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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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Pan American Silver Corp (Translation of registrant's name into English)

1500-625 Howe Street, Vancouver BC Canada V6C 2T6 (Address of principal executive offices)

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DOCUMENTS INCLUDED AS PART OF THIS REPORT

Document

- 1 Audited comparative consolidated financial statements of the Registrant and the notes thereto for the financial year ended December 31, 2010, together with the report of the auditors thereon.
- 2 Management's discussion and analysis of the financial condition and results of operations of the Registrant for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010.

This report on Form 6-K is incorporated by reference into the Registrant's outstanding registration statements on Form F-10 (No. 333-164752) and on Form S-8 (No. 333-149580) that have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Document 1

Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2010

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Report of Independent Registered Chartered Accounts

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Pan American Silver Corp.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Pan American Silver Corp. and subsidiaries (the "Company"), which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as at December 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, and the consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, shareholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2010, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's responsibility for the consolidated financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards and the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained in our audits is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Pan American Silver Corp. and subsidiaries as at December 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009 and the results of their operations and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2010 in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Other matter

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2010, based on the criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 22, 2011 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Independent Registered Chartered Accountants March 22, 2011 Vancouver, Canada Deloitte & Touche LLP 2800 - 1055 Dunsmuir Street 4 Bentall Centre P.O. Box 49279 Vancouver BC V7X 1P4 Canada

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To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Pan American Silver Corp.

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of Pan American Silver Corp. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2010, based on the criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2010, based on the criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31,

2010 of the Company and our report dated March 22, 2011 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

Independent Registered Chartered Accountants March 22, 2011 Vancouver, Canada

Pan American Silver Corp. Consolidated Balance Sheets As at December 31, 2010 (in thousands of U.S. dollars)

	2010	2009
Assets		
Current		
Cash	\$179,921	\$100,474
Short-term investments (Note 6)	180,583	92,623
Accounts receivable (Note 5)	66,893	66,059
Income taxes receivable	87	12,132
Inventories (Note 5 & 7)	106,854	93,446
Unrealized gain on commodity contracts	-	160
Future income taxes (Note 19)	8,172	4,993
Prepaid and other deferred expenses	6,520	2,568
Total Current Assets	549,030	372,455
Mineral property, plant and equipment, net (Note 8)	1,492,538	1,457,724
Long-term refundable tax receivable	28,171	11,909
Future income taxes (Note 19)	1,251	-
Other assets (Note 9)	1,618	6,521
Total Assets	\$2,072,608	\$1,848,609
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Liabilities		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 10)	\$81,230	\$96,159
Future income taxes (Note 19)	4,312	-
Income taxes payable	29,699	4,021
Total Current Liabilities	115,241	100,180
Provision for asset retirement obligation and reclamation (Note 11)	69,463	62,775
Future income taxes (Note 19)	331,228	305,820
Other liabilities (Note 12)	28,614	20,788
Total Liabilities	544,546	489,563
Non-controlling Interests	7,774	15,256
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Shareholders' Equity (Note 14)		
Share capital (authorized: 200,000,000 common shares of no par value)	1,272,860	1,206,647
Contributed surplus	45,303	47,293
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Accumulated other comprehensive income (Note 13)	9,346	1,618
Retained earnings	192,779	88,232
Retained earnings and accumulated other comprehensive income	202,125	89,850
Total Shareholders' Equity	1,520,288	1,343,790
Total Liabilities, Non-Controlling Interests and Shareholders' Equity	\$2,072,608	\$1,848,609
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Commitments and Contingencies (Note 18).

APPROVED BY THE BOARD

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Ross J. Beaty, Director

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Geoff A. Burns, Director

Pan American Silver Corp. Consolidated Statements of Operations For the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands of U.S. dollars, except for per share amounts)

	2010	2009	2008
Sales	\$631,986	\$454,812	\$338,600
Cost of sales	305,696	245,637	199,032
Depreciation and amortization	86,483	83,169	46,349
Mine operating earnings	239,807	126,006	93,219
General and administrative	17,109	12,769	10,435
Exploration and project development	24,527	9,934	5,494
Accretion of asset retirement obligation	2,929	2,998	2,687
Doubtful accounts and inventory provisions (Note 5)	4,754	4,375	-
Write-down of mining assets (Note 8)	-	-	15,117
Operating earnings	190,488	95,930	59,486
Interest and financing expenses	(2,061) (4,292) (951)
Investment and other income (expenses), net	5,488	(1,467) (1,970)
Foreign exchange gains (losses)	11,058	(1,018) (6,147)
Net (losses) gains on commodity and foreign currency contracts	(237) 1,918	(1,619)
Net gains (losses) on sale of assets	651	(220) 998
Income before taxes and non-controlling interest	205,387	90,851	49,797
Non-controlling interests	(1,827) (1,097) (765)
Income tax provision (Note 19)	(90,987) (27,756) (24,430)
Net income	\$112,573	\$61,998	\$24,602
Earnings per share (Note 15)			
Basic income per share	\$1.05	\$0.71	\$0.31
Diluted income per share	\$1.05	\$0.71	\$0.30
Weighted average shares outstanding (in thousands):			
Basic	106,969	87,578	80,236
Diluted	107,575	87,751	80,773
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$0.075	\$-	\$-

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income For the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands of U.S. dollars)

Net income	\$112,573	\$61,998	\$24,602	
Other comprehensive income				
Unrealized gains on available for sale securities	8,025	17,079	9,913	
Unrealized gain reversed upon disposal of shares in acquisition of mineral				
interests	-	(8,710) -	
Reclassification adjustment for gains included in income	(297) (6,519) (1,495)
Total other comprehensive income	7,728	1,850	8,418	
Comprehensive income	\$120,301	\$63,848	\$33,020	

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Pan American Silver Corp. Consolidated Statements of Operations For the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 (in thousands of U.S. dollars, except for per share amounts)

