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**FORM 10-Q**

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**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE  
ACT OF 1934**

**For the quarter ended March 31, 2017**

**Commission File No. 000-51638**

**GULFSLOPE ENERGY, INC.**

(Exact Name of Issuer as Specified in its Charter)

<u>Delaware</u>	<u>16-1689008</u>
(State or	(I.R.S.
Other	Employer
Jurisdiction	I.D. No.)
of	
incorporation	
or	
organization)	

2500 CityWest Blvd., Suite 800

Houston, Texas 77042

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(281) 918-4100

(Issuer's Telephone Number)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90

days. Yes      No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes      No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer,” “smaller reporting company,” and “emerging growth company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer      Accelerated filer      Non-accelerated filer      Smaller reporting company      Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Sec 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).  
Yes      No

The number of shares outstanding of our common stock, as of May 15, 2017, was 685,152,225.

## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (“Report”) contains statements that constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this Report including, without limitation, statements in the Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in this Report, regarding our financial condition, estimated working capital, business strategy, the plans and objectives of our management for future operations and those statements preceded by, followed by or that otherwise include the words “believe”, “expects”, “anticipates”, “intends”, “estimates”, “projects”, “target”, “goal”, “plans”, “objective”, “should”, or similar expressions or variations on such expression are forward-looking statements. We can give no assurances that the assumptions upon which the forward-looking statements are based will prove to be correct. Because forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. There are a number of risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements including, but not limited to, economic conditions generally and in the markets in which we may participate, competition within our chosen industry, technological advances and failure by us to successfully develop business relationships. A more detailed discussion of possible risks is included in “Risk Factors” included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 27, 2016.

Except as otherwise required by the federal securities laws, we disclaim any obligations or undertaking to publicly release any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained in this Report to reflect any change in our expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

**PART I - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)**

**Item 1. Financial Statements.**

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**GulfSlope Energy, Inc.****Condensed Balance Sheets****As of March 31, 2017 and September 30, 2016****(Unaudited)**

	March 31, 2017	September 30, 2016
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$64,407	\$64,114
Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets	127,312	38,311
Accounts Receivable, Net	—	63,147
Total Current Assets	191,719	165,572
Property and Equipment, Net of Depreciation	10,468	24,288
Oil and Natural Gas Properties, Full Cost Method of Accounting		
Unproved Properties	4,774,429	4,526,171
Total Non-Current Assets	4,784,897	4,550,459
Total Assets	\$4,976,616	\$4,716,031
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Deficit</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$440,917	\$426,271
Related Party Payable	286,629	265,834
Accrued Interest Payable	1,067,830	812,383
Accrued Expenses and Other Payables	1,321,927	1,352,929
Loans from Related Parties	8,692,276	8,382,891
Notes Payable	78,270	4,156
Convertible Promissory Notes Payable	482,855	153,358
Stock Payable	11,605	11,605
Total Current Liabilities	12,382,309	11,409,427
Total Liabilities	12,382,309	11,409,427
<b>Stockholders' Deficit</b>		
Preferred Stock; par value (\$0.001); Authorized 50,000,000 shares none issued or outstanding	—	—
Common Stock; par value (\$0.001); Authorized 975,000,000 shares; 685,152,225 and 682,902,225 issued and outstanding, respectively	685,152	682,402
Additional Paid-in-Capital	26,815,322	26,151,376
Accumulated Deficit	(34,906,167)	(33,527,174)
Total Stockholders' Deficit	(7,405,693)	(6,693,396)
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Deficit	\$4,976,616	\$4,716,031

The accompanying notes are an integral part to these condensed financial statements.

**GulfSlope Energy, Inc.****Condensed Statements of Operations****For the Three and Six Months Ended March 31, 2017 and 2016****(Unaudited)**

	For the three months ended March 31, 2017	For the three months ended March 31, 2016	For the six months ended March 31, 2017	For the six months ended March 31, 2016
Revenues	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
Impairment of Oil and Natural Gas Properties	—	—	—	—
General & Administrative Expenses	456,898	422,454	676,826	1,009,604
Net Loss from Operations	(456,898)	(422,454)	(676,826)	(1,009,604)
Other Income/(Expenses):				
Interest Income	—	—	—	—
Interest Expense	(369,332)	(103,367)	(702,167)	(206,743)
Net Loss Before Income Taxes	(826,230)	(525,821)	(1,378,993)	(1,216,347)
Provision for Income Taxes	—	—	—	—
Net Loss	\$(826,230)	\$(525,821)	\$(1,378,993)	\$(1,216,347)
Loss Per Share - Basic and Diluted	\$(0.00)	\$(0.00)	\$(0.00)	\$(0.00)
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding – Basic and Diluted	684,327,225	680,163,471	683,356,895	676,159,210

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**GulfSlope Energy, Inc.****Condensed Statements of Cash Flows****For the Six Months Ended March 31, 2017 and 2016****(Unaudited)**

	For the six months ended March 31, 2017	For the six months ended March 31, 2016
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net Loss	\$(1,378,993)	\$(1,216,347)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash		
From Operating Activities:		
Change in Accounts Receivable	63,147	—
Depreciation	13,820	26,087
Stock-based Compensation Expense	327,531	
Stock Issued for Services	—	182,298
Debt Discount Amortization	444,172	—
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities		
(Increase)/Decrease in Prepaid Expenses	70,186	125,718
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable and Stock Payable	(34,006 )	107,030
Increase/(Decrease) in Related Party Payable	20,795	29,760
Increase/(Decrease) in Accrued Interest	255,447	203,128
Increase/(Decrease) in Accrued Liabilities	—	39,514
Net Cash From Operating Activities	(217,901 )	(502,812 )
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Exploration Costs	(91,232 )	(966,307 )
Net Cash From Investing Activities	(91,232 )	(966,307 )
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds from Related Party Loans	244,500	228,000
Proceeds from Convertible Promissory Notes and Warrants	150,000	—
Payments on Notes Payable	(85,074 )	(126,801 )
Net Cash From Financing Activities	309,426	101,199
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	293	(1,367,920)
Beginning Cash Balance	64,114	1,428,014
Ending Cash Balance	\$64,407	\$60,094
<b>Supplemental Schedule of Cash Flow Activities</b>		
Cash Paid for Interest	\$2,547	\$3,615
Non-Cash Financing and Investing Activities		
Prepaid Asset Financed by Note Payable	\$159,188	\$240,848



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Capital Expenditures Included in Accounts Payable	\$17,651	\$191,878
Capital Expenditures Included in Stock Payable	\$—	\$11,605
Stock-Based Compensation Capitalized to Unproved Properties	\$139,375	\$225,747

The accompanying notes are an integral part to these condensed financial statements.

