA ESTE 4B		100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA 4B		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA SUR UNO D		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA SUR DOS D		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA 4A		100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA 3D		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA IV D		100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA V D		100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA VI D		100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA NORTE 1 D		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA NORTE 2 D		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA NORTE 3 D		100% Frontera SpA	300	
COMETA NORTE 4 D		100% Frontera SpA	200	
COMETA NORTE 5 D		100% Frontera SpA	100	

COMETA OESTE I D		100% Frontera SpA	200	date of exercise of the Option, and (ii) the minimum price permitted by the TSXV.
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**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

## El Fuego Project (Cont'd)

Licence ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Exploration and Expenditure Commitment- Payments
COMETA OESTE II D		100% Frontera SpA	200	
ANTONIO 1 1/56	Option Domeyko	100% Frontera SpA	280	100% HCH Purchase Option Agreement US\$120,000 (already satisfied) US\$100,000 payable by April 19th 2025 US\$100,000 payable by April 19th 2026 US\$200,000 payable by April 19th 2027 US\$3.480,000 payable by April 19th 2028 NSR 1%
ANTONIO 1/40		100% Frontera SpA	200	
ANTONIO 10 1/21		100% Frontera SpA	63	
ANTONIO 19 1/30		100% Frontera SpA	128	
ANTONIO 21 1/20		100% Frontera SpA	60	
ANTONIO 5 1/40		100% Frontera SpA	200	
ANTONIO 9 1/40		100% Frontera SpA	193	
EMILIO 1 1/8		100% Frontera SpA	38	
EMILIO 3 1/9		100% Frontera SpA	45	
INES 1/40		100% Frontera SpA	200	
LORENA 1/2		100% Frontera SpA	2	
MERCEDITA 1/7		100% Frontera SpA	22	
PRIMO 1 1/6		100% Frontera SpA	36	
SANTIAGUITO 5 1/24		100% Frontera SpA	114	
CAZURRO 1		100% Frontera SpA	200	
CAZURRO 2		100% Frontera SpA	200	
CAZURRO 3		100% Frontera SpA	300	
CAZURRO 4		100% Frontera SpA	300	
CAZURRO 5		100% Frontera SpA	100	
CAZURRO 6		100% Frontera SpA	200	
CAZURRO 7		100% Frontera SpA	200	
CAZURRO 8		100% Frontera SpA	200	
CERRO MOLY 1		100% Frontera SpA	300	
CERRO MOLY 2		100% Frontera SpA	300	
CERRO MOLY 3		100% Frontera SpA	300	
CERRO MOLY 4		100% Frontera SpA	300	
CF SUR 1	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 2	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 3	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 4	100% Frontera SpA		300	

CF SUR 5	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF SUR 6	100% Frontera SpA		300	

# 12 Tenement Schedule (Cont'd)

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

## El Fuego Project (Cont'd)

Licence ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Exploration and Expenditure Commitment- Payments
CF SUR 7	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 8	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 9	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF SUR 10	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF SUR 11	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 12	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 13	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 14	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 15	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF SUR 16	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 17	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 18	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 19	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 20	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 21	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 22	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 23	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF SUR 24	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF SUR 25	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 26	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 27	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 28	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF SUR 29	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 30	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF SUR 31	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 32	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 33	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 34	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF SUR 35	100% Frontera SpA		300	
CF 10	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF 11	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF 12	100% Frontera SpA		100	
CF 13	100% Frontera SpA		200	
CF 14	100% Frontera SpA		300	
DOMINOCEROS 1/20		100% Frontera SpA	100	100% HCH Purchase Option Agreement US\$320,000 (already satisfied) US\$680,000 payable by October 25th 2025 US\$1000,000 payable by October 25th 2026 US\$6.890,000 payable by October 25th 2027

ALCENIA 1/10	100% SMEA SpA		50	
ALGA VI 4	100% SMEA SpA		2	

# 12 Tenement Schedule (Cont'd)

**Table 3: Current Tenement (Patente) Holdings in Chile as at 31 Dec 2024 (Cont'd)**

## El Fuego Project (Cont'd)

Licence ID	HCH % Held	HCH % Earning	Area (ha)	Exploration and Expenditure Commitment- Payments
CRISTINA 1/40	100% SMEA SpA		40	
DIABLITO 1/5	100% SMEA SpA		25	
MINORI 1	100% SMEA SpA		300	
MINORI 2	100% SMEA SpA		300	
MINORI 3	100% SMEA SpA		300	
MINORI 4	100% SMEA SpA		300	

*Note. Frontera SpA is a 100% owned subsidiary company of Hot Chili Limited.*

*Note. SMEA SpA is subsidiary company - 80% owned by Hot Chili Limited, 20% owned by CMP (Compañía Minera del Pacífico).*

# 13 Corporate Directory

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## Directors

**Dr Nicole Adshead-Bell** (Resigned 11 March 2025)

(Independent Non-Executive Chairman)

**Christian Easterday**

(Managing Director)

**Roberto de Andraca Adriasola**

(Non-Executive Director)

**Mark Jamieson**

(Non-Executive Director)

**Stephen Quin** (Resigned 11 March 2025)

(Independent Non-Executive Director)

## Company Secretary

**Carol Marinkovich**

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