Common Shares

	Common	Shares					
				A	Accumulated		
					Other		
			Contributed	d Co	omprehensive	Retained	
	Shares	Amount	Surplus	In	come (Loss)	Earnings	Total
Balance, December 31, 2007	76,662,651	\$592,402	\$14,233	\$	(8,650	\$1,632	\$599,617
Issued on the exercise of							
stock options	129,371	3,310	(651)	-	-	2,659
Issued on the exercise of			,	<i>.</i>			
share purchase warrants	3,969,016	58,928	(10,744)	-	_	48,184
Issued as compensation	25,069	877	-	, 	-	-	877
Stock-based compensation	-)						
on options granted	-	-	1,284		-	-	1,284
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-		8,418	-	8,418
Net income	-	-	-		-	24,602	24,602
Balance, December 31, 2008	80,786,107	\$655,517	\$4,122	\$	(232) \$26,234	\$685,641
Issued on the exercise of	00,700,107	<i>ф 000,017</i>	\$ 1,122	Ψ	(202	, \$20,231	<i>ф000,011</i>
stock options	32,000	515	(139)	_	_	376
Issued on public offering	6,371,000	97,941	-)	_	-	97,941
Issued as compensation	44,626	624	-		_	_	624
Issued to acquire mineral	11,020	021					021
interests	17,891,447	452,111	41,971		_	_	494,082
Stock-based compensation	17,071,117	132,111	11,971				191,002
on options granted	_	_	1,339		_	_	1,339
Shares cancelled	(8,060)	(61) -		_	-	(61)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-		1,850	_	1,850
Net income	-	-	-		-	61,998	61,998
Balance, December 31, 2009	105,117,120	\$1,206,647	\$47,293	\$	1,618	\$88,232	\$1,343,790
Issued on the exercise of	100,117,120	¢1,200,017	<i><i><i></i></i></i>	Ψ	1,010	<i>Ф00,232</i>	<i><i><i>q</i></i> 1,5 15,7 50</i>
stock options	450,587	9,003	(1,655)	_	_	7,348
Issued on the exercise of	100,007	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	(1,000	,			7,510
share							
purchase warrants	399,005	11,188	(6,649)	_	_	4,539
Issued as compensation	76,918	2,490	-)	_	-	2,490
Issued to acquire mineral	70,910	2,190					2,190
interests	1,747,738	43,532	3,985		_	_	47,517
Stock-based compensation	1,747,750	-15,552	5,705				-1,517
on options granted	-	-	2,329		_	_	2,329
Other comprehensive income	_	_	-		7,728	_	7,728
Dividends distributed	-	-	_		-	(8,026) (8,026)
Net income	_	_	_		_	112,573	112,573
Balance, December 31, 2010	- 107,791,368	- \$1,272,860	- \$45,303	\$	- 9,346	\$192,779	\$1,520,288
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Pan American Silver Corp. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands of U.S. dollars)

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Operating activities							
Net income for the year	\$	112,573	\$	61,998	\$	24,602	
Reclamation expenditures		(1,045)	(992)	(167)
Items not affecting cash:							
Depreciation and amortization		86,483		83,169		46,349	
Write-down of mining assets		-		-		15,117	
Accretion of asset retirement obligation		2,929		2,998		2,687	
Net (gains) losses on sale of assets		(651)	220		(998)
Future income taxes		17,227		2,113		3,210	
Unrealized (losses) gains on foreign exchange		(9,976)	1,478		(2,769)
Non-controlling interests		1,827		1,097		765	
Other operating adjustments and charges (Note 5)		4,754		7,145		-	
Gain on disposal of securities in acquisition of subsidiary (Note							
3)		-		(6,353)	-	
Net change in unrealized (gains) losses on commodity and							
foreign currency contracts		160		(3,597)	8,913	
Stock-based compensation		4,028		2,382		2,223	
Changes in non-cash operating working capital (Note 16)		23,947		(35,782)	(6,404)
Cash generated by operating activities		242,256		115,876		93,528	
Investing activities							
Mining property, plant and equipment expenditures (net of							
related accruals)		(83,370)	(52,751)	(243,800))
Acquisition of net assets of subsidiary, (net of \$4.3 million cash							
acquired) (Note 3)		-		942		-	
Net (purchase of) proceeds from sale of short-term investments		(80,162)	(80,136)	62,779	
Proceeds from sale of assets		1,337		208		12,199	
Net refundable tax paid and other asset expenditures		(3,922)	(14,605)	-	
Cash used in investing activities		(166,117)	(146,342)	(168,822	2)
Financing activities							
Proceeds from issuance of common shares		11,887		103,909		50,843	
Share issue costs		-		(5,592)	-	
Dividends paid by subsidiaries to non-controlling interests		(992)	-		(2,626)
Dividends paid		(8,026)	-		-	
Advances received for construction and equipment leases		5,360		-		-	
Net (repayments) proceeds from advances on metal shipments							
and loans		(5,630)	5,742		2,494	
Cash generated by financing activities		2,599		104,059		50,711	
Cash, beginning of period		100,474		26,789		51,915	,
Increase (decrease) in cash during the period		78,738		73,593		(24,583)

Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	709	92	(543)
Cash, end of period	\$ 179,921	\$ 100,474	\$ 26,789	
Supplemental Cash Flow Information				
Interest paid	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Taxes paid	\$ 36,651	\$ 21,655	\$ 27,577	
Significant Non-Cash Items				
Common shares issued to acquire mineral interest (Note 3)	\$ 47,517	\$ 514,870	\$ -	
Stock compensation issued to employees and directors	\$ 4,768	\$ 1,963	\$ 2,161	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Pan American Silver Corp. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements December 31, 2010, 2009, 2008 (Tabular amounts are in thousands of U.S. dollars except number of options and warrants and per share amounts)

1.

Nature of Operations

Pan American Silver Corp. and its subsidiary companies (collectively, the "Company", or "Pan American") are engaged in silver mining and related activities, including exploration, extraction, processing, refining and reclamation. The Company's primary product (silver) is produced in Peru, Mexico, Argentina and Bolivia. The Company has current project development activities in Peru, Mexico and Argentina, and exploration activities throughout South America and Mexico.

2.	Summary of Significant Accounting Policies
a.	Basis of Presentation
The Company's consolidated fir	nancial statements include the accounts of the Comp

The Company's consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its majority-owned subsidiaries. The United States dollar is the principal currency of measure in all the Company's operations. The Company prepares and files its consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Significant differences from United States generally accepted accounting principles are discussed in Note 21.

b.