**GulfSlope Energy, Inc.**

**Notes to Condensed Financial Statements**

**March 31, 2017**

**(Unaudited)**

**NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS**

GulfSlope Energy, Inc. (the “Company,” “GulfSlope,” “our” and words of similar import), a Delaware corporation, is an independent crude oil and natural gas exploration company whose interests are concentrated in the United States Gulf of Mexico federal waters offshore Louisiana. The Company currently has under lease 17 federal Outer Continental Shelf blocks (referred to as “prospect,” “portfolio” or “leases” in this Report).

Since March 2013, we have been singularly focused on identifying high-potential oil and gas prospects. We have licensed 3-D seismic data covering approximately 2.2 million acres and have evaluated this data using advanced interpretation technologies. As a result of these analyses, we have identified and acquired leases on 17 prospects that we believe may contain economically recoverable hydrocarbon deposits, and we plan to continue to conduct more refined analyses of our prospects as well as target additional lease and property acquisitions. Our activities have been focused exclusively in the federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico. We have given preference to areas with water depths of 450 feet or less where production infrastructure already exists. Sixteen of our seventeen prospects are in less than 450 feet of water depth. We believe this will allow for any discoveries to be developed faster and less expensively, given our goal to reduce economic risk while increasing returns.

As of March 31, 2017, we have no proved reserves.

**NOTE 2 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The condensed financial statements included herein are unaudited. However, these condensed financial statements include all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) which in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair presentation of financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for an entire year. The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the Company’s condensed financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates.

Certain information, accounting policies, and footnote disclosures normally included in the financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) have been omitted in this Form 10-Q pursuant to certain rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). The condensed financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2016, which were included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016 and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 27, 2016.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

GulfSlope considers highly liquid investments with insignificant interest rate risk and original maturities to the Company of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents consist primarily of interest-bearing bank accounts and money market funds. The Company’s cash positions represent assets held in checking and money market accounts. These assets are generally available on a daily or weekly basis and are highly liquid in nature.

Liquidity/Going Concern

The Company has incurred accumulated losses as of March 31, 2017 of \$34.9 million. Further losses are anticipated in developing our business. As a result, our auditor expressed substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern on its report for the year ended September 30, 2016. As of March 31, 2017, we had \$0.06 million of unrestricted cash on hand. Management has analyzed its cash needs for the 12 month period beginning from the filing date of these financial statements, and determined that the Company will need to raise a minimum of \$4 million to meet its obligations and planned expenditures through May 2018. The Company plans to finance its operations through the issuance of equity, debt financings or joint ventures, further sale of working interests in prospects or bridge financing. Our policy has been to periodically raise funds through the sale of equity on a limited basis, to avoid undue dilution while at the early stages of execution of our business plan. Short term needs have been historically funded through loans from executive management and other related parties. There are no assurances that financing will be available with acceptable terms, if at all. If the Company is not successful in obtaining financing, operations would need to be curtailed or ceased. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

### Full Cost Method

The Company uses the full cost method of accounting for its oil and gas exploration and development activities as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). Under the full cost method of accounting, all costs associated with successful and unsuccessful exploration and development activities are capitalized on a country-by-country basis into a single cost center (“full cost pool”). Such costs include property acquisition costs, geological and geophysical (“G&G”) costs, carrying charges on non-producing properties, costs of drilling both productive and non-productive wells and overhead charges directly related to acquisition, exploration and development activities. Proceeds from property sales will generally be credited to the full cost pool, with no gain or loss recognized, unless such a sale would significantly alter the relationship between capitalized costs and the proved reserves attributable to these costs. A significant alteration would typically involve a sale of 25% or more of the proved reserves related to a single full cost pool.

Proved properties are amortized on a country-by-country basis using the units of production method (UOP). The UOP calculation multiplies the percentage of estimated proved reserves produced each quarter by the cost of those reserves. The amortization base in the UOP calculation includes the sum of proved property, net of accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization (DD&A), estimated future development costs (future costs to access and develop proved reserves), and asset retirement costs, less related salvage value.

The costs of unproved properties and related capitalized costs (such as G&G costs) are withheld from the amortization calculation until such time as they are either developed or abandoned. Unproved properties and properties under development are reviewed for impairment at least quarterly and are determined through an evaluation considering, among other factors, seismic data, requirements to relinquish acreage, drilling results, remaining time in the commitment period, remaining capital plan, and political, economic, and market conditions. In countries where proved reserves exist, exploratory drilling costs associated with dry holes are transferred to proved properties immediately upon determination that a well is dry and amortized accordingly. In countries where a reserve base has not yet been established, impairments are charged to earnings.

Companies that use the full cost method of accounting for oil and natural gas exploration and development activities are required to perform a ceiling test calculation each quarter. The full cost ceiling test is an impairment test prescribed by SEC Regulation S-X Rule 4-10. The ceiling test is performed quarterly, on a country-by-country basis, utilizing the average of prices in effect on the first day of the month for the preceding twelve-month period. The ceiling limits such pooled costs to the aggregate of the present value of future net revenues attributable to proved crude oil and natural gas reserves discounted at 10%, plus the lower of cost or market value of unproved properties less any associated tax effects. If such capitalized costs exceed the ceiling, the Company will record a write-down to the extent of such excess as a non-cash charge to earnings. Any such write-down will reduce earnings in the period of occurrence and results in a lower depreciation, depletion and amortization rate in future periods. A write-down may not be reversed in future periods even though higher oil and natural gas prices may subsequently increase the ceiling.

As of March 31, 2017, the Company’s oil and gas properties consisted of unproved properties and no proved reserves.

