ITEM1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS

Not applicable.

ITEM2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

ITEM3. KEY INFORMATION

Capitalization and Indebtedness

Not applicable.

Reasons for the Offer and Use of Proceeds

Not applicable.

RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the following risk factors in evaluating us and our business before investing in Vista. In particular, you should consider the risks related to an investment in companies operating in Argentina, Mexico and Latin America generally, for which we have included information in these risk factors to the extent that information is publicly available. In general, investing in the securities of issuers whose operations are located in emerging market countries such as Mexico and stand-alone countries such as Argentina involve a higher degree of risk than investing in the securities of issuers whose operations are located in the United States or other more developed countries. If any of the risks discussed in this annual report actually occur, alone or together with additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us, or that we do not presently consider material, our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may be materially adversely affected. If this were to occur, the value of our series A shares or ADSs may decline and you may lose all or part of your investment. When determining whether to invest, you should also refer to the other information contained in this annual report, including the Audited Financial Statements and the related notes thereto. Our actual results could differ materially and adversely from those anticipated in this annual report.

Risk Factor Summary

The following summarizes the main risks to which we are subject. You should carefully consider all of the information discussed below in "—Detailed Risk Factors" for a comprehensive description of these and other risks.

Risks Related to Our Business and Industry:

As an oil and gas company, our business and industry is subject to particular risks, such as exploration, drilling, completion, production, equipment and resources, gathering, treatment and transportation risks; risks related to natural hazards, weather conditions, and mechanical difficulties; fluctuations and regulation of international and domestic oil prices; the availability of financial resources for our business plan and its corresponding costs; inflation; government regulation; and contractions in demand of crude oil and natural gas or any of their by-products. Additional risks exist in light of the conflict involving Russia and Ukraine and the conflict between Israel and Hamas in the Gaza Strip, and the associated economic and trade sanctions and restrictions that have been imposed or may be imposed in the future as a result of such conflicts or others. Additionally, as a company which primarily operates in Argentina and Mexico, our business may be affected by changes in those markets.

Our business operations require significant and long-term capital investments and maintenance costs. Our liquidity, business activities, profitability and ability to compete in the market may be adversely affected if we are not able to acquire and correctly use necessary new technologies in connection with future drilling projects, obtaining financing for such projects, obtain and maintain and/or partners to develop and maintain our business activities.

The enhanced focus on climate change and the transition to lower carbon energy sources on the part of the international community, governments, and investors, promote an increase in the use of energy from renewable sources. This energy transition could significantly impact our industry and business, resulting in increased operating costs, reduced demand for the oil and natural gas we produce, and reputational risks in connection with our business activities. If we fail to meet the pace and extent of society's changing demands for lower carbon energy as the energy transition unfolds, we could fail in sustaining and developing our business. Further, adverse climate conditions may adversely affect our results of operations and our ability to conduct drilling operations. Additionally, adverse climate conditions could negatively impact the Argentine economy, which could in turn affect our results of operations.

Risks Related to our Company:

Most of our producing properties and total estimated proved reserves are geographically concentrated in Argentina. The results of our planned development programs in new or emerging shale development areas and formations may be subject to more uncertainties than programs in more established areas and formations. As such, we may fail to fully identify problems with any properties we acquire, and as such, assets we acquire may prove to be worth less than we paid because of uncertainties in evaluating recoverable reserves and potential liabilities. We may not be able to acquire, develop or exploit new reserves, which could decrease the volume of our reserves over time and could, in turn, adversely affect our financial condition and our results of operations.

The oil and gas industry is competitive and our ability to achieve our strategic objectives depends on our ability to successfully compete in the market.

We may also be parties to labor, commercial, civil, tax, criminal, environmental and administrative proceedings that, either alone or in combination with other proceedings, could, if resolved in whole or in part adversely to us, result in the imposition of material costs, fines, judgments or other losses. Additionally, we are subject to anti-corruption, anti-bribery, anti-money laundering and economic sanctions laws and regulations of Mexico, Argentina and other nations. Our failure to comply with these laws could result in penalties, which could harm our reputation and have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial condition and results of operations. Our operations may pose risks to the environment, and any climate change legislation or regulations restricting emissions of greenhouse gases and legal frameworks promoting an increase in the participation of energies from renewable sources could significantly impact our industry and result in increased operating costs and reduced demand for the oil and natural gas we produce.

Risks Related to the Argentine and Mexican Economic and Regulatory Environments:

Investors may be faced with risks inherent to investing in a company operating in stand-alone and emerging markets, such as Argentina and Mexico. Some of these risks may include, among others, the economic and political conditions in Argentina and Mexico, Argentina's ability to obtain financing from international markets, changing regulation in the countries in which we operate, direct and indirect restrictions on imports and exports under Argentine law, current or potential Argentine exchange controls, the imposition of export duties and other taxes, inflation, significant fluctuations in the value of the Argentine Peso, criminal activity in Mexico, and joint and several tax liability.

Risks Related to our series A shares and the ADSs:

The series A shares and ADSs are traded in more than one market, and this may result in price variations. Dividend distributions to holders of our series A shares will be made in Mexican Pesos.

Also, if securities or industry analysts do not publish research reports about our business, or publish negative reports about our business, the price and trading volume of our series A shares and the ADS could decline.

As a foreign private issuer, we have different disclosure and other requirements than U.S. domestic registrants. We are also permitted to rely on exemptions from certain NYSE corporate governance standards applicable to U.S. issuers, including the requirement that a majority of an issuer's directors consist of independent directors. This may afford less protection to holders of our ADSs.

ADS holders may also be subject to additional risks related to holding ADSs rather than series A shares. For example, ADS holders may be unable to exercise voting rights with respect to the shares underlying the ADSs at our shareholders' meetings, and preemptive rights may be unavailable to non-Mexican holders of ADSs. Additionally, our bylaws, in compliance with Mexican law, restrict the ability of non-Mexican shareholders to invoke the protection of their governments with respect to their rights as shareholders. Our bylaws also contain provisions aimed at restricting the acquisition of our shares and restricting the execution of voting agreements among our shareholders. ADSs holders may not be entitled to a jury trial with respect to claims arising under the deposit agreement, which could result in less favorable outcomes to the plaintiff(s) in any such action.

If we fail to maintain an effective system of internal control over financial reporting, we may not be able to accurately report our financial results or prevent fraud.

Detailed Risk Factors

Risks Related to Our Business and Industry

The oil and gas industry is subject to particular operational and economic risks.

Oil and gas exploration and production ("E&P") activities are subject to particular economic and industry-specific operational risks, some of which are beyond our control, such as drilling, completion, production, equipment, gathering, treatment and transportation risks, as well as natural hazards and other uncertainties, including those relating to the physical characteristics of onshore and offshore oil or natural gas fields. Our operations may be curtailed, delayed or canceled due to bad weather conditions, mechanical difficulties, shortages or delays in the delivery of equipment or the construction of roads to access drilling sites, works related to third party vendors, road blocks, compliance with governmental requirements (including any delays in obtaining the relevant permits), fire, explosions, blow-outs, pipe failure, abnormally pressured formations, supply chain bottlenecks, lockdown restrictions on the general population and reduced hydrocarbons demand due to a pandemic, such as COVID-19, and environmental hazards, such as oil spills, gas leaks, ruptures or discharges of toxic gases or natural disasters preventing us from accessing the drilling sites. Drilling may be unprofitable, not only with respect to dry wells, but also with respect to wells that are productive but do not produce sufficient revenues to return a profit after drilling, completion, operating and other costs are considered.

We are exposed to the effects of fluctuations and regulation of international and domestic oil prices. In addition, limitations on local pricing of our products in Argentina and Mexico may adversely affect our results of operations.

Most of our revenues in Argentina and Mexico are derived from sales from oil and natural gas. During 2023, 52% of our oil sales volumes were exported, and we expect to continue exporting a substantial portion of our volumes in the future. We are, therefore, exposed to pricing risk in both the international and domestic markets, especially the Argentine domestic market.

International and domestic oil and gas prices have fluctuated significantly in recent years and are likely to continue fluctuating in the future. Factors affecting international prices for crude oil are: political developments in crude oil producing regions, particularly in the Middle East, the ongoing conflict involving Russia and Ukraine, and more recently between Israel and Hamas, the ability of the OPEC and other crude oil producing nations to set and maintain crude oil production levels and prices; macroeconomic conditions, including inflation; global and regional supply and demand for crude oil, gas and related products; investment in new projects to bring new oil production volumes to the market; global supply chain disruptions, and shipping bottlenecks, competition from other energy sources, the effects of a pandemic (such as COVID-19) or epidemic and any subsequent mandatory regulatory restrictions or containment measures, domestic and foreign government regulations, weather conditions, and global and local conflicts, war, or acts of terrorism. We cannot predict how these factors will influence oil and related oil products prices and we have no control over them. Price volatility curtails the ability of industry participants to adopt certain long-term investment decisions given that returns on investments become unpredictable.

Secondly, the domestic price of crude oil has fluctuated in the past in Argentina and Mexico not only due to international prices and the risks outlined above, but also due to local taxation, regulations affecting commercialization in the domestic and export markets, macroeconomic conditions, the impact of a pandemic on general economic activity and therefore crude oil demand and refining margins. The domestic price of crude oil is also subject to local price limitations imposed by the Argentine and Mexican governments. The average annual price of Brent crude oil stood at \$82.3/bbl in 2023, leading to an export parity for Medanito oil price of approximately \$72.0/bbl, but our average realization price in the domestic market was \$63.6/bbl, implying a discount to export parity of 13%. The determination by the Argentine and Mexican governments to fix, or indirectly intervene to generate,

local crude oil prices at values below export parity could have an adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition, and cash flows. In the event that local prices are reduced through any of the factors described above, which we cannot control, could affect the economic performance of our existing and future projects, generating a loss of reserves as a result of changes in our development plans, our assumptions and our estimates, and consequently affect the recovery value of certain assets. A decline in realized crude oil prices for an extended period of time (or if prices for certain products fail to keep pace with cost increases) could adversely affect both the economic viability of our drilling projects and, consequently, our ability to meet our operational and financial targets. These price declines could result in changes to our development plans, reduced capital expenditures, failure of our joint venture partners to approve investment projects, a loss of proved developed reserves and proved undeveloped reserves, an adverse effect on our ability to improve our hydrocarbon recovery rates, find new reserves, develop unconventional resources, carry out certain of our other capital expenditure plans, meet our long-term targets and service our financial debt. A decline in realized crude oil prices could also lead to a deterioration in our financial coverage ratios and impairment charges. We cannot predict whether, or to what extent, the potential consequences of such actions could affect our business, impact our production, or affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Our business could be adversely affected by a decline in general economic conditions or a weakening of the broader energy industry, and inflation may adversely affect our financial position and operating results.

A prolonged economic slowdown or recession, adverse events relating to the energy industry, or regional, national, or global economic conditions and factors, particularly a slowdown in the E&P industry, could negatively impact our operations and therefore adversely affect our results. The risks associated with our business are more acute during periods of economic slowdown or recession because such periods may be accompanied by decreased demand for oil and natural gas, and decreased prices for oil and natural gas.

Supply chain pressures in global production, trade and logistics and demand increases may lead to price inflation in the energy sector. Inflationary factors, such as increases in the labor costs, material costs, and overhead costs, may also adversely affect our financial position and operating results. An increase of our costs due to inflation could offset any price increases of our products and services resulting in an adverse effect on our operating results.

We are exposed to contractions in demand of crude oil and natural gas and contractions in demand of any of their by-products.

Demand for our crude oil and gas products is largely influenced by the economic activity and growth in Argentina, Mexico and globally. For example, the efforts of the Federal Reserve of the United States and other Central Banks globally to contain inflation through increase in interest rates, could lead to lower economic growth, and even economic recession in certain economies, or at a global level. This could have an adverse effect on the demand for crude oil and crude oil prices, and therefore impact negatively on our business. Demand for our products is subject to volatility in the future. Demand for crude oil by-products, such as gasoline, may contract under certain conditions, particularly during economic downturns, or due to changes in consumer preferences following from the energy transition currently underway.

A contraction of the demand of our products would adversely affect our revenues, causing economic losses to our Company. In addition, contraction of demand and pricing of our products can impact the valuation of our reserves. Additionally, in periods of lower commodity prices, we may curtail production and capital spending or may defer or delay drilling wells because of lower cash generation. Continuous poor economic performance could eventually impair our ability to repay our financial debt, lead to a deterioration in our financial coverage ratios and impairment charges. A contraction of crude oil demand could also affect us financially, including our ability to pay our suppliers for their services, which could, in turn, lead to further operational distress.

The conflict involving Russia and Ukraine, and the associated new, additional, and/or enhanced economic and trade sanctions and restrictions that have been imposed by various countries, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The conflict involving Russia and Ukraine has recently had and will likely continue to have significant international economic effects, including increased inflation, supply chain problems, market volatility and an impact on commodity prices. The conflict and its effects could exacerbate the current slowdown in the global economy and could negatively affect the ability of some of our customers with exposure to the Russian and/or Ukrainian markets to pay for our products.

In addition, the conflict has resulted in the imposition of economic and trade sanctions and restrictions targeting Russia and certain Russian economic sectors and companies by the United States, the European Union, the United Kingdom and other major countries. The severity of these sanctions could worsen and contribute to shortages of raw materials and commodities, which in turn could lead to higher levels of inflation and disruptions in the global supply chain. Disruptions in the global supply chain could affect, in particular, the energy sector and could lead to supply chain difficulties in local markets. Due to the uncertainties inherent to the scale and duration of the conflict and its direct and indirect effects, it is not reasonably possible to estimate the impact this conflict will have on the global economy and financial markets, on the economies of the countries in which we operate and, consequently, our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Also, our revenues and our profitability are heavily dependent on the prices we receive from our sales of oil and natural gas. Oil prices are particularly sensitive to actual and perceived threats to global political stability and to changes in oil production in, and oil supply from, various key countries, including Russia. The conflict has led to an increase in international oil prices, which creates transitory increases in the revenues of upstream companies around the globe. In addition, it has also led to increased volatility in global commodities in general and hydrocarbon prices. We cannot predict whether such volatility will lead to further price increases or, on the contrary, lead to a general downturn in economic activity, or lower oil and gas prices, and therefore adversely affect our profitability. Recent increases in oil prices could accelerate the transition to other sources of energy and led to an unpredictable drop in pricing in the medium to long-term, which in turn could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. Such price increases could also lead to energy shortages and an increasing amount of the global population, including in Argentina and Mexico, without access to energy supplies. It could also lead to new regulation by the Argentine and/or Mexican governments to further de-couple domestic energy pricing from international energy pricing or restrict energy-related exports from Argentina or Mexico, which would affect our business. Additionally, changes to worldwide oil prices and demand could cause turmoil in the global financial system, and in turn materially affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The conflict involving Israel and Hamas could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Beginning in October 2023, Israel and Hamas have been involved in a serious and escalating armed conflict. A sharper escalation of the conflict could bring Israel into direct conflict with Iran, or other Middle East countries, and lead to the involvement of other countries around the globe in the conflict. The war could have a material negative impact in oil prices and global growth as well as further global economic consequences, including but not limited to the possibility of severely diminished liquidity and credit availability, declines in consumer confidence, scarcity of certain raw materials and products, declines in economic growth, increases in inflation rates and uncertainty about economic and political stability. Although the length and impact of the ongoing conflict is unpredictable, such conflict has created and could lead to further market disruptions, including significant volatility in commodity prices, credit and capital markets. Due to the uncertainties inherent to the scale and duration of this conflict and its direct and indirect effects, it is not reasonably possible to estimate the impact such conflict will have on the global economy or on the economies of the countries in which we operate and, consequently, our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our business requires significant and long-term capital investments and maintenance cost.

