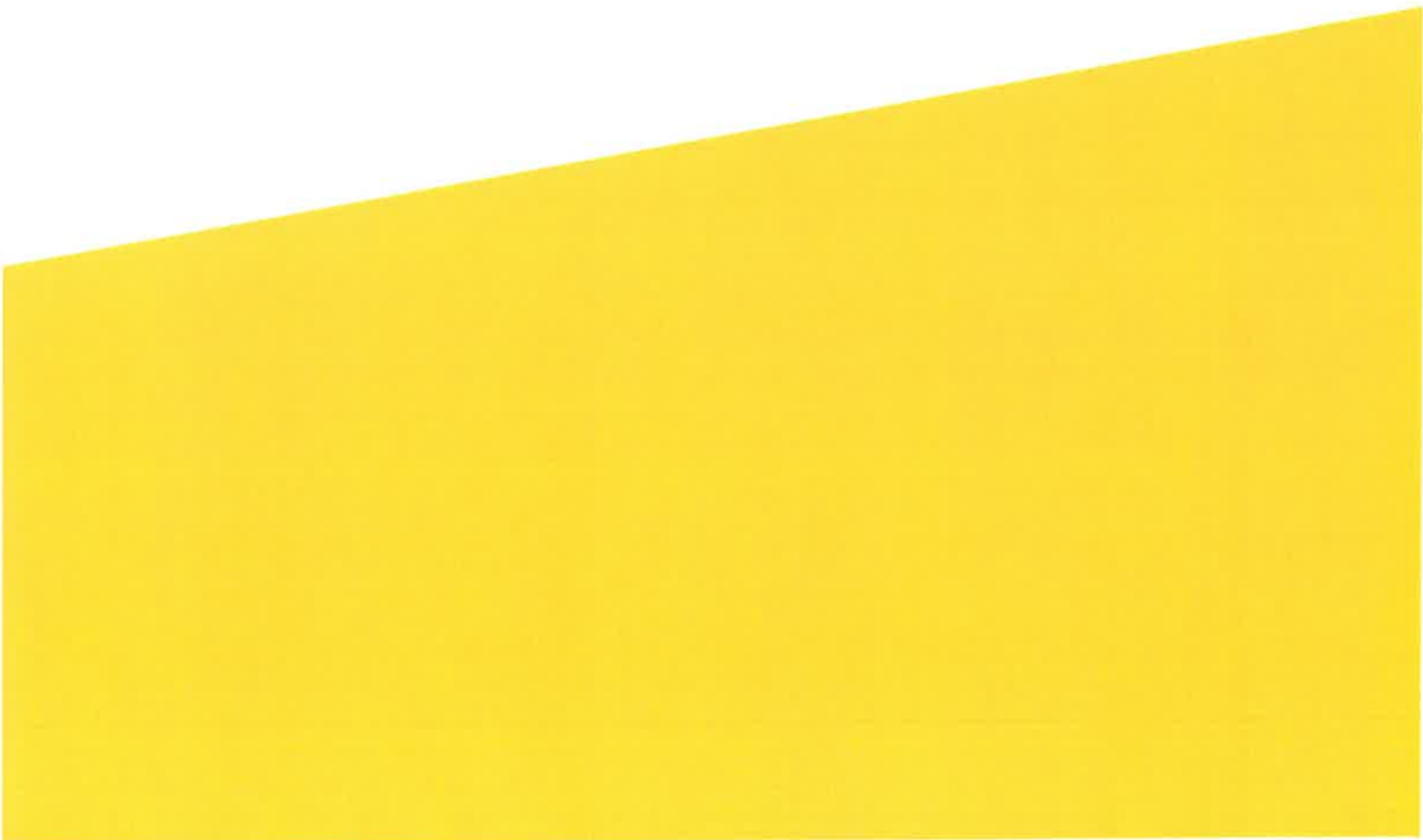




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West Central Pelleting Ltd.

Financial statements

February 29, 2024 and February 28, 2023

Independent auditor's report

To the Shareholders of
West Central Pelleting Ltd.

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **West Central Pelleting Ltd.** ["the Company"], which comprise the statements of financial position as at February 29, 2024 and February 28, 2023, and the statements of income and comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity, and statements of cash flows for the years then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at February 29, 2024 and February 28, 2023, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ["IFRS"].