### Basic and Dilutive Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share (“EPS”) is computed by dividing net income (loss) (the numerator) by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period (denominator). Diluted EPS is computed by dividing net income (loss) by the weighted average number of common shares and potential common shares outstanding (if dilutive) during each period. Potential common shares include stock options, warrants, and restricted stock. The number of potential common shares outstanding relating to stock options, warrants, and restricted stock is computed using the treasury stock method.

As the Company has incurred losses for the six months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, the potentially dilutive shares are anti-dilutive and are thus not added into the loss per share calculations. As of March 31, 2017 and 2016, there were 159,353,071 and 52,947,389 potentially dilutive shares, respectively.

### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09 (“ASU No. 2014-09”), which requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. The ASU will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in GAAP when it becomes effective. As amended, the new standard is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Early application is not permitted. The standard permits the use of either the retrospective or cumulative effect transition method. The Company does not anticipate the adoption of this standard to have a material impact on its financial statements.

In August 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standard Update No. 2014-15 (“ASU No. 2014-15”), *Presentation of Financial Statements Going Concern (Subtopic 205-40)* which requires management to assess an entity’s ability to continue as a going concern by incorporating and expanding upon certain principles that are currently in U.S. auditing standards. Specifically, ASU No. 2014-15 provides a definition of the term substantial doubt and requires an assessment for a period of one year after the date that the financial statements are issued (or available to be issued). It also requires certain disclosures when substantial doubt is alleviated as a result of consideration of management’s plans and requires an express statement and other disclosures when substantial doubt is not alleviated. ASU No. 2014-15 is now effective, and has been adopted by the Company. See the liquidity and going concern section of Note 2 for the further discussion on management’s analysis.

On February 25, 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. The new guidance establishes the principles to report transparent and economically neutral information about the assets and liabilities that arise from leases. The new guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years, and early application is permitted for all organizations. The Company has not yet selected the period during which it will implement this pronouncement, and it is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of ASU 2016-02 will have on its financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2016-09, *“Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting”* (“ASU 2016-09”). ASU 2016-09 simplifies several aspects of accounting for share-based payment award transactions, including income tax consequences, classification of awards as either liability or equity, and classification on the statement of cash flows. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of ASU 2016-09 will have on its financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-06, *Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): Contingent Put and Call Options in Debt Instruments (a consensus of the Emerging Issues Task Force)* (“ASU 2016-06”), which clarifies the requirements for assessing whether contingent call (put) options that can accelerate the payment of principal on debt instruments are clearly and closely related to their debt hosts and requires that an entity assess the embedded call (put) options solely in accordance with the four-step decision sequence in ASC 815. ASU 2016-06 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. The Company is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of ASU 2016-06 will have on its financial statements.

The Company has evaluated all other recent accounting pronouncements and believes that none of them will have a significant effect on the Company’s financial statements.

### **NOTE 3 – OIL AND NATURAL GAS PROPERTIES**

In March 2014, the Company was awarded 21 blocks in the Central Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 231, conducted by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (“BOEM”). In March 2015, the Company was awarded two blocks in the Central Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 235. During the quarter ended June 30, 2016, the Company relinquished six of the lease blocks acquired in 2014. The relinquished leases are Ewing Bank 904 and 945, Garden Banks 173, Eugene Island 395, Vermilion 393 and South Marsh Island 187. The capitalized lease costs of \$2,610,678 associated with these blocks were recorded as impairment of oil and natural gas properties. The Company also deducted \$280,000 as an impairment of certain capitalized exploration costs that were directly allocable to the relinquished blocks, for a total impairment deduction of \$2,890,678.

In May 2016, the Company entered into a letter of intent (the “LOI”) with Texas South that sets out the terms and conditions of a proposed farm-out arrangement (the “Farm-out”) to develop two shallow-depth oil and gas prospects

located on offshore Gulf of Mexico blocks currently leased by the Company. Through March 31, 2017 the Company received \$400,000 under the terms of the LOI. In accordance with full cost requirements, the Company recorded the proceeds from the transaction as an adjustment to the capitalized costs of its oil & gas properties with no gain or loss recognition. The Company also received lease rental reimbursements of \$63,147 under the terms of this letter of intent.

The Company paid \$0 and \$632,665 in gross annual lease rental payments to the BOEM for the six months ended March 31, 2017 and year ended September 30, 2016, respectively. The Company's share of these amounts are included in unproved properties.

For the year ended September 30, 2016, the Company incurred \$1,354,674 in consulting fees and salaries and benefits associated with full-time geoscientists, and \$463,497 associated with technological infrastructure, third party hosting services and seismic data. The Company capitalized these G&G costs because the Company owned specific unevaluated properties that these costs relate to. At June 30, 2016, a portion of these costs, \$280,000, specifically related to leases relinquished in June 2016 were immediately impaired. These remaining capitalized amounts when added to the amount paid in 2016 for lease rental payments of \$632,665 and netted with the 2016 receipts from sale of a working interest of \$400,000 as well as the relinquished leases impairment amount of \$2,610,678 subtracting lease rentals receivable of \$191,171 results in unproved oil and gas properties of \$4,526,171, reflected on our balance sheet at September 30, 2016.

For the six months ended March 31, 2017, the Company incurred \$86,731 in consulting fees, salaries and benefits, \$139,375 in stock option costs associated with geoscientists, and \$22,152 associated with technological infrastructure and third party hosting services. The Company capitalized these G&G costs because the Company owned specific unevaluated properties that these costs relate to. These amounts when added to unproved properties at September 30, 2016 result in \$4,774,429 unproved properties at March 31, 2017.

#### NOTE 4 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During April through September 2013, the Company entered into convertible promissory notes whereby it borrowed a total of \$6,500,000 from John Seitz, its current chief executive officer. The notes are due on demand, bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum, and are convertible into shares of common stock at a conversion price equal to \$0.12 per share of common stock (the then offering price of shares of common stock to unaffiliated investors). In May 2013, John Seitz converted \$1,200,000 of the aforementioned debt into 10,000,000 shares of common stock, which shares were issued in July 2013. Between June of 2014 and December 2015, the Company entered into promissory notes whereby it borrowed a total of \$2,410,000 from Mr. Seitz. The notes are not convertible, due on demand and bear interest at a rate of 5% per annum. During January through September 2016, the Company entered into promissory notes whereby it borrowed a total of \$363,000 from Mr. Seitz. The notes are due on demand, bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum, and the outstanding principal and interest is convertible at the option of the holder into securities issued by the Company in a future offering, at the same price and terms received by unaffiliated investors. Additionally, during the six months ended March 31, 2017, the Company entered into promissory notes with John Seitz whereby it borrowed a total of \$194,500. The notes are due on demand, bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum, and the outstanding principal and interest is convertible at the option of the holder into securities issued by the Company in a future offering, at the same price and terms received by unaffiliated investors. As of March 31, 2017 the total amount owed to John Seitz, our CEO, is \$8,267,500. There was a total of \$987,861 of unpaid interest associated with these loans included in accrued interest payable within our balance sheet as of March 31, 2017.