The oil and gas industry is a capital-intensive industry. We make and expect to continue to make substantial capital expenditures related to development and acquisition of oil and gas resources and in order to maintain or increase the amount of our hydrocarbon reserves and production.

We have funded, and we expect that we will continue to fund, our capital expenditures with cash generated by existing operations, debt and our available cash. However, under certain scenarios (for example, in low realized oil price scenarios), our financing needs may require us to alter or increase our capitalization substantially through the issuance of debt or equity securities or the sale of assets. In such case, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to maintain our current production levels, generate sufficient cash flow or that we will have access to sufficient borrowing or other financing alternatives to continue our exploration, exploitation and production activities at current or higher levels.

Additionally, the incurrence of additional indebtedness would require that a portion of our cash flow from operations be used for the payment of interest and principal on our indebtedness, thereby reducing our ability to use cash flow from operations to fund working capital, capital expenditures, operating expenditures and acquisitions. The actual amount and timing of our future capital expenditures may differ materially from our estimates as a result of various factors. We may decrease our actual capital expenditures in response to lower commodity prices, which would negatively impact our ability to increase production.

If our revenues decrease, we may have limited ability to obtain the capital necessary to sustain our operations at current levels. If additional capital is needed, we may not be able to obtain debt or equity financing on terms acceptable to us, if at all. If cash flow generated by our operations are not sufficient to meet our capital requirements, the failure to obtain additional financing could result in a reduction of the capital expenditures devoted to the development of our assets, or even in a curtailment of our operations. This, in turn, could lead to a decline in production, and could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations, and the market value of our series A shares or ADSs may decline.

We may not be able to acquire, develop or exploit new reserves, which could decrease the volume of our reserves over time and could, in turn, adversely affect our financial condition and the results of our operations.

The hydrocarbon reserves in any given reservoir decreases as such oil and gas volumes are produced and consumed, with the range of decrease depending on the characteristics of the reservoir and the production rate. Therefore, our results of operations largely depend on our ability to produce oil and gas from existing reserves, to discover additional oil and gas reserves, and to economically exploit oil and gas from these reserves. Unless we are successful in our exploration of oil and gas reserves and their development, in replacing our existing oil and gas reserves or in acquiring new reserves, the production of oil and gas and the volume of our total reserves will decrease over time. While we have geological reports evaluating certain proved and probable reserves, as well as contingent and prospective resources in our blocks, there is no assurance that we will continue to be successful in the exploration, appraisal, development and commercialization of oil and gas.

Drilling activities are also subject to numerous risks and may involve unprofitable efforts, not only with respect to dry wells but also with respect to wells that are productive but do not produce enough net income to derive profit after covering drilling costs and other operating costs. The construction of a well does not assure a return on investment or recovery of the costs of drilling, completion and operating costs. Lower oil and natural gas prices could also affect our future investment and growth, including future and pending acquisitions.

We may not be able to identify commercially exploitable reservoirs or implement our capital investment program to complete or produce more oil and gas reserves, and the wells we plan to drill may not result in the discovery or production of oil or natural gas. If we are unable to replace our production with new reserves, or acquire new reserves, our reserves will decline and our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and market value of our series A shares and ADSs could be negatively affected.

The oil and gas reserves that we estimate are based on assumptions that could be inaccurate.

Our oil and gas reserves are estimates based on certain assumptions that could be inaccurate. Reserve estimates depend on the quality of engineering and geological data at the date of the estimate and the manner in which they are interpreted. In addition, reserve engineering is a subjective process for estimating oil and gas accumulations that cannot be accurately measured, and the estimates of other engineers may differ materially. A number of assumptions and uncertainties are inherent in estimating the amounts of proven reserves of oil and gas (including, but not limited to production forecasts, the time and amount of development expenditures, testing and production after the date of the estimates, among others), many of which are beyond our control and are subject to change over time.

Consequently, measures of reserves are not precise and are subject to revision. Any downward revision in our estimated quantities of proved reserves could adversely impact our financial condition and results of operations, and ultimately have a material adverse effect on the market value of our series A shares or ADSs. In addition, the estimation of "proved oil and natural gas reserves" based on Argentine SdE Resolution No. 324/2006 and Secretariat of Hydrocarbon Resources Resolution No. 69-E/2016 may differ from the standards required by SEC's regulations.

As a result, reserve estimates could be materially different from the amounts that are ultimately extracted, and if such amounts are significantly lower than the initial reserves estimates it could result in a material adverse effect on our financial performance, operating results and the market value of our series A shares and ADSs. See "Item 4—Information on the Company—Industry and Regulatory Overview—Oil and Gas Regulatory Framework in Argentina—Reserves and Resources Certification in Argentina" and the 2023 Reserves Report attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Our business operations rely heavily on our production facilities

A material portion of our revenues depends on our oil and gas facilities, which are key to producing, transporting, treating and injecting oil and gas in transportation infrastructure for sale. In order to execute our strategic plan and meet our 2026 targets, we need to expand our capacity to transport, treat and inject our oil & gas production. If we are not able to execute these expansion projects, our growth plan could be affected.

In addition, while we believe that we maintain adequate insurance coverage and appropriate security measures in respect of such facilities, any material damage to, accident at, or other disruption at such production facilities could have a material adverse effect on our production capacity, financial condition and results of operations.

The lack of availability of midstream capacity may limit our possibility of increasing hydrocarbon production and may adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Our capacity to exploit our hydrocarbon reserves largely depends upon the availability of midstream infrastructure on commercially acceptable terms to transport the produced hydrocarbons to the markets in which they are sold. Typically, oil is transported by pipelines and tankers to refineries, and gas is usually treated, compressed and transported by pipeline to customers. The lack of oil transportation, storage or loading infrastructure, as well as the lack of vessels for maritime oil transportation, may adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. The lack of gas treatment, compression or transportation infrastructure may also adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

In particular, most of our crude oil production is transported from the Neuquina Basin through the Oldelval pipeline system to the south of the Province of Buenos Aires, from where it is sent to refineries or port facilities at Puerto Rosales for exports. On the other hand, part of our oil is transported to Chile through the OTASA/OTC pipeline. The Oldelval pipeline system is currently working close to full capacity. Additionally, the export facilities at Puerto Rosales, owned by Oiltanking Ebytem, are also working close to full capacity. Although Oldelval and Oiltanking Ebytem are executing projects to expand their capacity, if Vaca Muerta production grows at a greater pace than midstream capacity expands, a potential lack of transportation capacity may limit our production and therefore adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. Additionally, although the OTASA/OTC pipeline currently has spare capacity, any operating or commercial problems with the offtaker in Chile would impact our production.

Developments in the oil and gas industry and other factors may result in substantial writedowns of the carrying amount of our assets, which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Changes in the economic, regulatory, business or political environment in Argentina, Mexico or other markets where we operate, such as price controls over crude oil or crude oil by-products or the significant decline in international crude oil and gas prices in recent years, among other factors, may result in the recognition of impairment charges in certain of our assets.

We evaluate the carrying amount of our assets for possible impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently where the circumstances require. Our impairment tests are performed by a comparison of the carrying amount of an individual asset or a cash-generating unit with its recoverable amount. Whenever the recoverable amount of an individual asset or cash-generating unit is less than its carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognized to reduce the carrying amount to the recoverable amount. Substantial write-downs of the carrying amount of our assets could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Exploration and development drilling may not result in commercially productive reserves.

Drilling involves numerous risks, including the risk that no commercially productive oil or gas reservoirs will be encountered. The cost of drilling, completing and operating wells is often uncertain, and drilling operations may be curtailed, delayed or canceled, or become costlier, as a result of a variety of factors, including (i) unexpected drilling conditions; (ii) unexpected pressure or irregularities in formations; (iii) equipment failures or accidents; (iv) construction delays; (v) hydraulic stimulation accidents or failures; (vi) adverse weather conditions; (vii) restricted access to land for drilling or laying pipelines; (viii) title defects; (ix) lack of available gathering, transportation, processing, fractionation, storage, refining or export facilities; (x) lack of available capacity on interconnecting transmission pipelines; (xi) access to, and the cost and availability of, the equipment, services, resources and personnel required to complete our drilling, completion and operating activities; and (xii) delays imposed by or resulting from compliance with environmental and other governmental or regulatory requirements.

Our future drilling activities may not be successful and, if unsuccessful, our proved reserves and production would decline, which could have an adverse effect on our future results of operations and financial condition. While all drilling, whether development, extension or exploratory, involves these risks, exploratory and extension drilling involves greater risks of dry holes or failure to find commercial quantities of hydrocarbons. If we are not successful in our exploration or extension drilling activities, we might not be able to replace the reserves consumed as a result of our production and therefore our production will decline over time, which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Our operations are substantially dependent upon the availability of water and our ability to dispose of produced water gathered from drilling and production activities. Restrictions on our ability to obtain water or dispose of produced water may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Water is an essential component of drilling, completion and hydrocarbon production activities. Limitations or restrictions on our ability to secure sufficient amounts of water (including limitations resulting from natural causes such as drought), could materially and adversely impact our operations. Severe drought conditions can result in local water districts taking steps to restrict the use of water in their jurisdiction for drilling and hydraulic stimulation in order to protect the local water supply. If we are unable to obtain water to use in our operations from local sources, it may need to be obtained from new sources and transported to drilling sites, or other facilities, resulting in increased costs, which could have an adverse impact on our financial condition and cash flows. Additionally, if we were unable to obtain water from any sources, we might be forced to halt our drilling and completion activities, which could have a material adverse effect on our growth prospects, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Our operations may pose risks to the environment.

Some of our operations are subject to environmental risks which could materialize unexpectedly and could have a material adverse impact on our financial condition and results of operations. These include the risk of leaks or spills of hydrocarbons, contamination of soil or water sources, fire and explosions, damages to infrastructure or the general population. There can be no assurance that future environmental issues will not result in cost increases, civil liability or administrative action, which could lead to a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Any climate change legislation or regulations restricting emissions of greenhouse gases ("GHGS") could result in increased operating costs.

Due to concern over the risk of climate change, a number of countries have adopted, or are considering the adoption of, new regulatory requirements to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as carbon taxes, increased efficiency standards or the adoption of cap-and-trade regimes. More stringent environmental regulations can result in the imposition of costs associated with GHG emissions, either through environmental agency requirements relating to mitigation initiatives, compliance costs and operational restrictions, and/or through other regulatory measures such as GHG emissions taxation and market creation of limitations on GHG emissions that have the potential to increase our

operating costs. We expect that a growing share of our GHG emissions could be subject to regulation, resulting in increased compliance costs and operational restrictions. Regulators may seek to limit certain oil and gas projects or make it more difficult to obtain required permits for hydrocarbon exploration and exploitation. Additionally, climate activists around the globe are challenging the grant of new and existing regulatory permits. We expect that these challenges are likely to continue and could delay or prohibit operations in certain cases.

Compliance with legal and regulatory changes relating to climate change set out by the Argentine and Mexican governments, including those resulting from the implementation of international treaties (see "Item 4—Information on the Company—Business Overview—Argentine Regulatory Framework"), may in the future increase our costs to operate and maintain our facilities, install new emission controls on our facilities and administer and manage any GHG emissions program. Revenue generation and strategic growth opportunities may also be adversely affected.

In addition, environmental laws that may be implemented in the future could increase litigation risks and have a material adverse effect on us. For example, in 2019, the Argentine Congress enacted Law No. 27,520 on Minimal Standards on Global Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation, which focused on implementing policies, strategies, actions, programs and projects that can establish responsibilities for gas emissions and prevent, mitigate or minimize the damages or impacts associated with climate change (see "Item 4—Information on the Company—Business Overview—Argentine Regulatory Framework"). If additional requirements were adopted in Argentina, these requirements could add to our litigation costs and impact adversely on our results of operations.

We cannot predict the overall impact that the enactment of new environmental laws or regulations could have on our financial results, results of operations, and cash flows and the market value of our series A shares and ADSs.

The energy transition could result in reduced demand for the oil and gas we produce, negatively impact our long-term plans, and lead to opposition from certain stakeholders.

We expect that actions by governments across the globe, NGOs, our customers and refined hydrocarbon product end users to reduce their emissions will continue to lower demand for hydrocarbons and their by-products, and potentially affect prices for oil and gas, for example if households continue switching to electric vehicles, if public transport switches to electricity or other renewable fuels, if power generation continues to migrate to renewable sources, or if hydrogen or alternative sources of green energy are adopted on a massive scale. This could be a factor contributing to additional provisions for our assets and result in lower earnings, cancelled projects, reduced access to capital, and potential impairment of certain assets.

Regulations and regimes promoting alternative energy resources may also lead to a decline in demand for crude oil and natural gas, or any of their by-products, in the long-term. In addition, increased regulation of GHG may create greater incentives for the use of alternative energy sources. Any long-term material adverse effect on the oil industry could adversely affect the financial and operational aspects of our business, which we cannot predict with certainty as of the date of this annual report.

There are other risks associated with climate change, such as increasing amount of conflicts with landowners and local communities, difficulties in hiring and retaining staff, and increased difficulty accessing technology. Moreover, certain investors have also decided to divest their investments in fossil fuel companies and stakeholder groups are also putting pressure on commercial and investment banks to stop financing fossil fuel companies. According to press reports, some financial institutions have started to limit their exposure to fossil fuel projects. Accordingly, our ability to access financing for future projects may be adversely affected. These factors could have a negative impact on the demand for our products and services and may jeopardize or even impair the implementation and operation of our business, adversely impacting our operating and financial results and limiting our growth opportunities.

Expectations relating to GHG emissions could expose us to potential liabilities, increased costs, and reputational harm.

In 2021, we announced our ambition to become net zero in scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions by 2026. We plan to achieve this ambition through a multi-year plan to reduce our operational carbon footprint and the implementation of our own portfolio of nature-based solutions ("NBS"). Our NBS projects are designed to offset the residual emissions from our operations through carbon capture in soil and forest. See "Item 4—Information on the Company—Environmental Policy."

Our net zero ambition is subject to complex methodologies, calculations, assumptions and estimates, including with respect to how we determine our emissions and the carbon offsets through our NBS projects. Although we believe that our methodologies, calculations, assumptions and estimates are reasonable, we cannot assure you that we will not revise our past emissions estimates, our carbon offsets or our future emissions projections or goals as a result of new developments, technologies, regulations, standards or otherwise. In addition, we may pursue business opportunities (including acquisitions or divestments of oil and gas assets) that may affect our emissions estimates and projections.

Our emissions information (including carbon offsets) may be calculated differently than by other companies, including our competitors. Investors should make their own diligence and assessment on whether our emissions information is directly comparable to that of other companies.

