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For the fiscal year ended **December 31, 2003**

TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (No Fee Required)

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ITRONICS INC.

(Name of small business issuer in its charter)

Texas

75-2198369

(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
incorporation or organization)

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) Zip Code

Issuer's telephone number: (775) 689-7696

Securities registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act:

Title of each class Name of each exchange on
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None

None

Securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act:

None

(Title of class)

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State issuer's revenues for its most recent fiscal year: \$1,268,787.

The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates, computed by reference to the average of the bid and asked prices for such stock as of February 29, 2004, was \$18,790,000.

As of February 29, 2004 there were issued and outstanding 128,316,161 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock.

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ITRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

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ITEM 1.

DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS.

Itronics Inc. (OTCBB: ITRO; Frankfurt and Berlin Bremen Stock Exchanges: ITG), is the inventor and developer of the "Beneficial Use Photochemical, Silver, and Water Recycling" technology that produces environmentally beneficial GOLD'n GRO fertilizers, and 5 troy ounce, 0.999 pure, Silver Nevada Miner numismatic bars.

Headquartered in Reno, Nevada, Itronics Inc. is one of Nevada's leading process technology companies and a world leader in photochemical recycling. The Company also provides project planning and technical services to the mining industry. Itronics, through its subsidiary, Itronics Metallurgical, Inc., is the only company in the world with the integrated technology to extract more than 99 percent of the silver and virtually all the other toxic heavy metals from used photoliquids and to use this "Beneficial Use Photochemical, Silver, and Water Recycling" technology to produce environmentally beneficial, chelated, multinutrient liquid fertilizer products sold under the trademark GOLD'n GRO, animal repellent/fertilizer products sold under the trademark GOLD'n GRO Guardian, and 5 troy ounce 0.999, pure, Silver Nevada Miner numismatic bars.

Itronics was one of five finalists for the 2001 Kirkpatrick Chemical Engineering Award, the most prestigious worldwide award in chemical engineering technologies. Dr. John Whitney, Itronics' President, was selected as Nevada's Inventor of the Year for 2000 and is now a member of the Inventor's Hall of Fame at the University of Nevada, Reno.

The Company currently operates the following two business segments under separate wholly owned subsidiaries:

1. Photochemical Fertilizer: * This segment, known as Itronics Metallurgical, Inc., operates a photochemical recycling plant and is developing new silver-gold refining technology. Revenues are generated by photochemical management services, sales of photochemical concentrators, sale of silver, and sale of GOLD n GRO liquid fertilizer products. Construction of a commercial scale photochemical processing and fertilizer manufacturing plant was completed in February 2000. Production in the plant started in 2001 and meaningful commercial sales of GOLD'n GRO fertilizers began in 2002.

*In 1995 Itronics initiated a legal review of various segments of RCRA (Resource Recovery and Conservation Act) law that might pertain to Itronics and its customers. Itronics reached the conclusion that certain of its large scale customers are exempt from RCRA since the value of the customer's portion of the recovered silver exceeds the processing costs charged. Itronics also concluded that once the various photo solutions are 100% utilized in fertilizer or other products, then all Itronics customers will be exempt from RCRA requirements. Itronics believes it is the only organization in the U.S. with the ability to achieve this distinction. Consequently, when referring to the operations of other organizations, or to the general market, the term photowaste is used, and when referring to Itronics' operations the term photochemical is used.

2. Mining Technical Services: This segment, known as Whitney & Whitney, Inc., provides mineral project planning and technical services to the mining industry. It has specialized knowledge in all aspects of mineral project development and has been deeply involved in gold mine development for more than 20 years. It employs technical specialists with expertise in the

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areas of mining, geology, mining engineering, mineral economics, material processing, and technology development. Technical services have been provided to many of the leading U.S. and foreign mining companies, several public utilities with mineral interests, to various state agencies, the U.S. and foreign governments, and the United Nations and the World Bank.

The Company has three wholly owned subsidiaries, Whitney & Whitney, Inc. ("WWI"), Itronics Metallurgical, Inc. ("IMI"), and Itronics California, Inc. (ICI), a 92.5% owned partnership, Nevada Hydrometallurgical Project ("NHP"), and an 81.63% owned joint venture, American Hydromet. A brief description of each organization follows:

1. Itronics Metallurgical, Inc.:

IMI is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. IMI was established in 1981 to manage the metallurgical and materials processing operations being developed under WWI and American Hydromet research and development programs. IMI has been the main provider of management services to American Hydromet since 1986. IMI is now managing the photochemical/GOLD'n GRO fertilizer segment as discussed below. IMI is responsible for precious metal and other material product sales, and markets a five ounce silver bar bearing a unique hallmark, "Silver Nevada Miner".

2. Nevada Hydrometallurgical Project:

Nevada Hydrometallurgical Project ("NHP") is a research and development partnership formed in 1981 to fund research into potential commercial applications for certain hydrometallurgical process techniques developed by the U.S. Bureau of Mines Research Center in Reno, Nevada between 1970 and 1979. A number of potential commercial applications were defined by NHP, one of which is the American Hydromet silver/gold refining technique. In late 1985, NHP assigned its interest in the silver/gold refining technique to American Hydromet. NHP retained its proprietary interest in the other potential commercial applications for future developments. NHP continues as a financing and technology owning partnership. The Company owns 92.5% of NHP.

3. American Hydromet:

American Hydromet is a Nevada joint venture that was formed in 1985 to develop certain silver and gold refining/recovery technology and to create business based upon such technology. The photochemical fertilizer segment now being managed by IMI is owned by American Hydromet. The ownership interests in American Hydromet are: NHP for 76.5%, IMI for 1%, and American Gold & Silver Limited Partnership ("AG&S") for 22.5%. AG&S is a Nevada limited partnership, for which WWI serves as the general partner and owns a general and limited partnership interest totaling 11%. The Company owns a 37% limited partnership interest in AG&S. In total, the Company owns approximately 83% of American Hydromet.

4. Itronics California, Inc.:

Itronics California, Inc. (ICI) was acquired in March 1999 by Itronics Metallurgical, Inc. ICI, originally named PD West, Inc., was acquired for its phosphoric acid recycling technology. ICI had no business operations in 1999, but plans are to utilize the phosphoric acid technology and may eventually operate IMI's photochemical services and GOLD'n GRO fertilizer business in California.

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5. Whitney & Whitney, Inc.:

WWI was incorporated in 1977 and is a wholly owned subsidiary of the

Company. WWI is primarily a mineral consulting firm that provides planning and technical services to the mining industry. The broad range of services provided by WWI includes mineral economics, geological studies, mining and cost engineering, and project management services. WWI has extensive experience with base metals, precious metals, such as gold and silver, specialty minerals, such as molybdenum and tungsten, coal, and industrial minerals. WWI performs substantial services for small, medium, and large mining projects. WWI has historically performed services for many leading U.S. and foreign mining companies, various state agencies, for the United States and several foreign governments and the United Nations. WWI was under contract with the Country of Bolivia from 1986 through early 1992 to assist it in developing its mining industry.