From August 2015 through February 2016 the Company entered into promissory notes whereby it borrowed a total of \$267,000 from Dr. Ronald Bain, its current president and chief operating officer, and his affiliate ConRon Consulting, Inc. These notes are not convertible, due on demand and bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum. As of March 31, 2017, the total amount owed to Dr. Bain and his affiliate was \$267,000. There was a total of \$21,385 of accrued interest associated with these loans and the Company has recorded interest expense for the same amount. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016, Dr. Ronald Bain also entered into a \$92,000 convertible promissory note with associated warrants (“Bridge Financing”) under the same terms received by other investors (see Note 5).

Domenica Seitz, CPA, a related party, has provided accounting consulting services to the Company. During the three and six month period ended March 31, 2017, services provided were \$5,915 and \$20,795, respectively. The Company has accrued these amounts, and they are reflected in the March 31, 2017 condensed financial statements.

On November 15, 2016, a family member of the CEO, a related party, entered into a \$50,000 convertible promissory note with associated warrants (“Bridge Financing”) under the same terms received by other investors (see Note 5).

John Seitz has not received a salary since May 31, 2013, the date he commenced serving as our chief executive officer and accordingly, no amount has been accrued on our financial statements.

Kevin Bain, son of Dr. Bain, is a geoscientist, employee of the Company.

All employees of the Company (including executive management), who are all shareholders of the Company have been paid a reduced salary plus benefits beginning on January 1, 2016.

On January 1, 2017, 1.25 million restricted shares, that vested in September 2016, were issued to an employee.



On January 1, 2017, 33.5 million stock options were granted to six employees and two directors of the Company. The CEO was not included in the award. The stock options vested 50% on January 1, 2017 and the remaining 50% will vest on January 1, 2018, provided that the option holder continues to serve as an employee or director on the vesting date. The stock options are exercisable for seven years from the original grant date of January 1, 2017, until January 1, 2024.

#### **NOTE 5 – BRIDGE FINANCING – CONVERTIBLE PROMISSORY NOTES WITH ASSOCIATED WARRANTS**

Between June and November 2016, the Company issued eleven convertible promissory notes with associated warrants in a private placement to accredited investors for total gross proceeds of \$837,000. Three of the notes were to related parties for proceeds totaling \$222,000, including the extinguishment of \$70,000 worth of related party payables. The convertible notes have a maturity of one year, bear an annual interest rate of 8% and can be converted at the option of the holder at a conversion price of \$0.025 per share. In addition, the convertible notes will automatically convert if a qualified equity financing of at least \$3 million occurs before maturity and such mandatory conversion price will equal the effective price per share paid in the qualified equity financing. In addition to the convertible notes, the investors received 27.9 million warrants (7.4 million to the above mentioned related parties) with an exercise price of \$0.03 and a term of the earlier of three years or upon a change of control. The Company evaluated the various financial instruments under ASC 480 and ASC 815 and determined no instruments or features required fair value accounting. Therefore, in accordance with ASC 470-20-25-2, the Company allocated the proceeds between the convertible notes and warrants based on their relative fair values. This resulted in an allocation of \$452,422 to the warrants and \$384,578 to the convertible notes. After such allocation, the Company evaluated the conversion option to discern whether a beneficial conversion feature existed based upon comparing the effective exercise price of the convertible notes to the fair value of the shares they are convertible into. The Company concluded a beneficial conversion feature existed and measured such beneficial conversion feature at \$384,368. Accordingly, the debt discount associated with these notes was \$836,790. Such discount will be amortized using the effective interest rate method over the term (one year) of the convertible notes. For the quarter ended March 31, 2017 amortization of this discount totaled \$206,332 and is included in interest expense in the statement of operations. Accrued interest expense for the quarter ended March 31, 2017 is \$16,740.

On December 28, 2016, the Company issued a convertible promissory note with 500,000 shares of restricted stock and 550,000 warrants in a private placement to an accredited investor for \$50,000 in proceeds. The warrants have a five-year term and an exercise price of \$0.10. The promissory note has a face value of \$55,555 and incurs a one-time upfront interest charge of six percent. The holder of the note has the option to convert the note into shares of common stock at a conversion price of \$0.02 per share. Approximately \$450,000 of additional funding is available under similar terms if the Company and the lender mutually agree to further tranches. The Company evaluated the various financial instruments under ASC 480 and ASC 815 and determined no material instruments or features required fair value accounting. Therefore, in accordance with ASC 470-20-25-2, the Company allocated the proceeds between the convertible note, restricted common stock, and warrants based on their relative fair values. This resulted in an allocation of \$8,460 to the restricted stock, \$7,969 to the warrants and \$33,571 to the convertible note. After such allocation, the Company evaluated the conversion option to discern whether a beneficial conversion feature existed based upon comparing the effective exercise price of the convertible note to the fair value of the shares it is convertible into. The Company concluded a beneficial conversion feature existed and measured such beneficial conversion feature at \$33,571. Accordingly, at December 28, 2016, the debt discount associated with these notes was \$55,555. Such discount will be amortized using the effective interest rate method over the term (seven months) of the convertible note. For the three months ended March 31, 2017 amortization of this discount totaled \$23,585 and is included in interest expense in the statement of operations. Accrued interest expense for the quarter ended March 31, 2017 is zero.