Our emissions information is also based on limited information and subject to significant uncertainties. For example, our emissions information excludes the emissions arising from concession areas that we do not operate (on which we do not have emissions information) and therefore only cover approximately 93% of our production, based on our 2023 performance data.

Therefore, we cannot guarantee that our net zero ambition will be fully realized on the timeline we expect or at all. Any failure, or perceived failure, by us to adhere to our net zero ambition or other public statements, comply fully with developing interpretations of climate-related laws and regulations, or meet evolving and varied stakeholder expectations and standards could harm our business, reputation, financial condition, and operating results.

If we fail to meet the pace and extent of society's changing demands or our own aspirations for lower carbon energy as the energy transition unfolds (including failing to meet our aspiration to become net zero in scope 1 & 2 GHG emissions by 2026), we could face reputational costs or fail in sustaining and developing our business.

The pace and extent of the energy transition could pose a risk to the company if our own transition towards decarbonization moves at a different speed than that of our competitors and the economy in general, or if we fail to meet our aspirations. If we are slower than competitors or the economy in general, either because we do not invest enough funds, or invest in technologies that fail to reduce our carbon footprint, or if we fail to meet our ambition to become net zero in scope 1 & 2 GHG emissions by 2026, our reputation may suffer and customers may prefer a different supplier which would adversely impact demand for our hydrocarbon products, including the market value of our unconventional acreage and associated resources we expect to develop in the future. Our failure to time the transition of our production to address climate-change related concerns could have a material adverse effect on our earnings, cash flows and financial condition.

Adverse climate conditions may adversely affect our results of operations and our ability to conduct drilling operations. Additionally, adverse climate conditions could negatively impact the Argentine economy.

The physical effects of climate change such as, but not limited to, heat waves, storms, hail, increases in temperature and sea levels, extensive droughts affecting the river basins where we operate, and fluctuations in sea levels could adversely affect our operations and supply chains. Such adverse climate conditions may lead to, among others, cost increases, drilling delays, power outages, production stoppages, and difficulties in transporting the oil and gas produced by us. Any decrease in our oil and gas production and sales could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

In addition, the occurrence of severe adverse weather conditions, especially droughts, hail, floods or frost or diseases, is unpredictable, may have a potentially devastating impact on production, mainly on agricultural products, and may otherwise adversely affect the supply and price of such products. Adverse weather conditions may be exacerbated by the effects of climate change. The effects of severe adverse weather conditions may reduce yields of agricultural activities in Argentina, which could have an adverse effect on the economy, including lower inflows of hard currency from exports, depreciation of the local currency, rising inflation and poverty.

Our activities are subject to social and reputational risks, including negative media attention and the potential for protests by members of the local communities in the places where we operate.

Although we are committed to operating in a socially responsible manner, we may face opposition from local communities and negative media attention. For example, several of our operations are carried out in the Province of Neuquén, Argentina. Local communities, including indigenous communities, have engaged in various forms of protest against business activities in general, including oil and gas. Although we consider our relationship with local communities, including indigenous communities to be good, we cannot ensure that any form of protest, including road blocks, actions limiting access of our workers or contractors to our operation, sabotage or any disruptive action will not impact our operations. Any such action could have an adverse effect on our reputation, financial condition and results of operations.

Our industry has become increasingly dependent on digital technologies to carry out daily operations and is subject to increasing cybersecurity threats.

As dependence on digital technologies has increased, cyber incidents, including deliberate attacks or unintentional events have also increased worldwide. Even if we have implemented, and continue to implement, a cybersecurity plan (See "Item 16K-Cybersecurity"), the technologies, systems, and networks that we have implemented, or may implement in the future, and those of our service providers, may be the object of cyberattacks or failures to the security of information systems, which could lead to interruptions in critical industrial systems, the unauthorized disclosure of confidential or protected information, data corruption, other interruptions of, or disruptions to, our operations. In addition, certain cyber incidents, such as the advanced persistent threat, may not be detected for a prolonged period of time. Although we have adopted a Cybersecurity Policy that serves as an umbrella for our cybersecurity risk management standards and procedures to safeguard information and protect our systems, we cannot assure you that cyber incidents will not happen in the future and that our operations and/or our financial performance will not be affected.

Information security risks have generally increased in recent years as a result of the proliferation of new technologies and the increased sophistication and activities of cyber-attacks. We depend on digital technology, including information systems to process financial and operating data, analyze seismic and drilling information and oil and gas reserves estimates. We have increasingly connected equipment and systems to the Internet. Because of the critical nature of their infrastructure and the increased accessibility enabled through connection to the Internet, they may face a heightened risk of cyber-attack. In the event of such an attack, they could have our oilfield operations disrupted, property damaged and customer information stolen, experience substantial loss of revenues, response costs and other financial loss; and be subject to increased litigation and damage to their reputation. A cyber-attack could adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition. See "Item 16K—Cybersecurity."

Risks Related to our Company

The historical financial information included in this annual report and the past performance and experience of our Executive Team may not be indicative of future results.

Our business is inherently volatile due to the influence of external factors, such as domestic demand, market prices, availability of financial resources for our business plan and its corresponding costs and government regulations. Our periodic operating results could fluctuate for many reasons, including many of the risks described in this section, which are beyond our control. Consequently, our past financial condition, results of operations and the trends indicated by such results and financial condition may not be indicative of current or future financial conditions, results of operations or trends. Additionally, we believe that the experience of our Executive Team constitutes a differentiated source of competitive strength for us. However, the experience of our Executive Team in the past (whether in Vista or in other companies) may not be indicative of our future results of operations. For more information regarding our historical condensed consolidated financial information, see "Presentation of Information," "Item 8-Financial Information" and the Audited Financial Statements included elsewhere in this annual report.

The results of our planned development programs in new or emerging shale development areas and formations may be subject to more uncertainties than programs in more established areas and formations and may not meet our expectations for reserves or production.

The results of our horizontal drilling efforts in emerging areas and formations in Argentina such as in the Vaca Muerta formation in the Neuquina Basin are generally more uncertain than drilling results in areas that are more developed and have more established production. Because emerging areas and associated target formations have limited or no production history, we are less able to rely on past drilling results in those areas as a basis to predict our future drilling results. In addition, horizontal wells drilled in shale formations, as distinguished from vertical wells, utilize multilateral wells and stacked laterals, which could adversely impact our ability to maximize the efficiency of our horizontal wells related to reservoirs drainage over time. Further, access to adequate gathering systems or pipeline takeaway capacity and the availability of drilling rigs and other services may be more challenging in new or emerging areas. If our drilling results are less than anticipated, or we are unable to execute our drilling program because of capital constraints, access to gathering systems and takeaway capacity or otherwise, and/or natural gas and oil prices decline, our investment in these areas may not be as economic as we anticipate, we could incur material write-downs of unevaluated properties and the value of our undeveloped acreage could decline in the future.

Part of our strategy involves using some of the latest available horizontal drilling and completion techniques, which involve risks and uncertainties in their application.

Our operations involve utilizing some of the latest drilling and completion techniques we have developed, along with those developed by our key service providers. Risks that we face while drilling horizontal wells include, but are not limited to, the following (i) landing the wellbore in the desired drilling zone; (ii) staying in the desired landing zone while drilling horizontally through the formation; (iii) running casing the entire length of the wellbore; and (iv) being able to run tools and other equipment consistently through the horizontal wellbore.

Risks that we face while completing wells include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) the ability to stimulate the planned number of stages; (ii) the ability to run tools the entire length of the wellbore during completion operations; and (iii) the ability to successfully clean out the wellbore after completion of the final hydraulic stimulation stage.

Our operations and drilling activity are concentrated in areas of high competition such as the Neuquina Basin in Argentina, which may affect our ability to obtain the personnel, equipment, services, resources and facilities access needed to complete our development activities as planned or result in increased costs; such concentration also makes us vulnerable to risks associated with operating in a limited geographic area.

As of December 31, 2023, most of our producing properties and total estimated proved reserves were geographically concentrated in the Neuquina Basin, located in Argentina. A substantial portion of our operations and drilling activity are concentrated in areas in such basins where industry activity is high. As a result, demand for personnel, equipment, power, services and resources may increase in the future, as well as the costs for these items. Any delay or inability to secure the personnel, equipment, power, services and resources could result in oil, NGL and gas production being below our forecasted volumes. In addition, any such negative effect on production volumes, or significant increases in costs, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, cash flow and profitability.

As a result of this concentration, we may be disproportionately exposed to the impact of delays or interruptions of operations or production in this area caused by external factors such as governmental regulation, state politics, market limitations, water or sand shortages, lack of midstream capacity, or extreme weather-related conditions.

The oil and gas industry is competitive and our ability to achieve our strategic objectives and expand our business depends on our ability to successfully compete in the market and react to competitive forces.

The oil and gas industry is competitive and we compete with the major independent and state-owned oil and gas companies engaged in the E&P sector, including state-owned E&P companies that possess substantially greater financial and other resources than we do for researching and developing E&P technologies, accessing to markets, equipment, midstream capacity, labor and capital required to acquire, develop and operate our properties. We also compete for the acquisition of licenses and properties in the countries in which we operate.

Should we choose to bid for exploration or exploitation rights in a hydrocarbon area, or bid for midstream capacity, we would face significant competition not only from private companies, but also from national or provincial public companies.

As we operate in a very competitive business, our competitors may be able to pay more for productive oil and natural gas properties and exploratory prospects and to evaluate, bid for and purchase a greater number of properties and prospects than our financial or personnel resources permit. Our competitors may also be able to offer better compensation packages to attract and retain qualified personnel than we are able to offer. In addition, there is substantial competition for capital available for investment in the oil and natural gas industry. As a result of each of the foregoing, we may not be able to compete successfully in the future in acquiring prospective reserves, developing reserves, marketing hydrocarbons, attracting and retaining quality personnel or raising additional capital, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. See "Item 4—Information on the Company—Business Overview—Customers and Marketing—Competition."

We are also affected by competition for drilling rigs and the availability of related equipment, leading to higher drilling costs over the past several years. Higher commodity prices generally increase the demand for drilling rigs, supplies, services, equipment and crews, and can lead to set rig services contracts with international contractors, or shortages of, and increasing costs for, drilling equipment, services and personnel. Additionally, foreign exchange regulations in Argentina, generate entry barriers for international service providers, therefore limiting the supply of oilfield goods and services in the country. See "Item 10—Additional Information—Exchange Controls." Accordingly, failure to manage our costs and our operational performance could result in a material adverse effect on our earnings, cash flows and financial condition.

We also compete for resources with state-owned oil and gas companies in Argentina and Mexico such as YPF, as well as with privately-owned local and international companies. Such entities could be motivated by political or other factors in making their business decisions. See "Item 4—Information on the Company—Business Overview—Customers and Marketing—Competition."

We must achieve certain milestones to protect the exploitation rights in our concessions.

In order to keep our exploitation rights in our concessions, we must achieve certain milestones, including investment commitments related to drilling and production in determined time periods, as stated in the relevant agreements signed with government authorities. Operating and maintenance costs may increase significantly due to adverse local or international market conditions, including local recession, foreign exchange volatility or high financing costs, which could prevent us from meeting our commitments under such agreements on commercially reasonable terms or at all, which may force us to forfeit our interests in such areas.

If we do not succeed in meeting these milestones, renewing our agreements, maintaining our operations in these concessions or securing new ones, our ability to grow our business may be materially affected. See "Item 5B—Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Liquidity and Capital Resources—Capital Expenditures" and "Item 5A—Operating and Financial Review and Prospects—Operating Results—Factors Affecting our Results of Operations—Contractual Obligations."

We may fail to fully identify problems with any properties we acquire, and as such, assets we acquire may prove to be worth less than we paid because of uncertainties in evaluating recoverable reserves and potential liabilities.

We might seek to acquire additional acreage in Argentina and Mexico and more broadly in Latin America. Successful acquisitions require an assessment of a number of factors, including estimates of recoverable reserves, exploration potential, future oil and natural gas prices, adequacy of title, operating and capital costs and potential environmental and other liabilities. Although we conduct a review of the properties we acquire which we believe is consistent with industry practices, we can give no assurance that we have identified or will identify all existing or potential problems associated with such properties or that we will be able to mitigate any problems we do identify. Such assessments are inexact, and their accuracy is inherently uncertain. In addition, our review may not permit us to

become sufficiently familiar with the properties to fully assess their deficiencies and capabilities. We do not inspect every well. Even when we inspect a well, we do not always discover structural, subsurface, title and environmental problems that may exist or arise. We are generally not entitled to contractual indemnification for preclosing liabilities, including environmental liabilities. We may acquire interests in properties on an "as is" basis with limited remedies for breaches of representations and warranties. As a result of these factors, we may not be able to acquire oil and natural gas properties that contain economically recoverable reserves or be able to complete such acquisitions on acceptable terms.

Our success in our acquisition-related activities depends on our ability to identify suitable acquisition candidates, acquire them on acceptable terms, and integrate their operations successfully with ours

From time to time, we undertake evaluations of opportunities to acquire additional oil and gas assets and businesses. Any resulting acquisitions may be significant in size, may change the scale of our business, and may expose us to new geographic, political, operating financial and geological risks. Our success in these acquisition-related activities depends on our ability to identify suitable acquisition candidates, to acquire them on acceptable terms, and integrate their operations successfully with ours. Any acquisition would be accompanied by risks, such as a significant decline in oil or gas prices or the risk that oil and natural gas reserves acquired may not be of the anticipated magnitude or may not be developed as anticipated; the difficulty of assimilating the operation and personnel and the loss of significant key employees from the acquired business; the potential disruption of our ongoing business; the inability of management to maximize our financial and strategic position through the successful integration of acquired assets and businesses and of coordinating or consolidating corporate and administrative functions; the maintenance of uniform standards, control, procedures and policies; the impairment of relationships with employees, customers and contractors as a result of any integration of new management personnel; failure to realize expected profitability or growth; the potential unknown liabilities associated with acquired assets and business; difficulties in the assimilation of the assets and operations of the acquired business, especially if the assets acquired are in a new geographic area; a decrease in our liquidity if we use a portion of our available cash to finance acquisitions. In addition, we may need additional capital to finance an acquisition.

We can give no assurance as to whether we will achieve our desired profitability from our recent acquisitions or any acquisitions we may make in the future. There can be no assurance that we would be successful in overcoming these risks or any other problems encountered in connection with such acquisitions. Further, unexpected costs and challenges may arise whenever businesses with different operations or management are combined, and we may experience unanticipated delays in realizing the benefits of an acquisition. If we complete any future acquisition, our capitalization and results of operation may change significantly, and you may not have the opportunity to evaluate the economic, financial and other relevant information that we will consider in evaluating future acquisitions. The inability to effectively manage the integration of acquisitions could reduce our focus on subsequent acquisition and current operations, which in turn, could negatively impact our results of operations and have an impact on our reputation and business.

We are exposed to foreign exchange risks relating to our operations in Argentina and Mexico.

