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Yamana Gold Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Canada

(Province or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

1041

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)

Not Applicable

(I.R.S. Employee Identification No.)

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From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

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- A. Upon filing with the Commission, pursuant to Rule 467(a) (if in connection with an offering being made contemporaneously in the United States and Canada).
- B. At some future date (check the appropriate box below):
 - 1. pursuant to Rule 467(b) on () at () (designate a time not sooner than 7 calendar days after filing).
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 - 3. pursuant to Rule 467(b) as soon as practicable after notification of the Commission by the Registrant or the Canadian securities regulatory authority of the review jurisdiction that a receipt or notification of clearance has been issued with respect hereto.
 - 4. after the filing of the next amendment to this Form (if preliminary material is being filed).

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to the home jurisdiction's shelf prospectus offering procedures, check the following box.

PART I

**INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE DELIVERED
TO OFFEREES OR PURCHASERS**

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No securities regulatory authority has expressed an opinion about these securities and it is an offence to claim otherwise. **Information has been incorporated by reference in this short form base shelf prospectus from documents filed with securities commissions or similar regulatory authorities in Canada.** Copies of the documents incorporated herein by reference may be obtained on request without charge from the Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Yamana Gold Inc. 200 Bay Street, Royal Bank Plaza, North Tower, Suite 2200, Toronto, Ontario M5J 2J3, telephone (416) 815-0220, and are also available electronically at www.sedar.com.

This short form base shelf prospectus has been filed under legislation in the Province of Ontario that permits certain information about these securities to be determined after the prospectus has become final and that permits the omission of that information from this prospectus. The legislation requires the delivery to purchasers of a prospectus supplement containing the omitted information, as applicable, within a specified period of time after agreeing to purchase any of these securities.

SHORT FORM BASE SHELF PROSPECTUS

New Issue

February 24, 2015

YAMANA GOLD INC.

Up to 93,774,384 Common Shares

This short form prospectus is being filed by Yamana Gold Inc. ("**Yamana**", the "**Corporation**", "**we**" or "**us**") to qualify the distribution of up to 93,774,384 Common Shares (as defined herein) issuable under a dividend reinvestment plan approved and adopted by the board of directors of the Corporation (the "**Plan**"), which aggregate amount is equal to approximately 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares as of the date of this prospectus.

The board of directors of Yamana has approved and adopted the Plan to provide holders of common shares of the Corporation ("**Common Shares**") with a simple and convenient method to purchase additional Common Shares of the Corporation by reinvesting cash dividends (less any applicable withholding tax).

A Plan participant may obtain additional Common Shares by automatically reinvesting all or any portion of the cash dividends paid on Common Shares held by the Plan participant without paying any brokerage commissions, administrative costs or other service charges. Our dividends have historically been paid quarterly in respect of periods ended March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 on such dates as are determined by the Corporation's Board of Directors.

The Common Shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "**TSX**") under the symbol "YRI" and on the New York Stock Exchange (the "**NYSE**") under the symbol "AUY". On February 23, 2015, the closing price of the Common Shares on the TSX and the NYSE was \$4.94 and US\$3.92, respectively.

The Common Shares acquired by the Plan agent (the "**Agent**") under the Plan (defined herein as "**Plan Shares**" See "The Plan") will, at the sole option of the Corporation, either be Common Shares issued from the treasury of the Corporation (the "**Treasury Purchase Shares**") or be Common Shares acquired on the open market (the "**Market Purchase Shares**") through the facilities of the TSX, the NYSE, or any other stock exchange on which the Common Shares are then listed (each, a "**Listing Market**"), as applicable. The purchase price of Treasury Purchase Shares and Market Purchase Shares purchased by the Agent, on behalf of Plan participants, will be the volume weighted average price of the Common Shares traded on a Listing Market on the five (5) trading days preceding the Dividend Payment Date (as defined herein) (the "**Average Market Price**"), in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.

We cannot estimate anticipated proceeds from sales of Common Shares pursuant to the Plan, which will depend upon the extent of shareholder participation in the Plan, the market price of the Common Shares as of any Dividend Payment Date, and other factors.

The Common Shares to which this short form prospectus relates will be sold directly by the Corporation to the Plan Agent, other than in respect of Market Purchase Shares that will be purchased by the Agent on the open market. Accordingly, no underwriters, agents or dealers will be involved in these sales, and no underwriter, agent or dealer has been involved in the preparation of, or has performed a review of, the contents of this short form prospectus.

We urge you to carefully read the "Risk Factors" section in this short form prospectus, where we describe risks associated with the Plan and our business and operations, before you make your investment decision.

This offering is made by a foreign issuer that is permitted, under a multijurisdictional disclosure system adopted by the United States and Canada, to prepare this short form prospectus in accordance with Canadian disclosure requirements. Prospective investors in the United States should be aware that such requirements are different from those of the United States. Financial statements incorporated herein by reference have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS"), and may be subject to Canadian auditing and auditor independence standards, and thus may not be comparable to financial statements of United States companies.

Prospective investors in the United States should be aware that the acquisition of the securities described herein may have tax consequences both in the United States and in Canada. Such consequences may not be described fully herein. Prospective investors should read the tax discussion in this prospectus, and we urge prospective investors to consult their own tax advisors regarding the application of tax laws to their particular situation.

The enforcement by investors of civil liabilities under the United States federal securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that we are incorporated under the laws of Canada, that some of our officers and directors are residents of Canada, that some or all of the experts named in the registration statement are residents of Canada, and that a substantial portion of our assets and the assets of said persons are located outside the United States.

Richard Graff, John Begeman and Jane Sadowsky, each a director of the Corporation, reside outside of Canada. Although each of the aforementioned individuals have appointed Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP, 2100 Scotia Plaza, 40 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5H 3C2, as his or her agent for service of process in Canada, purchasers are advised that it may not be possible for investors to enforce judgments obtained in Canada against these individuals, even if such persons have appointed an agent for service of process.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offence.

