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To the shareholders of EAST SULLIVAN MINES LIMITED

Your directors are submitting the consolidated financial statements of your company for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1980.

The net profits of your divisions and subsidiaries amount to \$570,011 compared to \$377,499 the previous year (\$0.21 per share effectively in circulation versus \$0.14 reported last year). This increase is mainly due to higher investment revenues and to the continuing sales of equipment, machinery and buildings during the year.

You will also note that the working capital of your company is now standing at \$12,253,940 compared to \$10,631,652 last year.

Brunswick Tin Mines Limited (subsidiary)

A Joint Venture, called "Mount Pleasant Joint Venture", has been formed to put into production the important tungsten-molybdenum deposit, discovered and developed by your subsidiary, Brunswick Tin Mines Limited, which is held 89% by Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. and 11% by Mount Pleasant Mines Limited.

Billiton Canada Ltd. and Brunswick Tin Mines Limited have each a half interest in the Joint Venture.

By previous agreements, Billiton Canada Ltd. has assumed the obligation to provide the required financing to put the mine into production. Consequently, Billiton is managing the construction phase of the mine-mill project and will also assume control of the mining operations.

Site clearing and levelling for surface foundations got underway in May and the service buildings are almost completed. Underground development is actively being pursued: the existing decline is being enlarged and a new service decline is being driven. The construction of residences at St. George to house the key personnel has been completed.

Billiton expects to have the project operational in the second quarter of 1982. Therefore, your company, through Brunswick, should hope to

receive the first royalty payment in the year 1982-83.

Sullico Resources Ltd. (subsidiary)

All the buildings, machinery and equipment remaining at the Nigadoo property were sold during the year.

This company holds a mining licence and a block of claims located in Charlotte Township, in the Province of New Brunswick, adjoining the property of Brunswick Tin Mines. A diamond drilling programme will be executed on these claims during the year.

Outside Exploration

Your company has resumed its exploration activities with the main objective to acquire mining properties and claims having gold potential.

During the year, ten gold prospects in North-western Quebec were examined by our consulting engineer. Five of the properties warranted further technical and economical evaluation studies and, so far, two of them have been taken under option, on which geophysical and diamond drilling programmes are presently being carried out.

Courvan Mining Company Limited (subsidiary)

An exploration programme, carried out in the southern sector of the property, close to a peridotite plug, has now been completed.

Ten holes, totalling 6545 feet, have been drilled, along a length of 875 feet, from surface to the 500 foot-horizon. Previously this part of the property had been explored by 42,000 feet of diamond drilling, over the same length of 875 feet, from surface to the 1000 foot-horizon. In these former programmes, many intersections had given encouraging gold values.

It was difficult to establish continuous gold bearing structures from these intersections and because of this, it was assumed that there

was a system of veins with various strikes and dips. The diamond drilling programme was executed to verify this and the results obtained confirmed that there really is a network of non-parallel veins.

However, geological reserves, along a length of 875 feet, from surface to the 500 foot-horizon, have been estimated at 110,900 tons, giving an average grade of 0.15 oz of gold per ton across an average true width of 7.3 feet.

Fedpen Ltée (subsidiary)

Fedpen granted to Noranda Exploration Company, Limited, (Norex) an exclusive option for a term of five years commencing on November 1, 1979 on all its Mining Concessions and Claims located in the region of Gaspé, Province of Quebec.

The property may be transferred to a joint venture to be formed if Norex maintains the option in good standing by spending a total amount of \$750,000 in exploration programmes during the term of the option.

Geological, geochemical and geophysical surveys were carried out and two diamond drill holes were executed during the summer.

Norex has advised that exploration will continue next spring.

Clinton Copper Mines Ltd. (affiliated)

This property, jointly controlled with Dome Mines Limited, was re-examined during the year and a geophysical survey was done. The preliminary report does not recommend any other work for the present and the final report should be presented in the near future.