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audits of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises of Management's Discussion and Analysis filed with relevant Canadian securities commissions.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audits of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audits, and remain alert for indications that the other information appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained Management's Discussion and Analysis prior to the date of this auditor's report. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact in this auditor's report. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.



Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Saskatoon, Canada
May 30, 2024

Ernst & Young LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants



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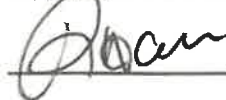
Statements of financial position

As at

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
Assets		
Current		
Cash and cash equivalents <i>[note 3]</i>	1,724,593	4,149,558
Short-term investments <i>[note 4]</i>	2,704,191	500,000
Accounts receivable <i>[note 5]</i>	506,098	614,716
Inventories <i>[note 6]</i>	1,746,738	1,197,783
Prepaid expenses	38,815	38,776
Total current assets	6,720,435	6,500,833
Long-term investments <i>[note 7]</i>	28,212	23,723
Property, plant and equipment <i>[note 8]</i>	1,940,322	1,975,678
Deferred income taxes <i>[note 13]</i>	49,396	61,450
	8,738,365	8,561,684
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities <i>[note 9]</i>	701,370	546,210
Deferred revenue	224,024	104,101
Income taxes payable	148,943	55,217
Total liabilities	1,074,337	705,528
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital <i>[note 10]</i>	1,948,910	1,948,910
Retained earnings	5,715,118	5,907,246
Total shareholders' equity	7,664,028	7,856,156
	8,738,365	8,561,684

See accompanying notes

On behalf of the Board:



Director



Director

West Central Pelleting Ltd.

Statements of income and comprehensive income

Years ended

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
Sales		
Pellets <i>[note 14]</i>	11,299,641	12,264,515
Freight	555,901	604,642
	<u>11,855,542</u>	<u>12,869,157</u>
Cost of sales <i>[notes 6, 11 and 14]</i>	10,672,187	11,472,248
Gross profit	<u>1,183,355</u>	<u>1,396,909</u>
Operating expenses		
Administration	341,946	390,437
Bad debts	10,136	11,654
Depreciation	9,645	9,771
Wages and benefits <i>[note 11]</i>	498,382	508,148
	<u>860,109</u>	<u>920,010</u>
Income before the following	<u>323,246</u>	<u>476,899</u>
Other income		
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	3,058	-
Interest income	191,157	66,318
Insurance recovery, net <i>[note 8]</i>	181,605	-
Other income	85,589	79,138
	<u>461,409</u>	<u>145,456</u>
Income before income taxes	<u>784,655</u>	<u>622,355</u>
Provision for income taxes (recovery) <i>[note 13]</i>		
Current	159,729	93,754
Deferred	12,054	(26,942)
	<u>171,783</u>	<u>66,812</u>
Net income and comprehensive income for the years	<u>612,872</u>	<u>555,543</u>
Basic and diluted income per share <i>[note 12]</i>	<u>38.07</u>	<u>34.51</u>
<i>See accompanying notes</i>		

West Central Pelleting Ltd.

Statements of changes in equity

Years ended

	Share capital \$	Retained earnings \$	Total equity \$
Balance, February 28, 2022	1,948,910	5,351,703	7,300,613
Net income and comprehensive income for the year	-	555,543	555,543
Balance, February 28, 2023	1,948,910	5,907,246	7,856,156
Net income and comprehensive income for the year	-	612,872	612,872
Dividend <i>[note 10]</i>	-	(805,000)	(805,000)
Balance, February 29, 2024	1,948,910	5,715,118	7,664,028