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the wholly-owned and partially-owned subsidiaries of the Company, the most significant of which are presented in the following table:

Subsidiary	Location	Ownership interest	o Status	Operations and Development Projects Owned
Pan American Silver S.A. Mina	Peru	100%		Huaron Mine/Quiruvilca
Quiruvilca				Mine
Compañía Minera Argentum S.A.	Peru	92%	Consolidated	Morococha Mine
Minera Corner Bay S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	100%	Consolidated	Alamo Dorado Mine
Plata Panamericana S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	100%	Consolidated	La Colorada Mine
Minera Triton Argentina S.A.	Argentina	100%	Consolidated	Manantial Espejo Mine
Pan American Silver (Bolivia) S.A.	Bolivia	95%	Consolidated	San Vicente Mine
Minera Argenta S.A.	Argentina	100%	Consolidated	Navidad Project

Inter-company balances and transactions have been eliminated on consolidation.

c.

Significant Changes in Accounting Policy

The Company did not make significant changes to its accounting policies in 2010.

d.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian GAAP requires the Company's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The most significant estimates are: quantities of proven and probable silver reserves; the value of mineralized material beyond proven and probable reserves; future costs and expenses to produce proven and probable reserves; future commodity prices and foreign currency exchange rates; the future cost of asset retirement obligations; amounts of contingencies; and the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities including pre-acquisition contingencies. Significant items that require estimates as the basis for determining the stated amounts include inventories, trade accounts receivable, mineral property, plant and equipment, investments in non-producing properties, revenue recognition, stock based compensation,

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unrealized gains and losses on commodity and foreign currency contracts, fair value of assets and liabilities acquired in a business combination, and income taxes.

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Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized upon delivery when title and risk of ownership of metals or metal bearing concentrate passes to the buyer and when collection is reasonably assured. The passing of title to the customer is based on the terms of the sales contract, which is persuasive evidence that an arrangement exists. Product pricing is determined at the point revenue is recognized by reference to active and freely traded commodity markets.

Under the Company's concentrate sales contracts with third-party smelters, final commodity prices are set on a specified quotational period, typically ranging from one month prior to shipment, and can extend to three months after the shipment arrives at the smelter and is based on average market metal prices. Revenues are recorded under these contracts at the time title passes to the buyer based on the expected settlement period using forward market prices. The contracts, in general, provide for a provisional payment based upon provisional assays and quoted metal prices. Final settlement is based on the average applicable price for a specified future period, and generally occurs from three to six months after shipment. Variations between the price recorded at the shipment date and the actual final price set under the smelting contracts are caused by changes in metal prices and result in an embedded derivative in the accounts receivable. The embedded derivative is recorded at fair value each period until final settlement occurs, with the fair value adjustments classified in revenue. Royalties and refining and treatment charges are netted against revenue for sales of metal concentrate.

f.

Financial Instruments

The Company applies as prescribed Section 3855, "Financial Instruments – Recognition and Measurement" of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants' ("CICA") Handbook. CICA Standard 3855 establishes standards for recognizing and measuring financial assets, financial liabilities, and non-financial derivatives. Under CICA 3855, all financial assets must be classified as either held-for-trading, available-for-sale, held-to-maturity investments or loans and receivables. All financial liabilities must be classified as held-for-trading or other financial liabilities. All financial instruments, including derivatives, are included on the Consolidated Balance Sheets and are initially measured at fair value. Subsequent measurements and recognition of changes in fair value depend on the instrument's initial classification. Held-for-trading financial instruments are measured at fair value, and all gains and losses are included in net income (loss) in the period in which they arise. Available- for-sale financial instruments are measured at fair value, determined by published market prices in an active market, except for investments in equity instruments that do not have quoted market prices in an active market which are measured at cost. Changes in fair value are recorded in other comprehensive income (loss) until the assets are removed from the balance sheet. Investments classified as available-for-sale are written down to fair value through income whenever it is necessary to reflect other-than-temporary impairment. Realized gains and losses on the disposal of available-for-sale securities are recognized in investment and other income. Held-to-maturity investments, loans and certain receivables, and other

financial liabilities are measured at amortized cost while trade receivables that arose from provisional concentrate sales as described in Note 2(e) are valued using quoted market prices based on the forward London Metal Exchange and the London Bullion Market Association P.M. fix. Also, transaction costs related to all financial assets and liabilities are recorded in the acquisition or issue cost and are amortized to income using the effective interest method, unless the financial instrument is classified as held-for-trading, in which case the transaction costs are recognized immediately in net income (loss).

CICA Section 3855 also requires financial and non-financial derivative instruments to be measured at fair value and recorded as either assets or liabilities. Certain derivatives embedded in non-derivative contracts must also be measured at fair value. Any changes in the fair value of recognized derivatives are included in net income (loss) for the period in which they arise, unless specific hedge accounting criteria

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are met, as defined in CICA Section 3865. Fair values for the Company's recognized commodity-based derivatives are based on the forward prices of the associated market index.

The Company has made the following classifications:

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- Short-term and other investments including debt and equity securities are classified as "Available for sale securities". Changes in the market value of the securities are recorded as other comprehensive income.

-Accounts receivable and long term receivables are classified as "Loans and Receivables". They are recorded upon their initial measurement at fair value, which is equal to their cost. Subsequently, provisionally priced trade accounts receivable are valued using quoted market prices while other accounts receivable and long term receivables are valued at amortized cost. At December 31, 2010, the recorded amount approximates fair value.

-Accounts payable and accrued liabilities and other long term liabilities are classified as "Other financial liabilities". They are initially measured at their fair value. At December 31, 2010, the recorded amount approximates fair value.

