

## **Keweenaw Land Association, Limited**

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## Forward Looking Statements

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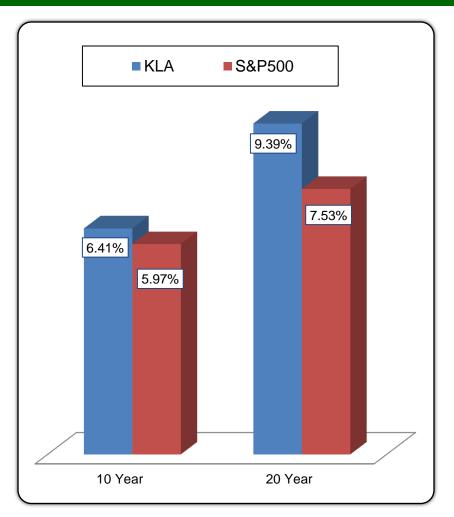
## Keweenaw Land Corporate Overview

- Commercial forestry company with timber, mineral and real estate assets
  - 168,000 acres of fee timberland
  - Average annual harvest of over 73,000 cords per year
  - 400,000 acres severed and attached mineral rights
  - 2,500 acres of commercial, recreational, and urban property
- Company traded in the over-the-counter market (OTC Pink: KEWL)
  - Current market capitalization: ≈ \$142 million
  - 1.3 million shares outstanding
- Keweenaw is a niche timberland investment for those interested in hard asset appreciation



## Positive stock appreciation over the long-term

Outperformed the S&P 500 over the past 20 years





## Steady increase in appraised timberland value

Annualized increase of 8.4% in appraised timberland value over 14 year period

Appraisal Date	Total Acres	Total Appraised Value* (\$ millions)	Appraised Value Per Acre*
1998	156,400	\$ 63.0	\$403
2000	155,882	\$ 85.7	\$550
2003	155,839	\$102.9	\$660
2006	158,153	\$118.6	\$750
2009	161,061	\$128.9	\$800
2012	161,940	\$140.1	\$865



<sup>\* -</sup> Values determined by an independent third-party appraisal

## Strategic Plan achieving positive results

- Management Initiative and results
  - Upgrade and consolidate core timberland holdings
    - Acquired over 12,000 acres of productive timberland over the past 10 years
  - Monetize non-strategic land holdings through sale or development
    - Sold 33 development properties generating over \$912,000 in gross margin and "as-is" land sales income
  - Promote the development of mineral ownership
    - Mining/Exploration leases covering in excess of 9,000 acres
    - Copperwood mine fully permitted
  - > Pursuing new revenue streams utilizing existing assets
    - Providing fee-based log scaling and inventory services



## Forest Stewardship Council® certified for over 20 years

- Certified September 15, 1994
- First Forest Management Certificate issued by Rainforest Alliance (RA)
- Only the 5<sup>th</sup> certificate issued globally
- Oldest continuous certificate holder for RA worldwide



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### **Investor Questions**

#### How has Keweenaw's sustainable forest management practices enhanced the value of its timberland assets?

- Since 1998, standing timber volume on a per acre basis has increased 13.6% while the percent of sawtimber has improved by 3.9%, adding over \$26 million in total timber value
- Over same period, harvested 1.08 million cd eq of timber generating \$114 million in log sales
- Forest management practices focuses on removing less desirable species and concentrating growth on higher quality and more valuable species

#### Has Keweenaw considered converting to a REIT?

- Yes, the Board first investigated converting to a REIT in 1997, and has looked at this question several times since
- Converting requires that we disperse retained earnings of \$23 million creating a taxable event to the company in selling land to raise cash and to shareholders in receiving the cash
- Would need to distribute 90% of all future earnings, limiting our ability to grow the company through timberland acquisitions



### **Investor Questions**

- Why is Keweenaw traded on the OTC:Pink sheets?
  - Keweenaw is not an SEC registered company
- Could Keweenaw move up from OTC:Pink to NASDAQ?
  - Requires SEC registration
  - Even under the least restrictive tier (NASDAQ Capital), Keweenaw would not meet the minimum listing requirements of having 300 round lot positions
- What about registering with the SEC?
  - Initial registration costs would be in excess of \$400,000
  - Ongoing annual expenses range from \$150,000 to \$200,000 per year
  - Requires an SEC and PCAOB compliant accounting firm for financial reporting
  - SEC registration was voted on by shareholders in 2009 and was soundly rejected by over 95% of votes cast



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- In lieu of SEC registration, how does Keweenaw address shareholder reporting?
  - We provide periodic shareholder reporting, including investor updates, quarterly shareholder letters, and annual reports that include audited financial statements
  - We have adopted several of the Sarbanes-Oxley provisions including:
    - Section 202 No outside services provided by auditors
    - Section 204 Audit reports reviewed by Keweenaw Board Audit Committee
    - Section 302 Corporate responsibility by principal officers for financial reporting
    - Section 806 Whistleblower protection, fraud reporting hotline



# Keweenaw remains committed to managing the assets for long-term growth and value appreciation

- Practicing sustainable forest management
  - Improving the quality and volume of standing timber
- Generating revenue from existing asset base
  - Direct marketing of logs
  - Purchasing open market stumpage
  - Providing fee based services
  - Lease income
- Enhancing existing value of land and mineral assets
  - Consolidating of existing land base
  - Acquiring quality timberland properties
  - Divesting of non-strategic lands





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