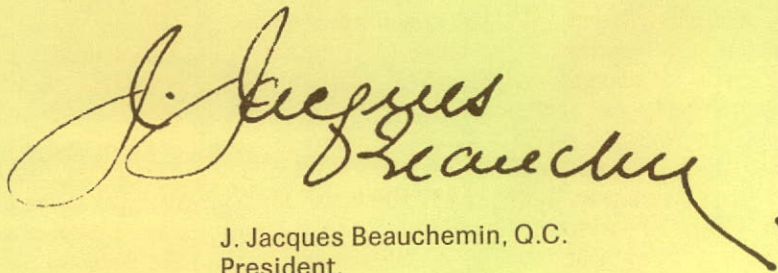
Quebec Lithium (division)

Your company follows attentively all developments in the demands for lithium products and since the completion of the lithium market survey a year ago, the markets have not improved enough to presently consider the resumption of the lithium operations. Nevertheless, the Quebec Lithium mine is kept on standby and remains an important asset for the future.

Conclusion

The fact, that the property of Brunswick Tin Mines Limited is being put into production, represents a very important stage in the affairs of your company. Consequently, within a few years, revenues from mining operations will reappear in the annual earnings.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,



J. Jacques Beauchemin, O.C.
President.

Montreal, October 24, 1980.

EAST SULLIVAN MINES LIMITED

(No Personal Liability)

(Incorporated under the Québec Companies Act)

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

August 31, 1980

ASSETS

	1980	1979
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and term deposits	\$11 339 911	\$ 9 594 222
Accounts receivable	38 306	150 457
Marketable securities (note 2)	925 359	666 783
Notes receivable	2 500	159 000
Inventories valued at amount of realization	84 939	177 142
Prepaid expenses	12 833	24 401
	<u>12 403 848</u>	<u>10 772 005</u>
INVESTMENTS (note 3)	59 499	72 904
FIXED ASSETS (notes 4 and 12)	<u>914 697</u>	<u>1 141 174</u>
MINING ASSETS (notes 5 and 12)	<u>9 707 082</u>	<u>9 639 640</u>
	<u>\$23 085 126</u>	<u>\$21 625 723</u>

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 149 908	\$ 140 353
MINORITY INTEREST	<u>14 685 921</u>	<u>13 841 889</u>

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Capital stock (note 6)		
Authorized - 4 675 000 shares without par value		
Issued and paid - 4 675 000 shares	4 250 000	4 250 000
Contributed surplus	700 503	700 503
Retained earnings	<u>4 818 532</u>	<u>4 212 716</u>
	9 769 035	9 163 219
Shares of East Sullivan Mines Limited held by subsidiaries	<u>(1 519 738)</u>	<u>(1 519 738)</u>
	<u>8 249 297</u>	<u>7 643 481</u>
	<u>\$23 085 126</u>	<u>\$21 625 723</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

J. JACQUES BEAUCHEMIN

LUCIEN C. BÉLIVEAU

Directors

CONSOLIDATED EARNINGS

Year ended August 31, 1980

	1980	1979
REVENUES		
Interest and dividends	\$ 1 455 909	\$ 897 939
Gain on sales of fixed assets	506 215	898 318
Gain on sales of marketable securities	—	82 073
Gain on sales of supplies	27 644	—
Other revenue	3 300	5 036
	<u>1 993 068</u>	<u>1 883 366</u>
EXPENSES		
Administrative and general expenses	457 653	476 731
Depreciation of fixed assets	6 031	46 893
Outside exploration	232 419	24 130
Net expenses of closed and non-operating mines	185 055	228 035
Reduction in value of mining and milling supplies	—	236 190
	<u>881 158</u>	<u>1 011 979</u>
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES, MINORITY INTEREST AND EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS	1 111 910	871 387
Current income taxes	<u>545 000</u>	<u>357 000</u>
EARNINGS BEFORE MINORITY INTEREST AND EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS	566 910	514 387
Minority interest	<u>303 737</u>	<u>290 694</u>
EARNINGS BEFORE EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS	263 173	223 693
EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS (note 7)	<u>306 838</u>	<u>153 806</u>
NET EARNINGS	<u>\$ 570 011</u>	<u>\$ 377 499</u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE (note 6)		
Earnings before extraordinary items	\$.09	\$.08
Net earnings	<u>\$.21</u>	<u>\$.14</u>

CONSOLIDATED RETAINED EARNINGS

Year ended August 31, 1980

	1980	1979
BALANCE AT BEGINNING		
As previously reported	\$ 4 212 716	\$ 3 863 243
Prior years' adjustment	—	28 026
As restated	4 212 716	3 835 217
NET EARNINGS	570 011	377 499
Sales of shares of subsidiary	<u>35 805</u>	<u>—</u>
BALANCE AT END	<u>\$ 4 818 532</u>	<u>\$ 4 212 716</u>

