BIG LOTS INC
Form SC 13G
February 13, 2013

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SUBJECT COMPANY:


        COMPANY DATA:

                COMPANY CONFORMED NAME:                 BIG LOTS INC
                CENTRAL INDEX KEY:                      0000768835
                STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION:     RETAIL-VARIETY [5331]
                IRS NUMBER:                                     06-1119097
                STATE OF INCORPORATION:                 OH
                FISCAL YEAR END:                                0131


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                COMPANY CONFORMED NAME:         LSV ASSET MANAGEMENT
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT
TO RULES 13d-1(b), (c) AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED
PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(b)
(AMENDMENT NO. ___)*

BIG LOTS INC
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, $0.01 par value per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

089302103
(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2012
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)

[] Rule 13d-1(c)

[ ] Rule 13d-1(d)

1. NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
LSV Asset Management
23-2772200

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (See Instructions)
(a) [ ]
(b) []

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
State of Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	5.	SOLE VOTING POWER 3,323,698
	6.	SHARED VOTING POWER 0
	7.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 3,323,698
	8.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 0

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
3,323,698

10. CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions) [ ]

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
5.64%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)
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ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER.
BIG LOTS INC

ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES.
300 PHILLIPI ROAD P.O. BOX 28512
COLUMBUS, OH 43228-0512

ITEM 2(A). NAMES OF PERSON FILING.
LSV ASSET MANAGEMENT

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE.
155 N. WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4600
CHICAGO, IL 60606

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP.
State of Delaware

ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES.
Common Stock, $0.01 par value per sharE

ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER.
089302103

ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13D-1(b), OR 13d-2(b) OR (c), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

(a) [ ] Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act.

(b) [ ] Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act.

(c) [ ] Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act.

(d) [] Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act.

(e) [X] An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);

(f) [ ] An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);

(g) [ ] A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);

(h) [ ] A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;

(i) [ ] A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;

(j) [ ] Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP.

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,323,698 shares

(b) Percent of class: 5.64%

(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:

(i)	Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:	3,323,698
(ii)	Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:	0
(iii)	Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:	3,323,698
(iv)	Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:	0

ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [ ].

ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON.

N/A

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY OR CONTROL PERSON.

N/A

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP.

N/A

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP.

N/A

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATIONS.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 13, 2013

LSV ASSET MANAGEMENT

By: Tremaine Atkinson
Title:Chief Operating Officer

352,110 Transfer agent 1,136 3,534 4,490 12,434 91,453 Travel 877 520 4,388 9,101 311,979 Wages and benefits 39,542 32,911 115,958 105,646 1,160,850 Write-off of deferred costs 0 0 0 0 8,118,123 ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ Total expenses 101,951 134,033 352,281 513,765 14,232,919 Gain on sale of capital assets (37,648) 0 (69,568) 0 (104,572) Interest income (397) (3,739) (674) (19,351) (452,471) ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ Net loss for the period 63,906 130,294 282,039 494,414 13,675,876 Accumulated deficit, beginning of the period 14,472,199 13,467,541 14,254,066 12,999,237 0 Share issue costs 0 0 0 104,184 843,014 Deficiency on acquisition of subsidiary 0 0 0 0 17,215 ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ Accumulated deficit, end of the period $ 14,536,105 $ 13,597,835 $ 14,536,105 $ 13,597,835 $ 14,536,105 ============ ============ ============ ============ ============ Basic and diluted net loss per common share $ 0.01 $ 0.01 $ 0.01 $ 0.02 ============ ============ ============ ============ Weighted average shares outstanding 30,046,030 30,000,030 30,036,594 29,310,992 ============ ============ ============ ============ The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements. 4 MINERA ANDES INC. "An Exploration Stage Corporation" CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF MINERAL PROPERTIES AND DEFERRED EXPLORATION COSTS (U.S. Dollars-Unaudited) Period from Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended July 1, 1994 ----------------------------