Derivatives and Trading Activities

The Company employs metals and currency contracts, including forward contracts to manage exposure to fluctuations in metal prices and foreign currency exchange rates. For metals production, these contracts are intended to reduce the risk of falling prices on the Company's future sales. Foreign currency derivative financial instruments, such as forward contracts, are used to manage the effects of exchange rate changes on foreign currency cost exposures. Changes in the fair value of derivative instruments are reported in income or in other comprehensive income ("OCI"), depending on the use of the derivative and whether it qualifies for hedge accounting treatment under the provisions of CICA 3865, "Hedges". Unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments qualifying as cash flow hedges are recorded in OCI to the extent the hedges are effective, until the underlying transactions are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. To the extent effective, unrealized gains and losses on the derivative and non-derivative instruments used as hedges of the Company's net investment in foreign operations are recognized in income immediately. At December 31, 2010 the Company had no derivative positions or net investments in foreign operations to which it was applying hedge accounting. All derivative instruments are recorded on the balance sheet at fair value.

Unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments designated as fair value hedging instruments, as well as offsetting unrealized gains and losses on the hedged items, are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations in the same accounting period. Unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments that do not qualify or are not designated as hedges are marked to market at the end of each accounting period with the results included in gain or loss on commodity and foreign currency contracts in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

Derivatives may be embedded in other financial instruments (host instruments). Embedded derivatives are treated as separate derivatives when their economic characteristics and risks are not closely related to those of the host instrument, the terms of the embedded derivative are the same as those of a stand-alone derivative, and the combined contract is not classified as held for trading. These embedded derivatives are measured at fair value on the balance sheet with subsequent changes in fair value recognized in income. The Company selected January 1, 2003 as its transition date for embedded derivatives. The Company has not identified any embedded derivatives that are required to be accounted for separately from the host contract other than those arising from provisionally priced sales mentioned previously.

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Cash

Cash includes cash in banks, held primarily in U.S. dollars and considered "held-for-trading" and therefore is stated at fair value.

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Short-term Investments

Short-term investments are classified as "available for sale", and consist of highly-liquid debt securities with original maturities in excess of three months and equity securities. The debt securities include corporate bonds with Standard & Poor's rating of A - to AAA with an overall average of single A high. These debt and equity securities are initially recorded at fair value, which upon their initial measurement is equal to their cost. Subsequent measurements and changes in the market value of these debt and equity securities are recorded as changes in other comprehensive income. Investments are assessed quarterly for potential impairment.

Inventories

Inventories include concentrate ore, doré, ore in stockpiles, processed silver, and operating materials and supplies. The classification of inventory is determined by the stage at which the ore is in the production process. Inventories of ore are sampled for metal content and are valued based on the lower of actual production costs incurred or estimated net realizable value based upon the period ending prices of contained metal. Material that does not contain a minimum quantity of metal to cover estimated processing expense to recover the contained metal is not classified as inventory and is assigned no value. All metal inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value, with cost being determined using the weighted average cost method. Supplies inventories are valued at the lower of average cost and net realizable value, net of obsolescence. Concentrate and doré inventory includes product at the mine site, the port warehouse and product held by refineries, and is also valued at lower of cost or net realizable value. At times, the Company has a limited amount of finished silver at a minting operation where coins depicting Pan American's emblem are stamped.

Mineral Property, Plant and Equipment

Expenditures for new facilities, new assets or expenditures that extend the useful lives of existing facilities are capitalized. Maintenance, repairs and renewals are charged to operations. Any gains or losses on disposition of property, plant and equipment are reflected in the statement of operations. Mineral property costs are depreciated using the units-of-production method based upon estimated total proven and probable reserves. Depreciation of plant and equipment is calculated on a straight-line method at rates sufficient to depreciate such costs over the shorter of estimated productive lives of such assets ranging from three to twenty years and the life of the mineral property to which it relates.

Operational Mining Properties and Mine Development

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Mineral exploration costs are expensed as incurred. Capitalization of evaluation expenditures commences when there is a high degree of confidence in the project's viability and hence it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the Company. Evaluation expenditures, other than that acquired from the purchase of another mining company, are carried forward as an asset provided that such costs are expected to be recouped in full through successful development and exploration of the area of interest or alternatively, by its sale. Evaluation expenditures include delineation drilling, metallurgical evaluations, and geotechnical evaluations amongst others.

When it has been determined that a mineral property can be economically developed as a result of establishing proven and probable reserves (which occurs upon completion of a positive economic analysis of the mineral deposit), the costs incurred to develop such property including costs to further delineate the ore body and remove overburden to initially expose the ore body prior to the start of mining operations,

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are also capitalized. Such costs are amortized using the units-of-production method over the estimated life of the ore body based on proven and probable reserves.

Costs associated with commissioning activities on constructed plants are deferred from the date of mechanical completion of the facilities until the date the Company is ready to commence commercial service. Any revenues earned during this period are recorded as a reduction in deferred commissioning costs. These costs are amortized using the units-of-production method over the life of the mine, commencing on the date of commercial service.

Acquisition costs related to the acquisition of land and mineral rights are capitalized as incurred. Prior to acquiring such land or mineral rights the Company makes a preliminary evaluation to determine that the property has significant potential to develop an economic ore body. The time between initial acquisition and full evaluation of a property's potential is dependent on many factors including: location relative to existing infrastructure, the property's stage of development, geological controls and metal prices. If a mineable ore body is discovered, such costs are amortized when production begins. If no mineable ore body is discovered, such costs are expensed in the period in which it is determined the property has no future economic value. In countries where the Company has paid Value Added Tax ("VAT") and where there is uncertainty of its recoverability, the VAT payments have either been deferred with mineral property costs relating to the property or expensed if it relates to mineral exploration. If the Company ultimately makes recoveries of the VAT, the amount received will be applied to reduce mineral property costs or taken as a credit against current expenses depending on the prior treatment.

Major development expenditures on producing properties incurred to increase production or extend the life of the mine are capitalized while ongoing mining expenditures on producing properties are charged against earnings as incurred. Gains or losses from sales or retirements of assets are included in gain or loss on sale of assets.