CONSOLIDATED CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION

Year ended August 31, 1980

	1980	1979
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
Earnings before extraordinary items	\$ 263 173	\$ —
Items requiring no outlay of funds		
Minority interest	303 737	—
Depreciation of fixed assets	6 031	—
Gain on sales of fixed assets	(506 215)	—
Funds from operations	66 726	—
Reduction of income taxes on application of prior years' loss	545 000	357 000
Sales of fixed assets	745 750	1 409 713
Reimbursements of advances	—	405
Reimbursements on mortgages	13 405	3 351
Sales of shares	337 936	4 203
	<u>1 708 817</u>	<u>1 774 672</u>
APPLICATION OF FUNDS		
Earnings before extraordinary items	—	(223 693)
Items requiring no outlay of funds		
Minority interest	—	(290 694)
Depreciation of fixed assets	—	(46 893)
Gain on sales of fixed assets	—	898 318
Funds applied to operations	—	337 038
Pre-milling and deferred mine development expenditures	67 442	83 148
Leasehold improvements	—	3 901
Additions to fixed assets	19 087	—
	<u>86 529</u>	<u>424 087</u>
INCREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL	1 622 288	1 350 585
Working capital at beginning	<u>10 631 652</u>	<u>9 281 067</u>
Working capital at end	<u>\$12 253 940</u>	<u>\$10 631 652</u>

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

August 31, 1980

1 – Significant Accounting Policies

The subsidiaries terminated mining operations during 1977 and are now in the process of disposing their fixed assets of the division Cupra-D'Estrle; the disposition of the assets of the Nigadoo Mine is completed.

a) Basis of consolidation

The accompanying financial statements include, on a consolidated basis the accounts of East Sullivan Mines Limited (No Personal Liability) and all of its subsidiaries including those that are at the exploration stage. These financial statements are presented with the exclusion of Brunswick Tin Mines Limited share of the assets and liabilities of the Joint Venture (Mount Pleasant Project) since it does not participate in the joint control.

Certain subsidiary companies own shares in the Company. The carrying value of such shares has been deducted from the Company's shareholders equity. Similarly the Company's earnings per share has been calculated based on the number of its shares outstanding after reduction for such intercompany holdings.

b) Valuation of inventories

Mining and milling supplies are valued at amount of realization.

c) Valuation of investments

Investments are carried at cost.

d) Valuation of fixed assets

- (i) Land is valued at cost.
- (ii) Buildings, machinery and equipment of closed and non operating mines are valued at the amount that the Company and its subsidiaries anticipate will be recoverable.
- (iii) Proceeds arising from sales of fixed assets of closed mines amounting to \$745 750 were used to reduce realizable value as at August 31, 1979. The excess of these proceeds over the realizable value at August 31, 1979 amounts to \$506 215 and was credited to income.
- (iv) Fixed assets of Québec Lithium, a non operating division of a subsidiary are carried at the estimated amount of realization.

e) Mining assets, deferred expenditures

- (i) The company regrouped under mining assets, which were turned over to the Joint Venture (Mount Pleasant Project) by Brunswick Tin Mines Limited, the cost of buildings and equipment and its own expenditures of the preproduction period including capitalized cost of mining leases and surface rights. The Joint Venture will develop the mine with a view to operate it.
- (ii) The mining properties, claims and concessions are valued at cost for the Québec Lithium division and at nominal value for the others. The company does not have any mine in operation.

f) Depreciation

- (i) Fixed assets used for the office are depreciated on the basis of straight-line method. The following rates have been used for the current year:
 - Office equipment 10%
 - Automotive equipment 15%
- (ii) Depreciation is not calculated on fixed assets of closed and non operating mines.
- (iii) The possibility of recovering the cost of the mining assets transferred to the Joint Venture will only be known once the orebody is brought into commercial production, at which time the amortization policy will be enunciated by Management.