SUMMARY HISTORY OF OPERATIONS

Whitney & Whitney, Inc. was incorporated in Nevada in 1977 to provide a wide range of technical services to the mining industry. During the 1980's, WWI completed several multi-client fertilizer marketing studies. Also during this time period, WWI was contacted by state and local environmental officials concerning the problem of photographic wastes, laden with silver and other toxic heavy metals, being dumped in local sewer systems.

In 1988 the Company acquired WWI and its subsidiaries and partnerships. The internal ownership was restructured so that WWI and the other subsidiaries and partnerships are now directly owned by the Company.

Over the years, the mining technical services business was highly cyclical, closely following the base and precious metals industries, and specifically, the price of copper, other base metals and gold. This condition pointed out the necessity of expanding the Company's business into new industries. When considering the fertilizer marketing studies previously performed, along with the growing national issue of sewer system contamination with toxic photowastes and silver toxicity to fish, it seemed to be a natural extension of WWI's existing expertise to expand into the photowaste recycling business. In 1987 the decision was made to move forward with research and development of a process to extract silver from photographic liquid wastes and the necessary permits to establish an R&D facility under

of products as rapidly as possible.

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During the period 1999 through 2003 the Company developed a "low temperature vacuum distillation" machine that operates at room temperature and is able to remove up to 80% of the water from chemical solutions without damaging the chemicals, producing a high silver content concentrate that can be shipped as a commercial product in inter-state commerce. The distilled water is clean enough for re-use on site and the reduction in volume of material needing to be shipped produces 80 percent reduction in transportation cost making shipment possible anywhere in the United States. These machines have been released for commercial sale under the trademark "Itronics Metallurgical Photochemical Silver Concentrators". Sales of the concentrators are projected to increase as the Company expands its need for photochemical raw materials to support increasing GOLD'n GRO and GOLD'n GRO Guardian sales.

The Company had slowed development and expansion of its silver refining technology and its silver refinery until the GOLD'n GRO liquid fertilizer development was essentially completed. In early 2003 the company re-activated its development efforts at a low level and also began a low level of product development for glass and tile formulations and products. During 2003 the first pieces of glass/ceramic tile were produced. In 2004 and future years the silver refining technology development and the glass/ceramic tile products development efforts will be expanded in parallel with expansion of GOLD'n GRO fertilizer sales.

With the successful development of a glass/ceramic tile product, the Company achieves the ability to recycle 100 percent of the materials received from customers, including waste that is generated internally during processing.

The Company's development of leaching chemicals for the silver/gold mining industry has also been on hold pending completion of the GOLD'n GRO liquid fertilizer development. In 2003 a small amount of laboratory testing was performed with the objective of developing technical knowledge of how to use the liquid photo-chemistry as a leaching agent for metal extraction. In 2004 this work will be expanded and a small pilot circuit will be established to chemically process certain categories of silver-bearing solid wastes.

A more detailed discussion of the business of the Company contained in Item 1 of this report, based on the Company's two business segments described above, follows. Operating results of the two segments are discussed in Note 12 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

PHOTOCHEMICAL FERTILIZER

1. Operations

The Company operates a commercial scale plant to receive used photochemical liquids, recover the silver and other metals, and convert the demetallized solutions to liquid GOLD'n GRO fertilizer products. Revenues are generated by photochemical management services, sale of photochemical concentrators, sale of silver, and sale of GOLD n GRO liquid fertilizer products. A critical component of this integrated manufacturing system is to match, within a reasonable range, the incoming volume of photochemical liquids with the utilization of those liquids in fertilizer or other manufactured products. At the outset, regulatory constraints were imposed to limit the amount of photochemical materials that the Company could handle until a commercial

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fertilizer was perfected, or some other commercial use for the material was developed. Development of the GOLD n GRO fertilizer is now complete and the Company is expanding the business.

Photochemical services operates as a regional business in northern Nevada, serving more than 200 customers in the northern Nevada market, with the dominant position in this market. A satellite service operation has been established in the San Francisco Bay Area which is a large market with at least three strong competitors. The Company is able to compete effectively based upon pricing and service quality.

Growth of silver output is driven by photochemical processing to support GOLD'n GRO fertilizer sales. There are some opportunities to expand silver output separate from photochemical recycling, but profit margins for the refining services are very small when compared to the inventory requirements and the security risk. Because of these factors, gold and silver refining services are limited to categories of materials where the Company's proprietary technology can be used and that offer better profit margins than conventional precious metal refining.

In early 2003 the Company initiated a program to market the Itronics Metallurgical Photochemical Silver Concentrators to large consumer photography and medical x-ray facilities throughout the United States. This is a cost effective method for the Company to expand its photochemical supply for use in GOLD'n GRO fertilizer manufacturing. Photochemical silver concentrators will be a source of revenue growth in 2004 and future years as the company continues to expand nationally. Itronics' photochemical blending technology is designed to utilize the concentrate in fertilizer, after it is demetallized.

A 35,000 square foot manufacturing plant in Reno/Stead, Nevada was purchased in 1999. Construction of the liquid processing area was completed in early 2000, and a "shake-out" period in which small batches of photochemicals were processed and small batches of fertilizer were manufactured. By late 2000 the new facility had demonstrated the ability to "demetallize" the received photo liquids to required EPA levels, thereby proving the technical viability of the new technology on a commercial scale.

Spent photochemical liquid received from customers are logged and recorded, then tested for silver content and contaminants. The Company achieves high contaminant control standards by working proactively with its regular customers. Once testing is completed, the photographic solutions are processed.

Photochemicals presently being handled by the Company are:

Ammonium thiosulfate concentrate

Aqueous Ammonia

Developer

Electro-flake

Film

Fixer

Sodium meta-bisulfite concentrate

Stabilizer

Steel wool/metallic ion exchange cartridges

Scrap paper that accompanies film

Between 2001 and the present the Company developed an advanced design for a Photochemical Silver Concentrator that produces water pure enough to be used to make up new photo fixer chemicals, presenting the photoprocessor with the opportunity to reuse the water and thereby achieve 100 percent recycle of the used photochemical waste stream. The Photochemical Silver Concentrator also produces concentrates, which, after demetallization, are suitable for use in GOLD'n GRO fertilizer manufacturing.

In 2002 the Company delivered five of these Photochemical Silver Concentrators to the Department of Defense. Installation and testing at certain military bases is continuing under separate contract. Two additional Photochemical Silver Concentrators were delivered in the third quarter of 2003. This program is regarded as a pilot project, which may lead to providing "Beneficial Use Photochemical, Silver, and Water Recycling" services to all branches of the U.S. military and is being developed by the Department of Defense in consultation with the Federal EPA.

During the first quarter of 2003 a services agreement was signed with the NASA Johnson Space Center in Texas which already has an installed photochemical silver concentrating system. The Company is actively marketing its "Beneficial Use Photochemical, Silver, and Water Recycling" service to other U.S. government agencies and private sector companies which already have installed photochemical silver concentrating systems, so that as new raw materials are needed, customers can be added quickly.

