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Report #1

Cobalt, nickel and silver in Ontario, Canada



### **Two of the best places to find cobalt** CSR samples high-grade cobalt in Ontario and awaits results from recycling cobalt and lithium from old batteries

Initiating coverage on Castle Silver Resources Inc. ("CSR") today with yesterday's release of highly promising sampling results from its 100% owned Castle Mine Property near Gowganda in Ontario, Canada. The company announced that chip sampling from the back of a quartz-carbonate vein on the first level of the past producing Castle Mine confirmed the presence of high-grade cobalt and nickel.

The Castle Mine was in production sporadically between 1917 and 1989, during which time previous operators only mined and assayed for silver in their exclusive focus on exceptionally high-grade silver production (total of 9.5 million oz silver and 300,000 lbs cobalt).

A short distance inside the adit, chip sampling results show strong mineralization along a 4 m length of a vein as wide as 30 cm. The vein is observed to continue for some 90 m. The first 5 chip samples average **1.06% cobalt, 5.3% nickel and 17.5 g/t silver**. In general, cobalt grades of 0.5% are considered high-grade. Although chip samples are selective samples and thus not representative of the mineralization hosted within the target area, the results show the great potential of an upcoming drill program to discover more representative mineralization. Underground sampling, covering multiple target areas, continues ahead of drilling.

CSR is currently also completing a series of bulk samples to be processed with the company's proprietary Re-2OX hydrometallurgical process to produce high purity cobalt powders for battery sector end buyer evaluation.

Meanwhile, CSR is also using its "highly adaptable" Re-2OX process for testing recovery of cobalt and lithium from used lithium-ion batteries as the company vigorously pursues exciting opportunities in recycling technology. Re-2OX strips battery casings to leach the cathodes in order to create a highpurity precipitate containing the metal. CSR expects to soon release first-stage results from SGS Lakefield.

#### Company Details



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#### ←Chart Canada (TSX.V)

Canadian Symbol (<u>TSX.V</u>): CSR Current Price: \$0.26 CAD (06/12/2017) Market Capitalization: \$12 Million CAD



German Symbol / WKN: 4T9B / A2DG7E Current Price: €0.165 EUR (06/13/2017) Market Capitalization: €7 Million EUR



xtremely high-grade mineralization was encountered in 3 of the 5
chip samples:

• 1.8% cobalt, 8.6% nickel and 25.2 g/t silver (CSR-17-S03) • 1.6% cobalt, 7.6% nickel and 32 g/t

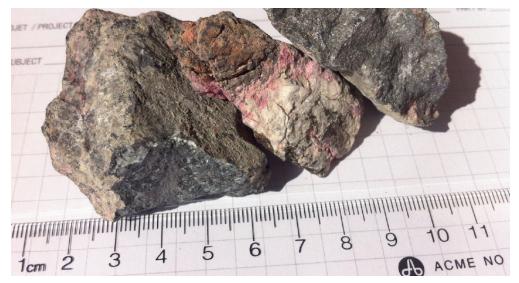
silver (CSR-17-S04) • 0.81% cobalt, 5.9% nickel and 4.1 g/t silver (CSR-17-S01)

Frank Basa, CSR President and CEO, stated in yesterday's <u>news</u>, which was released after market close in Canada:

"We are very pleased with these initial results which demonstrate how Castle features strong upside potential for unmined cobalt and base metal mineralization throughout 11 levels covering a footprint 727 meters east-west, 455 meters north-south and 258 meters deep. Significantly, our proprietary Re-2OX process is designed for high recovery of multiple metals and elements, opening opportunities that simply didn't exist decades ago at this mine or throughout the northern Ontario Silver-Cobalt district. We refer investors to our May 1 news release and the importance of the 300meter thick Nipissing diabase intrusive that underlies a large portion of the property."

In a recent <u>interview</u> with Isabel Belger, Frank explained:

"The most exciting thing is that we have a process for the Cobalt Camp that can separate the cobalt from the silver and produce a cobalt product for the end users in the battery market now. We are also looking at using our process to recycle the old lithium ion batteries. We started the test work and we feel our process should be able to recover the cobalt from the used lithium-ion batteries. And that, to us, is kind of a long-term approach to recovering cobalt. And then when you come on line to mine and produce cobalt, the process will be available and operational. So you are able to recycle the cobalt, we call it a 'green process that closes the loop'... Underground access at the Castle mine and our unique Re-2OX hydrometallurgical process to create high-purity cobalt powders for end-users in the battery sector have established CSR as the innovation, exploration and development leader in Canada's richest cobalt-silver district."