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Asset Impairment

Management reviews and evaluates its long-lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the related carrying amounts may not be recoverable. Impairment is considered to exist if total estimated future cash flows or probability-weighted cash flows on an undiscounted basis are less than the carrying amount of the assets, including mineral property, plant and equipment and non-producing property. An impairment loss is measured and recorded based on discounted estimated future cash flows or the application of an expected present value technique to estimate fair value in the absence of a market price. Future cash flows include assumptions related to recoverable proven and probable reserves and a portion of recoverable resources, silver, zinc, copper, lead and gold prices (considering current and historical prices, price trends and related factors), production levels, capital and reclamation costs, all based on detailed engineering life-of-mine plans. Assumptions underlying future cash flow estimates are subject to risks and uncertainties. Any differences between significant assumptions and market conditions and/or the Company's performance could have a material effect on any impairment provision, and on the lowest levels for which there are identifiable cash flows that are largely independent of cash flows, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are identifiable cash flows that are largely independent of cash flows from other groups. Generally, in estimating future cash flows, all assets are grouped at a particular mine for which there is identifiable cash flows.

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Reclamation and Remediation Costs

Estimated future reclamation and remediation costs are based principally on legal and regulatory requirements.

The asset retirement obligation is measured using assumptions for cash outflows such as expected labor costs, allocated overhead and equipment charges, contractor markup, and inflation adjustments to determine the total obligation. The sum of all these costs is discounted, using the credit adjusted risk-free

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interest rate from the time the Company expects to pay the retirement obligation to the time the Company incurs the obligation.

Upon initial recognition of a liability for an asset retirement obligation, the Company capitalizes the asset retirement cost to the related long-lived asset. The Company amortizes this amount to operating expense using the units-of-production method. The Company evaluates the cash flow estimates at the end of each reporting period to determine whether the estimates continue to be appropriate. Upward revisions in the amount of undiscounted cash flows will be discounted using the current credit-adjusted risk-free rate. Downward revisions will be discounted using the credit-adjusted risk-free rate that existed when the original liability was recorded.

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Foreign Currency Translation

The Company's functional currency and that of its subsidiaries is the U.S. dollar. Transaction amounts denominated in foreign currencies (currencies other than U.S. dollars) are translated into U.S. dollars at exchange rates prevailing at the transaction dates. Carrying values of foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are adjusted at each balance sheet date to reflect the U.S. dollar exchange rate prevailing at that date. Gains and losses arising from translation of foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are adjusted at each balance sheet date to reflect the U.S. dollar exchange rate prevailing at that date. Gains and losses arising from translation of foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities at each period end are included in earnings.

The accounts of subsidiaries, which are considered to be integrated operations, are translated into U.S. dollars using the temporal method. Under this method, monetary assets and liabilities of foreign subsidiaries are translated at exchange rates in effect at the end of each period and non-monetary assets and liabilities are translated using historical exchange rates. Revenues and expenses are translated at the average exchange rate for the period. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in the determination of net income or loss.

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Stock-based Compensation Plans

The Company provides stock grants or options to buy common shares of the Company to directors, officers, employees and service providers. The board of directors grants such options for periods of up to ten years, with vesting periods determined at their sole discretion and at prices equal to or greater than the weighted average market price of the five trading days prior to the date the options were granted.

The Company applies the fair-value method of accounting in accordance with the recommendations of CICA Handbook Section (3870), "Stock-based Compensation and Other Stock-based Payments". Stock-based compensation expense is calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model or by using the market price of the Company's stock.

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Income Taxes

The Company computes income taxes in accordance with CICA Handbook Section (3465), "Income Taxes", which requires an asset and liability approach. This results in the recognition of future tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets

and liabilities, as well as operating loss and tax credit carry-forwards, using substantively enacted tax rates in effect in the years in which the differences are expected to reverse. The Company records a valuation allowance against a portion of those future income tax assets except to the extent that management believes they will more likely than not be realized. On business acquisitions, where differences between assigned values and tax bases of assets acquired (other than non-tax deductible goodwill) and liabilities assumed exist, the Company recognizes the future tax assets and liabilities for the tax effects of such differences.

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Earnings (loss) Per Share

Basic earnings (loss) per share calculations are based on the net income (loss) for the period divided by the weighted average number of common shares issued and outstanding during the period.

The diluted earnings/(loss) per share calculations are based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period, plus the effects of dilutive common share equivalents. This method requires that the dilutive effect of outstanding options and warrants should be calculated using the treasury stock method. This method assumes that all common share equivalents have been exercised at the beginning of the period (or at the time of issuance, if later), and that the funds obtained thereby were used to purchase common shares of the Company at the average trading price of common shares during the period, but only if dilutive.

For convertible securities that may be settled in cash or shares at the holder's option the more dilutive of cash settlement and share settlement is used in computing diluted earnings/(loss) per share. For settlements in common shares, the if-converted method is used, which requires that returns on senior convertible equity instruments and income charges applicable to convertible financial liabilities be added back to net earnings/(loss), from the beginning of the period (or at the time of issuance, if later).

Dividend Policy

Pan American declared its first dividend in February 2010 and a second dividend in August 2010, both in the amount of \$0.025 per common share. In November 2010 the Company announced a dividend in the amount of \$0.025 per share and increased the frequency of the Company's dividend distributions from a semi-annual to a quarterly basis. The Company's policy to distribute dividends reflects its ability to generate substantial cash flows from our operations in a high price environment. With strong cash flow and strong balance sheet, the Company determined that it has the financial resources to return additional value to shareholders while still investing in advanced projects. The amount and timing of any dividends is within the discretion of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors reviews the dividend policy quarterly based on the Company's current and projected liquidity profile, and capital requirements for capital projects and potential acquisitions.

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Transition to International Financial Reporting Standards

The Accounting Standards Board (AcSB) adopted International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as Canadian GAAP for publicly accountable enterprises for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011. The Company will report its first consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS for the three months ended March 31, 2011, with comparative figures for the corresponding period for 2010. In addition, the adoption date of January 1, 2011 will require the restatement, for comparative purposes, of amounts reported by the Company for its year ending December 31, 2010, and restatement of the opening balance sheet as at January 1, 2010.