2 – Marketable Securities, at cost

	1980	1979
Bonds		
(market value 1980 – \$107 288; 1979 – \$124 156)	\$ 132 952	\$ 132 952
Shares		
(market value 1980 – \$690 933; 1979 – \$462 783)	792 407	533 831
	<u>\$ 925 359</u>	<u>\$ 666 783</u>

3 – Investments, at cost	1980	1979
Shares (market value 1980 – \$36 033; 1979 – \$23 000)	\$ 23 000	\$ 23 000
Advances to a company	20 000	20 000
Mortgages receivable from employees and a director	16 499	29 904
	<u>\$ 59 499</u>	<u>\$ 72 904</u>

4 – Fixed Assets	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Undepreciated cost 1980	1979
Land	\$ 111 175	\$ —	\$ 111 175	\$ 111 175
Buildings, machinery and equipment ...	73 949	50 632	23 317	208 893
	<u>\$ 185 124</u>	<u>\$ 50 632</u>	<u>134 492</u>	<u>320 068</u>
Buildings and equipment at estimated realizable value			780 205	821 106
			<u>\$ 914 697</u>	<u>\$ 1 141 174</u>

5 – Mining Assets, Deferred Expenditures	1980	1979
Mount Pleasant Project, at cost	\$ 9 552 074	\$ 9 484 632
Mining properties, claims and concessions at cost and at nominal value	155 008	155 008
	<u>\$ 9 707 082</u>	<u>\$ 9 639 640</u>

6 – Capital Stock

At the Annual and Special general meeting held on December 14, 1979, the shareholders unanimously ratified By-Law 65, which provided for the reclassification and reduction of all Class A and Class B shares into 4 675 000 common shares without par value. On January 4, 1980, Supplementary Letters Patent ratifying this By-Law, were issued by le Ministre des Consommateurs, Coopératives et Institutions financières.

The issued capital stock of the Company is summarized below:

	1980 (number of shares)	1979 (number of shares)
Common shares without par value	4 675 000	—
Class A without par value	—	4 590 538
Class B without par value	—	84 462
	<u>4 675 000</u>	<u>4 675 000</u>
Less: The Company's interest in its shares held by subsidiaries	1 940 471	1 940 471
	<u>2 734 529</u>	<u>2 734 529</u>

7 – Extraordinary Items	1980	1979
Gain on sales of shares less income taxes of \$47 000	\$ 133 013	\$ 3 614
Reduction of income taxes on application of prior years' loss	592 000	357 000
	725 013	360 614
Minority interest	418 175	206 808
	<u>\$ 306 838</u>	<u>\$ 153 806</u>

8 – Losses Carried Forward for Income Tax Purposes

The potential tax benefit resulting from the carry over of losses is not accounted for in the financial statements. These losses which may be applied in future years to reduce taxable income and accordingly to decrease income taxes, amount to \$28 595 000 and are applicable as follows:

Amount of losses for income tax purposes to be applied not later than:

1981	\$ 1 047 000	
1983	247 000	
1985	1 000	\$ 1 295 000

Amount of timing differences to be deferred over an undetermined period

Undepreciated capital cost	4 800 000	
Preproduction expenses	22 500 000	27 300 000
		<u>\$28 595 000</u>

9 – Commitments

By virtue of an operating lease expiring on April 30, 1982, the subsidiary Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. has agreed to pay an aggregate amount of \$30 604 during the period ending on this date. An aggregate amount of \$18 363 is required in the next year and an aggregate amount of \$12 241 for the last eight months of the lease.

10 – Contingency

(i) Legal proceedings have been instituted against Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. whereby the plaintiffs are claiming 4/5 of the 340 000 escrowed shares of Sullipek Mines Inc. to be issued and allotted to Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. and alternatively failing delivery of the claimed shares, the plaintiffs have claimed the sum of \$1 000 000 of damages against Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. This litigation has arisen from an option granted by Sullivan to Terra Nova Explorations Ltd. on certain claims situated in the Gaspé area of the Province of Québec. These proceedings have been contested and in the opinion of the Company's counsel they are ill-founded in facts and in law.

(ii) Legal proceedings have been instituted against a subsidiary, Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. and its Agent by the Owners of a vessel for an accident which occurred during the shipment of concentrates. This claim is being contested by the subsidiary.

The amount of the possible liability cannot be determined at this time because the subsidiary and its Agent have exercised a recourse seeking indemnity from a third party.

However, the subsidiary has issued a guarantee in amount of \$200 000 U.S. as security for the payment of any judgement that might be rendered in favour of the Owners of the vessel.