Previously collected samples show typical mineralization on the Castle Silver Mine Property, with typical pinkish cobalt oxidation (source: <u>Technical Report</u>, 2015)

In a recent <u>interview</u> with David Morgan, Frank explained the exceptional opportunities which CSR now seeks to unlock for its shareholders.

The innovative Re-2OX process was developed by Frank Basa in conjunction with the National Research Council during the Castle Mine's last production cycle. Basa worked at the Castle Mine in the early 1980s after graduating from university as a metallurgical engineer. At that time, the mine was leased by Agnico Eagle and he worked in the mill processing ore from Castle and other mines in the Cobalt Camp. According to a recent <u>interview</u> with the Northern Miner:

"Agnico initially was not recovering the cobalt," he recalls. "They left the cobalt in the concentrate after they extracted the silver and there was also cobalt left in the tailings." Basa was Agnico's first metallurgical engineer at the mill and he told them they could separate the cobalt along with the silver. He took the cobalt waste and produced 13,000 tonnes of cobalt, which at the time, he estimates, was worth around \$52 million.

"We spent a lot of money on developing the process for doing that," he says. "We got funding from the government. We engineered a process that separated both the cobalt and the silver from the concentrate and made the cobalt into a commercial product we could sell."

With low silver prices of around US\$6.50 per oz., however, Agnico stopped mining at Castle and elsewhere in the Cobalt camp in 1989, and subsequently shifted its focus to gold. "When that happened, we picked up some of the assets that we knew to be highgrade, and we judged them to be the best for redevelopment," Basa says. Since then, Basa says, he has refined the separation process further into what he calls Re-20X, which the company hopes to use to produce high purity cobalt salts. He and his team are also using the technology for test work at SGS Lakefield to see if it will work for extracting cobalt, lithium, and other metals from used lithium-ion batteries.

"If we can show that it works, we could be in a position to open up a new line of business extracting cobalt and other metals by recycling spent lithium-ion batteries," he explains. "We've asked around and we haven't found anyone else in Canada doing that right now."

Rockstone is eagerly waiting for the release of independent results. This processing technology, along with the prospects of re-starting a past producing silver-cobalt-nickel mine with potentially high-grade cobalt and nickel grades, is what sets CSR apart from other junior exploration companies attempting to put a foot into the booming cobalt space. CSR is eyeing up the battery market from more than just one angle. As <u>Bloomberg</u> recently put it: "The race is on to supply more of the cobalt

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needed for batteries in the fast-growing market for electric vehicles -- and that means fresh competition for the big players Glencore Plc and the Democratic Republic of Congo."

In case the technology works economically and sufficient mineable resources can be delineated, CSR may decide to re-start production rather quickly as management has indicated recently in the <u>interview</u> with the Northern Miner that Asian cobalt buyers are interested and want to sign agreements with CSR:

"Everyone is just scrambling to get cobalt... In China the first thing they said to us was: 'Do you need money?' That's the first thing they said! We told them we're just at the exploration stage, but they said: 'We're interested.'

We said we don't even have an NI-43-101 estimate of resources, and they're still interested!... We're just a little group out of northern Ontario and the Japanese companies knew everything about us," he says. "They were so well-prepared, and they asked us how they could work with us.

The same with the Chinese companies ... When we got here they already had our power point presentation before we talked to them. They really mean business here", Basa said in a telephone interview from Beijing with the Northern Miner.

"In Japan, within two hours of meeting a large Japanese trading company, Basa says, he received a spec sheet for the grade of cobalt they wanted in cobalt salts that they need for lithium-ion battery production.