On March 14, 2017, the Company issued a convertible promissory note with 1,000,000 shares of restricted stock and 1,100,000 warrants in a private placement to an accredited investor for \$100,000 in proceeds. The warrants have a five-year term and an exercise price of \$0.10. The promissory note has a face value of \$111,111 and incurs a one-time upfront interest charge of six percent. The holder of the note has the option to convert the note into shares of common stock at a conversion price of \$0.02 per share. Approximately \$350,000 of additional funding is available under similar terms if the Company and the lender mutually agree to further tranches. The Company evaluated the various financial instruments under ASC 480 and ASC 815 and determined no material instruments or features required fair value accounting. Therefore, in accordance with ASC 470-20-25-2, the Company allocated the proceeds between the convertible note, restricted common stock, and warrants based on their relative fair values. This resulted in an allocation of \$17,250 to the restricted stock, \$14,051 to the warrants and \$68,699 to the convertible note. After such allocation, the Company evaluated the conversion option to discern whether a beneficial conversion feature existed based upon comparing the effective exercise price of the convertible note to the fair value of the shares it is convertible into. The Company concluded a beneficial conversion feature existed and measured such beneficial conversion feature at \$68,699. Accordingly, at March 14, 2017, the debt discount associated with these notes was \$111,111. Such discount will be amortized using the effective interest rate method over the term (seven months) of the convertible note. For the three months ended March 31, 2017 amortization of this discount totaled \$8,827 and is included in interest expense in the statement of operations. Accrued interest expense for the quarter ended March 31, 2017 is \$6,666.

#### **NOTE 6 – COMMON STOCK/PAID IN CAPITAL**

In March 2016, the Company issued 520,273 shares of common stock to one vendor as consideration for services rendered in the ordinary course of business.

As discussed in Note 5, between June and November 2016, the Company issued 27.9 million warrants in conjunction with convertible notes payable. The warrants have an exercise price of \$0.03 and a term of the earlier of 3 years or upon a change of control. Based upon the allocation of proceeds between the convertible notes payable and the warrants, approximately \$452,422 was allocated to the warrants.

The fair value of the warrants were determined using the Black Scholes valuation model with the following key assumptions:

	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>July 2016</b>	<b>August 2016</b>	<b>November 2016</b>
Number of Warrants Issued	12.9 million	10.0 million	3.3 million	1.7 million
Stock Price:	\$0.054	\$0.040	\$0.032	\$0.029
Exercise Price:	\$0.03	\$0.03	\$0.03	\$0.03
Term:	3 years	3 years	3 years	3 years
Risk Free Rate:	.87%	.80%	.88%	1.28%
Volatility:	135%	138%	137%	131%

In December 2016, 500,000 shares of restricted stock were issued in conjunction with a financing transaction (see Note 5).

As discussed in Note 5, in December 2016, the Company issued 550,000 warrants in conjunction with a convertible note payable. The warrants have an exercise price of \$0.10 and a term of the earlier of 5 years or upon a change of control. Based upon the allocation of proceeds between the convertible note payable and the warrants, approximately \$7,969 was allocated to the warrants.

In March 2017, 1,000,000 shares of restricted stock were issued in conjunction with a financing transaction (see Note 5).

As discussed in Note 5, in March 2017, the Company issued 1,100,000 warrants in conjunction with a convertible note payable. The warrants have an exercise price of \$0.10 and a term of the earlier of 5 years or upon a change of control. Based upon the allocation of proceeds between the convertible note payable and the warrants, approximately \$14,051 was allocated to the warrants.

The fair value of the warrants were determined using the Black Scholes valuation model with the following key assumptions:

	<b>December 2016</b>	<b>March 2017</b>
Number of Warrants Issued	550,000	1,100,000
Stock Price:	\$0.028	\$0.0279
Exercise Price:	\$0.10	\$0.10
Term:	5 years	5 years
Risk Free Rate:	2.02%	2.13%
Volatility:	155%	127%

#### **NOTE 7– STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION**

On January 1, 2017, 33.5 million stock options were granted to 6 employees and 2 directors of the Company. The CEO was not included in the award. The stock options vested 50% on January 1, 2017 and the remaining 50% will vest on January 1, 2018, provided that the option holder continues to serve as an employee or director on the vesting date. The stock options are exercisable for seven years from the original grant date of January 1, 2017, until January 1, 2024.

The fair value of the stock-options were determined using the Black Scholes valuation model with the following key assumptions:

	<b>January 1, 2017</b>
Number of Stock Options Awarded	33,500,000
Stock Price:	\$0.0278
Exercise Price:	\$0.0278
Term:	4 years
Risk Free Rate:	1.71%
Volatility:	127%

The Company used the historical volatility of its stock for the period March 21, 2013 (the date the exploration activities began) through January 1, 2017 for the Black Scholes computation. The Company has no historical data regarding the expected life of the options and therefore used the simplified method of calculating the expected life. The risk free rate was calculated using the U.S. Treasury constant maturity rates similar to the expected life of the options, as published by the Federal Reserve. The Company has no plans to declare any future dividends.

Stock-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date, using the estimated fair value of the award, and is recognized over the required vesting period. The Company recognized \$466,906 in stock-based compensation during the three and six months ended March 31, 2017, and \$202,650 and \$408,044 in stock-based compensation during the three and six months ended March 31, 2016, respectively. A portion of these costs, \$139,375 and \$112,050, were capitalized to unproved properties and the remainder were recorded as general and administrative expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. For the six months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, \$139,375 and \$225,746, respectively, were capitalized to unproved properties.

The following table summarizes the Company's stock option activity during the three months ended March 31, 2017:

	<b>Number of Options</b>	<b>Weighted Average Exercise Price</b>	<b>Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term</b>
Outstanding at December 31, 2016	2,000,000	\$ 0.12	—
Granted	33,500,000	\$ .0278	4 years
Exercised	—	—	—
Cancelled	—	—	—
Outstanding at March 31, 2017	35,500,000	\$ .0330	3.9 years
Vested and expected to vest	18,750,000	\$ .0330	3.9 years
Exercisable at March 31, 2017	18,750,000	.0330	—

As of March 31, 2017, remaining expense to be recognized related to outstanding options was \$280,144.

As of March 31, 2017 there was \$33,500 of intrinsic value for stock options outstanding as of March 31, 2017.

On January 1, 2017, 1.25 million restricted shares, that vested in September 2016, were issued to an employee.

