



# **Emerging Senior Silver Producer**

**Corporate Presentation - November 2013** 



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## **Aurcana Highlights**

High-Quality Assets in Favourable Mining Jurisdictions

Emerging Senior Silver Producer with Leading Growth Profile

Significant Production Upside Potential from Organic Growth

Strong Cash Flow Generation Potential

Attractive Relative Valuation and Re-Rating Potential

Experienced Management Team with Track Record of Value Creation









### High-Quality Assets in Favourable Mining Jurisdictions

#### Shafter - Pure Ag Mine

- 100% ownership
- Operations started Dec 14, 2012 followed by technical improvements and ramp up into 2014
- Targeting a running rate of 1,500 tpd during 2014

#### La Negra - Ag-Cu-Zn-Pb Mine

- 99.9% ownership
- 2012 annual production of 2.5 million oz silver equivalent
- 6 Months 2013 production of 1.4 million oz silver equivalent
- Q2 2013, Total Cash Cost per silver net of by-products \$7.79



Current and past producing silver mines and deposits





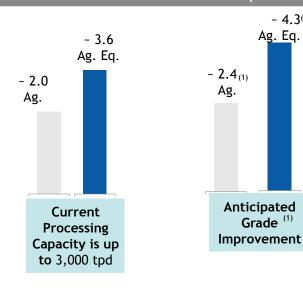
#### Significant Production Upside Potential

#### **Identified Growth Opportunities**

- Ramp up production to sustain current maximum capacity of 3,000 tpd.
- Mill Head Grade **Improvements**

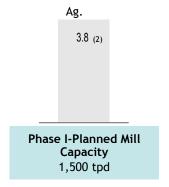
### 12 Months Production Potential (mm oz )

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**Resource Conversion and** Possible Expansion from new targets



Identified growth opportunities support potential for combined annual production of up to 7~8mm oz. Ag equivalent per year

Assumes average mill head grade of 100g/t

La Negra

Shafter

Based on the data from the Feasibility Study

 $<sup>^</sup>st$  All estimates for La Negra and Shafter are for the Maximal Potential Production and not for the Actual  $\,$  Production  $\,5$ 





## **Strong Growth and Cash Flow Generation**

Market Snapshot <sup>(1)</sup>						
Share Price - Oct 28, 2013	(C\$)	\$2.21				
Basic Shares Outstanding (1)	(mm)	58.4				
Options Outstanding (1)	(mm)	3.6				
Warrants Outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>	(mm)	10.1				
Market Cap <sup>(1)</sup>	(C\$mm)	\$130				

6 Months Financial Results as of Q2 2013						
Silver Equiv. Production	( Oz.)	1.41 M				
Revenue	(US\$)	\$24.1 M				
Earning from Mining Op.	(US\$)	\$7.3 M				
Total Cash Cost per silver oz net of by- products	(US\$)	\$8.71				

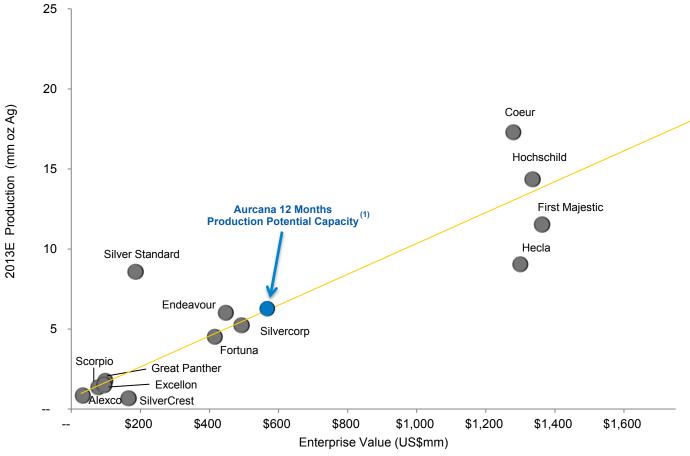
Top Shareholder Summary							
Top Shareholders	%	Holdings					
Wellington Management	(%)	10%					
Sprott Asset Management	(%)	7%					
Van Eck Associates	(%)	6%					
Insiders	(%)	5%					
Global X Management	(%)	2%					
GR Asset Management	(%)	2%					
Total		32%					