Our head office is located at Royal Bank Plaza, North Tower, 200 Bay Street, Suite 2200, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5J 2J3 and our telephone number is (416) 815-0220. Our registered office is located at 2100 Scotia Plaza, 40 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5H 3C2.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT INFORMATION IN THIS PROSPECTUS

We are responsible for the information contained in this prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not making an offer to sell the Common Shares in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information contained in this prospectus or in any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus is accurate only as of the respective date of the document in which such document appears.

In this prospectus, "we", "us" and "our" refer to Yamana and its subsidiaries, but do not include Osisko Mining Corporation ("Osisko"), unless the context requires otherwise.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This short form prospectus contains or incorporates by reference "forward-looking statements" and "forward-looking information" within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation and within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking information includes, but is not limited to, information with respect to the Corporation's strategy, plans or future financial or operating performance. Forward-looking statements are characterized by words such as "plan", "expect", "budget", "target", "project", "intend", "believe", "anticipate", "estimate" and other similar words, or statements that certain events or conditions "may" or "will" occur. Forward-looking statements are based on the opinions, assumptions and estimates of management considered reasonable at the date the statements are made, and are inherently subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties and other known and unknown factors that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. These factors include the Corporation's expectations in connection with the use of proceeds from the Offering, production and exploration, development and expansion plans at the Corporation's projects discussed herein being met, the impact of proposed optimizations at the Corporation's projects, the impact of the proposed new mining law in Brazil, the new tax reform bill in Mexico, the amended federal income tax statute in Argentina and the new Chilean tax reform package, and the impact of general domestic and foreign business, economic and political conditions, global liquidity and credit availability on the timing of cash flows and the values of assets and liabilities based on projected future conditions, fluctuating metal prices (such as gold, copper, silver and zinc), currency exchange rates (such as the Brazilian real, the Chilean peso, the Argentine peso and the Mexican peso versus the United States dollar), interest rates, possible variations in ore grade or recovery rates, changes in the Corporation's hedging program, changes in accounting policies, changes in mineral resources and mineral reserves, risks related to non-core mine disposition, our expectations relating to the Osisko Acquisition (as defined herein), including with respect to anticipated benefits thereof and the magnitude of synergies therefrom, and the performance of the assets acquired from Osisko, and risks related to other acquisitions, changes in project parameters as plans continue to be refined, changes in project development, construction, production and commissioning time frames, the possibility of project cost overruns or unanticipated costs and expenses, potential impairment charges, higher prices for fuel, steel, power, labour and other consumables contributing to higher costs and general risks of the mining industry, including, but not limited to, failure of plant, equipment or processes to operate as anticipated, unexpected changes in mine life, final pricing for concentrate sales, unanticipated results of future studies, seasonality and unanticipated weather changes, costs and timing of the development of new deposits, success of exploration activities, permitting timelines, environmental and governmental regulation and the risk of government expropriation or nationalization of mining operations, risks related to relying on local advisors and consultants in foreign jurisdictions, environmental risks, unanticipated reclamation expenses, risks relating to joint venture operations, title disputes or claims, limitations on insurance coverage and timing and possible outcome of pending and outstanding litigation and labour disputes, risks related to enforcing legal rights in foreign jurisdictions, vulnerability of information systems, as well as those risk factors discussed or referred to herein, in the Corporation's most recent annual information form and in the Corporation's most recent annual management's discussion and analysis filed with the securities regulatory authorities in all provinces of Canada and available under the Corporation's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com and EDGAR at www.edgar.com. Although the Corporation has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual actions, events or results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause actions, events or

results not to be anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. The Corporation undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements if circumstances or management's estimates, assumptions or opinions should change, except as required by applicable law. The reader is cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The forward-looking information contained herein is presented for the purpose of assisting investors in understanding the Corporation's expected financial and operational performance and results as at and for the periods ended on the dates presented in the Corporation's plans and objectives and may not be appropriate for other purposes.

CAUTIONARY NOTE TO UNITED STATES INVESTORS REGARDING PRESENTATION OF RESERVE AND MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATES

The disclosure incorporated by reference in this prospectus uses "Mineral Reserve" and "Mineral Resource" classification terms in accordance with reporting standards in Canada, and unless otherwise indicated, the Mineral Reserve and Mineral Resource estimates contained and incorporated by reference in this prospectus are prepared in accordance with Canadian National Instrument 43-101 *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects* ("**NI 43-101**"). NI 43-101 establishes standards for all public disclosure an issuer makes of scientific and technical information concerning mineral projects. These standards differ significantly from the mineral reserve disclosure requirements of the SEC set forth in Industry Guide 7 under the Securities Act ("**Industry Guide 7**"). Consequently, information regarding mineralization contained and incorporated by reference in this prospectus is not comparable to similar information that would generally be disclosed by U.S. companies in accordance with the rules of the SEC.

In particular, Industry Guide 7 applies different standards in order to classify mineralization as a reserve. As a result, the definitions of Proven and Probable Reserves used in NI 43-101 differ from the definitions used in Industry Guide 7. Under SEC standards, mineralization may not be classified as a "reserve" unless the determination has been made that the mineralization could be economically and legally produced or extracted at the time the reserve determination is made. Among other things, all necessary permits would be required to be in hand or the issuance must be imminent in order to classify mineralized material as reserves under the SEC's standards. Accordingly, Mineral Reserve estimates contained and incorporated by reference in this prospectus may not qualify as "reserves" under SEC standards.