--------------------------- (commencement) Sept. 30, Sept. 30, Sept. 30, Sept. 30, through 2001 2000 2001 2000 Sept. 30, 2001 ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------- Administration fees $ 3,906 $ 4,988 $ 12,440 $ 13,926 $ 355,463 Assays and analytical 0 160 0 51,466 938,822 Construction and trenching 0 0 0 0 507,957 Consulting fees 3,179 13,521 15,705 43,467 908,579 Depreciation 1,841 4,680 6,620 14,041 168,061 Drilling 0 0 0 198,448 928,833 Equipment rental 0 0 0 696 244,068 Geology 700 8,141 2,328 103,148 2,903,443 Geophysics 0 0 0 0 309,902 Insurance 2,635 5,899 7,905 16,904 237,013 Legal 0 4,356 28,620 7,568 648,405 Maintenance 376 759 1,878 7,146 158,690 Materials and supplies 170 577 1,574 23,089 432,898 Project overhead 544 2,020 2,412 7,051 294,388 Property and mineral rights 2,565 5,005 4,929 17,894 1,283,154 Telephone 19 7,606 311 14,790 81,393 Travel 2,460 8,228 7,019 65,767 1,004,129 Wages and benefits 26,040 33,249 81,544 92,787 919,368 ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ Costs incurred during the period 44,435 99,189 173,285 678,188 12,324,566 Deferred costs, beginning of the period 3,738,147 4,201,901 3,859,297 3,622,902 0 Deferred costs acquired 0 0 0 0 576,139 Deferred costs written off 0 0 0 0 (8,118,123) Mineral property option proceeds (300,000) (50,000) (550,000) (50,000) (1,300,000) ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ Deferred costs, end of the period $ 3,482,582 $ 4,251,090 $ 3,482,582 $ 4,251,090 $ 3,482,582 ============ ============ ============ ============ ============ The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements. 5 MINERA ANDES INC. "An Exploration Stage Corporation" CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (U.S. Dollars-Unaudited) Period from Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended July 1, 1994 --------------------------- --------------------------- (commencement) Sept. 30, Sept. 30, Sept. 30, Sept. 30, through 2001 2000 2001 2000 Sept. 30, 2001 ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------ ------------- Operating Activities Net loss for the period $ (63,906) $ (130,294) $ (282,039) $ (494,414) $(13,675,876) Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities: Write-off of incorporation costs 0 0 0 0 665 Write-off of deferred costs 0 0 0 0 8,118,123 Depreciation 1,069 986 3,208 2,957 57,265 Gain on sale of capital assets (37,648) 0 (69,568) 0 (104,572) Change in: Receivables and prepaid expense 25,884 25,756 1,760 11,711 (28,693) Accounts payable and accruals (29,340) (17,112) (46,597) (95,674) (17,286) Due to related parties (49,167) 89 1,821 72,075 52,128 ----------- ----------- ----------- ----------- ------------ Cash used in operating activities (153,108) (120,575) (391,415) (503,345) (5,598,246) ----------- ----------- ----------- ----------- ------------ Investing Activities Incorporation costs 0 0 0 0 (665) Sale (purchases) of capital assets 44,799 (1,853) 89,779 (1,853) (131,778) Mineral properties and deferred exploration (42,594) (94,509) (166,665) (664,147) (12,156,505) Acquisition of subsidiaries 0 0 0 0 (602) Mineral property option proceeds 300,000 50,000 550,000 50,000 1,300,000 ----------- ----------- ----------- ----------- ------------ Cash provided by (used in) investing activities 302,205 (46,362) 473,114 (616,000) (10,989,550) ----------- ----------- ----------- ----------- ------------ Financing Activities Shares issued for cash, less issue costs 0 0 7,558 962,899 16,778,871 ----------- ----------- ----------- ----------- ------------ Cash provided by financing activities 0 0 7,558 962,899 16,778,871 ----------- ----------- ----------- ----------- ------------ Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents 149,097 (166,937) 89,257 (156,446) 191,075 Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period 41,978 493,962 101,818 483,471 0 ----------- ----------- ----------- ----------- ------------ Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period $ 191,075 $ 327,025 $ 191,075 $ 327,025 $ 191,075 =========== =========== =========== =========== ============ The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements. 6 MINERA ANDES INC. "An Exploration Stage Corporation" NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (U.S. Dollars-Unaudited) 1. Accounting Policies The accompanying consolidated financial statements of Minera Andes Inc. (the "Corporation") for the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2001 and 2000 and for the period from commencement (July 1, 1994) through September 30, 2001 have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Canada which differ in certain respects from principles and practices generally accepted in the United States, as described in Note 2. Also, they are unaudited but, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring items, necessary for a fair presentation. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of results which may be achieved in the future. The December 31, 2000 financial information has been derived from the Corporation's audited consolidated financial statements. These consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the year ended December 31, 2000. The accounting policies set forth in the audited annual consolidated financial statements are the same as the accounting policies utilized in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements, except as modified for appropriate interim presentation. 