Source: FactSet, Public Disclosure, SEDI (1) As of Sep 30, 2013

#### Historic Financial Performance (C\$mm) \$57 \$60 ■ EBITDA (Mil) Revenue (Mil) \$50 \$40 \$30 \$30 \$23 \$16 \$20 \$7 \$10 \$1 \$-2009 A 2012 A 2010 A 2011 A



## **Attractive Relative Valuation and Re-Rating Potential**



Source: Bloomberg, BMO CM Equity Research Models, Equity Research, Public Disclosure (1) Based on identified growth opportunities outlined on page 5





#### **Experienced Management Team with Track Record of Value Creation**

#### Management

#### **Board Of Directors**

Lenic Rodriguez President, CEO & Director

CFO

- Broad experience as an entrepreneur and financier being instrumental in raising hundreds of millions of dollars for private and public companies in Mexico, Canada and US.
- Honors Business Graduate and Master of Science Graduate from Ibero Americana University
- Among the top 100 executives in Mexico at just 30 years of age.

Andrew F. Kaczmarek Chief Operating Officer & Director

- Over 40 years of experience in operations, construction, project development and management, with developing and producing companies.
- Former roles with Alacer Gold, Kinross Gold, Phelps Dodge, Gold Fields.

Salvador Huerta

- Over 25 years experience as a CFO for international companies
- · Extensive knowledge in business, finance and mergers & acquisitions

**Bob Tweedy** Chairman

- Chairman of Useppa Holdings and STT Enviro Corporation
- Director Dundee REIT

Lenic Rodriguez

President & CEO

Andrew F. Kaczmarek

• Chief Operating Officer (COO)

Adrian Aguirre

 Vice Chairman of Maxcom **Telecomunicaciones** 

#### Historical Share Price Performance





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La Negra-Mexico



#### La Negra - 99.9% owned Primary Silver Mine

- Located 180 km north of Mexico City in a historic mining jurisdiction with power, housing and water infrastructure in place and in good order
- Permits and agreements are in place with a high level of local community support. Awarded the 2013 Environmental and Socially Responsible Company (ESR) Award by the Mexican Center for Philanthropy (CEMEFI) for the La Negra Mine.
- Successful restart by Aurcana in 2007 at 1,000 tpd processing capacity followed by continuous increases of up to 3,000 tpd processing capacity in Q2 2013.
- Latest mill capacity expansion to 3,000 tpd. has been completed on time and on budget on March 28, 2013 and the mine is working to ramp up production up to the new capacity during 2013 and into 2014.
- 2012 annual Ag production of 2.5 million ozs silver equivalent at low cash costs net of by-products
- 2013 first half year production 1.4 million ozs silver equivalent at low cash costs net of by-products
- Production and exploration upside potential remain









### La Negra -NI 43-101 Compliant Resource Report

- October 10, 2012 Aurcana published NI 43-101 Compliant Resource Report at La Negra with 50mm Ag oz Measured, 65 mm Ag oz Indicated to a total of 115mm M&I Ag oz and 56mm Inferred Ag oz (Includes significant base metal credits (Pb, Zn and Cu)
- Resource upside remains
  - Deposit remains open in multiple directions
  - Large system of underground levels and workings provides access to carry out additional exploration on surface identified targets

MEASURED AND INDICATED RESOURCES FOR ALL DEPOSITS AND ALL BLOCKS WITH A MINIMUM RECOVERED VALUE OF US\$40 PER TONNE									
Classification Tonnes Average					In Situ Metal Quantities (000)				
Classification	(000)	Silver (g/t)	Copper (%)	Lead (%)	Zinc (%)	Silver (oz)	Copper (lb)	Lead (lb)	Zinc (lb)
Measured	11,862	133.42	0.50	0.90	2.60	50,070	130,834	228,825	673,603
Indicated	15,159	130.12	0.41	0.92	2.19	65,026	138,695	310,673	745,060
Measured plus Indicated	27,021	131.31	0.49	0.91	2.36	115,096	269,529	539,498	1,418,664