In addition, this prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus use the terms "Mineral Resource," "Measured Mineral Resources," "Indicated Mineral Resources" and "Inferred Mineral Resources" in accordance with the reporting standards in Canada. The SEC does not recognize Mineral Resources and U.S. companies are generally not permitted to disclose Mineral Resources of any category in documents they file with the SEC. Investors are specifically cautioned not to assume that any part or all of the mineral deposits in these categories will ever be converted into Mineral Reserves as defined in NI 43-101 or Industry Guide 7. Further, "Inferred Resources" have a great amount of uncertainty as to their existence and as to whether they can be mined legally or economically. Therefore, investors are also cautioned not to assume that all or any part of an inferred resource exists. It cannot be assumed that all or any part of "Measured Mineral Resources," "Indicated Mineral Resources," or "Inferred Mineral Resources" will ever be upgraded to a higher category. Investors are cautioned not to assume that any part of the reported "Measured Mineral Resources," "Indicated Mineral Resources," or "Inferred Mineral Resources" in this prospectus is economically or legally mineable. For the above reasons, information contained and incorporated by reference in this prospectus containing descriptions of our Mineral Reserve and Mineral Resource estimates is not comparable to similar information made public by U.S. companies subject to the reporting and disclosure requirements of the SEC.

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

This prospectus includes and incorporates by reference certain non-GAAP financial measures, including "Co-product cash costs per gold equivalent ounce," "Co-product cash costs per pound of copper," "By-product cash costs per gold equivalent ounce," "Co-product all-in sustaining costs per GEO," "By-product all-in sustaining costs per GEO," "Adjusted Earnings or Loss" and "Adjusted Earnings or Loss per share" that are not recognized under, or prepared in accordance with, IFRS.

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We believe that these measures, together with measures determined in accordance with IFRS, provide investors with an improved ability to evaluate our underlying performance. Non-GAAP measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS, and therefore they may not be comparable to similar measures employed by other companies. The data is intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with IFRS.

We disclose "cash costs" because we understand that certain investors use this information to determine our ability to generate earnings and cash flows for use in investing and other activities. We believe that conventional measures of performance prepared in accordance with IFRS do not fully illustrate the ability of our operating mines to generate cash flows. Such measures, as determined under IFRS, are not necessarily indicative of operating profit or cash flows from operations.

Our business model is focused on the production and sale of precious metals (gold and silver), which accounts for a significant portion of our total revenue. The emphasis on precious metals requires us to provide investors with cash costs information that is relevant to their evaluation of our ability to generate earnings and cash flows for use in investing and other activities. Cash costs include mine site operating costs such as mining, processing, administration, royalties and production taxes, but are exclusive of amortization, reclamation, capital, development and exploration costs. Cash costs are computed on a co-product and a by-product basis.

In excess of 75% of our revenues are generated from sales of precious metals; therefore, cash costs are also calculated on a by-product basis in order to provide investors with a measure that focuses on our core business in mining and producing precious metals. Cash costs per gold equivalent ounce ("GEO") on a by-product basis is calculated by applying zinc and copper net revenue as a credit to the cost of gold production and as such the by-product GEO cash costs are impacted by realized zinc and copper prices. These costs are then divided by GEO produced. GEO are determined by converting silver production to its gold equivalent using relative gold/silver metal prices at an assumed ratio and adding the converted silver production expressed in gold ounces to the ounces of gold production. Cash costs on a co-product basis are computed by allocating operating cash costs to metals, mainly gold and copper, based on an estimated or assumed ratio. These costs are then divided by GEO produced and pounds of copper produced to arrive at the cash costs of production per GEO and per pound of copper, respectively. Production of zinc is not considered a core business of the Corporation; therefore, the net revenue of zinc is always treated as a credit to the costs of gold production. Cash costs per GEO and per pound of copper are calculated on a weighted average basis.

Effective 2013, we adopted an all-in sustaining costs measure, which seeks to represent total sustaining expenditures of producing GEO from current operations, including by-product and co-product cash costs, mine sustaining capital expenditures, corporate general and administrative expense excluding stock-based compensation, and exploration and evaluation expense. As such, all-in sustaining cost does not include capital expenditures attributable to projects or mine expansions, exploration and evaluation costs attributable to growth projects, income tax payments, financing costs and dividend payments, and this measure is therefore not representative of all of our cash expenditures. In addition, our calculation of all-in sustaining costs does not include depletion, depreciation and amortization expense as it does not reflect the impact of expenditures incurred in prior periods. This performance measure has no standard meaning and is intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures prepared in accordance with IFRS.

The measures of cash costs and all-in sustaining costs, along with revenue from sales, are considered to be key indicators of a company's ability to generate operating earnings and cash flow from its mining operations. This data is furnished to provide additional information and is a non-GAAP measure. It should not be considered in isolation as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with IFRS and is not necessarily indicative of operating costs, operating profit or cash flows presented under IFRS.

Silver production is treated as a gold equivalent. GEO calculations are based on an average historical silver to gold price ratio (50:1), which is used and presented for comparative purposes only. For a reconciliation of (i) by-product cash costs per GEO, (ii) co-product cash costs per GEO, (iii) co-product cash costs per pound of copper, (iv) all-in sustaining by-product costs per GEO, and (v) all-in sustaining co-product costs per GEO, please refer to our Annual Management's Discussion and Analysis, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

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We use the financial measures "Adjusted Earnings or Loss" and "Adjusted Earnings or Loss per share" to supplement information in our consolidated financial statements. We believe that in addition to conventional measures prepared in accordance with IFRS, we and certain investors and analysts use this information to evaluate our performance. The presentation of adjusted measures are not meant to be a substitute for net earnings or loss or net earnings or loss per share presented in accordance with IFRS, but rather should be evaluated in conjunction with such IFRS measures. Adjusted Earnings or Loss and Adjusted Earnings or Loss per share are calculated as net earnings excluding (a) share-based payments and other compensation, (b) unrealized foreign exchange (gains) losses related to revaluation of deferred income tax asset and liability on non-monetary items, (c) unrealized foreign exchange (gains) losses related to other items, (d) unrealized (gains) losses on commodity derivatives, (e) impairment losses and reversals, (f) deferred income tax expense (recovery) on the translation of foreign currency inter-corporate debt, (g) mark-to-market (gains) losses on share-purchase warrants, (h) write-down of investments and other assets and (i) any other non-recurring adjustments. Non-recurring adjustments from unusual events or circumstances are reviewed from time to time based on materiality and the nature of the event or circumstance. Earnings adjustments for the comparative period reflect both continuing and discontinued operations.

