

## Message from President and Chief Executive Officer

Alacer Gold is critically aware of the importance of sound Tailing Storage Facility (“TSF”) design and management. We support the call for disclosure by the Investor Mining and Tailings Safety Initiative. Alacer publishes a Sustainability Report annually which provides a summary of our approach to tailings management along with information on how we manage sustainability across our business.

The TSF at our Çöpler Mine in Turkey is a downstream mass filled dam which became fully operational during the final quarter of 2018 with the startup of the Sulfide Plant. The technical specifications for the construction of the Çöpler TSF conform with both Turkish national requirements and accepted best practice standards for tailings facilities, including: World Bank Standards, Canadian Dam Association Safety guidelines, and Mining Association of Canada (MAC) Guide to the Management of Tailings Facilities. Further, the Çöpler TSF was designed to meet the best in class requirements for Class-I (hazardous) waste, though all of our tailings are classified as Class-II (non-hazardous). Further information on our tailings storage facility management can be found in our most recent Sustainability Report and in the answers to the attached questionnaire.

Kind Regards,

*“Rod Antal”*

Rodney P. Antal  
President and Chief Executive Officer

## Annex 2: Disclosure requirements

Overview question:

Please:

- Provide an overview of your tailings management system, and how you manage risk
- Confirm whether your approach to tailings management has changed or will change in light of the recent tailings disasters at Brumadinho, Mariana, Mt Polly and others. Have you for example, reviewed all tailings storage facilities with upstream dam construction, and taken steps necessary to protect local communities and the environment e.g. buttressing, excavation?

Question	Notes				
1. "Tailings Facility" Name / Identifier	Çöpler Mine TSF				
2. Location	39.25.55N, 38.33.23E				
3. Ownership	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Alacer Gold Madencilik A.S.</td> <td>80%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lidya Madencilik Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> </table>	Alacer Gold Madencilik A.S.	80%	Lidya Madencilik Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş	20%
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4. Status	Active				
5. Date of initial operation	26 September 2018				
6. Is the dam currently operated or closed as per currently approved design?	In operation				
7. Raising method	Downstream				
8. Current Maximum Height	75m				
9. Current Tailings Storage Impoundment Volume	At end of March 2019 total volume of solids and liquids in the TSF was 1,859,752 m <sup>3</sup> (RL 1168.6)				
10. Planned Tailings Storage Impoundment Volume in 5 years' time	Planned volume in TSF up until end of January 2024: 11,313,501m <sup>3</sup>				
11. Most recent Independent Expert Review	18 December 2017 (During construction) 11-12 May 2019 Next review in May 2020				
12. Do you have full and complete relevant engineering records including design, construction, operation, maintenance, and/or closure?	Yes				
13. What is your hazard categorisation of this facility, based on the consequence of failure?	Significant				
14. What guideline do you follow for the classification system?	Çöpler TSF conforms with both Turkish national requirements and accepted good practice standards for tailings facilities, including; World Bank Standards, Canadian Dam Association Safety guidelines (Table 2-1, Dam Safety Guidelines, 2007, 2013 Edition), and Mining Association of Canada (MAC) Guide to the Management of Tailings Facilities.				
15. Has this facility, at any point in its history, failed to be confirmed or certified as stable, or experienced notable stability concerns, as identified by an independent engineer (even if later certified as stable by the same or different firm).	No				
16. Do you have internal / in house engineering specialists oversight of this facility? Or do you have external engineering support for this purpose.	Both				
17. Has a formal analysis of the downstream impact on communities, ecosystems and critical infrastructure in the event of catastrophic failure been undertaken and to reflect final conditions? If so when did this assessment take place?	Yes August 2016, as part of the ESIA relating to the Copler Sulphide Expansion Project.				
18. Is there a) a closure plan for this dam and b) does it include long term monitoring?	Yes.				

	Yes. We have committed to 30 years of monitoring post closure.
19. Have you, or do you plan to assess your tailings facilities against the impact of more regular extreme weather events as a result of climate change, e.g. over the next two years?	Yes
20. Any other relevant information and supporting documentation.  Please state if you have omitted and other exposure to tailings facilities through and joint ventures you may have.	Discussion of tailings management are included in the annual sustainability report <a href="http://www.alacergold.com/docs/default-source/sustainability-reports/alacer-sustainability-report-2018-w-gri-index-final.pdf?sfvrsn=4">http://www.alacergold.com/docs/default-source/sustainability-reports/alacer-sustainability-report-2018-w-gri-index-final.pdf?sfvrsn=4</a> .

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