INFERRED RESOURCES ALL BLOCKS WITH A MINIMUM RECOVERED VALUE OF US\$40 PER TONNE									
Classification		Average			In Situ Metal Quantities (000)				
Classification	(000)	Silver (g/t)	Copper (%)	Lead (%)	Zinc (%)	Silver (oz)	Copper (lb)	Lead (lb)	Zinc (lb)
Totals	13,278	126.05	0.42	0.88	2.14	56,501	132,260	263,033	657,370

See "Technical Report on the La negra Mine Project, Queretaro, Mexico" dated Oct 4, 2012 as amended May 31, 2013" available at: <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a> for complete details



#### La Negra - History

- District was discovered during the colonial period and mined by the Spanish and Belgians through the 1800's
- The La Negra mine was brought into commercial production by Industriales Peñoles in 1970 and put into care and maintenance in 2000
- During that period 6.6mm tonnes of ore were processed yielding; 36mm oz Ag, 323mm lbs. Zn, 70mm lbs. Cu and 161mm lbs. Pb
- La Negra Mill went through 3
   consecutive processing capacity
   expansions from 1,000 tpd (2007) to
   1,500tpd (Jun 2010) to 2,500 tpd (Apr
   2012) and currently to 3,000 tpd
   processing capacity (Mar 2013).







### <u>La Negra - Operations</u>



- Multiple mining faces enables targeting higher grade ore
- Low cost long hole open stope mining and room and pillar mining methods





- \$30.84 cost/milled tonne (1)
- Total Cash Cost for Silver Equiv.: \$7.79/oz. (1)(2)





 Q2 2013 average mill head grades of Silver ~59 g/t, Copper ~0.4%, Zinc ~1.2% and Lead 0.31%



3,000 tpd. Mill Capacity Expansion Completed March 28, 2013

- (1) Based on Q2 2013 financials, costs are before general and administrative costs
- (2) Silver cash costs net of by-products

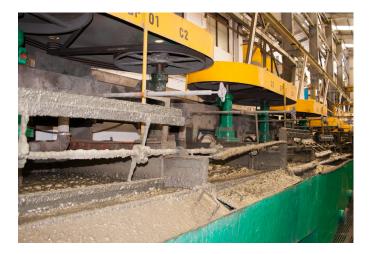


### La Negra -Objectives

Planning is now focused on increasing silver grades by developing and mining higher grade mineralized zones as well as improving efficiencies throughout our operation with a goal to achieve a long term sustainable mill processing rate of approximately 3,000tpd during Q1 2014.

A US\$4 million Raise Boring Machine has been ordered and is expected to be commissioned early 2014.



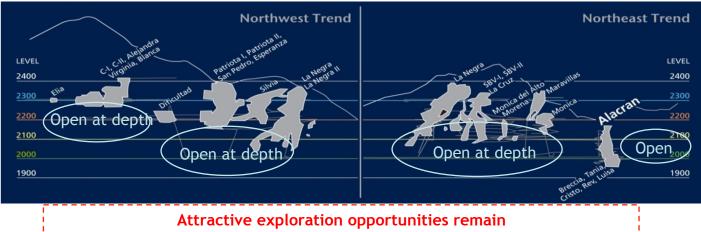






### La Negra - Significant Exploration Upside Potential

- Drifting and drilling have been employed to expand tonnage to the current volume
- A new mineral reserve estimate has been commissioned for La Negra and is expected in early 2014
- Surface exploration has added potential targets that can be explored cheaply from underground
- Additional concessions were staked by Aurcana along the regional trend which will be explored for similar targets
- Regional structural controls (NW and NE) and intrusive/dike contacts are the main controls for ore bodies
- Intersections of these structures are good targets for underground exploration
- Large system of underground levels and workings provides access to carry out additional exploration to test these targets
- Complexity (i.e., multiple pulses of intrusion/mineralization) have been observed





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**Shafter-Texas** 





#### Shafter - 100% Owned Pure Silver Mine

- Located 375km southeast of El Paso, Texas in a historic mining region
  - Extension of the ore body from the historic Presidio Mine
- Commenced test mining in April 2012
- Operations started Dec 14, 2012 and ramp up to phase I, 1500tpd capacity during 2014.
- Expected 12 months production of over 3mm oz. as soon as mill is running continuously at 1,500 tpd for 12 months
  - Could become one of the largest pure silver mines in the US <sup>(1)</sup>
- Significant production and exploration upside potential remain