The terms "Adjusted Earnings or Loss" and "Adjusted Earnings or Loss per share" do not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS, and therefore our definitions are unlikely to be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. Management believes that the presentation of Adjusted Earnings or Loss and Adjusted Earnings or Loss per share provide useful information to investors because they exclude non-cash and other charges and are a better indication of our profitability from operations. The items excluded from the computation of Adjusted Earnings or Loss and Adjusted Earnings or Loss per share, which are otherwise included in the determination of net earnings or loss and net earnings or loss per share prepared in accordance with IFRS, are items that we do not consider to be meaningful in evaluating our past financial performance or the future prospects and may hinder a comparison of our period-to-period profitability. Reconciliation of Adjusted Earnings to net earnings is provided in our Annual Management's Discussion and Analysis, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

We also use other financial measures the presentation of which is not meant to be a substitute for other subtotals or totals presented in accordance with IFRS, but rather should be evaluated in conjunction with such IFRS measures. The following other financial measures are used:

Gross margin represents the amount of revenues in excess of cost of sales excluding depletion, depreciation and amortization.

Mine operating earnings represents the amount of revenues in excess of cost of sales.

Operating earnings represents the amount of earnings before net finance income/expense and income tax expense.

Cash flows from operating activities before changes in non-cash working capital excludes the non-cash movement from period-to-period in working capital items including trade and other receivables, other assets, inventories, trade and other payables.

The terms described above do not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS, and therefore our definitions are unlikely to be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. Our management believes that their presentation provides useful information to investors because gross margin excludes the non-cash operating cost item (i.e. depreciation, depletion and amortization), cash flows from operating activities before changes in non-cash working capital excludes the non-cash movement in working capital items, mine operating earnings excludes expenses not directly associated with commercial production and operating earnings excludes finance and tax related expenses and income/recoveries. These, in management's view, provide useful information regarding our cash flows from operating activities and are considered to be meaningful in evaluating our past financial performance or the future prospects.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

We present our financial statements in U.S. dollars and such financial statements are prepared in accordance with IFRS. The financial statements of Osisko incorporated by reference in this prospectus are presented in Canadian dollars and have also been prepared in accordance with IFRS, and have been audited in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, which differ in certain material respects from the auditing standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board. Unless otherwise indicated, any other financial information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus has been prepared in accordance with IFRS. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all historical and pro forma financial information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus is derived from financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. IFRS differs in certain material respects from United States generally accepted accounting principles ("**U.S. GAAP**"). As a result, certain financial information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus may not be comparable to financial information prepared by other United States companies. This prospectus does not include any explanation of the principal differences or any reconciliation between IFRS and U.S. GAAP.

CURRENCY PRESENTATION AND EXCHANGE RATE INFORMATION

This short form prospectus contains references to United States dollars and Canadian dollars. All dollar amounts referenced, unless otherwise indicated, are expressed in Canadian dollars. United States dollars are referred to as "United States dollars" or "US\$".

The noon exchange rate on February 23, 2015, as reported by the Bank of Canada, for the conversion of Canadian dollars into United States dollars was \$1.00 to US\$0.7949 and for the conversion of United States dollars into Canadian dollars was US\$1.00 to \$1.2580.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Information has been incorporated by reference in this prospectus from documents filed with the securities commissions or similar authorities in each of the provinces of Canada and with the SEC in the United States. Copies of the documents incorporated herein by reference may be obtained on request without charge from the Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of the Corporation at 200 Bay Street, Royal Bank Plaza, North Tower, Suite 2200, Toronto, Ontario M5J 2J3, telephone (416) 815-0220, and are also available electronically at www.sedar.com and www.sec.gov. The filings of the Corporation through SEDAR or EDGAR are not incorporated by reference in this prospectus except as specifically set out herein.

The following documents, filed by the Corporation with the securities commissions or similar authorities in each of the provinces of Canada and the SEC, are specifically incorporated by reference into, and form an integral part of, this prospectus:

- (i) the annual information form (the "**Annual Information Form**") of the Corporation dated March 28, 2014, for the year ended December 31, 2013;
- (ii) the audited consolidated financial statements of the Corporation as at and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, together with the report of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm thereon dated February 11, 2015, the notes thereto (the "**Annual Financial Statements**") and management's discussion and analysis relating thereto ("**Annual Management's Discussion and Analysis**");
- (iii) the management information circular of the Corporation dated March 18, 2014, prepared in connection with the annual and special meeting of shareholders of the Corporation held on April 30, 2014;
- (iv) the material change report of the Corporation dated February 13, 2015, prepared in connection with the announcement by the Corporation of the closing of its bought deal equity offering of 49,100,000 Common Shares (the "**February Offering**");
- (v) the material change report of the Corporation dated January 19, 2015, prepared in connection with the announcement by the Corporation of its February Offering;

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- (vi) the material change report of the Corporation dated January 6, 2015, prepared in connection with the announcement by the Corporation of its response to the announcement made by Samco Gold Limited relating to the receipt of the assessment of damages relating to the proceedings in the case of Ricardo Auriemma v. 0805346 B.C. Ltd. (formerly Northern Orion Resources Inc.) ("**Northern Orion**");
- (vii) the material change report of the Corporation dated June 25, 2014, prepared in connection with the announcement by the Corporation of the completion of a plan of arrangement (the "**Osisko Arrangement**") pursuant to which the Corporation and Agnico Eagle Mines Limited ("**Agnico**") jointly acquired (the "**Osisko Acquisition**") 100% of the issued and outstanding common shares of Osisko;
- (viii) the material change report of the Corporation dated April 25, 2014, prepared in connection with the announcement by the Corporation of the entering into of a new arrangement agreement among the Corporation, Agnico and Osisko (the "**Arrangement Agreement**") in connection with the joint acquisition by Agnico and the Corporation pursuant to the Osisko Arrangement;
- (ix) the material change report of the Corporation dated April 11, 2014, prepared in connection with the announcement by the Corporation of the Corporation's entering into an arrangement agreement with Osisko pursuant to which the Corporation was to acquire a 50% interest in Osisko's mining and exploration assets;
- (x) the press release dated February 11, 2015, prepared in connection with the announcement by the Corporation of its mineral reserves and mineral resources for the year ended December 31, 2014 ("**2014 R&R Press Release**");
- (xi) the press release dated December 10, 2014, prepared in connection with the announcement by the Corporation of an update on strategic initiatives relating to non-core assets, including Fazenda Brasileiro, C1 Santa Luz and Pilar, and its 100% owned Agua Rica project; and
- (xii) the business acquisition report (the "Osisko BAR") of the Corporation dated June 24, 2014, prepared in connection with the Osisko Acquisition.