See accompanying notes

West Central Pelleting Ltd.**Statements of cash flows**

Years ended

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
Operating activities		
Net income and comprehensive income for the period	612,872	555,543
Add (deduct) items not involving cash		
Depreciation	364,481	359,294
Deferred income taxes	12,054	(26,942)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(3,058)	-
Unrealized gain on short-term investments	(4,191)	-
Insurance recovery	(181,605)	-
Net change in non-cash working capital balances		
Accounts receivable	108,618	122,503
Inventories	(548,955)	(91,697)
Prepaid expenses	(39)	3,667
Income taxes recoverable	-	34,723
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	155,160	(200,471)
Deferred revenue	119,923	(56,532)
Income taxes payable	93,726	55,217
Cash provided by operating activities	728,986	755,305
Investing activities		
Change in long-term investments	(4,489)	22,058
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant, and equipment	35,600	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(180,062)	(120,091)
Purchase of short-term investments	(2,700,000)	(500,000)
Proceeds on redemption of short-term investments	500,000	-
Cash used in investing activities	(2,348,951)	(598,033)
Financing activities		
Dividends	(805,000)	-
Cash used in financing activities	(805,000)	-
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents during the year	(2,424,965)	157,272
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	4,149,558	3,992,286
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	1,724,593	4,149,558
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information		
Interest received	180,396	49,494
Income taxes paid	55,496	-

See accompanying notes

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1. Nature of operations

West Central Pelleting Ltd. [the "Company"] was incorporated on February 9, 1996, under the laws of the Province of Saskatchewan. The Company has operations in Wilkie, Saskatchewan and Wolseley, Saskatchewan, which process grain screenings and feed grains into livestock feed.

The Company is located in the Province of Saskatchewan, Canada with its head office in Wilkie, Saskatchewan at a postal address of Box 298, 313-2nd Avenue East.

2. Summary of material accounting policies

Basis of presentation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Part I of the *CPA Canada Handbook - Accounting*, "International Financial Reporting Standards" ["IFRS"]. The financial statements comply with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ["IASB"] and interpretations by the International Financial Reporting Committee ["IFRIC"].

The financial statements were authorized for issuance by the Board of Directors of the Company on May 30, 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost basis, except for certain items which are measured at fair value, as explained in note 2, *Fair value of financial instruments*.

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the Company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 2, *Use of estimates and judgments*. The Company has also determined that there is only one operating segment which represents the Company's total profits, assets, liabilities all of which are operated in Saskatchewan.

The financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash and highly liquid investments, consisting primarily of term deposits, with terms to maturity of three months or less at the date of purchase.

Short-term investments

Short-term investments consist of term deposits and Canadian treasury bills with terms greater than three months.

Inventories

Finished product is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value and includes variable and fixed production overhead incurred in the production of product, allocated based on normal production capacity. All other inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined using the weighted average cost method.

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Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation, accumulated impairment losses and related tax credits. Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write-off the cost of each depreciable item of property, plant and equipment to its residual value over its estimated useful life at the following annual rates:

Buildings	25 years
Computer equipment	3.3 years
Equipment	10 years
Paving	12.5 years

The carrying amount of the Company's property, plant and equipment are reviewed at each reporting date for indicators of impairment. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the amount of the impairment, if any. The recoverable amount of an asset is evaluated at the individual asset level unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets or else at the cash generating unit ["CGU"] level which is the smallest identifiable group of assets that generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or group of assets.

An impairment loss is recognized in earnings for the period to the extent that the carrying amount of the asset, or CGU, exceeds the recoverable amount.

Impairment losses recognized in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indication that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimate used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the carrying amount of the asset, or CGU, does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depletion and depreciation, had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset, or CGU.

A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in earnings.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

Accounts payable are non-derivative financial liabilities with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Such liabilities are subsequently carried at amortized cost and because of their short-term nature they are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and typically are paid within 30 days of recognition.

Taxation

Income tax expense is comprised of current and deferred taxes, which are recognized in profit or loss, except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

Current income tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date and any adjustments to tax payable in respect of previous years.

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Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to temporary differences between financial statement carrying amounts and amounts used for tax purposes. These amounts are measured using enacted or substantially enacted tax rates at the reporting date and remeasured annually for rate changes. Deferred income tax assets are recognized for the benefit of deductions available to be carried forward to future periods for tax purposes to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences can be utilized. Deferred income tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized. Any effects of the remeasurement or reassessment are recognized in earnings in the period of change, except when they relate to items recognized directly in other comprehensive income.

Deferred taxes are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on the same taxable entity or for different tax entities where the Company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis or simultaneously.

Revenue recognition

Sales consist of the sale of pellets to customers and freight revenue realized to deliver the pellets to the customer. Each promised good is accounted for separately as a performance obligation if it is distinct and revenue is recognized when performance obligations are fulfilled.

Revenue from sale of goods is recognized at the point in time when control of products have been transferred to the customer which is upon delivery of goods. Revenue is measured based on the transaction price specified in the contract with the customer.