Our results of operations are subject to foreign exchange fluctuation of the Argentine or Mexican Peso against the U.S. Dollar or other currencies, which could adversely affect our business and results of operations. Both the value of the Mexican Peso and the value of the Argentine Peso have experienced significant fluctuations in the past. The main effects of a depreciation or devaluation of the Argentine or Mexican Peso against the U.S. Dollar would be on (a) our realized crude oil prices of sales to the domestic market, given that gasoline prices in Argentina are denominated in local currency, so significant changes in exchange rate have historically limited the ability of refiners to pass through such changes to the end-users, and (b) our U.S. Dollar-denominated expenses, which would become more expensive relative to the revenues in local currency from sales to the domestic market. Additionally, given several accounting rules it may also negatively affect: (i) deferred income tax associated with our fixed assets, (ii) current income tax and (iii) foreign exchange differences associated with our Argentine or Mexican Peso exposure.

We cannot predict whether and to what extent the value of the Argentine or Mexican Peso will depreciate or appreciate against the U.S. Dollar nor the extent to which any such change may affect our business.

In the event of an accident or other occurrence which is not covered by our insurance policies, we may suffer significant losses which may have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

Even though we consider that we have insurance coverage consistent with international standards, there is no assurance concerning the availability or sufficiency of insurance coverage with respect to a particular loss or risk. In the event of an accident or other occurrence in our business which is not covered by insurance under our policies, we may suffer significant losses or be forced to provide compensation in a substantial amount from our own resources, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition.

We are not concessionaires or operating partners in all of our joint ventures, as a result must rely on the activities of our operating partners in such joint ventures. Actions taken by the concessionaires and/or operators in these joint ventures could have a material adverse effect on our success.

Both we and our subsidiaries carry out hydrocarbon E&P activities through unincorporated joint ventures entered into through agreements with third parties (joint operations for accounting purposes). In some cases, our joint venture partners, rather than us, hold the rights to the concession or the E&P license contracts. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of such agreements, one of the parties assumes the role of operator, and therefore assumes the responsibility of executing all activities pursuant to the agreement. However, in certain cases, neither we nor our subsidiaries may be able to assume the role of concessionaire and/or operator and, in such cases, we must rely on the activities of our operating partners. For example, as of December 31, 2023, we were not the operator of the Entre Lomas Neuquén, Acambuco, Entre Lomas Rio Negro, Jarilla Quemada, Charco del Palenque, Jagüel de los Machos and 25 de Mayo-Medanito SE concessions, located in Argentina. In such cases, we would be subject to risks related to the performance of, and the measures taken by, the concessionaire and/or operator to carry out the activities. Such actions could adversely affect our financial condition and operating results. See "Item 4—Information on the Company—Business Overview—Concessions," for a more complete description of our non-operated concessions.

We face risks relating to certain legal proceedings.

We may be parties to labor, commercial, civil, tax, criminal, environmental and administrative proceedings that, either alone or in combination with other proceedings, could, if resolved in whole or in part adversely to us, result in the imposition of material costs, fines, judgments or other losses. While we believe that we have provisioned such risks appropriately based on the opinions and advice of our external legal advisors and in accordance with applicable accounting rules, certain loss contingencies, particularly those relating to environmental and tax matters, are subject to change as new information develops and it is possible that losses resulting from such risks, if proceedings are decided in whole or in part adversely to us, could significantly exceed any accruals we have provided.

As of December 31, 2023, we employed third-party employees under contract, mostly with large domestic and international service providers. Although we have policies regarding compliance with labor and social security obligations for our contractors, we can provide no assurance that the contractors' employees will not initiate legal actions against us seeking indemnification based upon a number of Argentine judicial labor court precedents that established that the ultimate beneficiary of employee services is joint and severally liable with the contractor, which is the employee's formal employer.

In addition, we may be subject to undisclosed liabilities related to labor, commercial, civil, tax, criminal, environmental or other contingencies incurred by businesses we acquire in the future as part of our growth strategy, that we were not or may not be able to identify or that may not be adequately indemnified under our acquisition agreements with the sellers of such businesses, in which case our reputation, business, financial condition and results of operation may be materially and adversely affected.

We are subject to Mexican, Argentine and other nations' anti-corruption, anti-bribery, anti-money laundering and economic sanctions laws and regulations. Our failure to comply with these laws could result in penalties, which could harm our reputation and have an adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial condition and results of operations.

The United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, the United Kingdom Bribery Act 2010, the laws and regulations implementing the Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development Anti-Bribery Convention, the Mexican Administrative Responsibilities Law (Ley General de Responsabilidades Administrativas),

the Argentine Corporate Criminal Liability Law (Ley de Responsabilidad Penal Empresaria) and other applicable anti-corruption laws in other relevant jurisdictions prohibit companies and their intermediaries from offering or making improper payments (or giving anything of value) to government officials and/or persons in the private sector for the purpose of influencing them or obtaining or retaining business and require companies to keep accurate books and records and maintain appropriate internal controls.

In addition, we are subject to economic sanctions regulations that restrict our dealings with certain sanctioned countries, individuals and entities.

It may be possible that, in the future, reports may emerge alleging instances of unethical and illegal conduct on the part of former agents, current or former employees or others acting on our behalf or on the part of public officials or other third parties doing or considering business with us. While we will endeavor to monitor such reports and investigate matters which we believe warrant an investigation in keeping with the requirements of our compliance program, and, if necessary or appropriate make disclosure and notify the relevant authorities, any fines, other penalties or adverse publicity that such allegations may attract may have a negative impact on our business and reputation and lead to increased regulatory scrutiny of our business practices.

If we or people or entities that are or were related to us are responsible for violations of applicable anti-corruption laws (whether due to our own acts or inadvertence, or due to the acts or inadvertence of others) or the Code of Ethics and Conduct, we or other persons or entities related to us could suffer civil, criminal and/or other penalties, which in turn could have a material adverse impact on our future business, financial condition and results of operations. See "Item 16B—Code of Ethics."

We rely on key third-party suppliers, vendors and service providers to provide us with parts, components, services and critical resources that we need to operate our business. We could face material adverse effects to our business and reputation should these key suppliers, vendors and service providers fail to deliver, or are delayed in delivering, equipment, service or critical resources.

Companies operating in the energy industry, specifically the oil and gas sector, commonly rely upon various key third-party suppliers, vendors and service providers to provide them with parts, components, services, rigs, completion sets, midstream capacity and other critical resources, needed to operate and expand their business. If these key suppliers, vendors and service providers fail to deliver, or are delayed in delivering, equipment, service rigs, completion sets, midstream capacity or critical resources, we may not meet our operating targets in the expected time frame, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and/or prospects.

Our operations in the industry could be susceptible to the risks of performance, product quality and financial conditions of our key suppliers, vendors and service providers. For instance, their ability to adequately and timely provide us with parts, components, services rigs, completion sets, midstream capacity and resources critical to our operations may be affected if they are facing financial constraints or times of general financial stress and economic downturn. There can be no assurance that we will not encounter supply disruptions in the future or that we will be able to timely replace such suppliers or service providers that are not able to meet our needs, which might adversely affect a successful execution of our operations, and consequently, our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and/or prospects.

We employ a highly unionized workforce and could be subject to labor actions such as strikes, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

The sectors in which we operate are highly unionized. We cannot assure you that we or our subsidiaries will not experience labor disruptions or strikes in the future, which could result in a material adverse effect on our business and returns. Moreover, the worsening of the macroeconomic environment in Argentina that has led to increased inflation rates and poverty levels may have an impact on the amount of labor actions initiated by our workforce during 2024 and subsequent years.

In addition, we cannot assure you that we will be able to negotiate new collective bargaining agreements in the same terms, on terms that are substantially similar, as those currently in force or that we will not be subject to strikes or labor interruptions before or during the negotiation process of said agreements. The collective bargaining agreement for the period April 2023 to June 2023 was signed on April 18, 2023. The collective bargaining agreement for the period July 2023 to March 2024 was signed on June 30, 2023. As of the date of this annual report, public hearings are being held to discuss a collective bargaining agreement for the period April 2024 to March 2025. In the future, if we are unable to renegotiate the collective bargaining agreement in satisfactory terms or are subject to strikes or labor interruptions, our results of operations, financial condition and the market value of our shares could be materially affected.

Our performance is largely dependent on recruiting and retaining key personnel

Our current and future performance and business operations depend on the contributions of our Executive Team, our engineers, and other employees. We rely on our ability to attract, train, motivate, and retain qualified and experienced administrative staff and specialists. No assurance can be given that we will be able to attract and retain personnel for key positions and replacing any of our key employees could prove difficult and time-consuming. The loss of the services and experience of any of our key employees, or our inability to recruit a suitable replacement or additional staff, could have a material adverse effect on our operations, cash flows and/or expectations.

Risks Related to the Argentine and Mexican Economic and Regulatory Environments

Our business is largely dependent upon economic and political conditions in Argentina.

Substantially all of our operations and properties are located in Argentina, and, as a result, our business is largely dependent on economic conditions prevailing in Argentina. You should make your own assessment about Argentina and prevailing conditions in the country before making an investment decision.

The Argentine economy has experienced significant volatility in past decades, including numerous periods of low or negative growth and high and variable levels of inflation and currency depreciation. In addition, the Argentine economy is also vulnerable to adverse developments affecting its principal trading partners. Argentina's economic conditions are dependent on a number of factors over which we have no control. We cannot assure you that the Argentine economy will not suffer a recession. If economic or monetary conditions in Argentina were to deteriorate, if inflation were to accelerate further, or if the Argentine government's measures to attract or retain foreign investment and international financing in the future are unsuccessful, such developments could adversely affect Argentina's economic growth and in turn affect our financial health and results of operations.

Argentine economic conditions are dependent on a variety of factors, including (but not limited to) the international demand for Argentina's main exports; international prices for Argentina's main commodity exports; stability and competitiveness of the Argentine Peso with respect to foreign currencies; competitiveness and efficiency of domestic industries and services; government spend and fiscal deficit; levels of domestic consumption and foreign and domestic investment and financing; and the rate of inflation of consumer and wholesale prices. The Argentine economy is also particularly sensitive to local political developments. On November 19, 2023, presidential elections were held, and Javier Milei was elected President of Argentina.

On December 12, 2023, the Minister of Economy, Luis Caputo, announced a series of economic measures, including a 54.2% depreciation of the Argentine Peso compared to the Dollar; suspension of new public works bids; reduction of energy and transportation subsidies; reduction of the size of the public administration, including a reduction in the number of ministries and secretariats; suspension of official advertising; simplification of the import system; among other measures.

Moreover, since the Milei administration took office, the newly elected president has adopted several important measures, including the enactment of Decree No. 70/2023 providing measures to reduce public expenses and de-regulate the economy. Consequently, several labor and civil associations have initiated legal actions to obtain injunctive relief to limit the effectiveness of certain articles of the decree. As of the date of this annual report, is it difficult to predict the outcome of the actions filed and their impact on the effectiveness of Decree No. 70/2023.

In addition, on December 27, 2023, the Argentine Executive Branch sent to the Argentine Congress a draft bill entitled "Bases and Starting Points for the Freedom of the Argentine People", also known as "Omnibus Law" and the "Base Law." The draft bill declares a public emergency in economic, financial, fiscal, social security, defense, tariff, energy, health and social matters until December 31, 2025, extendable for two additional years, and delegates a series of legislative powers to the Argentine Executive Branch for the duration of the emergency. The proposed bill also included a series of legal, institutional, tax and criminal reforms affecting various sectors of the economy. However, when the draft bill was put to a vote, it was sent back to congressional committees by the ruling party, after several articles were rejected by the Lower House. The proposed bill was withdrawn from extraordinary parliamentary sessions on February 6, 2024. On April 9, 2024, the Argentine Executive Branch sent a new draft of the "Base Law" to members of the Lower House, with certain modifications to the version proposed in December 2023, which is intended to be approved by Congress in the coming weeks.

The new bill proposes the following amendments to the Hydrocarbons Law No. 17,319, as amended by Law No. 26,197 and Law No. 27,007 (the "Hydrocarbons Law"): (i) building on the self-sufficiency paradigm of the original law to include maximization economic profits; (ii) include the principle of no price intervention by the Government; (iii) include the principle freedom of exports, only subject to objection by the Secretary of Energy based on certain technical and economic criteria; and (iv) other changes such as limiting subsequent renewals of the concessions, more discretional powers to the provinces in setting forth royalties, enlargement of activities to include processing of hydrocarbons, and more flexible requirements to access transportation authorizations.

See "Item 4—Information on the Company—Industry and Regulatory Overview—Oil and Gas Regulatory Framework in Argentina—Decree No. 70/2023" and "Item 4—Information on the Company—Industry and Regulatory Overview—Oil and Gas Regulatory Framework in Argentina—Proposed 'Bases and Starting Points for the Freedom of the Argentine People' Bill."

It is difficult to predict the social, political or economic impact of the measures announced and implemented by the government to date and/or future measures and/or the outcome of the ambitious deregulation scheme purported to be enforced by means of Decree No. 70/2023 and the abovementioned draft bill. Such measures could affect our financial condition and the results of operations. It is also difficult to predict whether Milei will obtain sufficient support from the Argentine Congress to execute his economic plan. Failure to do so could deepen the ongoing economic crisis.

In the event of any economic, social or political crisis, the Argentine government's ability to obtain additional international or multilateral private financing or direct foreign investment may also be limited, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. In such scenario, companies operating in Argentina may also face the risk of price control over these products, strikes, expropriation, nationalization, forced modification of existing contracts, and changes in taxation policies including tax increases and retroactive tax claims. In addition, Argentine courts have issued rulings changing the existing case law on labor matters and requiring companies to assume greater responsibility for, and assumption of costs and risks associated with, sub-contracted labor and the calculation of salaries, severance payments and social security contributions. Since we operate in a context in which the governing law and applicable regulations change frequently, it is difficult to predict if and how our activities will be affected by such channes.

Argentina's ability to obtain financing from international markets is limited, which could affect its capacity to foster economic growth.

Over the past few years, Argentina has experienced financial distress, which has led to an increase in public debt. During 2020, the Argentine government entered into negotiations with its creditors to restore the sustainability of its external public debt. In August of that year, the Argentine government restructured approximately US\$66.5 billion of its U.S. Dollar-denominated global bonds. During the first quarter of 2022, the Argentine government reached an agreement with the International Monetary Fund ("IMF"), approved by Law No. 27,668, to refinance U.S.\$ 44.0 billion of debt incurred between 2018 and 2019 under a Stand-By Agreement. On March 25, 2022, the IMF approved a 30-month agreement in the amount of U.S.\$ 44.0 billion with Argentina, based on the IMF Extended Fund Facility Program (the "EFF Agreement"). This agreement includes 10 quarterly reviews during a two-and-a-half-year period, with disbursements being made available after each review, depending on the Argentine government's compliance with the goals established for each such period. The repayment term for each disbursement is 10 years, with a grace period of four and a half years, starting in 2026 and ending in 2034. With respect to Argentina's compliance with the goals established under the agreement for each period, in March 2023 the IMF completed the fourth quarterly review and in August 2023 concluded the fifth and sixth review (combined), enabling disbursements of U.S.\$5.4 billion and U.S.\$7.5 billion after each review, respectively.