Any document of the type referred to in Section 11.1 of Form 44-101F *Short Form Prospectus* or other disclosure documents required to be incorporated by reference into a prospectus filed under National Instrument 44-101 *Short Form Prospectus Distributions* that are filed by the Corporation with the securities commissions or similar regulatory authorities in Canada after the date of this prospectus shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus. In addition, any similar documents furnished on Form 6-K or filed on Form 40-F by the Corporation with the SEC after the date of this prospectus shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus, if and to the extent expressly provided for in such reports on Form 6-K or Form 40-F. The Corporation's periodic reports on Form 6-K and its annual reports on Form 40-F are available at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

Any statement contained in this prospectus or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded, for purposes of this prospectus, to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document that also is, or is deemed to be, incorporated by reference herein modifies, replaces or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus. The modifying or superseding statement need not state that it has modified or superseded a prior statement or include any other information set forth in the document that it modifies or supersedes. The making of a modifying or superseding statement shall not be deemed an admission for any purposes that the modified or superseded statement, when made, constituted a misrepresentation, an untrue statement of a material fact or an omission to state a material fact that is required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances in which it was made.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Corporation files certain reports with, and furnishes other information to, the SEC and the provincial securities regulatory authorities in the provinces of Canada. Yamana's SEC file number is 1-31880. Under a multi-jurisdictional disclosure system adopted by the United States and Canada, such reports and other information may be prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Canadian securities regulatory authorities, which requirements are different from those of the United States. As a foreign private

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issuer, Yamana is exempt from the rules under the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**") prescribing the furnishing and content of proxy statements, and Yamana's officers and directors are exempt from the reporting and short swing profit recovery provisions contained in Section 16 of the Exchange Act. Our reports and other information filed with or furnished to the SEC are available, and our reports and other information filed or furnished in the future with or to the SEC will be available, from the SEC's Electronic Document Gathering and Retrieval System (www.sec.gov), which is commonly known by the acronym "**EDGAR**", as well as from commercial document retrieval services. You may also read (and by paying a fee, copy) any document we file with or furnish to the SEC at the SEC's public reference room in Washington, D.C. (100 F Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549). Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for more information on the public reference room. Our Canadian filings are available on the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval ("**SEDAR**") at www.sedar.com.

The Corporation has filed under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**") a registration statement on Form F-10 relating to the Plan. This prospectus forms a part of the registration statement. This prospectus does not contain all of the information included in the registration statement, certain portions of which have been omitted as permitted by the rules and regulations of the SEC. You are encouraged to refer to the registration statement and the exhibits that are incorporated by reference into it for further information about us and the Common Shares. Statements contained in this prospectus describing provisions of the Plan are not necessarily complete, and in each instance reference is made to the copy of the Plan which is included as an exhibit to the registration statement, and each such statement in this prospectus is qualified in all respects by such reference.

DOCUMENTS FILED AS PART OF THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

The following documents have been filed with the SEC as part of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part: (1) the Plan; (2) the documents listed as being incorporated by reference in this prospectus under the heading "Documents Incorporated by Reference"; (3) consents of auditors of Yamana and Osisko; (4) consents of qualified persons of Yamana; and (4) powers of attorney (included on the signature pages of the registration statement).

THE CORPORATION

Yamana was continued under the *Canada Business Corporations Act* by Articles of Continuance dated February 7, 1995. On February 7, 2001, pursuant to Articles of Amendment, the Corporation created and authorized the issuance of a maximum of 8,000,000 first preference shares, Series 1. On July 30, 2003, pursuant to Articles of Amendment, the name of the Corporation was changed from Yamana Resources Inc. to Yamana Gold Inc. On August 12, 2003, the authorized capital of the Corporation was altered by consolidating all of the then issued and outstanding Common Shares on the basis of one new common share for 27.86 existing Common Shares.

Summary Description of the Business

Yamana is a Canadian-based gold producer with significant gold production, gold development stage properties, exploration properties and land positions in Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Mexico and Canada. Yamana plans to continue to build on this base through existing operating mine expansions, throughput increases, development of new mines, advancement of its exploration properties and by targeting other gold consolidation opportunities with a primary focus in the Americas.

The Corporation's portfolio includes: (i) seven operating gold mines considered as core assets, including the Corporation's three material producing mines namely Chapada (copper/gold), El Peñón (gold/silver) and a 50% indirect interest in the Canadian Malartic Mine (gold/silver) as well as Mercedes (gold/silver), Gualcamayo, Jacobina and Minera Florida (gold/silver/zinc); (ii) a 12.5% indirect interest in the Alumbreira mine (copper/gold/molybdenum); (iii) various advanced and near development stage projects and exploration properties in Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Mexico and Canada; and (iv) Fazenda Brasileiro, Pilar and C1 Santa Luz, along with some related exploration concessions, which are held by the Corporation's subsidiary, Brio Gold Inc.