2. Financial Condition and Liquidity The recoverability of amounts shown as mineral properties and deferred exploration costs is dependent upon the existence of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Corporation to obtain necessary financing to complete their development, and future profitable production or disposition thereof. The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared using accounting principles generally accepted in Canada applicable to a going concern. The use of such principles may not be appropriate because, as of September 30, 2001, there was significant doubt that the Corporation would be able to continue as a going concern. For the nine months ended September 30, 2001, the Corporation had a loss of approximately $282,000 and an accumulated deficit of approximately $14.5 million. In addition, due to the nature of the mining business, the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral properties requires significant expenditures prior to the commencement of production. To date, the Corporation has financed its activities through the sale of equity securities and joint venture arrangements. The Corporation expects to use similar financing techniques in the future and is actively pursuing such additional sources of financing. Although there is no assurance that the Corporation will be successful in these actions, management believes that they will be able to secure the necessary financing to enable it to continue as a going concern. Accordingly, these financial statements do not reflect adjustments to the carrying value of assets and liabilities, the reported revenues and expenses and balance sheet classifications used that would be necessary if the going concern assumption were not appropriate. Such adjustments could be material. 7 MINERA ANDES INC. "An Exploration Stage Corporation" NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Cont.) (U.S. Dollars-Unaudited) During the quarter ended September 30, 2001, the Corporation sold motor vehicles and other assets in Argentina to N. A. Degerstrom, Inc. for $35,800, together with all the shares in the Corporation's inactive subsidiary in Argentina, NAD S.A., for a further $10,000. 3. Differences Between Canadian and United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles Differences between Canadian and U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") as they pertain to the Corporation relate to accounting for share issue costs, loss per share, non-cash issuance of common shares, the acquisition of Scotia Prime Minerals, Incorporated, compensation expense associated with the release of shares from escrow, mineral properties and deferred exploration costs and stock-based compensation and are described in Note 13 to the Corporation's consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2000. The impact of the above on the interim consolidated financial statements is as follows: Sept. 30, 2001 Dec. 31, 2000 -------------- ------------- Accumulated deficit, end of period, per Canadian GAAP $14,536,105 $14,254,066 Adjustment for acquisition of Scotia 248,590 248,590 Adjustment for compensation expense 6,324,914 6,324,914 Adjustment for share issue costs (843,014) (843,014) Adjustment for deferred exploration costs 3,326,865 3,708,509 ----------- ----------- Accumulated deficit, end of period, per U.S. GAAP $23,593,460 $23,693,065 =========== =========== Sept. 30, 2001 Dec. 31, 2000 -------------- ------------- Share capital, per Canadian GAAP $18,197,422 $18,189,864 Adjustment for acquisition of Scotia 248,590 248,590 Adjustment for compensation expense 6,324,914 6,324,914 Adjustment for share issue costs (843,014) (843,014) ----------- ----------- Share capital, per U.S. GAAP $23,927,912 $23,920,354 =========== =========== 8 MINERA ANDES INC. "An Exploration Stage Corporation" NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Cont.) (U.S. Dollars-Unaudited) Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended Period from ----------------- ----------------- July 1, 1994 (commencement) Sept. 30, Sept. 30, Sept. 30, Sept. 30, through 2001 2000 2001 2000 Sept. 30, 2001 ----------- --------- --------- ----------- ------------- Net loss for the period, per Canadian GAAP $ 63,906 $ 130,294 $ 282,039 $ 494,414 $ 13,675,876 Adjustment for acquisition of Scotia 0 0 0 0 248,590 Adjustment for compensation expense 0 0 0 0 6,324,914 Adjustment for deferred exploration costs (258,130) 44,184 (381,644) 610,294 3,326,865 ----------- --------- --------- ----------- ------------- (Profit)/Loss for period, per U.S. GAAP $ 194,224) $ 174,478 $ (99,605) $ 1,104,708 $ 23,576,245 ========== ========= ========== =========== ============== (Profit)/Loss per common share, per U.S. GAAP $ (0.01) $ 0.01 $ (0.01) $ 0.04 ========== ========= ========== =========== 4. Changes to Share Capital At January 31, 2001, warrants to acquire 9,200,000 Common Shares at an exercise price of Cdn$0.35 per share expired without being exercised. During the quarter ended March 31, 2001, the Corporation issued 46,000 shares for the exercise of stock options and received proceeds of Cdn$11,500 (US$7,558). 5. Basic and Diluted Loss Per Common Share Basic earnings per share (EPS) is calculated by dividing loss applicable to common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the year. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if potentially dilutive securities were exercised or converted to common stock. Due to the losses in 2001 and 2000, potentially dilutive securities were excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS, as they were anti-dilutive. Therefore, there was no difference in the calculation of basic and diluted EPS in 2001 and 2000. 