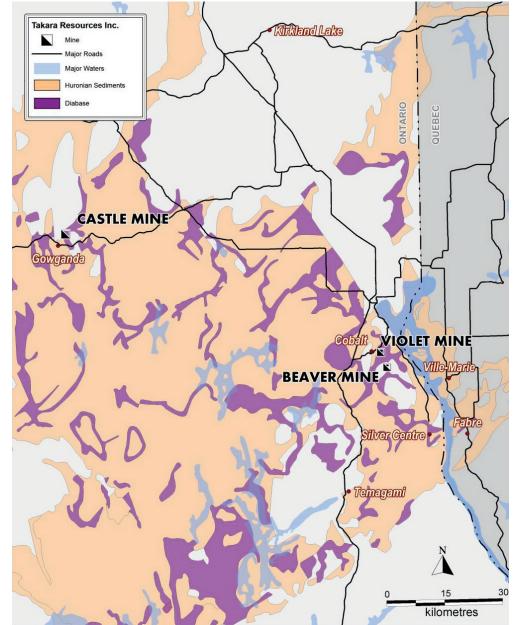
The Japanese are far more concerned about nailing down supplies of cobalt than they are of lithium, Basa explains, adding that the powerful island nation prefers to source its cobalt from outside of the Democratic Republic of the Congo...

"We will produce a sample for their evaluation to see if we can meet their specs," he says. "Although the Japanese and Chinese ask for the same product the specs are different. But they will take anything with cobalt in it."



Below map shows areas where the Nipissing Diabase (purple) is known to occur at or near the surface. Silver and cobalt are typically found close to the Nipissing Diabase. CSR owns 100% of the <u>Castle Silver Property</u>, including the past producing Castle Mine and the near-by <u>Golden Corridor Zone</u>.

CSR also owns 100% of the <u>Beaver Silver Cobalt Property</u>, including the past producing **Beaver Mine**. CSR also owns 100% of the <u>Violet Silver Cobalt Property</u>, including the past producing **Violet Mine**.



According to Bob Moriarty's article <u>"Castle Silver should be called Castle</u> <u>Cobalt"</u> (May 23, 2017):

"The best place to ever find a deposit is said to be in the shadow of an old head frame. With the Castle Silver Mine that seems to be true. While past mining focused on the production of silver, many of the adits contain visible cobalt veins and at least a bulk sample for testing purposes would be easy to mine and permit."

• CSR owns 100% of the 3,200 hectares **Castle Mine Property**, 85 km northwest of the historic Cobalt Silver Mining Camp, including the past producing **Beaver and Violet Mines** near the city of Cobalt.

• All of the 3 properties are located near several historic mines in the Greater Cobalt Camp which produced over 500 million oz silver and tens of millions lbs cobalt in the 1900s.

• The Castle Mine, with its high silver grades, was one of the last in operation (historical production: 9.5 million oz silver and 300,000 lbs cobalt).

• Agnico Eagle, which operated the mine between 1979-1989, closed the mine because of low silver prices (\$6 USD/oz).

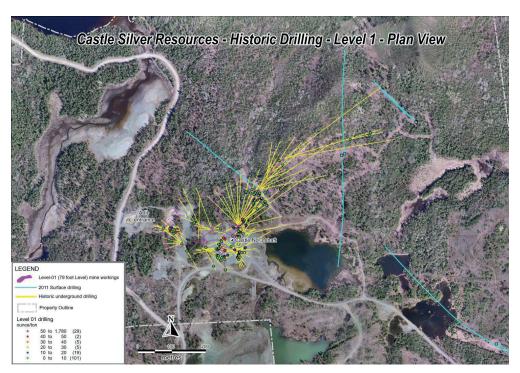
• Historical production of silver didn't focus on cobalt mineralization. Silver and cobalt are typically found together in quartz and calcite veins, however low-grade silver veins were largely ignored, even if they had high-grade cobalt.

• 2011 drilling showed exceptionally high silver/cobalt intercepts, such as 6476 g/t silver over 3.09 m (CA11-08) and 1.44% cobalt over 0.12 m (CA11-09).

• Preliminary metallurgical tests in 2017 showed excellent recoveries for silver (98.5%) and cobalt (70.5%) as well as high concentrate grades (11,876 g/t silver and 10.5% cobalt). Additional testing underway to test for optimization of grind and reagents.

• Geophysical IP survey completed in 2017 to target future drilling locations.

• First Nations agreements in place.