Recent Developments

Note Exchange Offer

On June 30, 2014, the Corporation issued US\$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.95% Senior Notes due 2024 (the "**Initial Notes**") in a transaction that was exempt from registration under the U.S. Securities Act, and resold to qualified institutional buyers in reliance on Rule 144A and non-U.S. persons outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S. In connection with the issuance of the Initial Notes, the Corporation entered into a registration rights agreement, dated as of June 30, 2014, with the initial purchasers of the Initial Notes, providing for the issuance of new notes in exchange for a like aggregate principal amount of Initial Notes. Subsequently, in October 2014, the Corporation commenced an exchange offer which expired on November 20, 2014, pursuant to which new notes (the "**New Notes**") were issued in exchange for an equal aggregate principal amount of outstanding Initial Notes validly tendered and accepted in the exchange offer. The terms of the New Notes are substantially identical to the terms of the Initial Notes, except that, among other things, the New Notes are registered under the U.S. Securities Act, and do not contain restrictions on transfer.

In connection with the issuance of the Initial Notes, the Corporation entered into a trust indenture, dated as of June 30, 2014, as supplemented by the first supplemental indenture dated as of June 30, 2014 (collectively, the "**Indenture**"). Pursuant to the terms of the Indenture, the New Notes are unsecured, unsubordinated obligations of Yamana evidencing the same continuing indebtedness as the Initial Notes and will mature on July 15, 2024. The New Notes bear interest at the rate of 4.95% per annum from and including the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or provided for, or if no interest has been paid or provided for, from June 30, 2014. Interest on the New Notes is payable semi-annually in arrears on January 15 and July 15 of each year, beginning on January 15, 2015, to the persons in whose names the New Notes are registered at the close of business on the preceding January 1 or July 1, as the case may be. For further details, readers are referred to the Indenture which is available under Yamana's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com and on EDGAR at www.sec.gov. See "Material Contracts".

Board and Management Update

On September 2, 2014, the Corporation announced the appointment of two new directors to the board of directors, namely Christiane Bergevin and Jane Sadowsky. The Corporation also announced additions to its senior management team which reflect an important pivot in the focus of management and supplemented existing management. Daniel Racine was appointed Senior Vice President, Northern Operations, which better aligns the Corporation's technical and jurisdictional expertise with its property portfolio that now includes the Canadian Malartic Mine, Kirkland Lake and other Canadian exploration assets. Barry Murphy was appointed as Senior Vice President, Technical Services, which the Corporation believes increases the technical depth of its management as the Corporation continues to advance its development projects.

On April 16, 2014, the Ontario Securities Commission issued a management cease trade order against the Interim Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of Carpathian Gold Inc. ("**Carpathian**") in connection with Carpathian's failure to file its audited annual financial statements (and related management's discussion and analysis and certifications) for the period ended December 31, 2013. The management cease trade order was lifted on June 19, 2014 following the filing by Carpathian of the required documents. Patrick Mars and Dino Titaro, each a director of Yamana, are former directors of Carpathian but were directors of Carpathian during the period of the management cease trade order.

Strategic Initiatives Update

On September 10, 2014, the Corporation announced that, after careful and extensive review, and having allowed a sufficient period of time for optimization efforts, the optimal plan for its C1 Santa Luz Project would be to temporarily suspend ramp-up activities and put the project on care and maintenance while several identified alternative metallurgical processes are evaluated. The project is now on care and maintenance.

On October 6, 2014, the Corporation announced the entering into of a Memorandum of Understanding ("**MOU**") with the provincial Government of Catamarca, Argentina (the "**Catamarca Government**"), represented by the provincial mining company Catamarca Minería y Energética Sociedad del Estado, with respect to the creation of the Catamarca Mining District. The agreement sets the groundwork for the Corporation and the Catamarca Government to work together to consolidate important mining projects and prospective properties in the province, currently consisting of the Agua Rica property and the Cerro Atajo prospect.

On December 10, 2014, the Corporation provided an update on strategic initiatives relating to non-core assets, including Fazenda Brasileiro, the C1 Santa Luz Project and the Pilar Project, and its 100% owned Agua Rica project. See "Documents Incorporated by Reference".

Dividend Policy

In October 2014, the Corporation's board of directors amended the Corporation's dividend policy to set the quarterly dividends paid per Common Share at US\$0.015 commencing in the fourth quarter of 2014. Payment of any future dividends will be at the discretion of the Corporation's board of directors after taking into account many factors, including the Corporation's operating results, financial condition, comparability of the dividend yield to peer group gold companies and current and anticipated cash needs.

Copper Hedge Program

Late in 2014, the Corporation entered into a hedging program for its 2015 copper production. The Corporation has hedged 73 million pounds of copper, approximately 60% of expected production from the Chapada Mine for 2015, at a price of US\$3.00 per pound. This program is consistent with the Corporation's focus on cash flow as it will provide an increased level of certainty for cash flows given the current environment of increased volatility in metal prices.

Production Update

The Corporation confirms that production for 2014 was over 1.4 million GEO, consisting of approximately 1.2 million ounces of gold and 10.1 million ounces of silver, all of which was within expectations (silver production is treated as a gold equivalent at a ratio of 50:1). All-in sustaining cash costs (which includes cash costs, sustaining capital, corporate general and administrative expense and exploration expenses - see "Non-GAAP Measures") are expected to be at the lower end of previously provided guidance of between US\$825 and US\$875 per GEO.

Public Equity Offering

On February 3, 2015, the Corporation announced the closing of the February Offering. A total of 56,465,000 Common Shares were issued at a price of \$5.30 per Common Share, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$299,264,500, which includes the full exercise by the underwriters of the over-allotment option to purchase an additional 7,365,000 Common Shares. The net proceeds of the February Offering will be used to pay down amounts under the Corporation's revolving credit facility, in order to reduce the Corporation's debt position and further strengthen its balance sheet.

Cerro Moro Construction Decision

In February 2015, the Corporation announced that it would proceed with the construction of the Cerro Moro Project. The current plan indicates average annual production in the first three years of full production of 135,000 ounces of gold and 6.7 million ounces of silver. After various optimization studies, the Corporation decided to pursue a single-stage plant scenario with an increased capacity of 1,000 tonnes per day ("tpd"). The single stage plant construction provides the project with less project execution, inflation and timing risk by completing the project in a shorter time frame with the same work force. The 1,000 tpd of throughput is considered the optimal project size to maximize throughput and value. The current mine design focuses the highest grade production into the first years of the production to decrease the time for project payback.

