

# Third Quarter Report 2019

# Highlights of the third quarter 2019

- On July 3 Element made a drawdown of NOK 5 million under the convertible note facility.
- On July 15 Element ASA announced that the company is evaluating strategic alternatives for the company's investments in AMI, Canada.
- On August 14 the company announced that it had acquired 100% of the shares of PALCapital Ventures Inc. in order to strengthen its position within the digital- and blockchain sector. The consideration for the shares in PALCapital Ventures, was settled by Element against the issuance of 2,650,000 new shares in Element at par value of NOK 1.60.

# Subsequent events

- On October 14 Element completed a private placement of 433 000 shares at a share price of NOK 4.50 pr. share. Gross proceeds from the transaction was NOK 2.1 million/USD 0.2 million.
- On October 25 Element sold all the 396 fund units in the Osead Fund to Manco Group Osead for a total consideration of EUR 1.3 million in cash. The transaction brought approximately USD 1.5 million in available liquidity to the company and a net gain of USD 0.4 million was realized from the sale. After this transaction Element has completely divested its interest In Osead Fund/CMT.

## **Financials**

Operating losses for the quarter amount to USD -0.8 million (-1.3m), where USD -0.25 million (-0.4m) relates to board and employee cost.

Net financial cost for the guarter equals USD -0.25 million (-3.9m) where all the costs are calculated non-cash items.

Net loss after-tax amount to USD -1.0 million for the quarter (USD -5.2). Net loss including discontinued operations (Mindoro) is USD -2,7 million (-5.4m), where USD -1.5 million relates to an impairment made on the Mindoro assets.

Element made a drawdown of NOK 5.0 million under the convertible ABO facility's during Q3 while ABO has converted NOK 11.2 million to 5.05 million ELE shares during the quarter. Element has recognized a convertible debt of total USD 0.3 million in the balance sheet at the end of the quarter to account for the part of the NOK 25 million sub tranche which at the end of Q3 had not yet been converted to shares by ABO.

At end of Q3 2019, cash and cash equivalents, including cash in the Philippines, amounted to USD 0.8. million (USD 2.1 million at Y.E. 2018).

Total assets at the end of the quarter equals USD 15.7 million (19.6m at Y.E. 2018). The activities In Philippines continue to be accounted for as assets held for sale with total asset value reduced by USD 1.5 million to USD 4.2 million at the end of the quarter (5.7 million at Y.E. 2018).

Total equity at the end of quarter is USD 12.3 million (16.5 million) with an equity ratio of 79%.

# Review of project portfolio

### AMBERSHAW METALLICS INC - CANADA (AMI)

AMI is a Canadian metals and mining company which holds rights to an Iron ore deposit In NW Ontario, Canada. AMI is controlled by Legacy Hill Resources (LHR). Element today holds 26,7% of the shares in AMI and has additionally provided a convertible loan to AMI for a total amount of USD 4.85m. The convertible loan combined with a share swap agreement between Element and LHR, can bring Element's stake in AMI to 51% by 31 December 2020.

As announced in the stock exchange notice on July 15 2019, Element is now considering selling or otherwise monetize all or parts of its investment in AMI due to the change of development strategy for the iron resource in Bending Lake.

During Q3 Element has been engaged in advanced neaotiations related to a sale and/or restructuring of the entire Investment In AMI. At the time of this report the company is still engaged in these discussions.

### OSEAD FUND - INDIRECT OWNERSHIP IN CMT

In Q1 2019 Element announced that it considered selling the 396 fund units in Osead Fund. During Q2/Q3 2019 the company has actively been looking for potential buyers for the fund units. On October 25 the company announced that it had reached agreement with Manco Group Osead regarding sale of all 396 fund units which Element owns in the fund.

Element sold the 396 units for EUR 1.3 million (corresponding to a unit price of EUR 3,283 per unit), whereby EUR 1.0 million was settled in cash by Manco Group Osead and EUR 0.3 million was settled by release of funds held in separate restricted account pursuant to the call option agreement, thus in total the transaction brought approximately USD 1.5 million in available liquidity to the company

Element may become entitled to an additional purchase price if Manco sell any units in the fund for a unit price exceeding the Unit Price during the first 12 months after the date of the agreement. If Manco makes such sale within six months, Element shall receive 50% of the consideration exceeding the unit price. If Manco makes such sale after six months, but before 12 months, Element shall receive 30% of the consideration exceeding the unit price.