6. Mineral Properties and Deferred Exploration Costs Under the terms of the agreement signed in August 2000 with the Brancote Holdings PLC subsidiaries on two of the Corporation's Chubut Province gold exploration properties, mineral property option proceeds of $150,000 were received in the nine months ended September 30, 2001. In the same period, the Corporation received $400,000 from Mauricio Hochschild & Cia. Ltda. under the option and joint venture agreement signed on March 15, 2001, for the exploration and possible development of the Corporation's El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra properties in Santa Cruz Province. 9 Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements -- The information in this report includes "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("1934 Act"), and is subject to the safe harbor created by those sections. Factors that could cause results to differ materially from those projected include, but are not limited to, results of current exploration activities, the market price of precious and base metals, the availability of joint venture partners or sources of financing, and other risk factors detailed in the Corporation's Securities and Exchange Commission filings. Overview -------- The principal business of the Corporation is the exploration and development of mineral properties, located primarily in the Republic of Argentina, consisting of mineral rights and applications for mineral rights, covering approximately163,000 hectares in three provinces in Argentina. The Corporation carries out its business by acquiring, exploring and evaluating mineral properties through its ongoing exploration program. Following exploration, the Corporation either seeks to enter joint ventures to further develop these properties or disposes of them if the properties do not meet the Corporation's requirements. The Corporation's properties are all early stage exploration properties and no proven or probable reserves have been identified. Plan of Operations ------------------ The Corporation has working capital of approximately $168,000 which, together with the funds to be received from the joint ventures on the El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra and Chubut properties, as estimated by management, are expected to be sufficient to cover its budgeted expenditures for mineral property and exploration activities on its properties in Argentina, and general and administrative expenses through the next 12 months. On March 15, 2001, Minera Andes Inc. signed an option and joint venture agreement with Mauricio Hochschild & Cia. Ltda. (Hochschild), Lima, Peru, for the exploration and possible development of Minera Andes' 217,000-acre (88,000 hectares) epithermal gold-silver exploration land package in southern Argentina. The land package, known as El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra, includes Huevos Verdes, a high-grade gold/silver vein system target, and Minera Andes' most advanced exploration prospect. The signing allowed Hochschild to immediately begin exploration work on El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra, and Hochschild made payments to Minera Andes of US$200,000 in March and US$200,000 in August for their total annual payment of US$400,000. Under the agreement, Hochschild can earn a 51 percent ownership in El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra by spending a total of US$3 million in three years, and a minimum of US$100,000 per year on exploration targets within El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra other than Huevos Verdes, the most advanced prospect. In addition, Hochschild will make semi-annual payments totaling US$400,000 per year until pilot plant production is achieved. The agreement also outlines a business plan for possible mining production based on the positive exploration results achieved to date by Minera Andes at Huevos Verdes. Once Hochschild vests at 51 percent ownership, Minera Andes will have the option of participating in the development of a pilot production plant that would process a minimum of 50 tons per day (tpd). Minera Andes may participate on either a pro-rata basis, or by choosing to retain a 35 percent "carried" ownership interest. Upon the successful completion and operation of the 50 tpd plant, Minera Andes would have the 10 option of participating on a pro-rata basis, or choosing a 15 percent interest in return to being "carried" to first production of 500 tpd. The Corporation has budgeted and plans to spend approximately $0.5 million on its mineral property and exploration activities and general and administrative expenses for the next 12 months, with most properties being kept on care and maintenance. While the Corporation's existing funds and estimated receipts under joint ventures should be sufficient, the Corporation will also try to raise additional funding during the next nine months in order to continue its operations over the longer term. If additional funds are raised during 2001/2002, through the exercise of warrants or options, through a further equity financing, by the sale of property interests or by joint venture financing, additional exploration could be planned and carried out on the Corporation's properties. If the Corporation were to develop a property or a group of properties beyond the exploration stage, substantial additional financing would be necessary. Such financing would likely be in the form of equity, debt, or a combination of equity and debt. The Corporation is working on various plans to obtain such financing but there is no assurance that such financing will be available to the Corporation on favorable terms. Results of Operations --------------------- Third quarter 2001 compared with third quarter 2000 The Corporation had a net loss of $64,000 ($0.01 per share) for the third