The Company's sales of 5 ounce "Silver Nevada Miner" bars through the Itronics "e-store" are continuing, although those sales are still relatively small. The sales of finished silver bullion from internally recovered silver will expand, but will continue to fluctuate until GOLD'n GRO sales reach larger volumes.

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During 2003, the Company completed a key phase of the research project to produce formulated glass products from the glass slags produced by silver refining at the Stead, Nevada recycling facility. The research has identified three product categories: (1) a glass ceramic mixture that can be used to produce tile and other shapes suitable for glazing and commercial use; (2) glass formulations that can be used as "lead free" low and intermediate temperature glazes for decorative tile and the craft pottery trade; and (3) specialty boro-silicate glass formulations. The next phase of the research will focus on production of small quantities of products for evaluation and market studies and is expected to be completed over the next two to three years.

The Company's current fertilizer emphasis is on developing bulk liquid product sales. The "Beneficial Use Photochemical, Silver, and Water Recycling" technology is fully integrated, and is being implemented with a cost structure that anticipates large volume material throughput. This is based on previously developed information that more than 100 million gallons of used liquid silver-bearing photochemicals are generated in the United States annually. Using conversion ratios developed for the GOLD'n GRO products, this is enough volume to support the manufacture and sale of more than 200 million gallons of liquid fertilizer products, or 1 million tons. Over 20 million tons of fertilizer products are sold annually in North America. The Company's current sales level is less than 0.005 percent of the indicated market.

The Company's manufacturing plant is presently configured for an initial manufacturing capacity of 7.2 million gallons per year or 36,000 tons of GOLD'n GRO products. Planned storage and truck loading capacity expansions, installation of a heat exchange system, and automation of some manufacturing functions, must be completed before this capacity can be achieved. Some of these requirements are discussed more fully below. Unexpected new market opportunities have already required modification of certain expansion plans. As the Company continues to identify and develop its GOLD'n GRO liquid fertilizer product markets, additional unforeseen changes could require additional plan modifications.

In 2002 the Company completed the construction of a bulk liquid fertilizer tank truck load out facility which was expected to handle anticipated growth in demand for the chelated micronutrient zinc product during the next two

years. With the introduction of additional bulk products, additional load out facilities are needed, at a capital cost estimate of \$300,000.

Ongoing changes in the manufacturing process, arising as a result of specific sales opportunities such as the chelated zinc fertilizer products, require installation of a heat exchange system that was expected to be operational in the first quarter of 2003, but which was delayed due to lack of funding. The capital cost is budgeted at \$200,000. This project is now planned for completion during the second quarter of 2004.

3. Markets and Competition

I. Photochemical Recycling and Silver Refining

Estimates are that there are more than 1,500 generators of photographic hazardous waste in the State of Nevada and more than 500,000 throughout the United States. This includes printed circuit board manufacturers, photo off- set printers, photographic developers, lithographers,

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photographers, micro-filming (banks, companies, etc.) and x-ray users (dentists, doctors, hospitals, podiatrists, orthopedic surgeons, veterinarians, radiologists and industrial x-ray users). The Company estimates the total annual market for recycling this category of waste to be in the range of \$400 to \$500 million.

Nationally, more than 80 million ounces of silver are consumed in photomaterials annually. Approximately 30% of this is lost through disposal. The Silver Institute indicates that silver usage in photography is increasing, and will continue to do so over the next several years.

The photowaste management industry is not systematically organized, but is fragmented with many small operators and some large waste haulers. The small operators typically specialize in one or more types of photowaste, but usually prefer film. The large waste haulers pick up all categories of waste, and may also handle film and paper. Photowaste management as a singular business is not yet organized by any large company in the United States. This is a niche that the Company seeks to fill.

Silver recovery from black and white and x-ray chemistry is an established industry. Silver recovery is typically accomplished at a user's site by specialized recovery equipment, normally installed and maintained by way of a service agreement with the vendor or vendor representative. The service of silver recovery is particularly entrenched in the medical field where the service business supplies a silver recovery unit and also picks up film waste for sale to a waste film processor. Black and white and x-ray chemistry is typically monometallic with silver being the main EP-Toxic metal. The recovery units are at best 95% efficient in routine operation, so significant amounts of silver are discharged into the environment. This compares to the Company's technology which routinely recovers 99.975% of the silver content.

Metal recovery from color and paper processor chemistry is not as well established, although the silver recovery units used in the medical sector are also used by color processors. A characteristic of color chemistry and paper processing chemistry is that it is polymetallic, and contains from four to seven of the metals listed as EP-Toxic. There are stringent EPA discharge limits for these metals. This sector has the normal competitive factors found in the medical sector, except that most of the companies in the business are only focusing their recovery efforts on silver, while ignoring the other three to six toxic metals commonly known to occur in this chemistry.

Waste film processing is an established competitive industry, highly segmented and characterized by many small processors, most of which are located in the eastern part of the United States. The number of processors in the West Coast is limited, believed to be one in California, one in Washington State and one in Utah. Some waste film is

exported to Korea, Japan and China. Eastman Kodak is now the largest and dominant waste film processor in the eastern U.S. and may be the largest silver recycler in the United States. Kodak purchases scrap film from its large film processing customers.

The Company is aware of digital imaging and its impact on usage of conventional photography. The impact is different for each of the major segments; medical, color photography, and printing/microfiche. Digital imaging has made significant inroads into printing/microfiche processing with an almost 85% reduction in volume of photographic liquids over the past ten years. Several years of experience with digital imaging has demonstrated that there is

significant degradation of the quality of digital images, often in three or four years, requiring copying onto new disks, which is time consuming and costly. Consequently, microfiche is making a comeback. The new digital cameras are getting wider usage. In 2001 it became clear that contrary to popular belief, digital photography is creating a new source of photowastes from internet companies that combine digital imaging services with the ability to print high quality photographs for their customers. The Company has had one such customer since 2001, where photochemical volume has been increasing dramatically on a monthly basis. This rapid growth is expected to continue in 2004. Digital methods are being adopted in the medical industry, and although the medical sector is relatively high growth with the aging U.S. population, digital imaging has had the effect of slowing the growth of waste photo liquids being generated.

A larger impact on photo waste generation has been the pressure for companies to reduce the amount of waste generated at the operating sites. In photography, water was used in copious quantities for film rinsing and large quantities of low chemical content waste liquids were generated. With the tightening of regulation of discharge of contaminated waters the equipment manufacturers have focused on reducing water usage. This attention to reduction of waste water has contributed to a reduction in the quantities of waste liquids being generated. It is expected that efficiency of use and associated waste reduction will continue, driven by increasing waste disposal costs.

The photochemical concentrators now being sold by the Company will further reduce water usage in the photographic industry. When the photochemical concentrator is used all the recovered water can be re-used. The concentrated liquid chemical product is purchased by the Company so photographic waste generation at the user site is completely eliminated. This technology represents an end point for the elimination of water waste in the photographic industry, and is expected to gain wider acceptance as the industry recognizes the benefits inherent in the technology when combined with the Company's service capabilities.