The company will In the Q4 report realize a net gain of approx. USD 0.4 million related to the sale of the fund units.

### MINDORO NICKEL PROJECT - THE **PHILIPPINES**

Mindoro Nickel is a nickel-laterite deposit, which was discovered by Element in 1996. Since 31 December 2015, Element's primary focus has been to realize the value in the Mindoro Nickel Project through a sale of the asset or a strategic partnership.

The political and regulatory climate continues to adversely affect the Mindoro project and the Company has prepared for legally addressing

the Provincial Moratorium Ordinances and have them declared as unconstitutional by judicial authority.

On 28 August 2019, the Company invoked the Force Majeure clause in the MPSA agreement. This was done for Element to be relieved of some of the obligations under the MPSA, which the company is not able to execute due to the Moratorium and the Cease and Desist Order received in April 2019. The company is of the opinion that invoking the Force Majeure clause would also defer the expiry date of the MPSAs.

Currently there is no ongoing mining related activity by the company on Mindoro other than community engagement activities which are required to continue in order to comply with the MPSA obligations.

The company has taken steps to reduce the cash burn in the Philippines, primarily through staff reductions, while at the same time keeping sufficient resources in the organization to comply with MPSA requirements related to mandatory community engagements. Further to this the company received In Q4 a permit to relocate the 290 tons of sample ore to another location on the Mindoro island In order to reduce the storage cost.

During Q3 the company has had several discussions with companies that could potentially be interested in buying our interest In Mindoro or in other ways cooperate with Element for the development of the mine. However, none of these processes has progressed beyond the initial discussion phase.

### **TOKEN/DIGITAL PROJECT**

On August 14, Element announced the acquisition of 100% of the shares in PALCapital Venture Inc (PCV). PCV is an investment company with early stage investments within the digital and blockchain sectors. More specifically, PCV holds rights to equity and/or rights to tokens (when issued) in 4 different companies within the digital and blockchain industry. The acquisition of PCV was settled with 2.65 million Element shares and the investment has been recorded at cost with a book value of USD 0.5m. in the Q3 balance sheet.

Investors, both funds and individuals, who want to have exposure to the digital economy but want or must be invested in liquid assets, Element is now be able to offer the investors exposure to the digital industry, while at the same time letting the investor stay in a liquid

security, the Element share, which they could trade on a regulated market place, Oslo Børs.

Through buying PALCapital Venture, Element has taken the first step towards creating this opportunity for existing and new shareholders in Element. PCV offers exposure to companies within the digital and blockchain industry, as all assets in PCV represents potential exposure to the very early phase in the portfolio companies lives.

During Q3 Element has been speaking at blockchain conferences in US and Europe and taking one-on-one meetings to raise awareness of Element among investors and potential investment targets within the digital space.

# Corporate activites

### THE ABO FACILITY

At the time of this report the company has drawn NOK 25 million out of the NOK 50 million available under tranche 3. Of the NOK 25 million drawn, ABO has converted NOK 24.9 million to shares, thus NOK 0.1 million remains to be converted to shares by ABO.

Element has initiated discussions with ABO regarding termination of the loan agreement, however at the time of writing this report the parties have not been successful in reaching an agreement.

### **PROSPECTUS**

During Q3 Element has been developing a listing prospectus for the 5,4 million shares that have been issued since July 2019. The prospectus will need to be approved by the Norwegian Financial Authorities before the shares become tradable. Element expect to have the prospect approved no later than January 31, 2020.

## Outlook

Element will continue the restructuring process with a view to exit, in full or in part, from Mindoro and AMI, as well as endeavor to reach an agreement with ABO regarding a termination of the loan agreement.

The company will continue to look for investment opportunities within the distributed ledger/blockchain space, which represents an area of the economy which continues to expand and evolve.

# Responsibility statement

We confirm to the best of our belief that the financial statements for the fourth quarter of 2019, which have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 - Interim Reporting, give a true and fair view of the company's assets, liabilities, financial position and results of operation.