Freight revenue is recognized separately as a performance obligation if it is distinct and revenue is recognized when performance obligations are fulfilled. For freight revenue, the revenue is recognized over the time that the service is provided to the customer. Revenue is measured based on the transaction price specified in the contract with the customer.

Financial instruments

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

Financial assets

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income ["OCI"], and fair value through profit or loss.

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Company's business model for managing them. With the exception of trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the Company has applied the practical expedient, the Company initially measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs. Trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the Company has applied the practical expedient are measured at the transaction price determined under IFRS 15.

Purchases or sales of financial assets that required delivery of assets within a time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place are recognised on the trade date.

The Company's financial assets include cash, short-term investments, accounts receivable and long-term investments.

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Subsequent measurement

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets are classified in four categories:

- Financial assets at amortized cost
- Financial assets at fair value through OCI ["FVOCI"] with recycling of cumulative gain and losses (debt instrument)
- Financial assets designated at fair value through OCI with no recycling of cumulative gains and losses upon derecognition (equity instrument)
- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ["FVTPL"]

Financial assets at amortized cost

The Company has classified cash and accounts receivable at amortized cost.

The Company measures financial assets at amortized cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are SPPI on the principal amount owing.

Financial assets at amortized cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest ["EIR"] method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss when the asset is derecognized, modified or impaired.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

The Company has classified short-term investments and long-term investments at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial assets at FVTPL include financial assets held for trading, financial assets designated upon initial recognition at FVTPL, or financial assets mandatorily required to be measured at fair value. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term. Financial assets with cash flows that are not SPPI are classified and measured at FVTPL, irrespective of the business model. Notwithstanding the criteria for debt instruments to be classified at amortized cost or at fair value through OCI, as described above, debt instruments may be designated at FVTPL on initial recognition if doing so eliminates, or significantly reduces, an accounting mismatch.

Financial assets at FVTPL are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognized in the statement of profit or loss.

This category includes equity investments which the Company has not irrevocably elected to classify at fair value through OCI. Dividends on equity instruments are recognized as other income in the statement of profit and loss when the right of payment has been established.

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Financial liabilities

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at FVTPL, other financial liabilities, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognized initially at fair value and, in the case of other financial liabilities, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Company's financial liabilities include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Subsequent measurement

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial liabilities are classified as either:

- Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss
- Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities

The Company has designated accounts payable and accrued liabilities as other financial liabilities.

After initial recognition, other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the EIR method. Gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognized as well as through the EIR amortization process.

Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the EIR. The EIR amortization is included as finance costs in the statement of profit or loss.

Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognized in the statement of profit or loss.

Financial asset impairment

The Company recognizes an allowance for expected credit losses ["ECLs"] for all debt instruments not held at fair value through profit or loss. For trade receivables, the Company applies a simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Therefore, the Company does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognizes a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date.

The Company considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Company may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the Company is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full before taking into account any credit enhancements held by the Company. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

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Fair value of financial instruments

The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable and willing parties in an arm's-length transaction on the measurement date. Fair values are determined by reference to quoted bid or asking prices in an active market. In the absence of an active market, the Company determines fair value based on internal or external valuation models, such as discounted cash flow analysis or using observable market based inputs [bid and ask price] for instruments with similar characteristics and risk profiles.

The Company classifies fair value measurement recognized in the statement of financial position using a three tier fair value hierarchy, which reflects the significance of inputs used in measuring fair value as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices [unadjusted] are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices in active markets [from level 1] that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3: Valuation techniques that include significant unobservable inputs.

Fair value measurements are classified in the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level input that is significant to that fair value measurement. This assessment requires judgment, considering factors specific to an asset or a liability and may affect placement within the fair value hierarchy.

Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of the financial statements required management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as, the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates and assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

The most significant uses of judgments and estimates are as follows:

Allowance for doubtful accounts

The Company must make an assessment of whether accounts receivables are collectible from customers. Accordingly, management establishes an allowance for estimated losses arising from non-payment, taking into consideration individual customer credit worthiness, current economic and agronomic trends, as well as past experience. If future collections differ from estimates, future earnings would be affected.