The Company believes that it has the following competitive advantages:

- * Leading position in developing "total" photochemical recycling technology and waste management procedures.
- * Proprietary solution conditioning process and equipment.
- * Proprietary low cost silver refining process using wet chemistry (hydrometallurgy) to quantitatively separate silver from photochemical materials.
- * Proprietary "heavy-metal-free" liquid products that eliminate the need to dispose of treated photographic liquid waste in sewage treatment systems, or solid waste sites (dumps).
- * Systematic pick up services for photochemical generators.
- * Quantitative material control procedures meeting all EPA reporting guidelines.

* Regulated as a precious metals recycler and a hazardous waste transporter, therefore, low cost and proven track record and commitment.

* Skilled in converting technical concepts to commercial products and production.

* Line of proprietary environmentally friendly chelated liquid fertilizer products that are formulated using the "heavy-metal-free" photoliquids.

Environmental restrictions on disposal of chemicals are continuing to tighten throughout the United States with the result that now the rate of growth for the photochemical recycling business is dependent upon the rate and vigor of fertilizer sales growth.

II. Photochemical Fertilizer

The urbanization of the United States has led to the development of an "Urban Fertilizer Market". The total fertilizer market consists of the "Agricultural Market" and the "Urban Market". The Urban Market accounts for at least \$9 billion in annual sales in the United States. The "Specialty Ag" segment of the Agricultural Market is a \$1 billion segment making the total a \$10 billion market.

The Urban market is divided into the "Home Lawn and Garden" segment, the "Landscape Maintenance" segment, and the "Nursery and Greenhouse" segment. These markets are not statistically well defined, since they are relatively new as large commercial markets, and are highly fragmented with many small regional suppliers and are growing rapidly. One well known operator in the Home Lawn and Garden and the Landscape Maintenance segments is Scotts/Stern's Miracle-Gro. Several other large companies are also active in this market.

The Company's photochemical fertilizer GOLD'n GRO 20-1-7 was developed for the Urban market as a "turf" product. Its principal customers are home owners, professional lawn service companies, golf courses, turf farms, and large municipal and commercial facilities. Since early 1997, IMI has completed development of numerous additional fertilizer products covering most of the applications being targeted in each of the referenced markets.

The Company estimates that more than 100 million gallons of photowaste liquids are generated annually in the United States. The ratio for converting one gallon of photochemical to GOLD'n GRO 20-1-7 fertilizer is approximately 1 gallon of photochemical to 4 gallons of fertilizer. This means that there is enough supply of photochemical to support the manufacture of 400 million gallons of GOLD'n GRO 20-1-7 fertilizer annually, equivalent to approximately two million tons.

The conversion rate of the chelated micronutrient products and the GOLD'n GRO base liquid is lower. An estimate of the market for the GOLD'n GRO base liquid indicated a market potential for 200 million gallons in the United States and would equate to about 1 million tons of fertilizer.

The Company estimates that on a commercial scale, the combined revenue of photochemical services, silver and fertilizer will approach \$10.00 per un-concentrated gallon of photochemicals received. Consequently, the potential market for these products and services is in the \$1 billion range.

The Company is working with its distributors on an on-going basis to identify and implement sales development programs that will increase the rate of market penetration with the GOLD n GRO products. A much greater understanding of the details of the market has been obtained directly from this process. This improved understanding is strengthening the working relationship that has been developed with our distributors and is producing continuing increases in sales in a market that was in a state of rapid decline.

values.

Field test results using GOLD n GRO products have been published for Alfalfa, Fresh Plums, Oranges, Sweet Corn, and Watermelons. The field test results and crop value statistics are summarized in the following table. On a national basis, the GOLD n GRO products appear to have the potential to add tens of millions of dollars in increased value and output for the indicated crops:

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Crop Increase</u>	Return on GOLD n GRO		
		<u>Fertilizer Cost to Grower</u>	Gross Value of the Crop <u>Per Acre</u>	
Alfalfa	+33%	3 times	\$ 351	Total USA <u>Crop Acres</u> 23,000,000
Fresh Plums	Larger, Earlier	15 times	\$2,500	140,000
Sweet Corn	+11.5%	30 times	\$1,788	222,800
Oranges	+40%	3 times	\$2,300	842,000
Watermelon	+10.4%	160 times	\$1,670	184,600

A 3 year field trial on Valencia orange trees being carried out with oversight from a major university in southern California is continuing and it appears that the 35 year old trees are responding positively to the fertilization. Two year cumulative results have been analyzed and positive significant results are being obtained. Both output per tree and quality have been increased. This trial was continued through 2003 and will be completed in 2004.

During 2003 the Company continued to be offered the opportunity to explore the feasibility of recycling other non-photographic materials into fertilizer. Four waste streams are currently being considered for future recycling. One of these is a high silver content waste stream.

The Company has concluded that certain acid waste streams generated by aerospace and electronics manufacturers may be able to be converted to a form that will fit "Beneficial Use" recycling into fertilizer in association with the processed photochemical materials.

6. Environment and Regulation

I. Liability

All chemistry has a "cradle to grave" regulatory life span. This term means under Federal law, the prime generator has the ultimate liability for all generated waste as long as it exists. For example, conventional services, through storing and hauling, relocate the waste to a legal landfill or dispose it to sewer. Liability then remains for the cost of cleanup if the landfill has to be reclaimed or the contamination of groundwater develops.

Interest on employee salary in arrears	186,972	26,274
Director fees	2,500	425
	4,793,921	\$467,619

The above transactions qualified for exemption from registration under Sections 3(b) or 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933. Private placements for cash were non-public transactions. The Company believes that all such investors are either accredited or, either alone or with their purchaser representative, have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that they are capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the prospective investment.

ITEM 6.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OR PLAN OF OPERATION

I. Results of Operations

The Company reported consolidated revenues of \$1,268,787 for the year ended December 31, 2003, compared to \$1,285,685 for the prior year, a nominal decrease. Revenues for the Photochemical Fertilizer segment decreased nominally by \$1,700. Revenues from the Mining Technical Services segment declined \$15,200, or 4%. The consolidated net loss for 2003 was \$2,752,291 or \$0.026 per share compared to a 2002 loss of \$3,290,562 or \$0.039 per share. The primary reasons for the decreased loss are reduced cost of sales and operating expenses combined with an increase in gain on sale of investments.

To provide a more complete understanding of the factors contributing to the changes in revenues, operating expenses and the resultant operating loss and net loss, the discussion presented below is separated into the Company's two operating segments.