Oslo, 29 November 2019, Board of Directors, Element ASA

Kris Gram Board Member Thomas Christensen Chairman

Kari Mette Toverud **Board Member** 

Geir Johansen CEO

# Interim consolidated statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income

		Third	quarter	Year t	to date	Year end
(USD '000)	Note	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	31/12/2018
Net income/loss from equity acct. investments		-	-82	-	-198	0
Exploration and evaluation costs		-	-	-	-3	-3
Salary and social security cost		-254	-398	-884	-745	-1,228
Other operating expenses		-503	-828	-1,711	-1,900	-2,571
Operating loss		-757	-1,309	-2,595	-2,847	-3,801
Financial income		18	105	8	120	209
Financial costs		-268	-4,035	-3,021	-5,299	-9,084
Equity accounted investments	3	-	-	-	-	-391
Net financial items		-250	-3,930	-3,014	-5,179	-9,266
Loss before tax		-1,007	-5,239	-5,609	-8,026	-13,068
Income Taxes		-	-	-	-	-
Loss after tax		-1,007	-5,239	-5,609	-8,026	-13,068
Loss discontinued operations, after tax	7	-1,700	-162	-2,208	-453	-854
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Loss for the period		-2,708	-5,401	-7,817	-8,479	-13,922
Basic and diluted earnings per share Basic and diluted earnings per share -		-0.16	-0.06	-0.45	-0.11	-0.15
continued operations Basic and diluted earnings per share -		-0.06	-0.05	-0.32	-0.10	-0.14
discontinued operations		-0.10	-0.01	-0.13	-0.01	-0.01
Other comprehensive income:						
Items that will be reclassified to income state	ement					
Currency translation adjustments		-211	282	-125	126	1,351
Other comprehensive income		-211	282	-125	126	1,351
Total comprehensive income		-2,919	-5,119	-7,942	-8,353	-12,570
Total comprehensive income		<del></del>				
attributable to Element shareholders		-2,919	-5,119	-7,942	-8,353	-12,570

# Interim consolidated statement of financial position

		Year to date	Year end
(USD '000) No	ote	30/09/2019	31/12/2018
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ASSETS		7	40
Property, plant and equipment	2	7	10
Equity accounted investments	3	3,080	3,060
Total non-current assets		3,087	3,070
Financial investments	4	6,527	7,252
Other receivables	4	1,174	1,632
Cash and cash equivalents	5	679	1,878
Total current assets		8,380	10,762
Assets classified as held for sale	7	4,189	5,718
Assets classified as held for sale	_	4,189	5,718
TOTAL ASSETS		15,656	19,550
TOTAL ASSETS	_	13,030	13,330
EQUITY			
Share capital		3,134	1,229
Other paid-in-capital		94,363	93,392
Cumulative translation adjustments		11,736	11,861
Other equity		-96,930	-89,975
Total equity		12,304	16,507
LIABILITIES			
Other long term liabilities			
Total long term liabilities		-	-
Trade payables		263	261
Convertible notes	4	264	-
Other current liabilities		636	563
Total current liabilities		1,163	824
Liabilities associated with assets classified as held for sale	7	2,190	2,219
Liabilities associated with assets classified as held for sale		2,190	2,219
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		15,656	19,550

# Interim consolidated statement of cash flow

	Third quarter		Year t	Year end	
(USD '000)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	31/12/2018
Profit/-loss for the year, continued operations	-1,007	-5,240	-5,609	-8,026	-13,068
Profit/-loss for the year, discontinued operations	-1,700	-162	-2,208	-453	-854
Operating activities					
Depreciation	1	-	3	3	-
Non-cash expenses related to warrants and impairr	r 1,596	2,439	3,523	7,017	7,660
Change in trade and other receivables	326	-1,117	458	-2,856	-666
Change in trade payables and other current liabilitie	-183	-1,419	75	1,608	-646
Warrants and impairment	-	-	-	-	-
Change in assets held for sale	71	-102	-101	19	296
Cash flow from operating activities	-897	-5,600	-3,859	-2,687	-7,278
Investment activities					
Net expenditure on property, plant and equipment	_	-12	-	-12	-8
Equity accounted investments	_	_	-	-2.915	-2,915
Investment in other financial assets	_	-3,011	-	-6,708	-6,708
Cash flow from investment activities	-	-3,023	-	-9,635	-9,631
Financing activities					
Proceeds from new shares issued	-315	5,722	-	10,144	15,230
Repurchase of shares	5	-	-77	-	-253
Proceeds from borrowings	1,127	-	2,751	-	
Cash flow from financing activities	817	5,722	2,674	10,144	14,977
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	-80	-2,901	-1,185	-2,178	-1,932
Cash and cash equivalents at the start of the period		3,275	2,127	2,708	2,708
Sum translation effects	-211	282	-125	126	1,351
Cash and cash equivlents at the end of the					
period for cont. and disc. Operations	817	656	817	656	2,127