Acquisitions of Mineral Interests

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Aquiline Resource Inc. (Navidad Project, Chubut, Argentina)

During January 2010, Pan American acquired the remaining 7% interest in Aquiline Resources Inc. ("Aquiline"), a Canadian publicly traded company that controls the Navidad Project in Chubut, Argentina, a silver development project, as well as several other early stage development projects in Argentina and Peru. The acquisition was completed in three significant steps. On December 7, 2009 the Company completed the acquisition of 84.5% of the outstanding shares of Aquiline and extended the offer to December 22, 2009 at which time the Company had taken up 93% of the outstanding shares of Aquiline. Through a Compulsory Acquisition, on January 22, 2010, the Company acquired the remaining shares of Aquiline achieving 100% ownership. The acquisition was made on the basis of issuing 0.2495 of a Pan American common share, plus 0.1 of a Five Year Pan American Warrant ("Consideration Warrant") for each Aquiline Share tendered. Each whole Consideration Warrant will entitle the holder to acquire one

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Pan American common share at a price of CAD \$35.00 per Pan American common share for a period of five years after the date on which Pan American first paid for Aquiline Shares tendered, December 7, 2009. The acquisition of Aquiline was accounted for as an asset acquisition.

The purchase price of the transaction totalled \$586.4 million, comprised of approximately 19.6 million Pan American common shares, 7.9 million Consideration Warrants, 0.5 million Replacement Warrants, 0.5 million Replacement Options, 1.7 million common shares and 1.5 million warrants of Aquiline, respectively, held by Pan American prior to the offer and considered disposed of into the transaction, a replacement convertible debenture as discussed below and transaction costs of \$6.2 million.

Pan American exchanged and replaced the outstanding options, warrants and the convertible debenture at an exchange ratio of 0.2495 and at strike prices equivalent to the original strike prices divided by 0.2495. Pan American share values utilized for valuing the consideration of shares issued were closing prices on the actual dates of the Pan American shares being issued, with a range of prices used from \$23.54 to \$25.40.

Consideration warrants were valued using observable market pricing with a range of prices from \$4.50 to \$5.73 assigned to the consideration warrants issued on the issue dates.

Replacement warrants and options were valued using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Assumptions used were as follows:

Dividend yield	0%
Expected volatility	52% - 63%
Risk free interest rate	1.5%
Expected life	0-2 years

Warrants owned by Pan American prior to the offer and considered disposed into the transaction were valued using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Assumptions used were as follows:

Dividend yield	0%
Expected volatility	50%
Risk free interest rate	1.3%
Expected life	1.9 years

The Company issued a replacement convertible debenture that allowed the holder to convert the debenture into either 363,854 Pan American shares or a silver stream contract related to certain production from the Navidad project. The Company concluded that the most appropriate guidance regarding treatment of the replacement convertible debenture at the time of acquisition was provided under Canadian GAAP by making reference to the principles in EIC 70 – "Presentation of a Financial Instrument Labeled as a Share when a Future Event or Circumstance may affect the Issuer's Obligations". In consideration of EIC-70 and the economic substance of the contract, it was concluded that a liability

presentation (Note 12) was the most appropriate and best representation of the economics underlying the contract as of the date the Company assumed the obligation as part of the Aquiline acquisition. On February 25, 2010, subsequent to the acquisition transaction, the counterparty to the replacement debenture indicated its intention to elect the silver stream alternative. The final contract for this alternative is being discussed and pending the final resolution to this alternative, the Company continues to classify the fair value calculated at the acquisition of this alternative as a liability.

The current version of the silver stream alternative allows the counterparty the right to purchase 12.5% of the payable silver produced from the Loma de La Plata zone of the Navidad project for the life of the zone, such right including the right to purchase a minimum of one million ounces of payable silver per year from

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the zone, or if unavailable, from other production on the Navidad Project, for a minimum of a 12.5 year period. The silver under the silver stream contract will be purchased by the counterparty for the sum of: (a) an upfront payment of CAD \$50 million (the ''Upfront Payment''); and (b) the lesser of \$4.00 per ounce of payable silver and the prevailing market price per ounce of payable silver on the London Metals Exchange. The Upfront Payment shall be made by the counterparty as follows: (a) CAD \$17.5 million represented by the purchase price of the convertible debenture, which has already been paid; (b) CAD \$15.0 million on the Maturity Date; and (c) CAD \$17.5 million to be paid in four equal installments over one year, payable starting three months after commencement of construction. The Maturity Date is defined as the date that is the later of: (a) the completion of a feasibility study on the Loma de La Plata zone; (b) the decision and public announcement by the Company to proceed with the construction of a mine; and (c) the receipt of all necessary permits to proceed with the construction of a mine

The purchase price allocation for the Aquiline transaction was calculated and presented as follows (2010 - 100%) ownership completed, 2009 - 93% ownership achieved):

	2010	2009
Fair value of Pan American shares issued	\$495,643	452,111
Fair value of Pan American consideration warrants issued	36,824	32,839
Fair value of Pan American replacement warrants issued	8,106	8,106
Fair value of Pan American replacement options issued	1,027	1,027
Fair value of Aquiline units tendered into the transaction	17,771	17,771
Fair value of replacement debenture issued (Note 12)	20,788	20,788
Transaction costs	6,207	10,923
Purchase Consideration	\$586,366	543,565
The purchase price allocation was as follows:		
Net working capital acquired (including cash of \$4.3 million)	(4,299) (4,299)
Mineral property, plant and equipment	867,027	813,023
Asset retirement obligation	(1,235) (1,235)
Future income tax liability	(275,127) (256,211)
Non-controlling interest	-	(7,713)
	\$586,366	543,565

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Management of Capital

The Company's objective when managing its capital is to maintain its ability to continue as a going concern while at the same time minimizing the cost of capital and maximizing growth of its business and provide returns to its shareholders. The Company's capital structure consists of shareholders' equity, comprising issued share capital plus contributed surplus plus retained earnings, plus accumulated other comprehensive income with a balance of \$1.5 billion as at December 31, 2010 (2009 - \$1.3 billion). As discussed further in Note 18(c), the Company has available a \$150 million credit facility which has not been drawn.

The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements and the Company's overall strategy with respect to capital risk management remains unchanged from the year ended December 31, 2009.

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Financial Instruments

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Overview

The Company has exposure to risks of varying degrees of significance which could affect its ability to achieve its strategic objectives for growth and shareholder returns. The principal financial risks to which the Company is exposed are metal price risk, credit risk, foreign exchange rate risk, and liquidity risk. The Company's Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Company's risk management framework and reviews the Company's policies on an ongoing basis.

b.