PHOTOCHEMICAL FERTILIZER

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Sales revenue	\$ 936,913	\$ 938,653
Gross profit (loss)	(182,918)	(251,794)
Operating income (loss)	(1,834,621)	(2,251,024)
Net income (loss) before taxes	(2,849,442)	(3,109,931)

Revenues for the Photochemical Fertilizer segment totaled \$936,900 in 2003, compared to \$938,700 in 2002, a nominal decrease. Fertilizer sales were \$554,300 and \$502,300 for 2003 and 2002, respectively, an increase of 10%. The fertilizer sales increase is attributable to bulk

Photochemical recycling revenue increased 6% from 2002. The recycling services portion increased 9% on an increased volume of 30%. Revenue did not increase at a comparable rate as volume due to the current year growth in volume from one major customer with a centralized location for picking up photowaste materials. In 2002, the Company serviced one significant customer with multiple locations. A separate fee is charged to the customer for each pickup from each location. Consequently, revenue can decline even though volume is increased. The reduced revenue has been more than offset by reduced labor and transportation costs required to service multiple locations. Silver sales decreased \$71,800 from 2002, a decrease of 56%. The decrease is attributable to the prior year processing of raw photographic wastes in order to build up an inventory of base liquids used in GOLD n GRO liquid fertilizer manufacturing. The base liquid inventory has filled the plant s available storage capacity, resulting in a current period decrease in processing raw materials and a resultant decrease in silver sales.

Combined cost of sales and operating expenses for the segment amounted to \$2,771,500 in 2003, compared to \$3,189,700 in 2002, a 13% decrease. Cost of sales decreased approximately \$70,600 due primarily to a \$61,700 decrease in payroll and related costs. Operating costs decreased by \$347,500 due primarily to reductions of \$266,600 in sales and marketing and \$153,100 in general and administrative costs. These reductions were partially offset by an increase in depreciation and amortization of \$69,200. Sales and marketing decreased due to a combination of reduced corporate marketing and a reduced common stock price used to calculate the cost of marketing services paid with stock.

These changes in revenues and operating expenses resulted in a segment operating loss of \$1,834,600 in 2003, compared to \$2,251,000 in 2002, an improvement of \$416,400 or 18%.

Other income (expense) increased to a net expense of \$1,014,800 for 2003, compared to a net expense of \$858,900 in 2002. The other expenses increased due to a \$110,500 increase in interest expense related to the increase in interest rate from 9% to 12% on the 2000 Series Convertible Promissory Notes and to an increase of \$45,400 in other expenses related to the Company s purchase of minority interests in American Gold & Silver Ltd. that are required under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles to be expensed when there is no carrying value of the total minority interests.

The changes in operating loss and other expenses resulted in a segment net loss before taxes of \$2,849,400 for 2003, compared to a net loss of \$3,109,900 for 2002, an improvement of \$260,500 or 8%.

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MINING TECHNICAL SERVICES

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Sales revenue	\$ 331,874	\$ 347,032
Gross profit (loss)	23,065	31,842
Operating income (Loss)	(359,324)	(338,483)
Net income (loss) before taxes	97,151	(180,631)

Mining technical services revenue totaled \$331,900 for 2003 compared to \$347,000 for 2002, a decrease of 4%. Included in these revenue figures are pass-through expenses of \$118,700 and \$117,700 for 2003 and 2002, respectively. Excluding these amounts, revenues amounted to \$213,100 and \$229,300 for 2003 and 2002, respectively, a decrease of 7%. The revenue decrease reflects the decision by one of the Company's primary clients to focus on selling, rather than developing, its Nevada mining property. Services to the client are limited primarily to locating a buyer for the property. In prior years, the Company actively managed the property for the purpose of accumulating the information necessary to present the property to major mining companies. Such work is now substantially complete. The Company's plans to expand the technical services segment are more fully discussed on page 24 of this report.

Combined cost of sales and operating expenses totaled \$691,200 for 2003 compared to \$685,500 for 2002, a nominal increase. Included in these operating expense figures are pass-through expenses of \$118,700 and \$117,700 for 2003 and 2002, respectively. Excluding these amounts, combined cost of sales and operating expenses amounted to \$572,500 and \$567,800 for 2003 and 2002, respectively, a nominal increase.

The above changes in revenues and operating expenses resulted in a segment operating loss of \$359,300 for 2003, compared to \$338,500 for 2002, an increased operating loss of \$20,800 or 6%.

Other income (expense) increased to a net other income of \$456,500 for 2003, compared to a net other income of \$157,900 in 2002, an improvement of \$298,600. The improvement is due to increased gain on sale of GPXM stock during the year.

The changes in operating loss and other income resulted in a segment net income before taxes of \$97,200 for 2003, compared to a net loss of \$180,600 for 2002, an improvement of \$277,800.

SUMMARY

On a consolidated basis, the various changes in revenues, operating expenses, and other income and expenses resulted in a gross loss of \$159,900 for 2003 compared to \$220,000 for 2002, an improvement of \$60,100 or 27%, an operating loss of \$2,193,900 for 2003 compared to \$2,589,500 for 2002, an improvement of \$395,600 or 15%, and a net loss of \$2,752,300 for 2003 compared to \$3,290,600 for 2002, an improvement of \$538,300 or 16%.

II. Changes in Financial Condition; Capitalization

Cash amounted to \$34,500 as of December 31, 2003 compared to \$57,200 as of December 31, 2002. Net cash used by operations was \$1,626,500 in 2003 compared to \$1,439,100 in 2002. Operating resources utilized to finance the 2003 loss of \$2,752,300 include approximately \$864,600 in expenses paid with the Company's common stock. Cash amounting to approximately \$47,800 was invested in property and equipment in 2003, primarily for equipment in the manufacturing plant. Sales of Golden Phoenix Minerals, Inc. stock provided \$786,400 in cash from investing activities. Financing sources of cash in 2003 were \$703,500 in proceeds from the private placement of restricted common stock, \$185,800 from the exercise of warrants, and \$119,600 from the Swartz agreement.

Total assets decreased from \$4,814,800 at December 31, 2002 to \$4,440,500 at December 31, 2003. Current assets increased \$6,400, net property and equipment decreased \$219,300, and other assets decreased \$161,400. The primary changes in current assets were a decrease in marketable securities of \$70,700, due to the sale of GPXM stock, and an increase of \$88,400 in inventory due primarily to the build-up of unprocessed silver in photowaste solutions. The Company is actively selling its GPXM shares to assist with its working capital needs. The Company's investment in

Itronics management, including the Chief Executive and Financial Officer, have conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the year ending December 31, 2003 and have evaluated whether any changes in internal controls over financial reporting have occurred during the quarter ended December 31, 2003 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting. These evaluations were conducted pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-15. Based on these evaluations, the Chief Executive and Financial Officer concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that all material information required to be filed in this annual report has been made known to him in a timely fashion. He also concluded that there were no significant changes in internal controls over financial reporting, or in factors that could significantly affect internal controls over financial reporting, during the quarter ended December 31, 2003.

PART III

ITEM 9.

DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTRANT

A. I. Directors and Executive Officers - Summary Information.

The following are the directors and executive officers of the Company:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age as of</u> <u>12/31/03</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Position Held Since</u>
Dr. John W. Whitney	57	President/Treasurer	May 1988
		Director	
Paul H. Durckel	86	Director	September 1995
Alan C. Lewin	58	Director	September 1997
Gregory S. Skinner	49	Secretary	December 1990
Duane H. Rasmussen	73	Vice President;	November 1997
		Vice President and	May 1994
		General Manager-IMI	

1) For directors, the term of office is until the next annual meeting of shareholders. For officers, the term of office is until the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors, presently scheduled to be held immediately following the annual meeting of the shareholders.

II. Narrative Information Concerning the Directors and Executive

Officers of the Company.

John W. Whitney:

In addition to being the President and a Director of the Company, 1988 to present, Dr. Whitney is the President and a Director of each of the operating subsidiaries, Itronics Metallurgical, Inc. and Whitney & Whitney, Inc. Dr. Whitney also serves as the General Manager of American Hydromet, a joint venture.

He received his Ph.D. in Mineral Economics from Pennsylvania State University in 1976, his M.S. in Mineralogy from the University of Nebraska in 1971, and his B.S. in Geology from the University of Nebraska in 1970. Dr. Whitney has served as President of Whitney & Whitney, Inc. since its formation in 1977.

Prior to his serving as W&W full-time president, Dr. Whitney worked as a consultant for the Office of Technology Assessment, U.S. Congress, doing analysis of various Alaskan mineral issues (1977-1978), a consultant for various government agencies, including the office of Mineral Policy Analysis in the U.S. Department of Interior, and the Washington office of the U.S. Bureau of Mines, consulting firms, law firms and mining companies on a variety of mineral planning issues (1976-1977), as a consultant for BKW Associates, Inc. evaluating mining investment opportunities in Mexico and the Philippines (1973-1975), and as a geologist-mineralogist for Humble Oil & Refining Company and GeoTerrex Ltd. (1971-1972).

Dr. Whitney is an internationally recognized consultant in the field of Metal and Material Resource Economics. Dr. Whitney has presented seminars for various clients on Mining Economics, and has taught a three-credit graduate course on International Metal Economics for the University of Arizona's College of Mines. Dr. Whitney is an Honorary Faculty Member of the Academy for Metals and Materials under the seal of the American Society for Metals. Dr. Whitney has made numerous presentations and written a number of publications on various technical subjects within his broad area of expertise. Dr. Whitney is coinventor of the American Hydromet process technology and holds four patents. Dr. Whitney was selected as Nevada's Inventor of the Year for 2000 and became a member of the Inventor's Hall of Fame at the University of Nevada, Reno.

Paul H. Durckel:

Mr. Durckel has served as a director of the Company since September

1995. He received a pre-legal degree from Stanford University in 1940. He has served various companies involved in fertilizer manufacturing and sales for approximately 30 years. He is presently an Independent Real Estate Salesman for Verus Realty. He served Myers Realty, Inc. in varying capacities, including Broker-Salesman, Consultant, Manager, Vice President of Operations, and Director, from 1987 to 2001. His experience in the fertilizer industry includes

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Vice President and General Manager and Vice President- Operations for American Plant Food Corp., Executive Assistant to the Chairman for Best Fertilizers Co., Vice President and General Manager for Best Fertilizer of Texas, and Vice President and General Manager for Farm Services Co.

Alan C. Lewin:

Mr. Lewin has served as a Director since September 1997. He had previously served as a Director from September 1995 through June 1996. He received a B.A. in Psychology from San Diego State University in 1967. He has extensive operations management experience, primarily in the x-ray film processing chemical industry. His positions include Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer of Guardian X-Ray Equipment Service, Inc. from 1976 to 1992,

General Manager of Douglas Roesch Communications, Inc. from 1992 to 1994, Technical Sales Representative of Commerce Chemical Company from 1994 to 1996, Vice President of Commodity Resource & Environmental, Inc. from August 1996 to July 1997, and Vice President of Merry X-Ray in Los Angeles, California since November 1997.

Gregory S. Skinner, Esq.

Mr. Skinner has served as secretary and general counsel of the Company and its subsidiaries since December 1990. He obtained his B.A. degree in Economics from the University of California at Berkeley in 1976. He obtained his J.D. degree from Hastings College of the Law, University of California at San Francisco in 1979. He is licensed to practice law in the states of California and Nevada. He retired from the practice of law on January 1, 2003 and is "of counsel" to the law office of Watson & Rounds, a Professional Corporation (WR). Prior to December 31, 2002 he was a shareholder in Skinner, Watson & Rounds, which had offices located in Reno, Las Vegas, and Incline Village, Nevada. Prior to becoming Secretary of Itronics Inc., Mr. Skinner has provided legal services and advice to Whitney & Whitney, Inc. since 1980.

Duane H. Rasmussen:

Mr. Rasmussen has served as Vice President and General Manager of IMI since May 1994. He became Vice President of the Company in November 1997. He initially joined the Company in 1991 as Assistant Manager and Business Consultant for W&W. He received his B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin in 1953 and his M.B.A. in Industrial Management in 1955 from the same University. He served as President of Screen Printing Systems, Inc. from 1987 to 1990 and from 1995 to October 1998. Other business experience includes approximately 20 years with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. in varying capacities, including Project Manager, Regional Sales Manager, Regional Vice President, and Group Vice President.

B. AUDIT COMMITTEE

At present the Company does not have an audit committee and consequently the entire Board serves as the audit committee. The Board presently consists of three members, two of whom are independent. The Company has interviewed several qualified individuals for the position of Audit Committee Financial Expert on the Board of Directors. All have declined to serve, with the primary reason being personal liability issues, especially the perceived view that being the "financial expert" increases the individual's personal exposure over that of being a regular Board member.

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C. CODE OF ETHICS

The Board of Directors has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (Code) that is applicable to the Company's directors, principal executive and financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, and persons performing similar functions. A copy of the Code is included in this report as Exhibit 14. A copy of the Code may be obtained by anyone, without charge, by requesting a copy either by telephoning (775) 689-7696 and asking for investor relations or by e-mailing the Company at [www:itronics.com](http://www.itronics.com). If requesting by e-mail, please indicate a preference of a reply by e-mail or by physical mail.

ITEM 10.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.

\$0.08 per share for a total of 2,125,000 shares plus an equal number of three year warrants. This transaction is under the same terms and conditions as for other investors in the current private placement, consequently, the warrants are treated as non-compensatory. These shares have not yet been issued, pending accumulation of sufficient cash to pay required withheld payroll taxes.

Option Grants in Last Fiscal Year

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Number of Securities Underlying Options Granted</u>	<u>% of Total Options to Employees in Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Exercise or Base Price</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
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None (1)

(1) Dr. Whitney acquired a total of 4,750,461 three year warrants by investing \$260,000 in back salary, \$108,000 in cash, and \$12,037 in notes payable and accrued interest in the existing private placements. Mr. Rasmussen acquired 2,125,000 three year warrants by investing \$170,000 of his back salary in the existing private placement. All transactions were under the same terms and conditions as for other investors in current private placements and consequently the warrants are treated as non-compensatory.