NI 43-101 Compliant Mineral Resource Estimate						
Resources	Tons	Ag. Oz/Ton	Contained Silver Ounces			
Measured	855,000	8.7	7,480,210			
Indicated	1,940,000	8.5	16,517,640			
Measured and Indicated 2,795,000 8.5 23,997,850						
Inferred 2,167,000 10.5 22,796,840						
The resource assumes a (4.0 opt) silver cut-off						

Reserves	Tons	Ag. Oz/Ton	<b>Contained Silver Ounces</b>
Proven	748,125	8	5,972,480
Probable	1,697,500	7.8	13,188,303
Proven and Probable	2,445,625	7.8	19,160,783

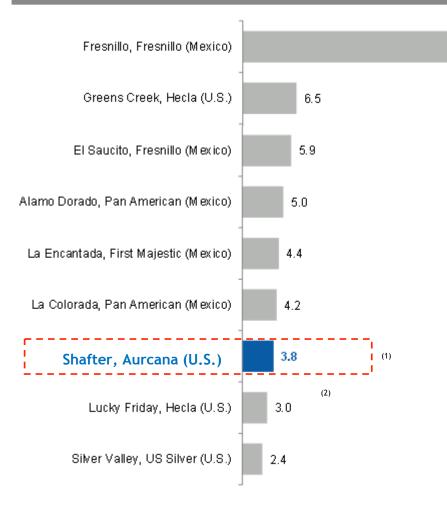
Based on June 23, 2011 amended Shafter Feasibility Strudy, using a 4.0 opt cut-off grade

(1) Based on year 1 of Shafter feasibility study



## **Shafter - Significant Production Scale**





Shafter could become one of the largest pure silver mines in the U.S. and one of the largest primary silver mines in North America

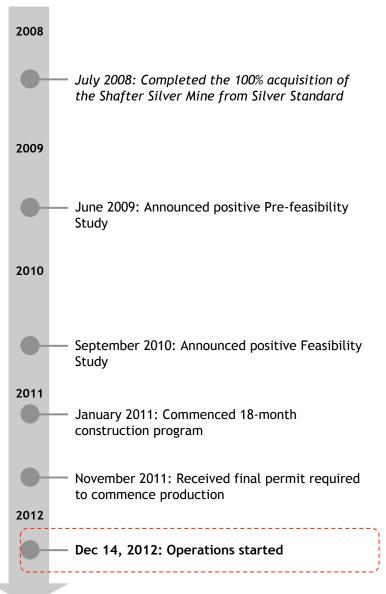
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Source: Metals Economics Group



#### **Shafter - History**

- Silver from the Presidio workings was mined from 1883 until 1942 when the mine was closed due to declining silver prices and the War Act
- Total production during that period was 2.3mm tons of ore containing 35.2mm oz of silver at an average grade of 15.24 oz of silver per ton
- Old mine workings comprise close to 100 miles of drifts, declines, adits and stopes, and includes four previous production shafts
- Gold Fields Mining ("GFMC") acquired the Presidio Mine in 1977 and from 1977 to 1982 spent over \$20mm on exploration and mine development including the outlining of the new Shafter CRD deposit and construction of a 1,050 ft. shaft serviced by a 80 tph hoist and 5,100 ft. of underground development
- In 1994 the project was acquired by the Rio Grande Mining Company
- Silver Standard Resources subsequently acquired Rio Grande in 2001 and in 2003 relocated a 900 tpd mill to site





## **Shafter Operations - Completion Plan**

The Shafter mine is making additional capital improvements in order to ensure that the process plant will achieve its target capacity of 1,500 tpd. during H1 2014

Action	Started	Status	Est. Completion			
Brand New Tailings Filter Press	Q4 2012	2 presses installed	Completed			
New Refinery and New Retort Furnace	Q1 2013	Awaiting Delivery	Q4 2013			
New CCD Circuit	Q4 2012	2 out of 5 tanks installed	Q2 2014			
Updated mineral reserve estimate	Q1 2013	Final Stages	Q4 2013			
Underground Mine Development	Q4 2012	In Progress	Ongoing			
HR & Training	Q4 2012	In Progress First local training completed Aug 2013	Ongoing Training to be held several times a year			
* Est. Completion and Progress is Subject to change						