quarter of 2001, compared with a net loss of $130,000 ($0.01 per share) for the third quarter of 2000, as the Corporation continued to cut costs wherever possible. Total mineral property and deferred exploration costs were $44,000 during the third quarter of 2001, compared with $99,000 spent in the third quarter of 2000. The Corporation is maintaining its staff in Argentina at minimum levels, while during the third quarter, Hochschild commenced exploration expenditures on the El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra property, in accordance with the joint venture agreement. During the third quarter in 2001, the Corporation received $300,000 in mineral property option proceeds, compared with $50,000 in the third quarter last year. Nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared with the nine months ended September 30, 2000 The Corporation had a net loss of $282,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2001, compared with a net loss of $494,000 for the comparable period in 2000. Total mineral property and deferred exploration costs for the nine months were $173,000 (before mineral property option proceeds) in 2001 and $678,000 in the comparable period of 2000. Expenditures in both years were focused on the El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra property. In the nine months ended September 30, 2001, the Corporation received mineral property option proceeds of $550,000, compared with receipts of $50,000 in the same period last year. Deferred expenditures related to mineral properties and exploration were $3,483,00 at September 30, 2001, compared with $4,251,000 at September 30, 2000. Liquidity and Capital Resources ------------------------------ Due to the nature of the mining industry, the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral properties requires significant expenditures prior to the commencement of production. To date, the Corporation has financed its activities through the sale of equity securities and joint venture arrangements. The Corporation expects to use similar financing techniques in the future. However, there can be no assurance that the Corporation will be successful with such financings. See "Plan of Operations". At September 30, 2001, the Corporation had cash and cash equivalents of $191,000, compared to $327,000 at September 30, 2000. Working capital at September 30, 2001 was $168,000. The Corporation's operating 11 activities showed some savings and used $391,000 for the first nine months of 2001, compared with $503,000 in 2000. Investing activities provided $473,000 (after mineral property option proceeds) in the 2001 period compared with $616,000 used in 2000. The receipt of $550,000 in mineral property option proceeds in the first nine months of 2001 provided this contribution. The focus in both periods in 2001 and 2000 was on the El Pluma/Cerro Saavedra property, although the Corporation's expenditures are reduced this year as a result of the Hochschild joint venture on the property. Cash and cash equivalents increased by $89,000 in the first nine months of 2001, compared to a decrease of $156,000 in the same period in 2000. The recoverability of amounts shown as mineral properties and deferred exploration costs is dependent upon the existence of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Corporation to obtain necessary financing to complete their development, and future profitable production or disposition thereof. The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared using accounting principles generally accepted in Canada applicable to a going concern. The use of such principles may not be appropriate because, as of September 30, 2001, there was significant doubt that the Corporation would be able to continue as a going concern. For the nine months ended September 30, 2001, the Corporation had a loss of approximately $282,000 and an accumulated deficit of approximately$14.5 million. In addition, due to the nature of the mining business, the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral properties requires significant expenditures prior to the commencement of production. To date, the Corporation has financed its activities through the sale of equity securities and joint venture arrangements. The Corporation expects to use similar financing techniques in the future and is actively pursuing such additional sources of financing. Although there is no assurance that the Corporation will be successful in these actions, management believes that they will be able to secure the necessary financing to enable it to continue as a going concern. Accordingly, these financial statements do not reflect adjustments to the carrying value of assets and liabilities, the reported revenues and expenses and balance sheet classifications used that would be necessary if the going concern assumption were not appropriate. Such adjustments could be material. 12 PART II - OTHER INFORMATION -------------------------- Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K a. Exhibits: None b. Reports on Form 8-K: An 8-K dated July 24, 2001 was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding a change of auditors for the Corporation. 13 SIGNATURES ---------- In accordance with the requirements of the Exchange Act, the registrant caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized. MINERA ANDES INC. Date: November 13, 2001 By: /s/ Allen V. Ambrose ---------------------------- ------------------------------------ Allen V. Ambrose President Date: November 13, 2001 By: /s/ Bonnie L. Kuhn ---------------------------- ------------------------------------ Bonnie L. Kuhn Chief Financial Officer and Secretary 14