### FORM 9

# NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OR PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF LISTED SECURITIES (or securities convertible or exchangeable into listed securities<sup>1</sup>)

Name of Listed Issuer:	Symbol(s):	
Ares Strategic Mining Inc. (the "Issuer").	ARS	
Date: <u>December 1, 2022</u> Is this an updating or amending No	lotice: □ Yes ⊠ N	10
If yes provide date(s) of prior Notices:		
Issued and Outstanding Securities of Issuer Prior to Issuance: $\underline{13}$	37,800,299	
Pricing		
Date of news release announcing proposed issuance: November	<u>er 22, 2022</u> or	
Date of confidential request for price protection:		
Closing Market Price on Day Preceding the news release: \$0.26	or	
Day preceding request for price protection:		
Closing		
Number of securities to be issued: Secured convertible debentu	res (each a "Debenture") in	the

Number of securities to be issued: <u>Secured convertible debentures</u> (each, a "**Debenture**") in the <u>aggregate principal amount of \$1,169,100</u>

Issued and outstanding securities following issuance: 137,800,299

#### Instructions:

- 1. For private placements (including debt settlement), complete tables 1A and 1B in Part 1 of this form.
- 2. Complete Table 1A Summary for all purchasers, excluding those identified in Item 8.
- 3. Complete Table 1B Related Persons only for Related Persons
- 4. If shares are being issued in connection with an acquisition (either as consideration or to raise funds for a cash acquisition) please proceed to Part 2 of this form.
- 5. An issuance of non-convertible debt does not have to be reported unless it is a significant transaction as defined in Policy 7, in which case it is to be reported on Form 10 Notice of Proposed Transaction
- 6. Post the completed Form 9 to the CSE website in accordance with *Policy 6 Distributions*. In addition, the completed form must be delivered to <u>listings@thecse.com</u> with an appendix that includes the information in Table 1B for ALL placees.

#### Part 1. Private Placement

# Table 1A – Summary

Each jurisdiction in which purchasers reside	Number of Purchasers	Price per Security	Total dollar value (CDN\$) raised in the jurisdiction
To be determined			
Total number of purchasers:			
Total dollar value of distribution in			

## **Table 1B – Related Persons**

Full Name &Municipality of Residence of Placee	Number of Securities Purchased or to be Purchased	Purchase price per Security (CDN\$)	Conversion Price (if Applicable) (CDN\$)	Prospectus Exemption	Total Securities Previously Owned, Controlled or Directed	Payment Date(1)	Describe relations- hip to Issuer (2)
N/A							

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An issuance of non-convertible debt does not have to be reported unless it is a significant transaction as defined in Policy 7, in which case it is to be reported on Form 10.

- 1. Total amount of funds to be raised: The aggregate principal amount of the debentures totals \$1,169,100. The Company will be paying each subscriber a financing fee equal to 45% of the principal amount of a debenture. After deducting the financing fee, the Company will receive gross proceeds equal to 55% of the principal amount of the debentures (the "Credit Advanced").
- 2. Provide full details of the use of the proceeds. The disclosure should be sufficiently complete to enable a reader to appreciate the significance of the transaction without reference to any other material. The majority of the proceeds will be used to finance potential acquisitions of assets or businesses in the mineral resource sector and for working capital purposes.

3.		Provide particulars of any proceeds which are to be paid to Related Persons of the Issuer: None					
4.		If securities are issued in forgiveness of indebtedness, provide details of the debt agreement(s) or and the agreement to exchange the debt for securities.					
5.	Descr	Description of securities to be issued:					
	(a)	Class					
	(b)	Number					
	(c)	Price per security					
	(d)	Voting rights					
6.		de the following information if warrants, (options) or other convertible ities are to be issued:					
	(a)	Number					
	(b)	Number of securities eligible to be purchased on exercise of warrants (or options)					
	(c)	Exercise price					
	(d)	Expiry date					
7.	Provi	de the following information if debt securities are to be issued:					
	(a)	Aggregate principal amount \$1,169,100					
	(b)	Maturity date <u>December 1, 2024</u>					
	(c)	Interest rate 12% per annum, payable semi-annually					
	the Is	Conversion terms the Credit Advanced with respect to each Debenture, her with any accrued but unpaid interest, is convertible into common shares of suer (each a "Debenture Share"), at the option of the holder, at a conversion of \$0.26 per Debenture Share (the "Conversion Price")					
	Amou applie being	Default provisions The occurrence of any of the following will constitute an of Default" under the Debenture: (a) the Issuer failing to pay the Principal unt, or issue the Conversion Shares in settlement of the Credit Advanced, as cable; (b) any representation or warranty made by the Issuer in the Debenture found to be false or incorrect in any way so as to make it materially misleading made; (c) the Issuer failing to observe or perform any covenant or agreement					