#### **NOTE 8 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

In March 2013, the Company licensed certain seismic data pursuant to two agreements. With respect to the first agreement, as of March 31, 2017, the Company has paid \$6,135,500 in cash, with no additional amount due. With respect to the second agreement, as of March 31, 2017, the Company has paid \$3,009,195 in cash and is obligated to pay \$1,003,065 during fiscal 2017.

In October 2016, the Company purchased a directors and officers insurance policy for \$170,850 and financed \$155,010 of the premium by executing a note payable. The balance of the note payable at March 31, 2017 is \$78,270.

#### **NOTE 9 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The company entered into a promissory note with John Seitz in May 2017 whereby it borrowed a total of \$27,000. The note is due on demand, bears interest at the rate of 5% per annum, and the principal amount is convertible at the option of the holder into securities issued by the Company in a future offering, at the same price and terms received by unaffiliated investors.

## **Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.**

### **Forward-looking Statements**

The following discussion highlights the principal factors that have affected our financial condition and results of operations as well as our liquidity and capital resources for the periods described. This discussion contains forward-looking statements. Please see "Forward-Looking Statements" above.

### **Historical Operations**

GulfSlope Energy, Inc. is an independent oil and natural gas exploration company whose interests are concentrated in the United States, Gulf of Mexico federal waters offshore Louisiana. The Company has leased 17 federal Outer Continental Shelf blocks (referred to as "leases" in this report) and licensed 2.2 million acres (440 blocks) of three-dimensional (3-D) seismic data in its area of concentration. All but one of our 17 prospects are located in 450 feet or less of water depth.

The Company has invested significant technical person hours in the proprietary interpretation and the associated high-end reprocessing of this seismic data. The result of this proprietary interpretation has been the identification of multiple prospects that we believe may have substantial potential hydrocarbon deposits. Based on this analysis, we currently have 17 blocks under lease in the federal waters of Offshore Gulf of Mexico. We believe the proprietary reprocessing and contiguous nature of our licensed 3-D seismic data gives us an advantage over other exploration and production ("E&P") companies operating in our focus area. We have identified 17 prospects that are covered by our leases and throughout this Report we refer to these acquired leases as our "portfolio."

In March 2014 and 2015, we competitively bid at the Central Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 231 and 235 and were awarded 23 blocks. After evaluating our leasehold position in 2016, we relinquished six lease blocks leaving the company with 17 Outer Continental Shelf blocks and 17 prospects that we believe may contain economically recoverable hydrocarbon deposits.

In March 2014, the Company entered into a farm-out letter agreement with Texas South Energy, Inc. ("Texas South") relating to five prospects located within the blocks the Company bid on at the Central Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 231 and received \$8.2 million from Texas South. In September 2015, the Company completed the March 2014 farm-out agreement with Texas South. Texas South funded the final \$1.8 million under the agreement for a total purchase price of \$10 million and acquired a 20% working interest in five prospects. Texas South is obligated to pay its proportionate share of the net annual rental costs related to the prospects. The Company will be the operator of record. In accordance with full cost requirements, the Company recorded the proceeds from the transaction as an adjustment to capitalized costs with no gain recognition.

Through March 31, 2017, we have spent approximately \$26.3 million on the acquisition, reprocessing, and interpretation of seismic data associated with our seismic license agreements and these costs were capitalized as oil and gas exploration costs which are subject to periodic evaluation for impairment. Approximately \$18.2 million of these seismic-related expenses were incurred prior to the leasing of our offshore blocks or were related to relinquished blocks and as a result, these capitalized costs were impaired for accounting purposes. Approximately \$8.1 million of our exploration expenditures were incurred subsequent to the leasing of our offshore blocks and these expenses have been capitalized. These capitalized exploration costs when added with our lease acquisition and annual lease rental costs of \$7.1 million and netted with the \$10.4 million from the sale of working interest results in the \$4.8 million reflected as Unproved Oil and Natural Gas Properties on our Condensed Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2017.





We have historically operated our business with working capital deficits and these deficits have historically been funded by equity investments and loans from management. As of March 31, 2017, we had \$.06 million of unrestricted cash on hand. The Company estimates that it will need to raise a minimum of \$4 million to meet its obligations and planned expenditures through May of 2018. This does not include any capital expenditures related to exploration drilling costs. The Company plans to finance its operations through the issuance of equity, debt financings or joint ventures. There are no assurances that financing will be available with acceptable terms, if at all.

### **Current Operations**

In 2016, the Company completed the technical work on seven sub-salt prospects and has declared these to be drill ready. The Phase I drilling program consists of seven planned test wells and the Company estimates the current cost to drill these wells to be between \$150 and \$180 million. The recoverable resource potential of the Phase I program is estimated to be more than 800 mmboe (million barrels oil equivalent) on a gross (100% working interest) and unrisks basis. Additional prospects are expected to be advanced to the drill ready stage through new seismic reprocessing and/or additional seismic acquisition.

As a result of the extensive reprocessing and mapping of its licensed 3D seismic data, the Company has also developed two shallow depth prospects with drilling depths of approximately 5,000 feet. In May 2016, the Company entered into a letter of intent (the "LOI") with Texas South that sets out the terms and conditions of a proposed farm-out arrangement (the "Farm-out") to develop these shallow-depth oil and gas prospects located on offshore Gulf of Mexico blocks currently leased by the Company. Through March 31, 2017 the Company received \$400,000 under the terms of the LOI. In accordance with full cost requirements, the Company recorded the proceeds from the transaction as an adjustment to the capitalized costs of its oil & gas properties with no gain or loss recognition. The Company also received lease rental reimbursements of \$63,147 under the terms of this letter of intent. The company is currently seeking additional partners to share the cost of the planned drilling program.

The Company has taken the preliminary steps to enable drilling operations to commence in 2017 for both the shallow and Phase I programs and plans to use consultants, who are experienced in drilling and operations in the GOM, to conduct operations. The Company has provided a draft of its Master Service Agreement (MSA) to potential vendors and solicited bids for essential services.