"This map represents on-going efforts to digitize the extensive data available on past underground mine workings and drill holes at the Castle No.3 Mine. The map shows the underground workings (pink lines) at Level 1 at a depth of 79 feet (24.1 m) and the exploration holes (yellow lines) that were drilled from Level 1. Mining occurred on 11 different levels during the 1900s down to approximately 850 feet (259.1m). The map also shows seven of the 12 surface holes (blue lines) drilled by the Company in 2011 (with five others drilled in 2011 located to the east of the area shown). The terrain details are from a drone survey completed in the spring of 2016 that provided current and accurate surface elevation data. Coloured dots on the map show silver grades (cobalt grades were not recorded)." (Source: <u>CSR Corporate Presentation</u>, May 2017)



**Picture on the left:** Sample of a quartz-carbonate vein with cobalt rosette. Cobalt rosette typically have cores of silver. It should be noted that due to the elements occurring naturally in the Cobalt-Gowganda Mining Camps, the mineral assemblage is quite varied. The cobalt minerals are often referred to as cobalt sulphides and cobalt arsenides and include minerals such as skutterudite, safflorite, gersdorfite, cobaltite, arsenopyrite and many others. Metallic elements occur in their pure (or native) forms such as silver, and bismuth. **Picture on the right:** Cut surface of a quartz-carbonate vein with high-grade silver and cobalt mineralization. The darker grey (matte) are the cobalt minerals and the more reflective metal is silver shown here with dendritic growth. (Source)

#### **Management & Directors**

## Frank J. Basa (President, CEO, Director)



Mr. Basa has over 28 years' global experience in gold mining and development as a professional hydro-metallurgical engineer

with expertise in milling, gravity concentration, flotation, leaching and refining of precious and base metals. He is a member of the Professional Engineers of Ontario and a graduate of McGill University. Mr. Frank J. Basa, P.Eng., has been the Chief Executive Officer and President of Castle Silver Resources Inc. since September 15, 2015 and the CEO and President of Granada Gold Mine since June 18, 2004.

#### Dianne Tookenay (Director)



Ms. Tookenay holds a Certificate in Mining Law from the Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, a Joint Masters of Public Administration

from the University of Manitoba, a Bachelor of Administration from Lakehead University and Native Band Management and Indian Economic Development Diplomas from Confederation College Applied Arts and Technology. Ms. Tookenay's experience, knowledge and deep roots within the First Nation communities will add significant value to Castle's development efforts over the coming years.

#### Jacques F. Monette (Director)



Mr. Monette is a career miner who has been engaged in every facet of underground mining for more than 40 years. His previous positions oject Coordinator wit

included Shaft Project Coordinator with Cementation Canada Inc., Vice President of Operations/Mining Division for Wabi Development Corp., Vice President of Development for CMAC Mining Group, Operations Manager for Moran Mining and Tunneling, as well as Area Manager for J.S. Redpath Group. He has been an Independent Director of Castle Silver Resources Inc. since September 15, 2015. He has been a Director of Granada Gold Mine since July 7, 2008.

#### Thomas P. Devlin (CFO)



Mr. Devlin brings to the company over 40 years of accounting and management experience in the investment and junior resource industries. Mr. Devlin,

also known as Tom, has been the Chief Financial Officer of Castle Silver Resources Inc. since September 23, 2015. He has been Chief Financial Officer of Granada Gold Mine since July 3 2009.

#### **Robert Setter (Director)**



Mr. Setter is the former Senior Financial Editor for Report on Mining and a former public company Director. He brings an extensive business,

marketing and analysis background to the company, is a graduate of UBC and holds a BA in Economics. Mr. Setter serves as Corporate Research and Analytics for Granada Gold Mine since 2012. He has been a Director of Castle Silver Resources since January 2016.

#### **Annemette Jorgensen (Director)**



Annemette Jorgensen brings over two decades of public company corporate development, finance, media, and public relations and investor relations

expertise. Ms. Jorgensen has served on the board of Granada Gold Mine since April, 2012. As Manager of Debentures Investments with Samoth Capital Corporation, Ms. Jorgensen was responsible for raising over a million dollars per month.

#### Tina Whyte (Corporate Secetary)



Tina Whyte brings over 20 years of experience in the corporate and securities industry. Her expertise spans to areas of corporate governance,

continuous disclosure, financing transactions and regulatory filings and compliance. Ms. Whyte holds corporate secretary positions with other publicly listed companies.