Metal Price Risk

Metal price risk is the risk that changes in metal prices will affect the Company's income or the value of its related financial instruments.

The Company derives its revenue from the sale of silver, zinc, lead, copper, and gold. The Company's sales are directly dependent on metal prices that have shown extreme volatility and are beyond the Company's control.

Consistent with the Company's mission to provide equity investors with exposure to changes in silver prices, Company policy is not to hedge the price of silver.

The Company mitigates the price risk associated with its base metal production by committing some of its forecasted base metal production from time to time under forward sales and option contracts. The Board of Directors continually assesses the Company's strategy towards its base metal exposure, depending on market conditions. At December 31, 2010, the Company had no contracts in place for sales of future production, except for the Silver Stream contract referred to in Note 3.

c.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meets its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the Company's trade receivables. The carrying value of financial assets represents the maximum credit exposure.

The Company has long-term concentrate contracts to sell the zinc, lead and copper concentrates produced by the Quiruvilca, Huaron, Morococha, San Vicente and La Colorada mines. Concentrate contracts are common business practice in the mining industry. At December 31, 2010 the Company had receivable balances associated with buyers of the Company's concentrates of \$51.0 million (2009 - \$54.0 million). The vast majority of the Company's concentrate buyers.

Silver doré production from La Colorada, Alamo Dorado and Manantial Espejo is refined under long term agreements with fixed refining terms at three separate refineries worldwide. The Company generally retains the risk and title to

the precious metals throughout the process of refining and therefore is exposed to the risk that the refineries will not be able to perform in accordance with the refining contract and that the Company may not be able to fully recover precious metals in such circumstances. At December 31, 2010 the Company had approximately \$20.8 million (2009 -\$15.1 million) of value, at cost, contained in precious metal inventory at refineries. The Company maintains insurance coverage against the loss of precious metals at the Company's mine sites, in-transit to refineries and whilst at the refineries.

The Company maintains trading facilities with several banks and bullion dealers for the purposes of transacting the Company's trading activities. None of these facilities are subject to margin arrangements. The Company's trading activities can expose the Company to the credit risk of the Company's counterparties to the extent that the Company's trading positions have a positive mark-to-market value.

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However, the Company minimizes this risk by ensuring there is no excessive concentration of credit risk with any single counterparty, by active credit management, and monitoring.

Refined silver and gold is sold in the spot market to various bullion traders and banks. Credit risk may arise from these activities if we are not paid for metal at the time it is delivered, as required by spot sale contracts.

Management constantly monitors and assesses the credit risk resulting from its refining arrangements, concentrate sales and commodity contracts with its refiners, trading counterparties and customers. Furthermore, management carefully considers credit risk when allocating prospective sales and refining business to counterparties. In making allocation decisions, Management attempts to avoid unacceptable concentration of credit risk to any single counterparty.

As at December 31, 2010, Doe Run Peru ("DRP"), one of the buyers of concentrates from the Company's Peruvian operations, owed to the Company approximately \$8.2 million for deliveries of concentrates that occurred in early 2009. The Company established a doubtful accounts receivable provision of \$4.4 million of the amount receivable in the second quarter of 2009 and, in addition, reclassified the remaining receivable balance from current assets into long term assets on its consolidated balance sheet at that time which also resulted in a further \$0.6 million charge related to the negative present value impact of the expected delay in the recovery of the DRP receivable which was presented as part of other expense on the Consolidated Statement of Operations. On July 27, 2010, DRP failed to restart operations at its La Oroya smelter, as mandated by the Peruvian government. Although the Company will continue to pursue every possible avenue to recover the amounts owed by DRP, the Company increased the doubtful accounts receivable provision for the remaining \$3.2 million of the receivable during the second quarter of 2010. In addition, during the fourth quarter of 2010, the Company wrote down \$1.5 million of costs of certain pyrite stockpile inventories that were being sold to the La Oroya smelter after assessing that no other economically viable alternatives to realize upon these inventories could be found.

Other than this receivable with DRP, at December 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, the Company had no material past due trade receivables or other current receivables and the accounts receivable on the Consolidated Balance Sheets is presented with \$ NIL provision for doubtful accounts (December 31, 2009 - \$ NIL).

Trade accounts receivable and other receivables that represent the maximum credit risk to the Company consist of the following:

	2010	2009
Trade accounts receivable	\$51,026	53,963
VAT receivable	4,342	3,500
Advances to suppliers and contractors	4,704	3,536
Other	6,821	5,060
Presented as accounts receivable on the Consolidated Balance Sheet	\$66,893	\$66,059
Long-term refundable tax receivable and other receivables	28,171	15,734
Total	\$95,064	\$81,793

The Company invests its cash with the objective of maintaining safety of principal and providing adequate liquidity to meet all current payment obligations.

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Foreign Exchange Rate Risk

The Company reports its financial statements in U.S. dollars ("USD"); however, the Company operates in jurisdictions that utilize other currencies. As a consequence, the financial results of the Company's operations as reported in USD are subject to changes in the value of the USD relative to local currencies. Since the Company's sales are denominated in USD and a portion of the Company's operating costs and

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capital spending are in local currencies, the Company is negatively impacted by strengthening local currencies relative to the USD and positively impacted by the inverse.

In order to mitigate this exposure, from time to time the Company has purchased Peruvian New soles ("PEN"), Mexican pesos ("MXN") and Canadian dollars ("CAD") to match anticipated spending. However, at December 31, 2010, the Company had no forward contracts to purchase foreign currencies. A 10% increase or decrease in the exchange rate of the currencies in the countries that the Company operates relative to the USD would have the effect of a \$23.9 million increase or decrease to operating costs on the Company's 2010 statement of operations. The Company's net income is also affected by the revaluation of its monetary assets and monetary liabilities at each balance sheet date. The Company has reviewed its monetary assets and monetary liabilities and estimates that a 10% change in the exchange rate of the foreign currencies in which its December 31, 2010 non-USD net monetary liabilities were denominated would result in a net income change of \$38.6 million. The most significant monetary item affected by such movements in foreign currencies is the future income tax liability arising from the Aquiline acquisition with a December 31, 2010 balance of \$263.6 million. This liability reflects the difference between the tax values and the accounting book values of the assets purchased. As this balance is deemed to be denominated primarily in Argentine pesos, the Company is required to adjust this liability for any movements in the exchange rate of that currency against the USD. At December 31, 2010 the Company was also holding \$100.5 million in CAD in cash and short term investments.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they come due. The Company manages its liquidity risk by continuously monitoring forecasted and actual cash flows. The Company has in place a rigorous planning and budgeting process to help determine the funds required to support the Company's normal operating requirements on an ongoing basis and its expansion plans. The Company strives to maintain sufficient liquidity to meet its short-term business requirements, taking into account its anticipated cash flows from operations, its holdings of cash, and its committed loan facilities.