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Aggregated Option Exercises in Last Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year-End Option

Values

Options Exercised

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)</u>	<u>Value Realized</u>
Dr. John W. Whitney		
Non-compensatory (1)	1,365,938	\$ -0-

(1) Dr. Whitney exercised a non-compensatory warrant that he received in 2002 in exchange for assigning his options to acquire GPXM stock. The warrant was exercised for cash totaling \$109,275. Since the warrant was non-compensatory, no realized value is listed above.

Options Unexercised

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<u>Name</u>	Number of Securities		Value of Unexercised	
	Underlying Unexercised		In-the-Money Options	
	<u>Options at 12/31/03</u>		<u>At 12/31/03</u>	
	<u>Exercisable</u>	<u>Unexercisable</u>	<u>Exercisable</u>	<u>Unexercisable</u>
Dr. John W. Whitney				
Compensatory	4,250,000	-0-	\$ -0- (1)	\$ -0-
Non-compensatory	4,750,461	-0-	\$ -0- (1)	\$ -0-
Duane H. Rasmussen				
Non-compensatory	2,125,000	-0-	\$ -0- (2)	\$ -0-

(1) If value realized was based on the average of the closing bid and ask prices on December 31, 2003, the value realized would have been \$-0- for the compensatory options and \$320,656 for the non-compensatory warrants. The securities under option, common stock of the Company, are restricted under Rule 144 and thus are not tradable within one year of exercise. In addition, as an officer and a greater than 10% shareholder of the Company, Dr. Whitney is further restricted by SEC regulations as to the sale of the Company's securities. The actual value realized, if and when the securities are sold, may be more or less than the value listed above. Consequently, the value of the unexercised options is reported at \$-0-.

(2) If value realized was based on the average of the closing bid and ask prices on December 31, 2003, the value realized would have been \$143,438 for the non-compensatory warrants. The securities under option, common stock of the Company, are restricted under Rule 144 and thus are not tradable within one year of exercise. In addition, as an officer of the Company, Mr. Rasmussen is further restricted by SEC regulations as to the sale of the Company's securities. The actual value realized, if and when the securities are sold, may be more or less than the value listed above. Consequently, the value of the unexercised options is reported at \$-0-.

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ITEM 11.

SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

a) Equity Compensation Plan Information

Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities
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c) Security Ownership of Management.

The following table sets forth as of February 29, 2004, certain information, with respect to director and executive officer ownership of common stock in the Company:

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Name and Address of <u>Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership</u>			Percent of Class (2)
	<u>Common Shares Presently Held</u>	<u>Common Shares Which May Be Acquired Within 60 days(1)</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Dr. John W. Whitney P.O. Box 10725 Reno, NV 89510 (3) (4) (5)	21,213,487	9,000,461	30,213,948	21.0
Paul H. Durckel 1655 Highway 395 Minden, NV 89423 (3)	451,900	247,077	698,977	.5
Alan C. Lewin P.O. Box 10725 Reno, NV 89510 (3)	270,000	-0-	270,000	.2
Duane H. Rasmussen P.O. Box 10725 Reno, NV 89510 (4)	3,614,221	2,125,000	5,739,221	4.2
All directors and executive officers as a group (5 persons)	26,201,927	11,372,538	37,574,465	25.7

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II. Reports on Form 8-K.

A Form 8-K was filed in the fourth quarter of 2003, with a report date of November 7, 2003. The 8-K was filed to report a change in the Registrant's certifying accountant.

STATEMENTS AND SCHEDULES

Schedules not included are omitted for the reason that they are not applicable or not required.

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CACCIAMATTA ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Itronics Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Itronics Inc. (a Texas corporation) and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, stockholders' equity (deficit), and cash flows for the year then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Itronics Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

generate sufficient cash from operations and additional operating capital raised from other sources to meet obligations as they become due. This condition raises substantial doubt about the ability to continue as a going concern. Management's plans regarding this matter are described in Note 13. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

/S/ Kafoury, Armstrong & Co.

Reno, Nevada

April 8, 2003

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ITRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

ASSETS

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 34,499	\$ 57,201
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts, 2003, \$5,700; 2002, \$5,700	96,384	88,239
Marketable securities, available for sale	413,240	483,983
Inventories	425,525	337,153
Prepaid expenses	53,073	44,331
Current portion of deferred loan fees	40,773	46,225
Total Current Assets	1,063,494	1,057,132

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8,142,190 9,402,659

STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)

Preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share;
 authorized 999,500 shares; issued and outstanding

2002, 0 shares; 2001, 0 shares

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Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share;

authorized 250,000,000 shares; issued and

outstanding 2003, 122,373,953; 2002, 88,690,170

122,374 88,690

Additional paid-in capital

15,234,212 11,748,423

Accumulated deficit

(20,105,087) (17,352,796)

Common stock to be issued

672,255 576,998

Accumulated other comprehensive income

374,346 241,653

Common stock options outstanding, net

218 109,173

(3,701,682) (4,587,859)

\$4,440,508 \$ 4,814,800

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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ITRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
REVENUES		
Fertilizer	\$ 554,320	\$ 502,290

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Photochemical recycling	327,306	309,271
Silver	55,287	127,092
Mining technical services	331,874	347,032
Total Revenues	1,268,787	1,285,685
COST OF SALES	1,428,640	1,505,637
Gross Profit (Loss)	(159,853)	(219,952)
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Depreciation and amortization	336,738	257,966
Research and development	69,353	73,742
Sales and marketing	739,043	1,010,755
Delivery and warehousing	47,211	39,866
General and administrative	841,747	987,226
	2,034,092	2,369,555
Operating (Loss)	(2,193,945)	(2,589,507)
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		
Interest	(965,071)	(854,551)
Gain on sale of investments	449,606	157,549
Other	(42,881)	(4,053)
Total Other Income (Expense)	(558,346)	(701,055)
(Loss) before provision for income tax	(2,752,291)	(3,290,562)
Provision for income tax	-	-
Net Income (Loss)	(2,752,291)	(3,290,562)
Other comprehensive income		

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Unrealized gains on securities	132,693	269,056
Comprehensive Income (Loss)	\$(2,619,598)	\$(3,021,506)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding,		
basic and diluted	103,994,400	84,341,784
Earnings (Loss) per share, basic and diluted	\$ (0.026)	\$ (0.039)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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ITRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

	<u>COMMON STOCK</u>				ACCUMULATED	
	NUMBER	ADDITIONAL		COMMON	OTHER	
	OF			STOCK	COMPREHENSIVE	
	SHARES	PAID-IN	ACCUMULATED	TO	INCOME	
	(1,000_s)	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>CAPITAL</u>	<u>BE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	
				<u>ISSUED</u>		
Balance, Dec. 31, 2001	80,999	\$80,999	\$10,829,459	\$152,960	\$(27,403)	
Issue of common stock:						
For cash	3,886	3,886	165,259	75,000	-	
For services	3,748	3,748	718,911	213,863	-	
For debt conversion	57	57	34,794	25,900	-	
For asset acquisition	-	-	-	109,275	-	