MINING PROPERTIES

Technical Information

Unless otherwise indicated, the estimated Mineral Reserves and Mineral Resources set forth herein have been calculated in accordance with the CIM Definition Standards On Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves:

The term "**Mineral Resource**" means a concentration or occurrence of solid material of economic interest in or on the Earth's crust in such form, grade or quality and quantity that there are reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction. The location, quantity, grade or quality, continuity and other geological

characteristics of a Mineral Resource are known, estimated or interpreted from specific geological evidence and knowledge, including sampling. Material of economic interest refers to diamonds, natural solid inorganic material, or natural solid fossilized organic material including base and precious metals, coal, and industrial minerals. Mineral Resources are sub-divided, in order of increasing geological confidence, into Inferred, Indicated and Measured categories.

The term "**Inferred Mineral Resource**" means that part of a Mineral Resource for which quantity and grade or quality are estimated on the basis of limited geological evidence and sampling. Geological evidence is sufficient to imply but not verify geological and grade or quality continuity. An Inferred Mineral Resource is based on limited information and sampling gathered through appropriate sampling techniques from locations such as outcrops, trenches, pits, workings and drill holes.

The term "**Indicated Mineral Resource**" means that part of a Mineral Resource for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape and physical characteristics are estimated with sufficient confidence to allow the application of Modifying Factors (as defined below) in sufficient detail to support mine planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit. Geological evidence is derived from adequately detailed and reliable exploration, sampling and testing and is sufficient to assume geological and grade or quality continuity between points of observation.

The term "**Measured Mineral Resource**" means that part of a Mineral Resource for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape, and physical characteristics are estimated with confidence sufficient to allow the application of Modifying Factors to support detailed mine planning and final evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit. Geological evidence is derived from detailed and reliable exploration, sampling and testing and is sufficient to confirm geological and grade or quality continuity between points of observation.

The term "**Mineral Reserve**" means the economically mineable part of a Measured and/or Indicated Mineral Resource. It includes diluting materials and allowances for losses, which may occur when the material is mined or extracted and is defined by studies at pre-feasibility or feasibility level as appropriate that include application of Modifying Factors. Such studies demonstrate that, at the time of reporting, extraction could reasonably be justified. Mineral Reserves are sub-divided in order of increasing confidence into Probable Mineral Reserves (as hereinafter defined) and Proven Mineral Reserves (as hereinafter defined). Mineral Reserves are inclusive of diluting material that will be mined in conjunction with the Mineral Reserves and delivered to the treatment plant or equivalent facility.

The term "**Probable Mineral Reserve**" means the economically mineable part of an Indicated, and in some circumstances, a Measured Mineral Resource. The confidence in the Modifying Factors applying to a Probable Mineral Reserve is lower than that applying to a Proven Mineral Reserve. Probable Mineral Reserve estimates must be demonstrated to be economic, at the time of reporting, by at least a pre-feasibility study.

The term "**Proven Mineral Reserve**" means the economically mineable part of a Measured Mineral Resource. A Proven Mineral Reserve implies a high degree of confidence in the Modifying Factors. Proven Mineral Reserve estimates must be demonstrated to be economic, at the time of reporting, by at least a pre-feasibility study.

The term "**Modifying Factors**" means considerations used to convert Mineral Resources to Mineral Reserves. These include, but are not restricted to, mining, processing, metallurgical, infrastructure, economic, marketing, legal, environmental, social and governmental factors.

Chapada Mine

Unless otherwise stated, the information, tables and figures that follow relating to the Chapada Mine are derived from, and in some instances are extracts from, the technical report entitled "Technical Report on the Chapada Mine, Brazil" dated July 31, 2014 (the "**Chapada Report**"), prepared by or under the supervision of Wayne W. Valliant, P.Geo. and Robert L. Michaud, P.Eng. (the "**Chapada Qualified Persons**"), of Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. ("**RPA**"). The technical information contained in this section of the prospectus has been reviewed and approved by the Chapada Qualified Persons, each of whom is a "qualified person" for the purpose of National Instrument 43-101 *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects* ("**NI 43-101**"). See "Interests of Experts".

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Portions of the following information are based on assumptions, qualifications and procedures which are not fully described herein. Reference should be made to the full text of the Chapada Report, which has been filed with certain Canadian securities regulatory authorities pursuant to NI 43-101 and is available for review on the Corporation's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com.

Property Description and Location

The Chapada Mine is located in northern Goiás State, approximately 320 kilometres north of the state capital of Goiania and 270 kilometres northwest of the national capital of Brasilia. It is situated at latitude 14° 14' S, longitude 49° 22' W. Corpo Sul is situated at the southwest extremity of the Chapada deposit. The Suruca deposit is located six kilometres northeast of the Chapada Mine at approximately latitude 14° 11' S, longitude 49° 20' W.

The Chapada Mine is divided into 16 claims covering 18,921.37 hectares. The claims are held in the name of Mineração Maracá Indústria e Comércio S/A ("**Mineração Maracá**"), a 100% owned subsidiary of Yamana. The Chapada and Corpo Sul deposits are located on claim numbers 808.923/1974 and 808.931/1994 (mining licences) encompassing 3,572 hectares. The Suruca deposit is located on claim numbers 860.708/2009 and 860.595/2009 (exploration licences), totalling 845.75 hectares.

Yamana (via Mineração Maracá) holds all of the surface rights in the area of the Chapada Mine, which incorporates all of the proposed locations of buildings, fixed installations, waste dumps, and tailing disposal in the current mine plan. Yamana is of the opinion that it can acquire the right to dispose of waste rock and tailings on additional surface property, if and when required. The land ownership is registered with the Registrar of Real Estate in Mara Rosa, Goiás.