contained in the Debenture or any of the security documents which failure is not cured, if possible to cure, within ninety (90) business days after notice of such default is sent by the holder to the Issuer; (d) the Issuer: (i) applying for or consenting to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, liquidator or custodian of itself or of all or a substantial part of its property, (ii) making a general assignment for the benefit of its or any of its creditors, (iii) being dissolved or liquidated in full or in part, (iv) commencing a voluntary case or other proceeding seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief with respect to itself or its debts under any bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law now or hereafter in effect, or consenting to any such relief, or to the appointment of, or taking possession of its property by, any official in an involuntary case or other proceeding commenced against it, or (v) taking any action for the purpose of effecting any of the foregoing; and (e) the Issuer entering into any proceeding for the appointment of a receiver, trustee, liquidator or custodian of the Issuer or of all or a substantial part of the property thereof, or an involuntary case or other proceeding seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief with respect to the Issuer or the debts thereof under any bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law now or hereafter in effect is commenced and an order for relief is not entered or such proceeding is not dismissed or discharged within thirty (30) business days of commencement

- 8. Provide the following information for any agent's fee, commission, bonus or finder's fee, or other compensation paid or to be paid in connection with the placement (including warrants, options, etc.):
  - (a) Details of any dealer, agent, broker or other person receiving compensation in connection with the placement (name, and if a corporation, identify persons owning or exercising voting control over 20% or more of the voting shares if known to the Issuer): Finder's fees may be paid to eligible finders in connection with the issuance of the Debentures
  - (b) Cash 8% of the Credit Advanced by subscribers introduced by the finder
  - (c) Securities 188,624 non-transferable share purchase warrants, calculated on the basis of 8% of the maximum number of securities which may be issued to debentureholders upon conversion, such number being 2,357,807. Each warrant entitles the holder to acquire one common share in the capital of the Company at a price of \$0.26 per share for a period of two years from the date of issuance.

(d)	Other
(e)	Expiry date of any options, warrants etc.
(=)	
(f)	Exercise price of any options, warrants etc.

- 9. State whether the sales agent, broker, dealer or other person receiving compensation in connection with the placement is Related Person or has any other relationship with the Issuer and provide details of the relationship N/A
- 10. Describe any unusual particulars of the transaction (i.e. tax "flow through" shares, etc.).

In order to induce the subscribers of the debenture offering (each, a "Subscriber") to purchase the Debentures, the Company has agreed to pay each subscriber a financing fee equal to 45% of the debenture principal (the "Financing Fee") which Financing Fee shall be deducted from the principal amount of each debenture. Upon closing, the Company will receive the amount that is 55% of the principal sum (referred to herein as the "Credit Advanced"), which amount totals \$643,005. The total amount repayable by the Company on the maturity date is the principal sum of each Debenture. The Credit Advanced may be converted by each debentureholder at the conversion price of \$0.26 per share for a period of two years from the date of issuance.

As security for the repayment of the Debenture Principal and interest, the Company will grant to each Subscriber a security interest over certain of the Company's present and after-acquired personal property

11. State whether the private placement will result in a change of control.

No

- 12. Where there is a change in the control of the Issuer resulting from the issuance of the private placement shares, indicate the names of the new controlling shareholders.

  N/A
- 13. Each purchaser has been advised of the applicable securities legislation restricted or seasoning period. All certificates for securities issued which are subject to a hold period bear the appropriate legend restricting their transfer until the expiry of the applicable hold period required by National Instrument 45-102 Resale of Securities.

# 1. Provide details of the assets to be acquired by the Issuer (including the location of the assets, if applicable). The disclosure should be sufficiently complete to enable a reader to appreciate the significance of the transaction without reference to any other material: 2. Provide details of the acquisition including the date, parties to and type of agreement (eg: sale, option, license etc.) and relationship to the Issuer. The disclosure should be sufficiently complete to enable a reader to appreciate the significance of the acquisition without reference to any other material: 3. Provide the following information in relation to the total consideration for the acquisition (including details of all cash, securities or other consideration) and any required work commitments: (a) Total aggregate consideration in Canadian dollars: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Cash: (b) Securities (including options, warrants etc.) and dollar value: (c) (d) Other: Expiry date of options, warrants, etc. if any: (e) (f) Exercise price of options, warrants, etc. if any: (g) Work commitments: 4. State how the purchase or sale price was determined (e.g. arm's-length negotiation, independent committee of the Board, third party valuation etc). 5. Provide details of any appraisal or valuation of the subject of the acquisition known to management of the Issuer:

Part 2.