The Milei administration has discussed the conditions of the agreement with the IMF. Although Milei's proposal to materially reduce fiscal spending and generate a primary budget surplus of 2% in 2024 has been praised by IMF staff, we cannot assure you that the conditions and goals of the upcoming quarters will also be complied with by Argentina and that they will not affect the Argentine government's ability to implement reforms and public policies and boost economic growth, nor can we predict the impact of the implementation of the IMF's agreement on Argentina's (and, indirectly, our) ability to access the international capital markets. We cannot assure you that the EFF Agreement will not affect Argentina's ability to implement reforms and public policies and boost economic growth. In addition, the long-term impact of these measures and any future measures taken by the current government on the Argentine economy remains uncertain.

Despite the restructuring of Argentina's public debt carried out between 2020 and 2023, international markets remain cautious with regards to Argentina's debt sustainability and, as a result, country risk indicators remain high. There can be no assurance that Argentina's credit ratings would remain in place or otherwise be downgraded, suspended or cancelled. Any downgrade, suspension or cancellation of Argentina's sovereign debt rating may have an adverse effect on the Argentine economy and our business.

Without renewed access to the financial markets, the Argentine government may not have the financial resources to drive growth. In addition, Argentina's inability to obtain credit in international markets could have a direct impact on our ability to access those markets to finance our operations and growth, including the financing of capital expenditures, which would adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. In addition, we cannot predict the outcome of any future restructuring of Argentine sovereign debt. We have investments in Argentine sovereign bonds in the amount of US\$3.7 million as of December 31, 2023. Any new event of default by the Argentine government could adversely affect their valuation and repayment terms, as well as have a material adverse effect on the Argentine economy and, consequently, our business and results of operations.

Our operations are subject to extensive and changing regulation in the countries in which we operate.

The oil and gas industry is subject to extensive regulation and control by governments in which companies like ours conduct operations, including laws, regulations and rules enacted by federal, state, provincial and local governments. These regulations relate to the award of exploration and development areas, production and export controls, investment requirements, taxation, price controls and environmental aspects, among others. As a result, our business is to a large extent dependent upon regulatory and political conditions prevailing in the countries in which we operate, as described below, and our results of operations may be materially and adversely affected by regulatory and political changes in these countries.

We cannot assure you that changes in applicable laws and regulations, or adverse judicial or administrative interpretations of such laws and regulations, will not adversely affect the results of our operations. Similarly, we cannot assure you that future government policies, in the countries where we currently operate or might operate in the future, will not adversely affect the oil and gas industry.

We also cannot provide assurances that our oil and gas concessions will be extended in the future as a result of the review by the controlling entities regarding the investment plans presented for analysis or that additional requirements to obtain extensions of permits and concessions will not be imposed.

Furthermore, there can be no assurance that regulations or taxes (including royalties) enacted by the provinces or states in which we operate will not conflict with federal law and regulations, and that such taxes or regulations will not adversely affect our results of operations or financial condition.

The Argentine and the Mexican hydrocarbons industries are extensively regulated by federal, provincial, and municipal regulations in matters including the award of exploration permits and exploitation concessions, investment, royalty, price controls, export restrictions, capital controls, and domestic market supply obligations. The Argentine government and the Mexican government are further empowered to design and implement federal energy policies in their respective countries, and have used these powers before —in the case of Argentina— to establish export

restrictions on the free disposition of hydrocarbons and export proceeds and to impose duties on exports, to induce private companies to enter into pricing agreements with the government or, more recently, to impose price agreements among producers and refiners or create fiscal incentive programs to promote increased production. Additionally, given that it cannot be guaranteed that regulations or taxes sanctioned or administered by the provinces will not conflict with national laws, jurisdictional controversies among the federal government and the provinces have occurred and can occur again in the future. In the case of Mexico, the federal government has implemented policies to regain market participation and control in favor of State-owned enterprises (i.e., Pemex and CFE).

Additionally, Pemex is the sole offtaker of our oil and gas production of our asset in Mexico, CS-01. In the recent past, we have experienced delays in collecting the proceeds from these sales from Pemex. Even if we diligently monitor and manage this issue to ensure timely collection, this problem could continue going forward, and even worsen, which could stress the financial position of our Mexican assets

On the other hand, in the case of Argentina, on December 27, 2023, the Argentine Executive Branch sent to the Argentine Congress the "Omnibus Law" where, among others, the principle of freedom to export hydrocarbons was proposed. As of the date of this annual report, this bill has not been enacted into law. See"Item 4—Information on the Company—Industry and Regulatory Overview—Oil and Gas Regulatory Framework in Argentina—Decree No. 70/2023" and "Item 4—Information on the Company—Industry and Regulatory Overview—Oil and Gas Regulatory Framework in Argentina—Proposed 'Bases and Starting Points for the Freedom of the Argentine People' Bill."

Any such controversies, limitations or export restrictions or any other measures imposed by Argentine authorities could have a material adverse effect on our future business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and/or prospects and as a consequence, the market value of our series A shares or ADSs may decline.

Measures adopted by the antitrust authority in Mexico could have a material adverse effect on our results and financial condition.

The Mexican Federal Economic Competition Commission ("COFECE") is the antitrust authority in Mexico with jurisdiction over a number of sectors of the Mexican economy, including the oil and gas sector, and as such, has jurisdiction over the activities conducted by Vista. The Mexican government has granted COFECE broad powers to investigate and prosecute absolute monopolistic practices (cartel activity), relative monopolistic practices (abuse of dominance) and illegal concentrations, as well as to prevent concentrations which could have anticompetitive effects. Additionally, COFECE can determine the existence of essential facilities and regulate their access and identify barriers to entry and issue recommendations to federal, local and municipal authorities to eliminate such barriers and encourage competition. Therefore, many of our activities may be reviewed by COFECE and, in the case of equity transactions involving certain monetary and ownership thresholds, we may be required to notify COFECE of our intent to enter into such transactions and the consummation of such transactions may be subject to COFECE's authorization in accordance with applicable Mexican laws. As a result, the closing of pending or future acquisitions of assets or common shares in the Mexican market may be subject to the satisfaction or waiver of customary closing conditions, including, among others, the authorization of COFECE. Completion of such transactions is not assured, and they will be subject to risks and uncertainties, including the risk that the necessary regulatory approvals are not obtained or that other closing conditions are not satisfied. If such transactions are not completed, or if they are otherwise subject to significant delays, it could negatively affect the trading prices of our common shares and our future business and financial results.

Further, COFECE might decide to impose penalties or establish conditions on our business if we are unable to request or receive, or are delayed in requesting or receiving, the aforesaid authorizations and, if these were to materialize, such claims could have a material adverse effect on our results and financial condition. Similarly, it cannot be guaranteed that the authorizations that have not been obtained can be obtained or can be obtained without conditions. Failure to obtain those authorizations, or the conditions to which they may be subject, could have a material adverse effect on our results and financial condition.

Investors may be faced with risks inherent to investing in a company operating in stand-alone and emerging markets, such as Argentina and Mexico, including significant political, legal and economic risks, as well as risks related to fluctuations in the global economy.

According to MSCI Inc, Argentina and Mexico are stand-alone and emerging market economies, respectively. As per the MSCI Global Market Accessibility Review, while nations classified as emerging markets are developing countries with potential growth in their economies, trade relations with other countries, stability of institutional framework, equal rights to foreign investors and low levels of capital flow restrictions, countries classified as stand-alone markets are those that are currently partially or fully closed to foreign investors, with small capital markets and political tensions.

Investing in such markets generally carries inherent risks such as political, social and economic instability that may affect economic results, which may stem from many factors, including but not limited to, the following: high interest rates; abrupt changes in currency values; high levels of inflation; exchange controls; wage and price controls; regulations to import equipment and other necessities relevant for operations; changes in governmental economic, administrative or tax policies; political and social tensions; hostilities or political problems in other countries that could impact international trade, the price of commodities and the global economy.

Volatility in the securities markets in emerging market countries, let alone stand-alone markets such as Argentina, as well as possible further increases in interest rates in the United States and other developed or emerging markets, may have a negative impact on the trading value of our securities and the conditions under which we can access international capital markets. In addition, stand-alone markets include additional risks, such as governmental restrictions that may limit investment and the risk associated with political developments.

In addition, the SEC, the U.S. Department of Justice and other authorities often have substantial difficulties in bringing and enforcing actions against non-U.S. companies and non-U.S. persons, including company directors and officers, in certain stand-alone and emerging markets, including Argentina and Mexico. Additionally, our public shareholders may have limited rights and few practical remedies in stand-alone and emerging markets where we operate, as shareholder claims that are common in the United States, including class actions based on securities law and fraud claims, generally are difficult or impossible to pursue as a matter of law or practicality in many stand-alone and emerging markets.

Any of these factors, as well as volatility in the capital markets, may adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition, the value of our series A shares and ADSs, and our ability to meet our financial obligations.

We are or could be subject to direct and indirect restrictions on exports under Argentine law.

The Hydrocarbons Law allows hydrocarbons exports, as long as such volumes are not required for the Argentine domestic market and as long as these are sold at reasonable prices. In this respect, oil and gas companies have faced restrictions to export crude oil from Argentina, therefore limiting their access to greater revenues when international prices are above domestic prices in Argentina. The proposed "Bases and Starting Points for the Freedom of the Argentine People"bill, also known as "Omnibus Law" and the "Base Law", included a potential removal of all restrictions on prices of the energy market, aiming at correlating local prices to export parity, but no assurance can be given that this bill will be passed by the Argentine Congress. See "Item 4—Information on the Company—Industry and Regulatory Overview—Oil and Gas Regulatory Framework in Argentina—Proposed 'Bases and Starting Points for the Freedom of the Argentine People' Bill."

In Argentina, exports of crude oil and oil by-products currently require prior registration in the Registry of Export Operations Agreements (Registro de Contratos de Operaciones de Exportación) and authorization by the SdE (according to the regime established in Resolution S.E. No. 241-E/2017 and its subsequent amendments and complements). Oil companies and oil refineries intending to export crude oil, liquefied petroleum gas or gasoil, among others, must demonstrate, prior to obtaining the authorization, that the offer for sale of such product has already been made to and rejected by local buyers. In the case of not obtaining oil export permits, our operations could be affected, as well as our revenues and financial results.

In the case of natural gas, Argentine Law No. 24,076 and the related regulations require that all domestic market needs be considered when authorizing long-term exports of natural gas. In this sense, the SdE may authorize export operations of natural gas surplus provided they are subject to interruption upon local supply shortages.

In recent years, Argentine authorities have adopted certain measures which resulted in restrictions on the exports of natural gas from Argentina. Because of these restrictions, oil and gas companies have been forced to sell part of their natural gas production in the local market that was originally intended for the export market and have been unable in certain cases to comply wholly or partially with their export commitments.

Additionally, there are certain obligations and restrictions for exporters in accordance with current in-force FX regulations, including, but not limited to, obligation to repatriate and settle in Argentine Pesos in the local exchange market proceeds from exports of goods. See "Item 10—Additional Information—Exchange Controls."

We cannot predict for how long restrictions on exports will remain in force, or whether future measures will be taken that adversely affect our ability to export and import gas, crude oil, or other products and, consequently, affect our financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows.

Current Argentine exchange controls and the implementation of further exchange controls could adversely affect our results of operations.

The Argentine government and the BCRA have implemented certain measures that control and restrict the ability of companies and individuals to access to the foreign exchange market. Those measures include, among others: (i) restricting access to the Argentine foreign exchange market for the purchase or transfer of foreign currency abroad for any purpose, including the payment of dividends to non-resident shareholders; (ii) restricting the acquisition of any foreign currency to be held as cash in Argentina; (iii) requiring exporters to repatriate and settle in pesos, in the local exchange market, all the proceeds of their exports of goods and services; (iv) limitating the transfer of securities into and from Argentina; (v) establishing certain mandatory refinancing on U.S. Dollar-denominated debt; (vi) implementing taxes on certain transactions involving the acquisition of foreign currency; and (vii) restricting access to the currency exchange market to pay for imports of goods and services.

There can be no assurance that the BCRA or other government agencies will not increase or relax such controls or restrictions, make modifications to these regulations, impose further mandatory refinancing plans related to our indebtedness payable in foreign currency, establish more severe restrictions on currency exchange, or maintain the current foreign exchange regime or create multiple exchange rates for different types of transactions, substantially modifying the applicable exchange rate at which we acquire currency to service our outstanding liabilities denominated in currencies other than the Peso, all of which could affect our ability to comply with our financial obligations when due, raise capital, refinance our debt at maturity, obtain financing, execute our capital expenditure plans, import goods and services, which are needed for the execution of projects in the upstream and midstream sectors of the oil and gas industry and/or undermine our ability to pay dividends to foreign shareholders. Consequently, these exchange controls and restrictions could materially adversely affect the Argentine economy and our business, financial condition and results of operations. For additional information, please see "Item 10-Additional Information—Exchange Controls."

In addition, we cannot assure you that the Mexican government would not impose exchange controls or other confiscatory measures.

The imposition of export duties and other taxes have adversely affected the oil and gas industry in Argentina and could adversely affect our results in the future.

In the past, the Argentine government has imposed duties on exports, including exports of oil and liquid petroleum gas products (for example, among others, by means of the Solidarity Law and Decree No. 488/2020). Under the current regulation, export duties on crude hydrocarbons and/or natural gas are capped at 8%.

Export duties and taxes may have a material adverse effect on Argentina's oil and gas industry and our results of operations. We produce exportable goods and an increase in export taxes would result in a reduction in our realization prices, our margins and our net income. We cannot guarantee the impact of those or any other future taxes and measures that might be adopted by the Argentine government on demand and prices for hydrocarbon products and, consequently, our financial condition and result of operations.

The impact of inflation in Argentina on our costs could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Historically, inflation has materially undermined the Argentine economy and the Argentine government's ability to create conditions that foster growth. In recent years, Argentina has experienced high inflation rates. The consumers price index published by the INDEC (the *Índice de Precios al Consumidor*, or "IPC") variation for the period from January to December 2023 was 211.4%.

Even though the Milei administration has implemented some measures to reduce inflation, such as reducing fiscal spend in real terms, the sharp devaluation of the Argentine Peso in December 2023 and the de-regulation of some prices of the economy, have led to increasing consumer price inflation. The inflation of the first two months of 2024 was 36.6%, equivalent to an annualized rate of 550%.

High inflation rates affect the competitiveness of Argentina's goods and services in the international markets, negatively impact employment, consumption and the level of economic activity and undermines confidence in Argentina's banking system, which could further limit the availability of and access to domestic and international credit by local companies and political stability. Inflation remains a challenge for Argentina given its persistent nature. Argentina's structural inflationary imbalances remain critical, which may cause the current levels of inflation to continue and have an adverse effect on Argentina's economy and financial condition. Inflation can also lead to an increase in Argentina's debt.

Inflation in Argentina has contributed to a material increase in our operating costs and new well costs over the past years, as part of the goods and services involved in such activities are denominated in Argentine Pesos, which leads to increases in unit costs measured in US Dollars during periods when the Peso inflation rate is greater than the depreciation of the Peso against the Dollar.

Inflation rates could escalate in the future, and there is uncertainty regarding the effects that the measures adopted, or that may be adopted in the future, by the Argentine government to control inflation may have. See "—Government intervention may adversely affect the Argentine economy and, as a result, our business and results of operations in Argentina" below. Increased inflation could adversely affect the Argentine economy, our cost structure, financial condition, our business, and the market price of our series A shares and the ADSs.