#### All New Approach to Mining

Management's philosophy is to acquire previously producing mine sites in politically safe pro mining jurisdictions then systematically and efficiently explore with the goal of defining a viable resource as a first step on the road to production. CSR has a minimum of 3 prospective mineralization targets including cobalt, silver and gold. See CSR's latest Corporate Presentation here and the Technical Report (2015) on its Castle Silver Property here. CSR owns a 3,300 hectares property formerly known as the Castle Silver Mine. The property was a past producing silver mine near the northern Ontario community of Gowganda, Ontario which is situated 85km northwest of the historic Cobalt Silver Mining Camp. This former Castle Silver Mine property is acknowledged to be situated within the traditional territories of 2 primary First Nations. When CSR acquired the property on September 15, 2015, it inherited 2 memorandums of understandings with First Nations entered into by the predecessor to Granada Gold Mine, Gold Bullion Development Corp. The MOUs inherited are 2 agreements: An agreement with Matachewan First Nation and an agreement with Temagami First Nation and the Teme-Augama Anishnabai. The agreements were entered into in order to ensure responsible and progressive development of exploration projects since they are located within the traditional territories of 2 First Nations. CSR will continue with these agreements to honour and maintain the pre-existing relationships thus ensuring any development carried out at the Castle Silver property will be consistent with the previously signed agreements.



# Interviewing Frank Basa

ISABEL BELGER

# Castle Silver Resources Inc.

Trading Symbol: TSX:V CSR

Interview from the 15th of May 2017



#### Bio

Mr. Basa is a distinguished metallurgist and milling expert who has over 28 years of global mining experience with expertise in milling, gravity concentration, flotation, leaching and refining of precious and base metals. He is an expert in cobalt metallurgy, having worked in Ontario's Cobalt Camp early in his career, when he designed, in conjunction with Canada's National Research Council, a unique hydrometallurgical process known as Re-2OX for the recovery of multiple metals and elements from all feeds with varying chemistries. He is a member of the Professional Engineers of Ontario and a graduate of McGill University. Mr. Frank J. Basa, P.Eng., has been the CEO and President of Castle Silver Resources Inc. since September 15, 2015.

#### Fun facts

My hobbies: Riding my motorcycles and scooter

Sources of news I use: Several internet news providers

My favourite airport: Zurich

My favourite commodity: Cobalt and Gold

My favourite tradeshow: PDAC

With this person I would like to have dinner with: My wife

If I could have a superpower, it would be: Timetraveling Eabel: Dear Investors, this week I would like to introduce the CEO and President of Castle Silver Resources, Frank Basa. I met you many years ago at the San Francisco Show, good to see you again, Frank.

Frank: Thanks, Isabel, good to see you, too.

#### Eabel: My first question for you, to get to know you a bit better, is, how did you get started in the mineral exploration industry?

Frank: Gh, that was kind of interesting, I always wanted to become a Gril Engineer and I applied for civil engineering to two universities, which were considered foy League universities. I got accepted at McGill University but I didn't know that I was accepted into the metallargy program, because usually the first-year engineering mourse is the same; but my advisor was from the Department of Metallongs So I said I wanted to go to Givil Engineering and be said: "No, nn, wait for a year and see if you like it." I stayed for a year and I bloch it. Up to that point I didn't even know what metallargy was.

# Esabel: So it was basically a formy coincidence to begin with and you started to him it?

Frank: Yes, it started as a coincidence and those are the fanny things in hie that happen to you, and you are grateful that they happened to you the way they did, because otherwise I would have never known about metallargy.

#### Eabel: That is really interesting, And Nowdid you get involved in Castle Silver?

Frank: I worked for Agniro Eagle in the Cobalt Earap in northern Datarin as a metallurgist. Agniro had a silver division and Castle was the highest grade mine when I was there. The president passed away and a new president came in and wasn't interested in doing anything in the Cabalt Camp. The property became available 6 years agn, so we picked it up. We added a lot of work to it; we completed a drill program, we opened up the andit, we obtained an agreement with the First Nations group, we did our closure plan, we put our financial assumances down - we spent 4 million dollars over 6 years, so fairly advanced. And with the drilling results, we also showed the world that we can find those high grade mbalt-silver veins.