The Company has incurred accumulated losses for the period from inception to March 31, 2017 of approximately \$34.9 million, and has a net capital deficiency. Further losses are anticipated in developing its business. As a result, the Company's auditor expressed substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern on its report for the year ended September 30, 2016. As of March 31, 2017, the Company had approximately \$0.06 million of unrestricted cash on hand. Management has analyzed its cash needs for the 12 month period beginning from the filing date of these financial statements, and determined that it will need to raise a minimum of \$4 million to meet its obligations and planned expenditures through May 2018. These expenditures include lease rentals to the BOEM, general and administrative expenses, and costs associated with IT and seismic acquisition and processing. The Company plans to extend the agreements associated with loans from related parties, the accrued interest payable on these loans, as well as the Company's accrued liabilities. The Company plans to finance the Company through best-efforts equity and/or debt financings and farm-out agreements. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result

from the outcome of this uncertainty.

### **Significant Accounting Policies**

The Company uses the full cost method to account for its oil and gas exploration and development activities as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). Accordingly, all costs associated with acquisition, exploration and development of oil and gas reserves, including such costs as leasehold acquisition costs, professional fees incurred for the lease acquisitions, capitalized interest costs relating to properties, geological and geophysical expenditures, and tangible and intangible development costs (including direct internal costs), are capitalized. All costs associated with successful and unsuccessful exploration and development activities are capitalized on a country-by-country basis into a single cost center (“full cost pool”). When the Company commences production from established proven oil and gas reserves, capitalized costs, including estimated future costs to develop the reserves and estimated abandonment costs, will be depleted on the units-of-production method (UOP), using estimates of proven reserves. Investments in unproved properties and major development projects, including capitalized interest if any, are not depleted until proven reserves associated with the projects can be determined. If the future exploration of unproved properties is determined to be uneconomical, the amount of such properties is added to the capital costs to be depleted. Gain or loss on the sale or other disposition of oil and natural gas properties is not recognized, unless the gain or loss would significantly alter the relationship between capitalized costs and proved reserves.

Proved properties are amortized on a country-by-country basis using the UOP. The UOP calculation multiplies the percentage of estimated proved reserves produced each quarter by the cost of those reserves. The amortization base in the UOP calculation includes the sum of proved property, net of accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization (DD&A), estimated future development costs (future costs to access and develop proved reserves), and asset retirement costs, less related salvage value.

The capitalized costs of unproved properties are withheld from the amortization calculation until such time as they are either developed or abandoned. Unproved properties and properties under development are reviewed for impairment at least quarterly and are determined through an evaluation considering, among other factors, seismic data, requirements to relinquish acreage, drilling results, remaining time in the commitment period, remaining capital plan, and political, economic, and market conditions. In countries where proved reserves exist, exploratory drilling costs associated with dry holes are transferred to proved properties immediately upon determination that a well is dry and amortized accordingly. In countries where a reserve base has not yet been established, impairments are charged to earnings.

Companies that use the full cost method of accounting for oil and natural gas exploration and development activities are required to perform a ceiling test calculation each quarter. The full cost ceiling test is an impairment test prescribed by SEC Regulation S-X Rule 4-10. The ceiling test is performed quarterly, on a country-by-country basis, utilizing the average of prices in effect on the first day of the month for the preceding twelve month period. The ceiling limits such pooled costs to the aggregate of the present value of future net revenues attributable to proved crude oil and natural gas reserves discounted at 10% plus the lower of cost or market value of unproved properties less any associated tax effects. If such capitalized costs exceed the ceiling, the Company will record a write-down to the extent of such excess as a non-cash charge to earnings. Any such write-down will reduce earnings in the period of occurrence and results in a lower depreciation, depletion and amortization rate in future periods. A write-down may not be reversed in future periods even though higher oil and natural gas prices may subsequently increase the ceiling.

As of March 31, 2017, the Company's oil and gas properties consisted of capitalized exploration and acquisition costs for unproved properties and no proved reserves.

Property and equipment are carried at cost. We assess the carrying value of our property and equipment for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable.

A more complete discussion of our critical accounting policies is included in our annual report on Form 10-K as of September 30, 2016, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 27, 2016.

### **Factors Affecting Comparability of Future Results**

***Success in Acquiring Oil and Gas Leases or Prospects.*** As a result of our 3-D seismic imaging and reprocessing, we have identified and acquired the leasing or drilling rights to a number of undrilled prospects, which we believe may

potentially contain economically recoverable reserves. We have successfully executed the initial phase of our lease acquisition strategy.

***We have No Proved Reserves.*** While we have acquired most of the oil and gas properties that we pursued, we have no proved reserves. We have identified prospects based on available seismic and geological information that indicate the potential presence of oil or gas, and we own the drilling and production rights for these prospects. Some of our current prospects may require additional seismic data reprocessing and interpretation. Even when properly used and interpreted, seismic data and visualization techniques are only tools used to assist geoscientists in identifying structures and hydrocarbon indicators and do not enable the interpreter to have certainty as to whether hydrocarbons are, in fact, present in those structures. We do not know if any prospect will contain oil or gas in sufficient quantities or quality to recover drilling and completion costs or to be economically viable.

***Success in the Discovery and Development of Reserves.*** Because we have no operating history in the production of oil and gas, our future results of operations and financial condition will be directly affected by our ability to discover and develop reserves through our drilling activities.

***Oil and Gas Revenue.*** We have not yet commenced oil and gas production. If and when we do commence production, we expect to generate revenue from such production. No oil and gas revenue is reflected in our historical financial statements.

***General and Administrative Expenses.*** We expect that our general and administrative expenses will increase in future periods when we commence drilling operations.

***Demand and Price.*** The demand for oil and gas is susceptible to volatility related to, among other factors, the level of global economic activity and may also fluctuate depending on the performance of specific industries. We expect that a decrease in economic activity, in the United States and elsewhere, would adversely affect demand for any oil and gas we may produce. Since we have not generated revenues, these key factors will only affect us if and when we produce and sell hydrocarbons.

For a more complete discussion of the factors affecting comparability of our future results, see the risk factors included in Item 1A our annual report on Form 10-K as of September 30, 2016, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 27, 2016.

### **Three Months Ended March 31, 2017 Compared to Three Months Ended March 31, 2016**

No revenue was recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016. General and administrative expenses were approximately \$0.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to approximately \$0.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016. This increase is primarily due to stock compensation expense. Interest expense was \$0.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017 compared to \$0.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016. This increase is due to the increase in debt required to meet operating expenses.