Significant fluctuations in the value of the Argentine Peso could adversely affect the Argentine economy and our business and results of operations in Argentina.

Fluctuations, or a continued depreciation, in the value of the Argentine Peso may adversely affect the Argentine economy, our financial condition and results of operations. While most of our revenues are denominated in U.S. Dollars, upstream players could be limited by the ability of refiners to pass through crude oil prices to the pump prices, which are denominated in local currency, in the event of significant increases in international crude oil prices or in exchange rates. We are therefore exposed to the risks associated with the fluctuation of the Argentine Peso relative to the U.S. Dollar.

The ability of the Argentine government to stabilize the foreign exchange market and restore economic growth is uncertain. An appreciation of the Peso in real terms affects the competitiveness of the economy, including the oil and gas sector, as makes goods and services denominated in local currency more expensive in relative terms. This could increase our operating and capital expenditures, and negatively affect our financial performance. A significant appreciation in real terms of the Argentine Peso against the U.S. Dollar also presents risks for the Argentine economy, including the possibility of a reduction in exports (as a consequence of the loss of external competitiveness). Such an appreciation could also have a negative effect on the growth of the economy and employment and reduce tax collection in real terms.

Our properties may be subject to expropriation by the Mexican and Argentine governments for public interest reasons.

Our assets, which are mainly located in Argentina and, to a lesser extent, in Mexico, may be subject to expropriation by the Argentine and Mexican governments (or the government of any political subdivision thereof), respectively. We are engaged in the business of oil extraction and, as such, our business or our assets may be considered by the Argentine or Mexican governments, or the governments of other countries where we might invest in the future, to be a public service or essential for the provision of a public service. Therefore, our business is subject to political uncertainties, including expropriation or nationalization of our business or assets, loss of concessions, renegotiation or annulment of existing contracts, and other similar risks.

In such an event, we may be entitled to receive compensation for the transfer of our assets under applicable law. However, the price received may not be sufficient, and we may need to take legal actions to claim appropriate compensation. Our business, financial condition and results of our operations could be adversely affected by the occurrence of any of these events.

We cannot assure that any acts of expropriation by the Argentine or Mexican governments, changes in applicable laws and regulations, or adverse judicial or administrative interpretations of such laws and regulations will not have a material adverse effect on our operation and business, or the Argentine or Mexican economies in general and, as a result, adversely affect our financial condition, our results of operations.

Government intervention may adversely affect the Argentine economy and, as a result, our business and results of operations in Argentina.

In the past, the Argentine government has intervened directly in the economy through expropriation, nationalization, price controls and exchange controls, among others.

Historically, the Argentine government has adopted measures to directly or indirectly control the access of private companies and individuals to foreign trade and foreign exchange markets, such as restricting its free access and imposing the obligation to repatriate and sell in the local foreign exchange market all foreign currency revenues obtained from exports. These regulations prevent and limit us from offsetting the risk derived from our exposure to the U.S. Dollar. Our business and operations in Argentina may also be adversely affected by measures adopted by the Argentine government to address inflation and promote sustainable macroeconomic growth.

A low growth rate and high inflation scenario is likely to occur in the future as a result of the accumulation of macroeconomic imbalances in recent years, the Argentine government's regulatory actions and difficult international economic conditions, as well as the additional stress imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. We cannot give any assurance that the policies implemented by the Argentine government will not adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition, value of our securities and ability to meet our financial obligations.

Argentina's economy is highly sensitive to local political developments, which in the past have had an adverse impact on the level of investment. Future developments may adversely affect Argentine economy and, in turn, our business, results of operations, financial condition, the value of our securities, and our ability to meet our financial obligations.

In the future, the Argentine government may impose further exchange controls and restrictions on transfers abroad, restrictions on the movement of capital or take other measures in response to capital flight or a significant depreciation of the Argentine Peso, which could limit our ability to access the international capital markets. Such measures could lead to political and social tensions and undermine the Argentine government's public finances, as has occurred in the past, which could have an adverse effect on economic activity in Argentina and, consequently, adversely affect our business and results of operations and cause the market value of our series A shares or ADSs to decline.

Oil and gas exploitation concessions, exploration permits and production and exploration contracts in Argentina and Mexico are subject to certain conditions and may be revoked or not renewed.

Argentina

The Hydrocarbons Law is the main regulatory framework of the hydrocarbons industry, as it created a system of exploration permits and production concessions awarded by the state (federal or provincial, depending on the location of the resources), through which companies hold exclusive rights to explore, develop, exploit and take title of the production at the wellhead, in exchange for a royalty payment and adherence to the general taxation regime.

The Hydrocarbons Law, as amended, provides for oil and gas concessions to remain in effect for 25 years, with special provisions of 35 years for unconventional concessions and 30 years for offshore concessions, in each case, as from the date of their award and subject to extensions for periods of up to 10 years each. In order to be eligible for an extension of a concession under the modifications of Law No. 27,007, concessionaires must (i) have complied with their obligations, (ii) be producing hydrocarbons in the concession under consideration and (iii) submit an investment plan for the development of such areas as requested by the competent authorities up to a year prior to the termination of each term of the concession.

In addition, holders of concessions who apply for extensions (pursuant to Law No. 27,007) may be required to pay additional royalties ranging from 3% and up to a total maximum of 18%. Under the Hydrocarbons Law, failure to meet the standards and obligations may result in the imposition of fines, and material violations which remain uncured upon expiration of the relevant cure period may result in the revocation of the concession or permit.

No assurance can be given that our concessions will be renewed in the future by the competent authorities based on the investment plans submitted to that effect, or that such authorities will not impose additional requirements for the renewal of such concessions or permits. Additionally, five of our concessions are unconventional concessions and therefore were granted for a 35-year period and with royalties of 12%, under the terms prescribed by Law No. 27,007. We cannot assure you that any future legislation the Argentine government may enact from time to time may not affect such concessions.

Exploration permits and exploitation concessions provide a vested right that cannot be terminated without legal indemnification. Nonetheless, relevant provincial enforcement authorities are entitled to revoke these licenses in the event of a breach of the permit or concession conditions by the licensee (Article 80 of Law No. 17,319). Licensees can also partially or totally relinquish, at any time, the acreage of a permit or concession. If an exploration permit is relinquished, the licensee will be bound to pay any investment amounts committed and not fulfilled (Articles 20 and 81 of the Hydrocarbons Law).

Law No. 26,197 (the "Short Law") transferred the eminent domain on hydrocarbon reservoirs from the Argentine Government to the provinces. Exploration permits and exploitation concessions in existence when the Short Law was enacted have been transferred to the relevant provincial governments until their expiration. On the other hand, transportation concessions between provinces continue to be subject to federal jurisdiction. Petroleum rights are independent from surface rights. Oil production belongs to the licensee (the titleholder of an exploration permits or exploitation concession) upon its extraction.

Under Argentina's current political context, intense discussions are occurring between the Argentine government and the provincial governments with regards to public spending. Given these circumstances, we cannot rule out that the provinces, as owners of the natural resource, may enact legislative changes with significant effects on the Company's rights and obligations.

In addition, no assurance can be given that our exploitation concessions will be renewed in the future by the relevant provincial authorities based on the investment's plans submitted to that effect, or that such authority will not impose additional requirements for the renewal of such concessions. Moreover, under the current regulatory framework, the granting authority retains the possibility of revoking concessions if certain conditions are met.

Mexico

Our E&P license contract is valid for 30 years and may be renewed for up to two additional periods of up to five years each, subject to the terms and conditions set out in the contract. The power and authority to extend the term of existing and future contracts lies with the CNH. Under the existing contracts, for an E&P license contract to be eligible for an extension, the developer must (i) be in compliance with the terms of such contracts, (ii) submit an amendment proposal to the development plan and (iii) commit to maintain 'sustained regular production' throughout each extension.

No assurance can be given that our contracts will be renewed in the future by the CNH based on the investment's plans submitted to that effect, that such authority will not impose additional requirements for the renewal of such contract, or that we will continue to have a good business relationship with the new and future administrations.

A global or regional financial crisis and unfavorable credit and market conditions may negatively affect our liquidity, customers, business, and results of operations.

The effects of a global or regional financial crisis and related turmoil in the global financial system may have a negative impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The effects of a global economic crisis on our customers and on us cannot be predicted. Weak global and local economic conditions could lead to reduced demand or lower prices for energy, hydrocarbons and related oil products and petrochemicals, which could have a negative effect on our revenues. Economic factors such as unemployment, inflation and the unavailability of credit could also have a material adverse effect on the demand for energy and, therefore, on our business financial condition and results of operations. The financial and economic situation in Argentina, Mexico or in other countries in Latin America, such as Brazil, may also have a negative impact on us and third parties with whom we do, or may do, business. See "—The Argentine economy can be adversely affected by economic developments in other markets and by more general "contagion" effects, which could have a material adverse effect on Argentina's economic growth" below.

The Argentine economy can be adversely affected by economic developments in the global financial markets, and by more general "contagion" effects from other financial markets, which could have a material adverse effect on Argentina's economic growth.

Financial and securities markets in Argentina and the Argentine economy are influenced by the effects of global or regional financial crises and market conditions in other markets worldwide. Global economic instability such as uncertainty about global trade policies, sharp drops or increases in commodities prices, the deterioration of economic conditions in Brazil (Argentina's main trading partner) and of the economies of other major trading partners of Argentina, such as China or the United States, the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union ("Brexit"), geopolitical tensions between the United States and a number of foreign countries, the ongoing conflict between Russia and Ukraine, and more recently between Israel and Hamas, decisions by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries ("OPEC") and other non-OPEC oil-producing nations with respect to oil production quotas, idiosyncratic, political and social discords, terrorist attacks, sovereign debt downgrades, a pandemic disease, could impact the Argentine economy and jeopardize Argentina's ability to correct its existing macro imbalances, among others. Although economic conditions vary from country to country, investors' reactions to events occurring in one country sometimes demonstrate a "contagion" effect in which an entire region or class of investment is disfavored by international investors.

Consequently, there can be no assurance that the Argentine economy and securities markets will not be adversely impacted by events affecting the world, a particular region, developed economies, emerging markets or any of Argentina's major trading partners, which could in turn adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations, and the market value of our ADSs. Furthermore, a significant devaluation of the currencies of our trading partners or trade competitors may adversely affect the competitiveness of Argentina and, consequently, adversely affect Argentina's economy and our financial condition and results of operations.

Failure to adequately address actual and perceived risks of institutional deterioration and corruption may adversely affect Argentina's economy and financial condition and, consequently, our business.

A lack of a solid and transparent institutional framework for contracts with the Argentine government and its agencies and corruption allegations have affected and continue to affect Argentina. In Transparency International's 2023 Corruption Perceptions Index survey of 180 countries, Argentina was ranked 98^{th} (with one being the least corrupt country and 180 being the most corrupt country), a deterioration compared to the previous survey in 2022.

As of the date of this annual report, there are various ongoing investigations into allegations of money laundering and corruption being conducted by the Argentine Public Prosecutor (Ministerio Publico Argentino). Companies involved in the investigations may be subject to, among other consequences, a decrease in their credit ratings, claims filed by their investors, and may further experience restrictions in their access to financing through the capital markets, together with a decrease in their income. The potential outcome of these and other ongoing corruption-related investigations is uncertain, but they have already had an adverse impact on the image and reputation of those companies that have been implicated, as well as on the general market perception of the economy, political environment and the capital markets in Argentina. We have no control over and cannot predict the outcome of any such investigations or allegations nor their effect on the Argentine political and economic instability, nor the can we predict the adverse effect on our commercial activities and results of operations.

Recognizing that the failure to address these issues could increase the risk of political instability, distort decision-making processes and adversely affect Argentina's international reputation and ability to attract foreign investment. In turn, this could impact our ability to attract new investors to our Company, which could affect our financial condition and the market value of our ADSs.

The Argentine State owns the hydrocarbons reserves located in the subsoil in Argentina.

The Hydrocarbons Law provides that liquid and gaseous hydrocarbon deposits located in the territory of the Argentina and in its continental shelf belong to the inalienable and imprescriptible patrimony of the Argentine State, either at the Federal or Provincial level, depending on the location of such deposits. However, the exploration and production of oil and natural gas is carried out through exploration permits and exploitation concessions granted to public and private companies. Access to crude oil and natural gas reserves is essential to an oil and gas company's sustained production and generation of income, and our ability to generate income would be materially and adversely affected if the Argentine government were to restrict or prevent us from exploring or extracting any of the crude oil and natural gas reserves that it has assigned to us or if we are unable to compete effectively with other oil and gas companies in future bidding rounds for additional exploration and production rights in Argentina. See "Item 4-Information on the Company-Industry and Regulatory Overview-Oil and Gas Regulatory Framework in Argentina."

Economic conditions and government policies in Mexico and elsewhere may have a material impact on our operations.

A deterioration in Mexico's economic condition, social instability, political unrest, changes in governmental policies, or other adverse social developments in Mexico could adversely affect our business and financial condition. Those events could also lead to increased volatility in the foreign exchange and financial markets, thereby affecting our ability to obtain financing. Additionally, the Mexican government has announced several budget cuts in the past in response to declines in international crude oil prices. Any new budget cuts could adversely affect the Mexican economy and, consequently, our business, financial condition, operating results and prospects.

In the past, Mexico has experienced several periods of slow or negative economic growth, high inflation, high interest rates, currency devaluation and other economic problems. These problems may worsen or reemerge, as applicable, in the future and could adversely affect our business. A worsening of international financial or economic conditions, such as a slowdown in growth or even a recession in Mexico's trading partners, including the United States, or the emergence of a new financial crisis, could have adverse effects on the Mexican economy, our financial condition and our ability to service our debt.

Also, the Mexican government has had significant influence in the Mexican economy in the past and will likely continue to do so. Changes in the legal framework and policies may adversely affect our business and the value of our securities.

Criminal activity in Mexico could affect our operations.

In recent years, Mexico has experienced a period of increasing criminal activity, primarily due to the activities of drug cartels and related criminal organizations. In addition, the development of the illicit market in fuels in Mexico has led to increases in theft and illegal trade in the fuels that we produce. In response, the Mexican government has implemented various security measures and has strengthened its military and police forces. Despite

these efforts, criminal activity continues to exist in Mexico, and could worsen in 2024, if criminal groups seek to take advantage of the upcoming elections to expand their control over the local governments and markets. These activities, their possible escalation and the violence associated with them, in an extreme case, may have a negative impact on our financial condition and results of operations.

Economic and political developments in Mexico may adversely affect Mexican economic policy and, in turn, our operations.

As of the date of this report, Morena, the political party of President Andrés Manuel López Obrador, controls the majority in the House of Representatives (*Cámara de Diputados*) and has a significant influence in the Mexican Senate (*Senado de la República*), holding the most seats relative to any other party. Likewise, 2023 has been characterized by strong pressure from the Executive and the Congress on the Judicial Power and, particularly, on the Mexico's Supreme Court of Justice. Such concentration of power and any changes in Mexican politics or economy, as a result of the above, could have a negative impact on our business, financial position or operating results.