Other than statutory royalties which are paid to the Brazilian government based on commercial copper and gold production, RPA is not aware of any rights, agreements or encumbrances to which the Chapada Mine is subject, which would adversely affect the value of the property or Mineração Maracá's ownership interest. The environmental licensing process for Corpo Sul started in 2013 and the required licences were granted in 2014. No current environmental liabilities have been identified within the mine area. Ongoing items such as waste stockpiles, depleted heap leach piles, and tailings storage facilities will be rehabilitated during the mine life or at the time of mine closure. Yamana reports that no environmental permits are required at this stage of permitting for Suruca.

Accessibility, Climate, Local Resources, Infrastructure and Physiography

Chapada Mine is located in northern Goiás State, approximately 320 kilometres north of the state capital of Goiania and 270 kilometres northwest of the national capital of Brasilia. Access to the project area from Brasilia is via BR-153 (Belem/Brasilia) to Campinorte (GO) and then via GO-465 (Campinorte/Santa Terezinha) west to Alto Horizonte. The town of Alto Horizonte lies between the Suruca and Chapada deposits. Chapada Airport, suitable for small aircraft with an 800 metres long airstrip, is located close to Alto Horizonte, approximately four kilometres northeast of the Mine. Suruca is located six kilometres northeast of the Chapada Mine.

The region has a tropical climate characterized by two well defined seasons; the rainy season from November to March and the dry season from April to October, with an annual average rainfall of 1,500 millimetres. The average annual temperature is approximately 22°C. Mining operations occur throughout the year.

The local economic activity is principally agro-pastoral, but there are some small scale mining activities related to gold in alluvium and quartz veins and for clay used to make bricks. The most important towns in the region are Uruaçu, Campinorte, Porangatu, Mara Rosa and Nova Iguaçu de Goiás. They all have good infrastructure to support exploration activities. The municipality of Alto Horizonte has a population of approximately 3,100 and the nearby towns (within 50 kilometres) as Campinorte has 9,700 Mara Rosa 10,400 and Uruaçu 33,300.

Electrical power is provided by the Brazilian National Grid. The power line (230 kilovolt) is 85 kilometres long and taps into the national grid near Itapaci in Goiás State. The Chapada Mine requires approximately 1,000 cubic metres per hour of water. Rio Dos Bois currently supplies approximately 750 cubic metres per hour, with mine drainage water, rainfall, and industrial drainage areas making up the difference.

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The average elevation of the project area is approximately 300 metres above sea level. The topography is characterized by low rolling hills, with large contiguous flat areas. The vegetation is referred to as "cerrado", a tropical savannah eco-region which comprises a diverse variety of low tropical trees, shrubs, and native grasses, most of which have been cleared and serves as cattle grazing land for local landowners.

History

The Chapada deposit was discovered in 1973 by a Canadian company, INCO Ltda. ("**INCO**"), which followed up with geochemistry, geophysics, trenching, and initial drilling. There are few outcrops in the mine area due to laterite-saprolite cover. Consequently, deposit definition required extensive diamond drill exploration. Development drilling of the deposit occurred in several campaigns from 1976 through 1996 by INCO, Parsons-Eluma Projetos e Consultoria S/C ("**Parsons**"), a Brazilian copper company, Eluma Noranda, Santa Elina, and Santa Elina-Echo Bay ("**Echo Bay**"). Historical ownership and exploration activities are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1

Date	Owner	Activity
1973	INCO	Chapada discovery.
1975 - 1976		2,000 metres × 500 metres grid drilling program. Parsons acquires a 50% interest in the project.
1976 - 1979	INCO & Parsons	200 metres × 100 metres drill grid. A 92 metres deep shaft is completed with 255 metres of cross-cuts for exploration and metallurgical sampling.
1979		Mining concession No. 2394 covering 3,000 hectares is issued to Mineração Alonte by the Departamento Nacional da Producao Mineral.
1980 - 1981		Soil drilling completed in the plant, tailing ponds, and potential water dam areas.
1981	Parsons	Feasibility study completed.
1994 - 1995		A 4,500 metres drilling program re-evaluation of a near surface gold deposit. Preliminary feasibility study by Watts, Griffis and McOuat.
May 1994	SERCOR	Mineração Santa Elina Industria e Comercio S/A (" SERCOR ") acquires the Chapada deposit through a subsidiary, Mineracao Maracá.
July 1994	SERCOR and Echo Bay	Echo Bay acquires an initial interest in Santa Elina by purchasing 5% of the outstanding shares from SERCOR.
Dec 1994		Santa Elina completes its initial public offering.
Sep 1995		Santa Elina and Echo Bay approve the Chapada project joint venture. Santa Elina issues about 3% of the outstanding shares to Echo Bay. Echo Bay receives the option to acquire 50% interest in the project.
May 1996		Santa Elina is privatized and SERCOR and Echo Bay become equal owners of the Corporation.
Dec 1996		Santa Elina completes an in-fill drilling program
Dec 1997		Independent Mining Consultants, Inc. reviews the Echo Bay model and completes a mine feasibility study.
Jan 1998		Kilborn Holdings Inc., (now SNC-Lavalin Group Inc.), completes the Chapada project bankable feasibility study.
Apr 2001		Construction licence issued.
May 2000	PINUS	PINUS acquires 100% of Mineração Maracá.
2003	Yamana	The property is purchased by Yamana.
2004		The feasibility study is completed.
2007		Commercial production starts.

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In 2008, Yamana started a plant expansion to increase throughput from 16 million tons per annum to 22 million tons per annum.

From 2007 to the end of 2013, the Chapada Mine has produced 129 million tonnes grading 0.36 grams per tonne gold and 0.41% copper.

The Suruca deposit has been explored by various companies since the 1970s, as summarized in Table 2, and was exploited by garimpeiros in the 1980s. Yamana reports that garimpeiros produced approximately 200 kilograms of gold in that period.

Table 2

Date