### **Six Months Ended March 31, 2017 Compared to Six Months Ended March 31, 2016**

No revenue was recorded during the six months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016. General and administrative expenses were approximately \$0.7 million for the six months ended March 31, 2017, compared to approximately \$1.0 million for the six months ended March 31, 2016. This decrease was primarily due to a decrease in salaries, legal, marketing and insurance expense. Interest expense was \$0.7 million for the six months ended March 31, 2017 compared to \$0.2 million for the six months ended March 31, 2016. This increase is due to the increase in debt required to meet operating expenses.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

As of March 31, 2017, we had \$0.06 million of cash on hand. The Company estimates that it will need to raise a minimum of \$4 million to meet its obligations and planned expenditures through May 2018. The Company plans to finance its operations through the issuance of equity, debt financings or joint ventures, further sale of working interests in prospects, and bridge financing. Our policy has been to periodically raise funds through the sale of equity on a limited basis, to avoid undue dilution while at the early stages of execution of our business plan. Short term needs have been historically funded through loans from executive management. There are no assurances that financing will be available with acceptable terms, if at all. If the Company is not successful in obtaining financing, operations would need to be curtailed or ceased. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

We have incurred losses from inception to March 31, 2017 of \$34.9 million. Further losses are anticipated as we develop our business. As of March 31, 2017, we had \$0.06 million of cash on hand. These factors raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of these uncertainties.

For the six months ended March 31, 2017, the Company used approximately \$0.2 million of net cash in operating activities, compared with approximately \$0.5 million of net cash used in operating activities for the six months ended March 31, 2016, due to reduced salary and reduced legal and marketing expenses. For the six months ended March 31, 2017 we used approximately \$0.09 million of cash in investing activities compared with approximately \$1.0 million of cash used in investing activities for the six months ended March 31, 2016 primarily due to \$0.9 million more of exploration costs for the six months ended March 31, 2016. For the six months ended March 31, 2017 we received approximately \$0.3 million of net cash from financing activities, compared with approximately \$0.1 million being received in financing activities for the six months ended March 31, 2016. This difference is primarily due to the December 2016 and the March 2017 convertible promissory notes.

We will need to raise additional funds to cover expenditures planned after May 2017, as well as any additional, unexpected expenditures that we may encounter. Future equity financings may be dilutive to our stockholders. Alternative forms of future financings may include preferences or rights superior to our common stock. Debt financings may involve a pledge of assets and will rank senior to our common stock. We have historically financed our operations through private equity and debt financings. We do not have any credit or equity facilities available with financial institutions, stockholders or third party investors, and will continue to rely on best efforts financings. The failure to raise sufficient capital could cause us to cease operations.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

None.

#### **Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

Due to the historical volatility of commodity prices, if and when we commence production, our financial condition, results of operations and capital resources will be highly dependent upon the prevailing market prices of oil and natural gas. These commodity prices are likely to continue to be subject to wide fluctuations and market uncertainties due to a variety of factors that are beyond our control. In the future, we may enter into various derivative instruments to manage our exposure to volatility of commodity market prices. We may use options (including floors and collars) and fixed price swaps to mitigate the impact of downward swings in commodity prices to our cash flow. All contracts will be settled with cash and would not require the delivery of physical volumes to satisfy settlement. While in times of higher commodity prices this strategy may result in our having lower net cash inflows than we would otherwise have if we had not utilized these instruments, management believes the risk reduction benefits of such a strategy would outweigh the potential costs.

At March 31, 2017, we had approximately \$8.5 million of fixed-rate debt outstanding owed to management. All fixed-rate debt has a weighted average interest rate of 5%. We also had approximately \$1 million of convertible debt with a weighted average interest rate of .077%. Although near term changes in interest rates may affect the fair value of our fixed-rate debt, they do not expose us to the risk of earnings or cash flow loss.

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

##### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act) are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in rules and forms adopted by the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the principal executive and principal financial officers, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

Under the supervision and with the participation of our principal executive and principal financial officers, our management evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based upon that evaluation, our principal executive and principal financial officers concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at a reasonable assurance level to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms.

##### **Limitations on the Effectiveness of Controls**

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance as to the reliability of the Company's financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation.

##### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

During the fiscal quarter covered by this Report, there has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.



## **PART II - OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

From time to time, the Company may become involved in litigation relating to claims arising out of its operations in the normal course of business. No legal proceedings, government actions, administrative actions, investigations or claims are currently pending against us or involve the Company.

### **Item 1A. Risk Factors**

There have been no material changes from the risk factors disclosed in Item 1A. Risk Factors of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2016, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 27, 2016.

### **Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

In December 2016, the Company issued 500,000 shares of restricted stock to a third party lender as part of a financing transaction.

In March 2017, the Company issued 1,000,000 shares of restricted stock to a third party lender as part of a financing transaction.

### **Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

None.

### **Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures**

Not applicable.

### **Item 5. Other Information**

None.

## Item 6. Exhibits

The following exhibits are attached hereto or are incorporated by reference:

### Exhibit No. Description

- 3.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of GulfSlope Energy, Inc. incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Form 8-K filed May 30, 2014.
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of GulfSlope Energy, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2014.
- 4.1 Common Stock Specimen, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2012.
- 31.1 <sup>(1)</sup> Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 <sup>(1)</sup> Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 <sup>(2)</sup> Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2 <sup>(2)</sup> Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 101.INS <sup>(3)</sup> XBRL Instance Document.
- 101.SCH <sup>(3)</sup> XBRL Schema Document.
- 101.CAL <sup>(3)</sup> XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document.
- 101.DEF <sup>(3)</sup> XBRL Definition Linkbase Document.
- 101.LAB <sup>(3)</sup> XBRL Label Linkbase Document.
- 101.PRE <sup>(3)</sup> XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document.

(1) Filed herewith.

(2) Furnished herewith.

(3) Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the Interactive Data Files on Exhibit 101 hereto are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise are not subject to liability under those sections.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Issuer has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

### **GULFSLOPE ENERGY, INC.**

**(Issuer)**

*Date: 05/15/2017 By: /s/ John N. Seitz  
John N. Seitz, Chief Executive Officer,  
and Chairman*

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**(Issuer)**

*Date: 05/15/2017 By: /s/ John H. Malanga  
John H. Malanga, Chief Financial Officer,  
and Chief Accounting Officer*