The upcoming Presidential, Federal Congressional and several other elections scheduled for June 2024 could result in additional changes to the regulation, including the energy sector. Constitutional reforms that could significantly impact the business environment might take place if Morena wins the Presidential election with a majority in Congress. The election of any of the potential candidates could result in adjustments or reforms to those implemented by the incumbents, which could lead to a decrease in investor confidence in the Mexican market. We cannot provide any assurance that the current political situation or any future developments in Mexico will not affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and or cash flows.

Additionally, other events and changes, and any political and economic instability that may arise in Mexico, could have a material adverse effect on the economy of the country. The extent of such an impact cannot be accurately predicted. We cannot provide any assurances that political developments in Mexico will not have an adverse effect on the Mexican economy or oil and gas industry and, in turn, our business.

Economic conditions in Mexico are highly correlated with economic conditions in the United States due to the physical proximity and the high degree of economic activity between the two countries generally, including the trade facilitated by the North American Free Trade Agreement ("MAFTA"). As a result, political developments in the United States, including changes in the administration and governmental policies, let alone the presidential elections scheduled for November 2024, can also have an impact on the exchange rate between the U.S. Dollar and the Mexican peso, economic conditions in Mexico and the global capital markets.

While the Mexican and U.S. governments have been able to reach an understanding in the past, we cannot assure you that such understanding will remain in place or that the U.S. government will not impose policies on Mexico in the future and that we will not be materially adversely affected by such policies in the future.

The Mexican nation owns the hydrocarbons reserves located in the subsoil in Mexico.

The Mexican Constitution provides that the Mexican nation, and not us, owns all petroleum and other hydrocarbon reserves located in the subsoil in Mexico. Article 27 of the Mexican Constitution provides that the Mexican government will carry out E&P activities through contracts with third parties or allocations awarded to State Productive Enterprises (empresas productivas del Estado). The Mexican Hydrocarbons Law allows us and other oil and gas companies to explore and extract the petroleum and other hydrocarbons reserves located in Mexico, subject to the entry into agreements pursuant to a competitive bidding process. Access to crude oil and natural gas reserves is essential to an oil and gas company's sustained production and generation of income, and our ability to generate income would be materially and adversely affected if the Mexican government were to restrict or prevent us from exploring or extracting any of the crude oil and natural gas reserves that it has assigned to us or if we are unable to compete effectively with other oil and gas companies in future bidding rounds for additional exploration and production rights in Mexico. For more information, see "Item 4—Information on the Company—Industry and Regulatory Overview—Mexico's Oil and Gas Industry Overview—Oil and Gas Regulatory Framework in Mexico."

Health crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic could have a significant adverse effect on our business operations.

The COVID-19 pandemic had a significant adverse impact on the global economy and our Company. The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in the imposition of local, municipal and national governmental "shelter-in-place" and other quarantine measures, border closures and other travel restrictions, closure of non-essential businesses, suspension of visas, nation-wide lockdowns, closing of public and private institutions, extension of holidays, among many others, causing unprecedented commercial disruption in a number of jurisdictions, including Mexico and Argentina.

During 2020, the Company's revenues and financial condition were severely hit due to the reduced demand for oil and gas, and the collapse in oil and gas prices, driven by the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to these issues, we decided to stop all drilling and completion activities, both in Argentina and Mexico, which negatively impacted our production by delaying development projects. As a result, our loss for the year, net was US\$102.7 million in 2020 compared to US\$32.7 in 2019, and our Adjusted EBITDA was US\$95.6 million in 2020, a reduction of 44% compared to 2019.

During 2021 and 2022, the Argentine and Mexican governments gradually eased restrictions in place to contain the impact of the pandemic, such as re-opening schools, removing restrictions on domestic and international air travel, making the use of masks in public places optional, allowing public in massive sports and cultural events, in view of the progress made in vaccination campaigns.

Although the negative effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on us and the global economy have subsided, we cannot predict or estimate the ultimate negative impact that a resurgence of COVID-19 or another pandemic would have on our results of operations and financial condition, since it will depend on future developments outside of our control, including the intensity and duration of the pandemic, as well as measures taken to contain the pandemic or mitigate its economic impact by the Argentine or Mexican governments.

Joint and several tax liability.

The Mexican government approved and published a tax provision in the Mexican Federal Official Gazette (Diario Oficial de la Federación) whereby from January 1, 2022, Mexican resident companies may be joint and severally liable for the taxes triggered by non-Mexican tax residents on the sale or disposition, to another non-Mexican tax resident party, of their shares or securities representing property of assets, issued by such companies, if the relevant Mexican resident company fails to provide certain information in respect of certain dispositions or sales to the Mexican tax authorities and the non-Mexican seller fails to comply with the obligation to pay the relevant tax. Given the mechanisms and procedures inherent to stock exchanges, including the volume of trading in the NYSE, Mexican companies, including us, have practical challenges in identifying and tracking the sale or disposition of the ADSs held by our investors, irrespective of them being Mexican or non-Mexican tax resident. Therefore, if the non-Mexican resident fails to pay taxes triggered on the sale and we fail to comply with the abovementioned information obligation, the tax authorities may assess joint and several liability on the Company for any unpaid taxes derived from the disposition or sale of the ADSs conducted by non-Mexican residents to another non-Mexican resident where certain requirements set forth in the Mexican Tax Law and its regulations are not complied with for such sale or disposition of ADSs to be exempt in Mexico. This potential assessment could have an adverse effect on our business, equivalent to the joint and several liability of the unpaid taxes.

However, Vista has appealed this tax provision (amparo), with the intention of gaining an exemption to providing this information, and therefore not being considered in the joint and several tax liability obligations. Recently, Vista secured a favorable decision in Collegiate Courts. This decision was based on the mandatory considerations approved by the Ministers of the Second Chamber of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation when solving on claim A.R. 528/2022. Consequently, Vista is now only obliged to submit the notice regarding solely the share ownership of the parties provided for in Article 49 Bis 2 of the Circular Única de Emisoras and not to inform about the sale of shares conducted between non-residents.

The series A shares and ADSs are traded in more than one market, and this may result in price variations; in addition, investors may not be able to easily move securities for trading between such markets.

As of the date of this annual report, our series A shares are listed and traded on the Mexican Stock Exchange and ADSs are listed on the NYSE. Markets for our series A shares or for the ADSs may not have liquidity and the price at which the series A shares or the ADSs may be sold is uncertain.

Trading in the ADSs or our series A shares on these markets takes place in different currencies (U.S. Dollars on the NYSE and Mexican pesos on the Mexican Stock Exchange), and at different times (resulting from different time zones, different trading days and different public holidays in the United States and Mexico). The trading prices of the securities on these two markets may differ due to these and other factors. Any decrease in the price of our series A shares on the Mexican Stock Exchange could cause a decrease in the trading price of the ADSs on the NYSE. Investors could seek to sell or buy our shares to take advantage of any price differences between the markets through a practice referred to as arbitrage. Any arbitrage activity could create unexpected volatility in both our share prices on one exchange, and the ADSs available for trading on the other exchange. In addition, holders of ADSs will not be immediately able to surrender their ADSs and withdraw the underlying series A shares for trading on the other market without effecting necessary procedures with the Depositary. This could result in time delays and additional cost for holders of the ADSs.

The trading prices for the series A shares and the ADSs may fluctuate significantly.

Volatility in the market price of our series A shares and the ADSs may prevent investors from selling their securities at or above the price that they paid for them. The market price and market liquidity of our series A shares and the ADSs may be adversely affected by several factors, including, but not limited to, the extent of investor interest in us, the attractiveness of our series A shares and the ADSs in comparison to other equity securities (for instance, shares issued by a company with larger operating history in our own industry), our financial performance and general market conditions. Certain additional factors that could negatively affect, or result in fluctuations in, the price of our series A shares and the ADSs include actual or anticipated variations in our operating results; potential differences between our actual financial and operating results and those expected by investors; investors' perceptions of our prospects and the prospects of our sector; new laws or regulations or new interpretations of laws and regulations, including tax guidelines, applicable to the energy sector, our series A shares and/or the ADSs; general economic trends and risks in the United States, Latin American or global economies or financial markets, including those resulting from pandemics, war, incidents of terrorism or responses to such events; changes in our operations or earnings estimates or publication of research reports about us or the latin American energy industry; market conditions affecting the Latin American economy generally or borrowers in Latin American specifically; significant volatility in the market price and trading volume of securities of companies in the energy sector, which are not necessarily related to the operating performance of these companies; additions to or departures from our Executive Team; completing (or failing to complete) additional acquisitions or executing additional concession agreements; speculation in the press or investment community; changes in the credit ratings or outlook

The stock markets in general have experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations that have often been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of the companies involved. We cannot assure you that trading prices and valuations will be sustained. These broad market and industry factors may materially adversely affect the market price of our series A shares and the ADSs, regardless of our operating performance. Market fluctuations, as well as general political and economic conditions in the markets in which we operate, such as recession or currency exchange rate fluctuations, may also adversely affect the market price of our series A shares and ADSs. Following periods of volatility in the market price of a company's securities, that company may often be subject to securities class-action litigation. This kind of litigation may result in substantial costs and a diversion of management's attention and resources, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

The relatively low liquidity and high volatility of the Mexican securities market may cause trading prices and volumes of our series A shares and the ADSs to fluctuate significantly.

The Mexican Stock Exchange is one of Latin America's largest exchanges in terms of aggregate market capitalization of the companies listed therein, but it remains relatively illiquid and volatile compared to other major foreign stock markets. Although the public participates in the trading of securities on the Mexican Stock Exchange, a substantial portion of trading activity on the Mexican Stock Exchange is conducted by or on behalf of large institutional investors. The trading volume for securities issued by emerging market companies, such as Mexican companies, tends to be lower than the trading volume of securities issued by companies in more developed countries. These market characteristics may limit the ability of a holder of our series A shares and may also adversely affect the market price of the series A shares and, as a result, the market price of the ADSs.

If securities or industry analysts do not publish research reports about our business, or publish negative reports about our business, the price and trading volume of our series A shares and the ADS could decline.

The trading market for our series A shares and the ADSs may be impacted in part on the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us, our business, our market or our competitors. If no securities or industry analysts covers us, the trading price for our series A shares and the ADSs may be negatively impacted. If one or more of the analysts who covers us downgrades us or releases negative publicity about our series A shares and ADSs, our share price would likely decline. If one or more of these analysts ceases to cover us or fails to regularly publish reports on us, interest in our series A shares and the ADSs may decrease, which may cause our share price or trading volume to decline

As a foreign private issuer, we have different disclosure and other requirements than U.S. domestic registrants.

As a foreign private issuer, we are subject to different disclosure and other requirements than domestic U.S. registrants. For example, as a foreign private issuer, in the United States, we are not subject to the same disclosure requirements as a domestic U.S. registrant under the Exchange Act, including the requirements to prepare and issue quarterly reports on Form 10-Q or to file current reports on Form 8-K upon the occurrence of specified significant events, the proxy rules applicable to domestic U.S. registrants under Section 14 of the Exchange Act or the insider reporting and short-swing profit rules applicable to domestic U.S. registrants under Section 16 of the Exchange Act. In addition, we have relied, and intend to keep relying, on exemptions from certain U.S. rules which permit us to follow Mexican legal requirements rather than certain of the requirements that are applicable to U.S. domestic registrants.

Furthermore, foreign private issuers are required to file their annual report on Form 20-F within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year, while U.S. domestic issuers that are accelerated filers are required to file their annual report on Form 10-K within 75 days after the end of each fiscal year. Foreign private issuers are also exempt from Regulation Fair Disclosure under the Securities Act, aimed at preventing issuers from making selective disclosures of material information. As a result of the above, even though we are required to file reports on Form 6-K disclosing the information which we have made or are required to make public pursuant to Mexican law, or are required to distribute to shareholders generally, and that is material to us, you may not receive information of the same type or amount that is required to be disclosed to shareholders of a U.S. company.

We cannot predict if investors will find our series A shares or the ADSs less attractive because we rely on these exemptions. If some investors find our series A shares and the ADSs less attractive as a result, there may be a less active trading market for our series A shares and the ADSs and our share price may be more volatile.

ADS holders may be subject to additional risks related to holding ADSs rather than series A shares.

Because ADS holders do not hold their series A shares directly, they are subject to additional risks, including as an ADS holder, you may not be able to exercise shareholder rights; distributions on the series A shares represented by your ADSs are paid in Mexican Pesos to a custodian through S.D. Indeval, Institución para el Depósito de Valores, S.A. de C.V. ("Indeval") and before such custodian transfers any such distributions to the depositary for your benefit, it would be required to deduct withholding taxes, if any. The depositary would also be required to convert distributions made in Mexican Pesos into U.S. Dollars. Additionally, if the exchange rate fluctuates significantly prior to the depositary converting any distribution into U.S. Dollars, the amount of such distribution may decrease in terms of U.S. Dollars; and we and the depositary may amend or terminate the Deposit Agreement without the ADS holders' consent in a manner that could prejudice ADS holders or that could affect the ability of ADS holders to transfer ADSs.

We have granted, and may continue to grant, share incentive awards, which may result in increased share-based compensation expenses and holders of our series A shares and ADSs may suffer further dilution.

We adopted our Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") in April 2018 for the purpose of attracting and retaining talented people as officers, directors, employees and consultants which are key to us, incentivizing their performance and aligning their interests with ours. Under the Plan, our Board of Directors is authorized to grant restricted series A shares or ADS ("Restricted Stock") and options to purchase our series A shares or ADS ("Stock Options") to our officers, directors, employees and consultants. We reserved 8,750,000 series A shares issued on December 18, 2017, for the implementation of the Plan. Additionally, the series A shares repurchased by the Company through our buy-back program may be allocated to the Plan.

Additionally, the vesting of series A shares reserved for the Long-Term Incentive Plan (or the allocation to the Plan of the series A shares repurchased by the Company through our buy-back program) may cause immediate dilution to our existing shareholders and may also have a dilutive effect on our earnings per share. If all series A shares currently reserved for the Plan, in addition to all the shares repurchased through the ongoing buy-back program, became outstanding, our issued and outstanding share capital would increase 1.6% from 97,190,833 series A shares outstanding as of the date of this annual report to 98,781,026 series A shares.

ADS holders may be unable to exercise voting rights with respect to the shares underlying the ADSs at our shareholders' meetings.

The depositary is treated by us for all purposes as the shareholder with respect to the shares underlying your ADSs. As a holder of ADSs, you do not have direct shareholder rights and may exercise voting rights with respect to the shares represented by the ADSs only in accordance with the Deposit Agreement relating to the ADSs. There are no provisions under Mexican law or under our bylaws that limit the exercise by ADS holders of their voting rights through the depositary with respect to the underlying series A shares. However, there are practical limitations on the ability of ADS holders to exercise their voting rights due to the additional procedural steps involved in communicating with these holders. ADS holders may be unable to exercise voting rights with respect to the series A shares underlying the ADSs as a result of these practical limitations.

Preemptive rights may be unavailable to non-Mexican holders of ADSs and, as a result, such holders may suffer dilution.