Total est. CAPEX \$18.5M Invested to end of Q2 2013 (\$5.5M) Remaining est. CAPEX by end of Q2 2013 \$13M



## **Shafter Growth Objectives**

- Ramp Up to Capacity
- Ramp up the mine to its capacity of 1,500tpd during remainder of 2013 and into 2014

- Resource
  Conversion and
  Expansion
- Significant potential to expand mine life through conversion and expansion of mineral resource
- · Resource remains open along strike, and potentially, at depth







Significant production and exploration upside potential identified



#### **Shafter Exploration Opportunities**

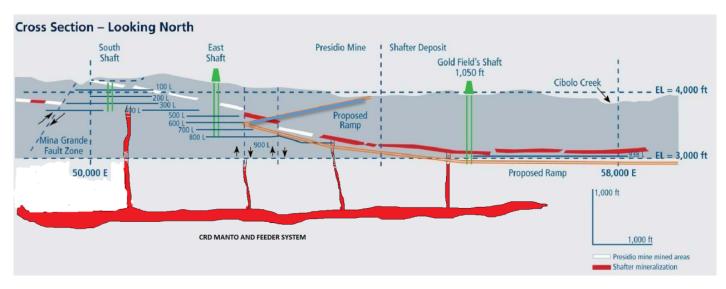
Locate Potential CRD "Feeder" System

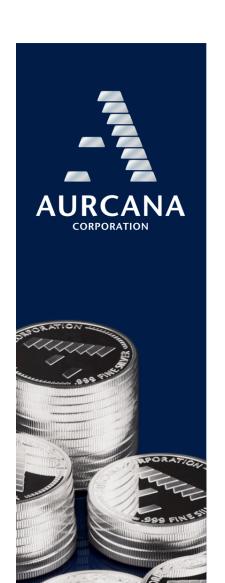
- Deposit classified as an oxidized Carbonate Replacement Deposit ("CRD")
- Potential to encounter additional mineralized mantos in favourable limestone beds at depth
- Similar Mexican CRD deposits support the existence of stacked mineralized mantos
- Current exploration focused on locating potential "feeder" system that formed the Shafter deposits

Stepout Drilling to East and West

- Existing resource potential open along strike to the west and east
- Historic drilling stopped before end of mineralization
- · Historic geophysical anomalies remain untested in east and west sectors

#### **Shafter - Ore Body Cross Section**





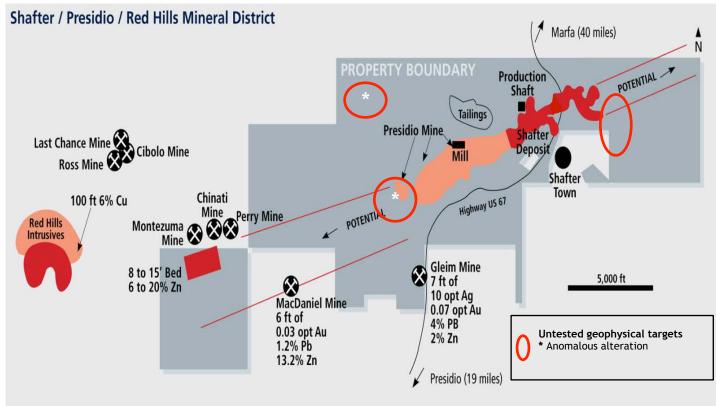
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## Shafter Exploration Opportunities (Cont'd)



- Numerous past-producing mines and prospects in the area
- · Anomalous silica/oxide concentrations NW of Shafter deposit
- Possible indication of buried mineralization

#### **Shafter - Property Boundaries**





#### Commitment to Communities, Employees and Environment

- Environmental and social responsibility is an integral part of Aurcana's corporate strategy
- La Negra Mine operations in Mexico have been awarded the 2013 Environmental and Socially Responsible Company (ESR) Award by the Mexican Center for Philanthropy
  - Reforestation Program

Water Treatment



Employees, Community & Training

Safety & Medical



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