A sum of \$98 000 has been provided for in the books in previous years. Should any judgement be rendered against the subsidiary and if the amount exceeds the sum provided for in the books, the excess will be accounted for as an adjustment of prior years.

(iii) On October 15, 1976, an action for \$162 585 in damages and interests was instituted against Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. The damages appear to be the result of an accident which occurred on October 19, 1975.

The insurers of Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. who cover the Company in regard to third party liability have instructed their counselors to defend the action in the name of Sullivan Mining Group Ltd. and Québec Lithium; on the date of the balance sheet the case is pending.

11 – Remuneration of Directors and Officers

The aggregate remuneration received by directors and officers of the Company and its subsidiaries amounts to \$223 595 for the year (\$242 950 in 1979). The directors of the Company and the subsidiaries have received \$20 200 (1979, nil) for their services as directors during the year.

12 – Additional Information

a) *Brunswick Tin Mines Limited*

The subsidiary entered in a Joint Venture to develop and to bring the Mount Pleasant Project to the operating stage.

By virtue of the terms of the Joint Venture Agreement the subsidiary has transferred all its rights, titles and interest in and to the property to be held by Billiton Canada Ltd. for the joint account of Brunswick and Billiton Canada Ltd. in accordance with their respective interests therein.

By arranging the financing needed to bring the property into production, Billiton acquired an undivided 50% interest in the property, Brunswick retained 50%.

The Loan agreement, the Sales agreement, the Assignment of sales proceeds, the Operating agreement and the Lien agreement were also signed which provide essentially for the following:

- (i) With the exception of the leasing arrangements, 50% of the expenses incurred for the Joint Venture up to the date of commercial production will be considered to be advanced as loans by Billiton to Brunswick and these loans will bear interest at a rate equal to one (1) percentage point above the prime rate of a designated bank, from time to time.

Repayment of these loans, by the company to Billiton, together with interest thereon shall be made out of the net cash flow to Brunswick from the property.

- (ii) Brunswick's portion of the concentrates produced will be purchased by Billiton Metals for a period of eight years and thereafter Billiton Metals will have a right of first refusal.
- (iii) Billiton Canada Ltd. became the sole Operator of the project and will provide exclusively all administrative and technical services.
- (iv) An assignment of sales proceeds and a first lien on all present and future assets of Brunswick in favour of Billiton.
- (v) Brunswick shall be entitled to receive, from the date of commencement of commercial production and under certain conditions, a royalty of \$2 canadian per ton of ore treated, up to a maximum of \$1 000 000 per year, while the required financing with interest is being fully retired.

Billiton will be entitled to receive a financing fee of a maximum of one million dollars per year for a five year period under the same conditions as the royalty payment to Brunswick.

Should in any one year the net cash flow be inadequate to meet both the financing fee and the royalty payable to the company then the financing fee and the royalty payment will rank *pari passu* and be proportionately paid to the two companies. If this situation should arise the maximum of five million dollars to be paid as financing fee would be paid over a period longer than five years.

- (vi) The cash flow shall be shared equally between Billiton and Brunswick once the required financing is fully retired.

As at balance sheet date information supplied by Billiton indicates that expenses incurred for the account of the Joint Venture and considered as being advanced as loans to Brunswick amount to \$3 398 000 and the amount of accrued interest is \$58 400.

b) *Fedpen Ltée*

The subsidiary granted to Noranda Exploration Company, Limited (No Personal Liability), (Norex) an exclusive option for a term of five (5) years commencing on November 1, 1979 on all its Mining Concessions and Claims located in Lemieux Township, County of Gaspé, Province of Québec. Norex may spend an amount of \$750 000 during this period.

c) *Comparative statements*

Certain of the preceding year figures have been reclassified to conform with the current year financial statements presentation.

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the shareholders of
East Sullivan Mines Limited
(No Personal Liability)

We have examined the consolidated balance sheet of East Sullivan Mines Limited (No Personal Liability) as at August 31, 1980 and the consolidated statements of earnings and changes in financial position for the year then ended and we have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, according to the best of our information and explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the company, these consolidated financial statements present fairly the financial position of the company as at August 31, 1980 and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

MAHEU, NOISEUX, ROY & ASSOCIÉS
Chartered Accountants

Montreal, October 9, 1980

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