Under our current by-laws, whenever we issue new shares for subscription and for payment in cash, subject to certain exceptions, such as those related to public offerings, mergers, or conversion of convertible securities or when the shareholders' meeting or board of directors (in the latter case when such authority is delegated to the board of directors by the shareholders' meeting for a particular issuance) decide otherwise, we must grant preemptive subscription rights to our shareholders, giving them the right to purchase a sufficient number of shares to maintain their existing ownership percentage. We may not be able to offer preemptive rights to foreign shareholders and ADS holders identical to those of our shareholders residing in Mexico in connection with any future issuance of shares unless we comply with certain specific requirements under the laws and regulations of the applicable jurisdictions of our non-Mexican shareholders. In the case of United States shareholders and ADS holders, we might not be able to offer them shares pursuant to preemptive rights granted to our shareholders in connection with any future issuance of shares, unless the offer of such shares is registered under the Securities Act or an exemption from the registration requirement is available.

We intend to evaluate, at the time of any preemptive prescription rights offering, the costs and potential liabilities associated with a registration statement or similar requirement to enable U.S. or other non-Mexican shareholders and ADS holders to exercise their preemptive subscription rights in the event of an issuance of shares; the indirect benefits of enabling U.S. and other non-Mexican shareholders and ADS holders to exercise preemptive subscription rights; and any other factors that we consider appropriate at the time. We will then decide whether to file such a registration statement or otherwise comply with a similar requirement.

In the event that a required registration statement or similar requirement is not filed or satisfied, U.S. or other non-Mexican shareholders or ADS holders, would not be able to exercise their preemptive subscription rights in connection with future issuances of our shares, and their stake in the Company might be diluted. In this event, the proportion of the economic and voting interests of such U.S. or other non-Mexican shareholders or ADS holders in our total equity could decrease in proportion to the size of the issuance. Depending on the price at which shares are offered, such an issuance could result in dilution in the book value per share to U.S. or other non-Mexican shareholders or ADS holders not participating in the capital increase.

Substantial sales of our series A shares or the ADSs could cause the price of our series A shares or the ADSs to decrease.

The market price of our series A shares and the ADSs may decline as a result of sales of a large number of series A shares and ADSs or the perception that these sales may occur. These sales, or the possibility that these sales may occur, also might make it more difficult for us to sell equity securities in the future at a time and at a price that we deem appropriate.

Our shareholders, or entities controlled by them or their permitted transferees will be able to sell their shares in the public market from time to time without registering them, subject to certain limitations on the timing, amount and method of those sales imposed by regulations promulgated by the SEC, as well as any other regulation (including anti-trust rules) that may apply. If any of our shareholders, the affiliated entities controlled by them or their respective permitted transferees were to sell a large number of their shares, the market price of our series A shares may decline significantly and, as a result, the market price of the ADSs. In addition, the perception in the public markets that sales by them might occur may also adversely affect the market price of our series A shares and the ADSs.

The protections afforded to minority shareholders in Mexico are not as comprehensive as those in other jurisdictions, such as the United States.

Under Mexican law, the protections afforded to minority shareholders and the responsibilities and duties of directors and senior officers are different or not as complete as those in the United States. Although Mexican law establishes specific duties of care and loyalty applicable to our directors, committee members and senior officers, the Mexican legal regime governing directors, committee members and senior officers, and their duties, is not as comprehensive or developed as in the United States and has not been the subject of as broad and precise judicial interpretation. In addition, the criteria applied in other jurisdictions, including in the United States, to ascertain the independence of corporate directors may be different from the criteria applicable under corresponding Mexican laws and regulations. Furthermore, in Mexico, there are different procedural requirements for shareholder suits that work exclusively for our benefit (such as with respect to derivative suits) and not for the benefit of our shareholders (even those that initiate an action). As a result, it may be more difficult in practice for our minority shareholders to enforce their rights against us or our directors, committee members or senior officers, including for breach of their duties or care or loyalty) than it would be for shareholders of a United States or other non-Mexican company or to obtain compensation for minority shareholders, for losses caused by directors, committee members or senior officers as a result of a breach of their duties.

Our bylaws contain provisions aimed at restricting the acquisition of our shares and restricting the execution of voting agreements among our shareholders.

Pursuant to our bylaws, every direct or indirect acquisition of shares, or attempted acquisition of shares, of any nature by one or more persons or entities requires the prior written approval by the Board of Directors each time that the number of shares to be acquired, when added to any shares already owned by such person or entity, results in the acquirer holding 10% or more of our outstanding capital stock. Once such percentage is reached, such person or entity must notify our Board of Directors of any subsequent acquisition of shares by any such person or entity through which they acquire additional shares representing 2% or more of our outstanding capital stock. Prior, written approval must also be requested from our Board of Directors for the execution of written or oral agreements, as a consequence of which voting association, block voting, or binding or joint vote mechanisms or covenants are formed or adopted or certain shares are combined or shared in any other manner, which effectively results in a change in control of our Company or a 20% ownership interest in our Company. No additional authorization is required to carry-out such acquisitions or to execute a voting agreement until the ownership percentage of our outstanding capital stock is equal to or greater than 20%, nor is any additional authorization required with respect to entering temporary agreements for appointment of minority directors.

If an acquirer does not comply with the procedures described above, such acquired shares or shares regarding any voting agreement will not have any voting rights at any shareholders' meeting of our Company. Any such acquired shares which have not been approved by our Board of Directors shall not be registered in our stock registry book, entries in our stock registry book made beforehand will be canceled and the Company will not acknowledge or give any value to the records or listings referred to in Article 290 of the Mexican Securities Market Law (Ley del Mercado de Valores), any other provision that might substitute it from time to time and other applicable law. Therefore, such records or listings mentioned above will not be considered evidence of ownership of shares, shall not grant the right to attend shareholders' meetings or validate the exercise of any legal action, including any legal action of a procedural nature.

The provisions in our bylaws described above may only be amended or removed by the approval of shareholders holding at least 95% of our shares. This could hinder the process of selling our shares or the execution of agreements in connection with those shares.

These provisions in our bylaws could potentially discourage future purchases of a significant number of our shares, including potential future acquirers of our business, and accordingly could adversely affect the liquidity and price of our series A shares.

The payment and amount of dividends, or share buybacks, are subject to the determination of our shareholders.

The amount available for cash dividends, or share buybacks, if any, will be affected by many factors, including our future operating results, financial condition and capital requirements as a result thereof, and the terms and conditions of legal and contractual restrictions. Also, the amount of cash available for dividend payments, or share buybacks, may vary significantly from estimates. There can be no assurance that we will be able to pay or maintain the payment of dividends. Our actual results may differ significantly from the assumptions made by our Board of Directors in recommending dividends, or share buybacks, to shareholders or in adopting or amending a dividend policy in the future. Also, there can be no assurance that our Board of Directors will recommend a dividend payment, or share buy-back, to our shareholders or, if recommended, that our shareholders will approve such a dividend payment or share buy-back. The payment of dividends, or share buybacks, and the amounts of dividend payments paid by us to our series A shares are subject to the approval of our shareholders and our having absorbed or repaid losses from prior years and also may only be paid from retained earnings approved by our shareholders and if legal reserves have been created.

The payment and amount of Vista Argentina's dividends are subject to certain restrictions from the BCRA.

Pursuant to the foreign exchange regulations imposed by the BCRA, companies resident in Argentina may only have access the foreign exchange market to purchase foreign currency and transfer it abroad for the payment of profits and dividends to non-resident shareholders, if certain conditions are met and/or they have the prior approval of the BCRA. Although only Vista Argentina's dividends are subject to the restrictions imposed by the BCRA, such restrictions may affect our ability to pay dividends or complete share buybacks because the main source of cash generation is in Argentina.

There can be no assurance that the BCRA will not increase or relax such controls or restrictions, make modifications to these regulations, establish more severe restrictions on currency exchange, or maintain the current foreign exchange regime or create multiple exchange rates for different types of transactions, substantially modifying the applicable exchange rate at which we acquire currency to service our outstanding liabilities denominated in currencies other than the Peso, all of which could undermine our ability to pay dividends to foreign shareholders and to distribute all the net cash flow generated in the form of dividends or buybacks. Consequently, these exchange controls and restrictions could materially adversely affect the Argentine economy and our business, financial condition and results of operations. See "Item 10-Additional Information-Exchange Controls" for additional information.

Dividend distributions to holders of our series A shares will be made in Mexican Pesos.

We will make dividend distributions to holders of our series A shares in Mexican Pesos. While the Mexican government does not currently restrict the ability of Mexican or foreign persons or entities to convert Mexican Pesos into U.S. Dollars or other currencies, it could institute restrictive exchange control policies in the future. Future fluctuations in exchange rates and the effect of any exchange control measures adopted by the Mexican government on the Mexican economy cannot be predicted.

If we fail to maintain an effective system of internal control over financial reporting, we may not be able to accurately report our financial results or prevent fraud. As a result, shareholders could lose confidence in our financial and other public reporting, which would harm our business and the trading price of our common shares.

Effective internal controls over financial reporting are necessary for us to provide reliable financial reports and, together with adequate disclosure controls and procedures, are designed to prevent fraud. Any failure to achieve and maintain effective internal controls over financial reporting, implement required new or improved controls, or difficulties encountered in their implementation could result in our failure to meet our reporting obligations, which in turn could have a material adverse effect on our business and our common shares or the ADSs. In addition, any testing by us or any subsequent testing by our independent registered public accounting firm conducted in connection with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, may reveal deficiencies in our internal controls over financial reporting that are deemed to be material weaknesses or that may require prospective or retroactive changes to our financial statements or identify other areas for further attention or improvement. Matters impacting our internal controls may cause us to be unable to report our financial information on a timely basis and thereby subject us to adverse regulatory consequences, including sanctions by the SEC. There also could be a negative reaction in the financial markets due to a loss of investor confidence in us and the reliability of our audited financial statements. Confidence in the reliability of our audited financial statements. Confidence in the reliability of our audited financial statements also could suffer if we or our independent registered public accounting firm were to report a material weakness in our internal controls over financial reporting. This could in turn limit our access to capital markets and possibly, harm our results of operations, and lead to a decline in the trading price of our common shares or the ADSs.

Pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002, we are required to include a report of our management on our internal controls over financial reporting in our annual reports on Form 20-F that contains management's assessment relating to the design, maintenance and periodic evaluation of the internal control system, accompanied by a report from our independent registered public accounting firm. We can provide no assurance that from time to time we will not identify concerns that could require remediation. We may encounter problems or delays in completing the implementation of any changes necessary to make a favorable assessment of our internal control over financial reporting. An independent assessment of the effectiveness of our internal controls could detect problems that our management's assessment might not. Undetected material weaknesses in our internal controls could lead to financial statement restatements and require us to incur the expense of remediation. In connection with the attestation process by our independent registered public accounting firm, we may encounter problems or delays in the completing the implementation of any requested improvements and receiving a favorable attestation. In addition, if we fail to maintain the adequacy of our internal control over financial reporting we will not be able to conclude on an ongoing basis that we have effective internal control over financial reporting in accordance with Section 404 which may have an adverse effect on us.

The requirements of being a public company may strain our resources, divert management's attention and affect our ability to attract and retain qualified board members.

We are required to comply with various regulatory and reporting requirements, including those required by the Commission and the CNBV. Complying with these reporting and regulatory requirements is time consuming, resulting in increased costs to us or other adverse consequences. As a public company, we are subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, and the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, in addition to the existing disclosure requirements by the Mexican Securities Market Law and CNBV rules. These requirements may place a strain on our systems and resources. The Exchange Act rules applicable to us as a foreign private issuer requires that we file annual and current reports with respect to our business and financial condition. Likewise, CNBV rules require that we make annual and quarterly filings and that we comply with disclosure obligations including current reports. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires that we maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls

over financial reporting. To maintain and improve the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, we will need to commit significant resources, hire additional staff and provide additional management oversight. We will be implementing additional procedures and processes for the purpose of addressing the standards and requirements applicable to public companies. These activities may divert management's attention from other business concerns, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Furthermore, we have ceased to be an emerging growth company and are therefore no longer able to take advantage of certain exemptions from various requirements applicable to other public companies that are emerging growth companies including, most significantly, not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. As such, our independent registered public accounting firm is now required to attest to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. Even if our management concludes that our internal controls over financial reporting are effective, our independent registered public accounting firm may decline to attest to our management's assessment or may issue a report that is qualified if it is not satisfied with our controls or the level at which our controls are documented, designed, operated or reviewed, or if it interprets the relevant requirements differently from us. Failure to comply with Section 404 could subject us to regulatory scrutiny and sanctions, impair our ability to raise revenue, cause investors to lose confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports and negatively affect our share price.

Our bylaws, in compliance with Mexican law, restrict the ability of non-Mexican shareholders to invoke the protection of their governments with respect to their rights as shareholders.

As required by Mexican law, our bylaws provide that non-Mexican shareholders are considered to be Mexican with respect to shares held by them. Moreover, non-Mexican shareholders explicitly agree not to invoke the protection of its own government by asking such government to interpose a diplomatic claim against the Mexican government with respect to the shareholder's rights as a shareholder, though such agreement is not deemed to include a waiver to any other rights (for instance, any rights under the United States securities laws, with respect to its investment in us). If you invoke such governmental protection in violation of this provision of the bylaws, your series A shares may be forfeited to the Mexican government.

As a foreign private issuer, we are permitted to, have relied, and intend to keep relying, on exemptions from certain NYSE corporate governance standards applicable to U.S. issuers. This may afford less protection to holders of the ADSs.

The NYSE's rules require listed companies to have, among other things, a majority of their board members be independent and to have independent director oversight of executive compensation, nomination of directors and corporate governance matters. While we currently meet this requirement, we might cease to do so in the future, given that, as a foreign private issuer and a controlled company, we are permitted to follow home country practice in lieu of the above requirements. Mexican law does not require that a majority of our board consist of independent directors or the implementation of a compensation or nominating committee, and our board may thus not include, or include fewer, independent directors than would be required if we were subject to the NYSE rules applicable to most U.S. companies. As long as we rely on the foreign private issuer and controlled company exemptions to the NYSE rules, a majority of our Board of Directors is not required to consist of independent directors and we will not be required to have a compensation or nominating committee. Therefore, our board's approach may be different from that of a board with a majority of independent directors, and, as a result, the executive team's oversight of the Company may be more limited than if we were subject to the NYSE rules applicable to most U.S. companies.

It may be difficult to enforce civil liabilities against us or our directors or officers.

We are a publicly traded company with variable capital (sociedad anónima bursátil de capital variable) organized under the laws of Mexico, and a majority of the members of our Board of Directors and Executive Team, our advisors and independent auditors reside or are based outside the United States. All of our assets and the assets of our subsidiaries are located, and all of our revenues and the revenues of our subsidiaries are derived from, sources outside the United States, particularly in Mexico and Argentina. Consequently, it may not be possible for you to effect service of process upon us or these other persons. Because judgments of U.S. courts or courts of other jurisdictions outside of Mexico and/or Argentina for civil liabilities based upon foreign laws of other jurisdictions outside Mexico and/or Argentina may only be enforced in Mexico and/or Argentina if certain requirements are met, you may face greater difficulties in protecting your interests through actions against us, our directors or the members our Executive