Inventory valuation

The Company measures its inventories at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Given that the determination of net realizable value requires management to make estimates with respect to the selling value, costs to make the sale and, in some cases, the cost of completion, there is a level of measurement uncertainty. Assumptions are made based on past experience and actual grading standards may be subject to change. Estimates and assumptions are also required in determination of the fair values of commodity inventories. As such, actual inventory values realized may differ from estimated carrying amounts.

Property, plant and equipment

As part of the capitalization process, management must estimate the expected period of benefit over which capitalized costs should be depreciated. The considerations for estimated useful lives include the timing of technological obsolescence and competitive pressures, as well as historical experience and internal business plans for the projected use of related assets. Given that the expected period of benefit is an estimate, future results could be affected if management's current assessment of its property, plant and equipment's useful lives differs from actual performance.

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Adoption of new accounting policies

The IASB has issued new and amended IFRS standards under Part 1 of the *CPA Handbook* which became effective for the Company during the year. The significant changes to the standards are as follows:

Amendments to IAS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements (IAS 1) and IFRS Practice Statement (PS) 2, Making Materiality Judgments

In February 2021, amendments were issued to IAS 1 and IFRS PS 2, which provide guidance and examples to help entities apply materiality judgment to accounting policy disclosures. Specifically, the amendments aim to:

- Replace the requirements for entities to disclose their "significant" accounting policies with a requirement to disclose their "material" accounting policies; and
- Add guidance on how to apply the concept of materiality in making decisions about accounting policy disclosures.

These amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after March 1, 2023. The Company's adoption of these amendments did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

Definition of Accounting Estimates – Amendments to IAS 8

The amendments clarify the distinction between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies and the correction of errors. Also, they clarify how entities use measurement techniques and inputs to develop accounting estimates.

The amendments had no impact on the Company's financial statements.

Standards issued but not yet effective

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not effective for the February 29, 2024 year-end. The Company intends to adopt these new amended standards and interpretations, if applicable, when they become effective.

Amendments to IAS 1: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current

In January 2020, the IASB issued amendments to paragraphs 69 to 76 of IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements* to specify the requirements for classifying liabilities as current or non-current. The amendments clarify:

- What is meant by a right to defer settlement
- That a right to defer must exist at the end of the reporting period
- That classification is unaffected by the likelihood that an entity will exercise its deferral right
- That only if an embedded derivative in a convertible liability is itself an equity instrument would the terms of a liability not impact its classification

The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after March 1, 2024 and must be applied retrospectively. The Company does not expect that there will be a significant impact on the Company's financial statements.

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3. Cash and cash equivalents

The Company has an authorized operating line-of-credit with a maximum limit of \$1,000,000 [2023 - \$1,500,000] bearing interest at bank prime [which was 7.20% at February 29, 2024, 6.70% at February 28, 2023], plus 1.25% and secured by inventory and accounts receivable. The operating line-of-credit limit is adjusted monthly, based on the accounts receivable and accounts payable balances. At year-end, the authorized limit of the line-of-credit was \$1,000,000, however, the Company has not utilized the operating-line-of-credit at February 29, 2024 or February 28, 2023.

	February 29, 2024	February 28, 2023
	\$	\$
Cash	1,724,593	2,634,010
Redeemable portion of term deposit	-	1,515,548
	<u>1,724,593</u>	<u>4,149,558</u>

4. Short-term investments

The Company holds term deposits bearing interest at 4.95% - 5.35% [2023 - 2.80%] and maturity dates between June 2024 and January 2025.

The Company holds Canadian treasury bills with expected yields to maturity of 4.09% - 4.79% [2023 - nil%] and maturity dates between April 2024 and January 2025.

5. Accounts receivable

	February 29, 2024	February 28, 2023
	\$	\$
Accounts receivable	512,532	619,744
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(6,434)	(5,028)
	<u>506,098</u>	<u>614,716</u>
	\$	\$
Current	444,409	551,596
30 days	23,155	10,287
60 days	10,408	10,818
Over 90 days	28,126	42,015
	<u>506,098</u>	<u>614,716</u>

6. Inventories

	February 29, 2024	February 28, 2023
	\$	\$
Grain and screenings	1,333,722	705,353
Parts and supplies	182,094	223,949
Minerals and medications	151,335	188,603
Finished product	79,587	79,878
	<u>1,746,738</u>	<u>1,197,783</u>

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The amount of inventories recognized as an expense and included in cost of sales is \$10,107,404 [2023 - \$10,865,807].