The Company's commitments have contractual maturities which are summarized below:

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	PAYMENTS DUE B	Y PERIOD -	2010			
	Less than 1				After 5	
	Total	year	1-3 years	4-5 years	years	
Capital Lease Obligations	\$158	\$118	\$40	-	-	
Other current liabilities	113,180	113,180	-	-	-	
Contribution Plan (1)	4,902	2,451	2,451	-	-	
Total contractual obligations(2)	\$118,240	\$115,749	\$2,491	-	-	
PAYMENTS DUE BY PERIOD - 2009						
Less than 1						

	Less than 1			After 5
Total	year	1 - 3 years	4-5 years	years

Capital Lease Obligations	\$669	\$620	\$49	-	-	
Current Liabilities	97,446	97,446	-	-	-	
Contribution Plan (1)	8,205	2,735	5,470	-	-	
Total contractual obligations(2)	\$106,320	\$100,801	\$5,519	-	-	

(1)In June 2008 the Company initiated a 4 year contractual retention plan for key officers and management, further discussed in Note 14. Contract commitments for the plan, payable in CAD, represent minimum payments expected to be paid out, presented above in USD at the year-end rate.

(2) Amounts above do not include payments related to the Company's anticipated asset retirement obligation (Note 11).

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Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying value of cash is at fair value, while accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair value due to the relatively short periods to maturity and terms of these financial instruments.

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on relevant market information and information about the financial instrument. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and, therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

In 2009 the Accounting Standards Board ("AcSB") amended the Handbook Section 3862, "Financial Instruments – Disclosures", to require enhanced disclosures about the relative reliability of the data, or "inputs", that an entity uses in measuring the fair values of its financial instruments. This amendment substantially aligns Canadian GAAP with U.S. GAAP and as such, the Company's reporting for this amendment is in line with information previously presented in the reconciliation from Canadian GAAP to U.S. GAAP.

The guidance requires that additional disclosure on determining fair value is provided when the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability have significantly decreased and identifying circumstances that indicate when a transaction is not orderly. Also, for investments in debt and equity securities the Company is required to: (i) clarify the interaction of the factors that should be considered when determining whether a debt security is other than temporarily impaired, (ii) provide guidance on the amount of an other-than-temporary impairment recognized for a debt security in earnings and other comprehensive income and (iii) expand the disclosures required for other-than-temporary impairments for debt and equity securities. See tables below for the required disclosure.

This update provided clarification for circumstances in which: (i) a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available, (ii) the liability has a restriction that prevents its transfer, and (iii) the identical liability is traded as an asset in an active market in which no adjustments to the quoted price of an asset are required. The updated guidance is effective for periods ending after September 30, 2009.

The updated guidance established a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under this guidance are described below:

Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

Level 2 Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;

Level 3 Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (supported by little or no observable market data).

The following table sets forth the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy. As required by the guidance, assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Pan American Silver Corp. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements December 31, 2010, 2009, 2008 (Tabular amounts are in thousands of U.S. dollars except number of options and warrants and per share amounts)

	Fair Value at December 31, 2010			
(in thousands of U.S. dollars)	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:				
Cash	\$179,921	\$179,921	\$ -	\$ -
Short-term investments	180,583	180,583	-	-
Investments	1,483	1,483	-	-
Trade receivable from provisional concentrate sales, net	51,026	-	51,026	-
	\$413,013	\$361,987	\$51,026	\$ -

	Fair Value at December 31, 2009			
(in thousands of US dollars)	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:				
Cash	\$100,474	\$100,474	\$-	\$-
Short-term investments	92,623	92,623	-	-
Investments	1,553	1,553	-	-
Unrealized gain on commodity and foreign currency				
contracts	160	-	160	-
Trade receivable from provisional concentrate sales, net	53,963	-	53,963	-
	\$248,773	\$194,650	\$54,123	\$-

The Company's cash is classified within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy because it is valued using quoted market prices.

The Company's short-term investments and other investments are valued using quoted market prices in active markets and as such are classified within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy and are primarily money market securities and U.S. Treasury securities. The fair value of the investment securities is calculated as the quoted market price of the investment and in the case of equity securities, the quoted market price multiplied by the quantity of shares held by the Company.

The Company's unrealized gains and losses on commodity and foreign currency contracts are valued using observable market prices and as such are classified as Level 2 of the fair market value hierarchy. As of December 31, 2010, the unrealized gains and losses on commodity and foreign currency contracts was \$NIL (2009 - \$0.2 million).

The Company's trade receivable arose from provisional concentrate sales as described in Note 2(e) and are valued using quoted market prices based on the forward London Metal Exchange ("LME") (copper) (zinc) and (lead) and the London Bullion Market Association P.M. fix ("London P.M. fix") (gold) (silver).

The total amount of unrealized gains on Available for Sale Securities for the period was included in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income. This is the result of changes in market values and foreign exchange rates.

Short term investments and other investments

	December 31, 2010			December 31, 2009		
			Accumulated unrealized holding			Accumulated unrealized holding
Available for Sale	Fair Value	Cost	gains	Fair Value	Cost	gains
Short term investments	\$180,583	\$172,315	8,268	\$92,623	\$92,153	470
Investments (1)	1,483	405	1,078	1,553	405	1,148
	\$182,066	\$172,720	9,346	\$94,176	\$92,558	1,618

(1) Investments in certain equity securities are presented in other assets on the balance sheet (Note 9).

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Inventories