## isahel: What makes your project valuable?

Frank: When Agnico had it, it was the highest grade show mine of all of Agnico's mines in the Cobalt Camp. When I was there, we spent millions rehabilitating the mine. We rehabilitated the old shaft, rehalk the roads and all that. It was whable then and it is valuable now. And at that time we were able to mill up to about 80 courses of silver per tun, which is preity high grade. So it was one of the best mines. We were harky to get it and hopefully we will develop it and also generate high grade silver and cobalt from it.

# babel: One could say that there is kind of a coholt lype right now. Would you agree with that?

Frank: Tes, there is a lot of talk about enhalt. It is mainly because of the battery market and I think this will keep on going. Lithium; everybody has lithium. You can get lithium anywhere; South America, North America, you name it, and there is lithium. But cobalt is a mugh one. There are only a few places in the world where you find cobalt. And even if you get cobalt from the DRC [Democratic Republic of Longo], there is not enough cobalt for the battery market. There is a severe cranch.

#### kabel: But you started already before the run in Cobalt started?

Frank: Tes, there are various metals in our mine. But we are only focused on the silver and coholt. In the earlier years of the Camp, the normal approach was to focus on recovering the silver from the silver-coholt veins and the coholt was discarded; essentially they threw it away. When 1 started working as a metallargist for the

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Agaim Silver Division, we began to focus on the recovery of the cohelt. We created a cohelt concentrate and stored it in a building: 30 years ago, the amount we stored was worth 52 million dollars.

#### Eabel: What is the most entiting thing that your company is working on right now?

Frank: The most exciting thing is that we have a process for the Cobalt Lamp that can separate the cubalt from the silver and produce a cobalt product for the end users in the battery market now. We are also limking at using our process to recycle the old lithium inn batteries. We storted the test work and we feel our process should be able to recover the cohalt from the used lithium-ion batteries. And that, to us, is kind of a long-term approach to recovering cubalt. And then when you mone on line to mine and produce cobait, the process will be available and operational. So you are able to recycle the coholt, we call it a "green process that closes the loop".

Eachek Well, that sounds great and gives you an advantage over those who are right now just searching for robalt, because you have something already there, you just need to process it.

Frank: We storted that actually quite a while ago. We will kopefully be putting out a press release shortly indicating our test results on our cohait process recycling cobait from the cohait batteries.

#### Isabel: How much of Castle Silver is hold by the management?

Frank: Management owns about 6 million shares. With a bit more than 40 million shares outstanding, management owns a little bit more than 10 percent.

Eabel: How much do you have in the

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Frank: We have about \$800,000 in the bank. right now.

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Frank: Depending what you do, you could be like that for a whole year, but we want to advance. We mobilized our equipment that we need to go underground. We would like to start an underground exploration program, drilling from underground and taking a bulk sample and from that bulk sample producing a cobalt product for the battery market. Normally we do small financings; we just raised 950,000 dollars and then we accelerate our program and the stock price keeps going up. And when the price goes up, we keep raising money.

#### Eabel: Do you have any facilities on site where you could process the ove?

Frank: Do this scale we are only looking at collecting a small amount and seading it to a lab that has a pilot plant.

#### Eabek And later on, would you have to ship over a long distance?

Frank: The cohoit and silver is pretty high grade in the comp. You could do it like in the old days, put it in sucks and put it on a train or a ship. It is possible because of the high grade.

Eabel: One question I always ask, is, what is your favourite commodity beside the ones in your company? So Silver and Cobalt do not count.

Frank: I like to work with gold. Gold is, for me, a kind of currency. It is actually the oldest currency in the world. In places like the Middle East or India, for example, gold is still about time a currency. Gold is easy, basically you produce it and you can sell it. But if you produce it and you can sell it. But if you produce copper you have to sead it to a smetter. I like to be paid in gold. I believe in gold as a currency. I have what we call a metal account. It is like a back account, but there I can be paid in gold. It is interesting, gold is easier to work with than with Euros or with the Dollar. It is easy to move around. Actually you don't carry guid around so much in your pocket, but you can pay with it everywhere in the world. When you try that with Canadian Dollar or Euro it is not that easy. So guid to me is not just a metal, it is a corrency.