7. Long-term investments

	February 29, 2024	February 28 2023
	\$	\$
Innovation Credit Union equity	21,488	16,299
Conexus Credit Union equity	6,306	7,006
Co-op equity	418	418
	<u>28,212</u>	<u>23,723</u>

8. Property, plant and equipment

Cost:

	Balance at February 28, 2022	Additions	Balance at February 28, 2023	Additions and disposals	Balance at February 29, 2024
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings	5,644,245	43,005	5,687,250	80,112	5,767,362
Computer equipment	216,473	7,653	224,126	4,808	228,934
Equipment	3,381,698	69,433	3,451,131	116,611	3,567,742
Paving	115,248	-	115,248	-	115,248
	<u>9,357,664</u>	<u>120,091</u>	<u>9,477,755</u>	<u>201,531</u>	<u>9,679,286</u>
Land	48,950	-	48,950	-	48,950
	<u>9,406,614</u>	<u>120,091</u>	<u>9,526,705</u>	<u>201,531</u>	<u>9,728,236</u>

During the year ended February 29, 2024, the Company disposed of property and equipment with a cost of \$42,542 [2023 - \$nil] and a net book value of \$32,542 [2023 - \$nil].

During the year, the Company settled an insurance claim relating to grain bins, with a cost of \$149,283, that sustained wind damage. The net book value of the damaged equipment of \$31,689 was written down to \$nil and netted against the insurance recovery amount. The insurance recovery settlement was directed by the insurer to be used to acquire replacement equipment.

Accumulated depreciation:

	Balance at February 28, 2022	Depreciation	Balance at February 28, 2023	Depreciation and disposals	Balance at February 29, 2024
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings	3,941,978	227,490	4,169,468	113,100	4,282,568
Computer equipment	186,000	6,127	192,127	5,032	197,159
Equipment	2,948,507	125,677	3,074,184	118,755	3,192,939
Paving	115,248	-	115,248	-	115,248
	<u>7,191,733</u>	<u>359,294</u>	<u>7,551,027</u>	<u>236,887</u>	<u>7,787,914</u>

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Carrying amount:

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
Buildings	1,484,794	1,517,782
Computer equipment	31,775	31,999
Equipment	374,803	376,947
	<u>1,891,372</u>	<u>1,926,728</u>
Land	48,950	48,950
	<u>1,940,322</u>	<u>1,975,678</u>

9. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

Included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities are government remittances payable of \$14,899 [2023 - \$15,646].

10. Share capital

Authorized

Unlimited Class A voting, common shares
Unlimited Class B voting, common shares
Unlimited Class C non-voting, preferred shares
Unlimited Class D non-voting, preferred shares

Issued

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
16,100 Class B common shares	<u>1,948,910</u>	<u>1,948,910</u>

During the year, the Company declared and paid a dividend of \$50 [2023 - \$nil] per Class B common share.

11. Wages and benefits

Included in cost of sales is \$947,356 [2023 - \$983,424] of wages and benefits and included in operating expenses is \$468,565 [2023 - \$508,148], for total wages and benefits expense of \$1,415,921 [2023 - \$1,491,572].

The Company maintains a defined contribution pension plan that is administered by the Company. Contributions to the plan are expensed on an accrual basis and are recorded to wages and benefits. Pension expense included in cost of sales is \$26,659 [2023 - \$26,164] and included in operating expenses is \$18,690 [2023 - \$15,755], for total pension expense of \$45,349 [2023 - \$41,919].

12. Basic and diluted total comprehensive income per share

The basic and diluted total comprehensive income per share have been calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year. Since there are no items of a dilutive nature, the basic and dilutive share amounts are the same. The total basic and dilutive weighted average number of common shares for February 29, 2024 is 16,100 [2023 - 16,100].

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13. Income taxes

The income tax expense differs from the amount computed by applying Canadian statutory rates to income before taxes for the following reasons:

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
	<u>27.00%</u>	<u>27.00%</u>
Anticipated income tax	211,857	168,036
Tax effect of the following:		
Reduction of taxes due to small business deduction limit	(86,660)	(102,000)
Reversal of prior year deferred income taxes realized at small business deduction tax rates	(878)	2,155
Saskatchewan manufacturing and processing rate reduction	-	(2,589)
Investment income taxed at higher rates	52,200	-
Other	(4,736)	1,210
Income tax expense	<u>171,783</u>	<u>66,812</u>

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. Differences relating to property, plant and equipment make up the majority of the Company's deferred asset.