# Interim consolidated statement of changes in equity

				Cumulative			
		Share	Other paid-	translation	Other	Held for	
(USD '000)	Note	capital	in capital	adjustments	equity	sale	Total
Equity 1 January 2018		643	79,000	10,510	-16,786	-66,927	6,440
Loss for the period					-13,068	-854	-13,922
Other comprehensive inco	me			1,351	-13,000	-034	1,351
Total comprehensive inc				1,351	-13,068	-854	-12,570
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Capital increase		597	14,634		_		15,231
Repurchase of shares		-11	-242		_		-253
Share options cost					6,916		6,916
Converted warrants					744		744
Total transactions with o	owners	586	14,392		7,659		22,637
Equity 31 December 201	8	1,229	93,392	11,861	-22,194	-67,781	16,507
				Cumulative			
		Share	Other paid-	translation	Other	Held for	
(USD '000)		capital	in capital	adjustments	equity	sale	Total
Equity 1 January 2019		1,229	93,392	11,861	-22,194	-67,781	16,507
Loss for the period					-5,609	-2,208	-7,817
Other comprehensive inco	me			-125	,	,	-125
Total comprehensive inc		-	-	-125	-5,609	-2,208	-7,942
Capital increase		1,923	1,030	-	350	-	3,304
Repurchase of shares		-18	-59	-	-	-	-77
Share options cost		-	-	-	182	-	182
Converted warrants		_			330		330
Total transactions with o	owners	1,905	971	-	862	-	3,739
Equity 30 September 20°	19	3,134	94,363	11,736	-26,941	-69,989	12,304

# Notes to the interim consolidated financial statements

# 1 Information about the Group

Element ASA is a public limited liability company incorporated and domiciled in Norway. The Group's office address is Karenslyst Allé 53, 0279 Oslo, Norway. The Group's shares are listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange.

As at the date of this report, the Group's main activity is to identify assets close to or in production for investment.

# 2 Basis for preparation and changes to the Group's accounting policies

This condensed consolidated interim financial information has been prepared in accordance with IAS

'Interim financial reporting'.

The condensed consolidated interim financial information should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017, which have prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the EU.

### **ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES**

The same accounting principles and methods of calculation have been applied as in the Annual Report for 2018. Future effects of new accounting standards were described in the Consolidated Financial Statements for 2018.

### **ESTIMATES**

The preparation of interim financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

In preparing these condensed consolidated interim financial statements, the significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018.

# 3 Investments accounted for using the equity method

	Second quarter		First	Year end	
(USD '000)	6/30/2019	6/30/2018	6/30/2019	6/30/2018	12/31/2018
Opening balance	3,060	3,415	3,060	428	428
Net income/(loss) from equity accounted investments	-	-80	-	-116	-391
Acquisitions and increase in paid in capital	-	-	-	3,023	3,023
Dividend and other distributions	-	-	-	-	-
Other comprehensive income/(loss)	-	7	-	7	-
Divestments, derecognition and decrease in paid in cap	i -	-	-	-	-
Ending balance	3,060	3,343	3,060	3,343	3,060