Isabel: Agreed, and dollars you can print; gold you cannot. Talking about gold, considering that there are lot of things going on in the world, the Syrian conflict, developments in Turkey under Erdogan, the new elected President in France, the tense situation regarding North Horea, the threat of falls news as a general problem -just to mention a few things, the list could be much longer, how do you think the gold price is going to develop within the next six months?

Frank: I am more of a long-range thinker when it cames to gold. Sex months is a short window. I think in long terms, gold will always go up. When I started Granada or Gold Bollion, gold was only at 550 CAD an ourse. And more it is 1600 CAD. So in less than, ten years it tripled it's value. If you look at other investments, how many other investments you think would triple in a ten vear time frame? Even real estatedoesn't triple at that rate. The good thing about gold is you can sell it ony time. Thu can take your gold bullion and just sell it, not like when you want to sell a bouse, where you need a real estate brokes Long term, the price of gold will go up. The next six months are hard to call. But it is hard to believe that we will see 1000 Dollar gold again. And I see a lot of people, like the Franco Nevada people, the Newmont people quoting that it could be 3000 or even 5000 Dollar an numes But I think the bigger increasing value will be silver. I call it the poor man's gold, because everyone can buy silver. One cance of Gold is very expensive but when you. bay silver at 20 dollars an outre, anybody can buy it.

Castle Silver Resources Inc.



Castle Silver Resources Inc. (CSR), for high recoveries of multiple which owns three former silvercubalt mines, represents the bestpasitianed opportunity in Canada's premier Cobalt Camp region of northern Ontario to help serve the increasing demand for value-added cubalt products.

At the past-producing, high-grade Castle Mine, CSR has already made new discoveries and recently completed a geological IP survey to determine exploration. targets for drilling later this year. In addition, CSR is the only company in the area to have full. underground access via an adit which allows easy entry for extracting bulk samples and exploratory drilling to target new discoveries. Drilling from underground is less custly and provides greater probability of success, especially since CSR has mapped previously discovered veins using its estensive data on all past drilling and mine workings at the Castle site from the early 1900s. On another front, CSR in the past year has conducted metallurgical testing on surface samples, with results showing excellent recoveries and concentrate grades for both cobalt high-grade cobalt. Therefore, the and silver.

CSR recently announced plans to create a suite of cobalt salts (powder) products for potential customers through a unique 100%-owned hydrometallurgical process called "Re-20X". Designed silver.

metals and elements from all feeds with varying chemistries, Re-20X was developed by CEO Frank Basa in conjunction with the National **Research Council**, which is Canada's premier scientific research organization. CSR is now carrying out advanced-stage testing using the Re-20X process at the SGS Lakefield, Ontario laboratory to evaluate the amenability of the process for efficient recycling of spent lithium-ion batteries. The Re-20X process has taken on fresh importance in light of the increasing demand for cobalt and compelling appartunities in the battery and renewable energy sectors.

The Castle Mine's previous owner, Agnico Eagle, ceased production in 1989 only because of low silver prices (in the range of US\$6/oz). Cobalt was not a factor at the time, even though the veins in the Cobalt Camp are primarily cobalt veins with varying amounts of silver. Mining in the past focused on the veins with high-grade silver, while low-grade silver veins were ignored even if they had area today has large amounts of cobalt and silver remaining and the opportunity for profitable mining has greatly improved with the increased demand and pricing for cobalt, as well as the significantly higher price for

## Share Structure:

(as of 8th of May 2017)

Outstanding Shares: 38,9 Million Fully Diluted: 53,7 Million Market Cap: 11,1 Million 52 weeks high/low: C\$0,02 - 0,295

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CSR already has achieved two exceptional discoveries at the Castle property. Exploration in 2011 showed outstanding intercepts of 6,476 g/t silver and 1.44% cobalt. In 2014, a new gold and copper zone was discovered in a corridor that stretches east-west acruss the property. Recently, samples from surface rocks at the company's Beaver Mine tested 7.98% cobalt, 3.98% nickel, and 1246 g/t silver.



Interviewing Frank Bass - Castle Silver Resources Inc.

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