6.

the

**Acquisition** 

The names of parties receiving securities of the Issuer pursuant to the acquisition and

number of securities to be issued are described as follows:

Name of Party (If not an individual, name all insiders of the Party)	Number and Type of Securities to be Issued	Dollar value per Security (CDN\$)	Conversion price (if applicable)	Prospectus Exemption	Total Securities, Previously Owned, Controlled or Directed by Party	Describe relationship to Issuer <sup>(1)</sup>

(1) Indicate if Related Person

fee,	vide the following information for any agent's fee, commission, bonus or finder or other compensation paid or to be paid in connection with the acquisitic uding warrants, options, etc.):
(a)	Details of any dealer, agent, broker or other person receiving compensation connection with the acquisition (name, and if a corporation, identify perso owning or exercising voting control over 20% or more of the voting shares known to the Issuer):
(b)	Cash
(c)	Securities
(d)	Other
(e)	Expiry date of any options, warrants etc.
(f)	Exercise price of any options, warrants etc.
conr	e whether the sales agent, broker or other person receiving compensation in nection with the acquisition is a Related Person or has any other relationship the Issuer and provide details of the relationship.

# **Certificate Of Compliance**

The undersigned hereby certifies that:

- 1. The undersigned is a director and/or senior officer of the Issuer and has been duly authorized by a resolution of the board of directors of the Issuer to sign this Certificate of Compliance on behalf of the Issuer.
- 2. As of the date hereof there is not material information concerning the Issuer which has not been publicly disclosed.
- 3. the Issuer has obtained the express written consent of each applicable individual to:
  - (a) the disclosure of their information to the Exchange pursuant to this Form or otherwise pursuant to this filing; and
  - (b) the collection, use and disclosure of their information by the Exchange in the manner and for the purposes described in Appendix A or as otherwise identified by the Exchange, from time to time
- 4. The undersigned hereby certifies to the Exchange that the Issuer is in compliance with the requirements of applicable securities legislation (as such term is defined in National Instrument 14-101) and all Exchange Requirements (as defined in CSE Policy 1).
- 5. All of the information in this Form 9 Notice of Issuance of Securities is true.

Dated December 1, 2022

James Walker
Name of Director or Senior Officer
Signature
President and CEO

#### Appendix A

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION COLLECTION POLICY REGARDING FORM 9

The Canadian Securities Exchange and its subsidiaries, affiliates, regulators and agents (collectively, "CSE or the "Exchange") collect and use the information (which may include personal or other information) which has been provided in Form 9 for the following purposes:

- To determine whether an individual is suitable to be associated with a Listed Issuer;
- To determine whether an issuer is suitable for listing;
- To determine whether allowing an issuer to be listed or allowing an individual to be associated with a Listed Issuer could give rise to investor protection concerns or could bring the Exchange into disrepute;
- To conduct enforcement proceedings;
- To ensure compliance with Exchange Requirements and applicable securities legislation; and
- To fulfil the Exchange's obligation to regulate its marketplace.

The CSE also collects information, including personal information, from other sources, including but not limited to securities regulatory authorities, law enforcement and self-regulatory authorities, regulation service providers and their subsidiaries, affiliates, regulators and agents. The Exchange may disclose personal information to these entities or otherwise as provided by law and they may use it for their own investigations.

The Exchange may use third parties to process information or provide other administrative services. Any third party will be obliged to adhere to the security and confidentiality provisions set out in this policy.

All personal information provided to or collected by or on behalf of The Exchange and that is retained by The Exchange is kept in a secure environment. Only those employees who need to know the information for the purposes listed above are permitted access to the information or any summary thereof. Employees are instructed to keep the information confidential at all times.

Information about you that is retained by the Exchange and that you have identified as inaccurate or obsolete will be corrected or removed.

If you wish to consult your file or have any questions about this policy or our practices, please write the Chief Privacy Officer, Canadian Securities Exchange, 220 Bay Street – 9th Floor, Toronto, ON, M5J 2W4.