# 4 Financial assets and liabilities

HOD (1999)			Year to date	Year end		
USD ('000)			30/09/2019	31/12/2018		
Convertible loan notes			5,027	5,034		
Derivatives			-	1,132		
Investments in fund units			1,034	1,086		
Shares in PALcapital Ventures Inc			467			
Cash and cash equivalents			679	1,878		
Total financial assets			7,207	9,130		
Convertible notes			-264	-		
Trade payables			-263	-261		
Total financial liabilities			-527	-261		
FAIR VALUES						
		quarter		end		
USD ('000)	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value		
Convertible loan notes	5,027	5,027	5,034	5,034		
Derivatives	-	-	1,132	1,132		
Investments in fund units	1,034	1,034	1,086	1,086		
Shares in PALcapital Ventures Inc	467	467	-	4 070		
Cash and cash equivalents Total financial assets	7,207	7, <b>207</b>	1,878 <b>9,130</b>	1,878		
Total Illiancial assets		1,201	9,130	9,130		
Convertible notes	-264	-264	-	-		
Trade payables	-263	-263	-261	-261		
Total financial liabilities	-527	-527	-261	-261		
FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY						
	Fa	Fair value measurement using  Quoted Significa				
		prices in	Significant	Significant un-		
		active	observable	observable		
	Date of	markets	inputs	inputs		
USD ('000)	valuation	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)		
Assets measured at fair value	20/00/2010			F 007		
Convertible loan notes	30/09/2019	-	-	5,027		
Derivatives Investments in fund units	30/09/2019	-	1 024	-		
Shares in PALcapital Ventures Inc	30/09/2019 30/09/2019	-	1,034	467		
Ghares III FALCapital Ventures Inc	30/03/2013	-	-	407		
	Fa	ir value mea	surement usi			
		Quoted		Significant		
		prices in	Significant	un-		
	Date of	active	observable	observable		
USD ('000)	Date of valuation	markets	inputs	inputs		
<u>USD ('000)</u>	<u>valuation</u>	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)		
Assets measured at fair value						
Convertible loan notes	31/12/2018	-	-	5,034		
Derivatives	31/12/2018	-	1,132	5,034		
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# 5 Cash and cash equivalents

	Year to date	Year end
(USD '000)	30/09/2019	31/12/2018
Cash and bank deposits	534	1,494
Restricted bank deposits	145	384
Total cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position	679	1,878
Cash and cash equivalents related to discontinued operations	138	250
Cash and cash equivalents in the statements of cash flow	817	2,128

# 6 Related party disclosures

Name	Position	Shares	Options	CFDs
Thomas Christensen	Chairman of the board	400,000	100,000	
Kari Mette Toverud	Member of the board	28,412	43,000	
Kris Gram James Haft	Member of the board Consultant		25,000 50,000	
Geir Johansen	CEO		50,000	
Hans Ola Haavelsrud	COO		50,000	
Total		428,412	318,000	

# 7 Discontinued operations

	Third	Third quarter		Year to date	
(USD '000)	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	30/09/2019	30/09/2018	31/12/2018
Other Revenue		_		_	
Exploration and evaluation costs	-3	- -41	- -86	-84	-20
Salary and social security cost	-90	-78	-267	-238	-340
Other Operating expenses	-1,608	-39	-1,855	-131	-325
Operating loss	-1,700	-158	-2,207	-453	-686
oporating roos	1,100	.00	2,201	.00	333
Financial income	-	-4	-	-	
Financial costs	-	-	-	-	-
Net financial items	-	-4	-	-	-
Loss before tax	-1,700	-162	-2,207	-453	-686
Deferred tax expense	_			_	-168
Loss after tax	-1,700	-162	-2,207	-453	-854
LOSS diter tax	-1,700	-102	-2,201		-03-
Loss for the period	-1,700	-162	-2,207	-453	-854
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(1100 1000)				Year to date	Year end
(USD '000)				30/09/2019	31/12/2018
ASSETS					
Exploration and evaluation assets				3,919	5,328
Property, pland and equipment				4	5
Total non-current assets				3,923	5,333
Other receivables				43	52
Other financial assets				85	83
Cash and cash equivalents  Total current assets				138 <b>266</b>	250 385
Total current assets				200	303
TOTAL ASSETS				4,189	5,718
LIABILITIES					
Deferred tax				198	195
Other long term liabilities				0	0
Total long term liabilities				198	195
Trade payables				163	182
Other current liabilities				1,829	1,842
Total current liabilities				1,992	2,024
TOTAL LIABILITIES				2,190	2,219

# Reporting calendar

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