14. Related party transactions

During the year, the Company sold 280 [2023 - 322] tonnes of pellets to the directors for proceeds of \$92,658 [2023 - \$117,085].

During the year, the Company purchased 50 [2023 - nil] tonnes of grain from the directors for a cost of \$16,308 [2023 - \$nil].

Compensation of key management

The Company's key management consists of two [2023 - three] individuals including the general manager and one plant manager. Remuneration for the years ended February 29, 2024 and February 28, 2023 for the Board of Directors and key management who have the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and continuing the activities of the Company are as follows:

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
Director honorariums	44,650	36,575
Salaries	324,222	442,858
	<u>368,872</u>	<u>479,433</u>

These transactions are in the normal course of operations and have been valued in these financial statements at the exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties.

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15. Capital management

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to continue as a going concern, to protect its ability to meet its ongoing liabilities and to maximize returns for shareholders over the long-term. For its own purposes, the Company defines capital as the sum of long-term debt and shareholders' equity.

The capital structure at February 29, 2024 and February 28, 2023 was as follows:

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
Shareholders' equity	7,664,028	7,856,156

The Board of Directors does not establish quantitative return on capital criteria for management, but rather promotes sustainable operation goals. In order to facilitate the management of its capital requirements, the Company prepares annual expenditure budgets that are updated as necessary. The annual budgets are approved by the Board of Directors.

16. Financial instruments risks and uncertainties

The Company's activities expose it to a variety of market risks including foreign currency risk, interest or price risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

Credit risk management

The Company is exposed to credit risks on the accounts receivable from its customers. In order to reduce its risk, management has adopted credit policies that include credit applications and regular review of credit limits. The allowance for bad debts at February 29, 2024 was \$6,434 [2023 - \$5,028].

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they become due. The Company manages liquidity risk through continuously monitoring and reviewing forecasted cash flows. Based on the forecasted cash flows, management believes that the Company will have sufficient capital to cover the likely short-term and long-term cash investments. The Company estimates the following repayment of financial liabilities as follows:

	February 29, 2024 \$	February 28, 2023 \$
Less than 3 months	850,313	601,427

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Financial instrument carrying values and fair values

For all current assets and liabilities, the carrying value is assumed to approximate fair value due to the short-term maturities of these items. The following table provides a summary of the financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value included in the statements of financial position, as at February 29, 2024 and February 28, 2023:

	February 29, 2024 Fair value \$	February 28, 2023 Fair value \$
Financial assets		
Cash	1,724,593	4,149,558
Short-term investments	2,704,191	500,000
Long-term investments	28,212	23,723
	<u>4,456,996</u>	<u>4,673,281</u>

	February 29, 2024		
	Level 1 \$	Level 2 \$	Level 3 \$
Cash	1,724,593	-	-
Short-term investments	1,500,000	1,204,191	-
Long-term investments	-	-	28,212
	<u>3,224,593</u>	<u>1,204,191</u>	<u>28,212</u>

	February 28, 2023		
	Level 1 \$	Level 2 \$	Level 3 \$
Cash	4,149,558	-	-
Short-term investments	500,000	-	-
Long-term investments	-	-	23,723
	<u>4,649,558</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,723</u>

Commodity price risk

Commodity price risk is the risk that the value of the inventory will fluctuate due to the change in market prices or a decline in quality of inventory. A change in price or quality will have a direct effect on the value of the inventory.

The Company is subject to commodity price risk of its raw materials inventory and finished feed stocks, as the Company must maintain competitive pricing levels, which can result in reduced margins. The Company's risk management policy provides limits within which management may maintain inventory and certain long or short commodity positions. A change of 10% in feed grain prices with all other variables held constant would result in a change in inventory costs of \$133,372 [2023 - \$70,535].

Foreign currency risk

The Company is not exposed to foreign currency risk as it does not hold any assets or liabilities in a currency other than the Canadian dollar.

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17. Subsequent events

On May 30, 2024, the Board of Directors declared a dividend of \$50 per Class B common share for a total amount of \$805,000.