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Trade accounts receivable	(8,160)	73,914
Inventories	(88,372)	(18,558)
Prepaid expenses, deposits and other	(20,415)	36,240
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	(12,593)	148,993
Accrued expenses and contracts payable	38,437	310,469
Net cash used by operating activities	(1,626,537)	(1,439,078)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Acquisition of property and equipment	(47,837)	(241,250)
Acquisition of investments	(9,000)	-
Sale of investments	786,381	349,506
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	729,544	108,256
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from sale of stock	1,008,870	474,850
Proceeds from stockholders/short, long-term debt	38,005	1,166,645
Payments on debt	(172,584)	(268,147)
Net cash provided by financing activities	874,291	1,373,348
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(22,702)	42,526
Cash, beginning of year	57,201	14,675
Cash, end of year	\$ 34,499	\$ 57,201

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

(continued)

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information:		
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$164,423	\$211,252
Schedule of non-cash financing transactions:		
Settlement of debt/accruals by issuance of common stock/debt:		
Accounts payable	118,194	54,534
Accrued management salaries	162,250	-
Convertible notes and accrued interest	1,420,471	60,751
Short-term debt and accrued interest due an officer/stockholder	12,110	-
Property and equipment financed with long-term debt	-	97,703
Equipment financed with capital leases	31,008	111,799
Acquisition of assets by issuance of common stock:		
Minority interest in American Gold & Silver Ltd.	40,500	-
Golden Phoenix Minerals, Inc.(GPXM) options	-	109,275
Equipment	-	2,700
Payment of short-term debt due an officer/stockholder with marketable securities	55,275	72,881

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ITRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002****NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:****Company's Activities:**

Itronics Inc., through its subsidiaries, (the Company) is involved in mining technical services, photochemical recycling and related silver recovery, and liquid fertilizer manufacturing.

Financial Statement Estimates and Assumptions:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Principles of Consolidation:

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of

Itronics Inc. and its subsidiaries:

	2003	2002
	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>
Whitney & Whitney, Inc.	100.00	100.00
Itronics Metallurgical, Inc.	100.00	100.00
Itronics California, Inc.	100.00	100.00
Nevada Hydrometallurgical Project (A Partnership)	92.50	92.50
American Hydromet (A Joint Venture)	82.53	81.63
American Gold & Silver (A Limited Partnership)	47.77	43.84

Whitney & Whitney, Inc. is the general partner for American Gold & Silver. As such, the Company has control over American Gold & Silver and has included it in its consolidation.

allowances are established when necessary to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount expected to be realized.

Loss per Common Share:

Loss per common share is calculated based on the consolidated net loss for the period divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during 2003 and 2002. Common stock equivalents are not included, as their effect would be antidilutive.

Common Stock:

The Company's common shares have, subject to the provisions of any series of Preferred Stock, certain rights including one vote per share on a non-cumulative basis and a ratable portion of any dividends that may be declared by the Board of Directors. The Company may from time to time issue common shares that are restricted under Rule 144 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such restrictions require the shareholder to hold the shares for a minimum of one year before sale. In addition, officers, directors and more than 10% shareholders are further restricted in their ability to sell such shares.

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NOTE 2 - Reclassification:

The prior year's financial statements have been reclassified, where necessary, to conform with the current year presentation.

NOTE 3 - Long-Term Debt:

Long-term debt at December 31, 2003 and 2002 is comprised of the following (all debt payments are applied to outstanding interest owed at date of payment prior to being applied to the principal balance). The carrying amount approximates fair value. The fair value of long-term debt is based on current rates at which the Company could borrow funds with similar remaining maturities.

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	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>

Notes due to unrelated parties:

Notes payable secured by vehicles due at varying dates

through 2006. The monthly payments total \$1,920,

including interest at 10.5% to 11.0% per annum.

\$ 33,584

\$ 53,078

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<p>November 2005 through February 2006, including interest at 12% per annum. The notes and accrued interest are convertible into the Company's restricted common stock at \$0.15 per share at any time through November 18, 2005 and February 16, 2006.</p>	\$ 47,000	\$ 47,000
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<p>Three year convertible promissory notes due at varying dates through February 2006, including interest at 9% to 12% per annum. The notes and accrued interest are convertible into the Company s restricted common stock at prices ranging from \$0.125 to \$1.18 per share at any time through February 2006.</p>	1,645,000	2,573,000
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<p>Three year convertible promissory notes due at varying dates through December 2004, including interest at 12% per annum. The notes and accrued interest are convertible into the Company s restricted common stock at prices ranging from \$0.10 to \$0.15 per share at any time through dates ranging from March to December 2004.</p>	1,185,000	1,242,029
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<p>Three year convertible promissory notes due at varying dates through September 2005, including</p>		
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credit, presently at 7.25% per annum.	-	1,400
Unsecured note payable to a stockholder in the amount of \$10,000, dated December 28, 1994. Monthly payments of \$220, including interest at 11.5%.	-	3,000
	248,168	284,687
Less current portion due within one year	(248,168)	(284,687)
Total long-term liabilities due to stockholders	\$ -	\$ -

Long-term debt matures as follows:

<u>YEAR</u>	UNRELATED	CONVERTIBLE	
	<u>PARTIES</u>	<u>NOTES</u>	<u>STOCKHOLDERS</u>
2004	\$537,031	\$1,686,286	\$248,168
2005	26,032	977,845	-
2006	11,839	2,277,381	-
2007	4,885	-	-
2008	4,885	-	-
2009-2022	75,418	-	-
	\$660,090	\$4,941,512	\$248,168

As discussed in Note 15 mechanics liens have been filed for work done at the Company's manufacturing facility. The Company was also delinquent in property taxes on the property as of December 31, 2003 in the amount of \$27,035. Such liens not cleared after 60 days from the date of filing and delinquencies in property tax payments become defaults under terms of the deed of trust securing the mortgage on the property and the lender can demand payment in full and institute foreclosure proceedings. As required by U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, the entire principal balance of the note is included in current liabilities. Subsequent to December 31, 2003 all of the mechanics liens were paid and \$19,044 of the property taxes was paid. The lender is aware of the situation and has not made a demand or taken any other action.

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During 2003 the holders of the 2000 Series Convertible Promissory Notes were offered to extend the notes for three years in exchange for an increased interest rate to 12% and a reduction in conversion price to \$0.125 per share. All but \$90,000 of the notes and \$35,879 of the accrued interest were extended. The un-extended notes and accrued interest are in default, but no action has been taken by the note holders.

NOTE 4 - Major Customers:

Fertilizer sales for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 include \$518,202 and \$498,116, respectively, from one major customer, which represents 93% and 99%, respectively, of fertilizer sales for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. Receivables from this major customer as of December 31, 2003 amounted to \$48,070, which represents 63% of photochemical fertilizer accounts receivable. The customer is one of the largest fertilizer distribution companies in the country.

Photochemical recycling revenue for the year ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, include \$80,900 and \$95,350 from one major customer under a Department of Defense contract. Photochemical recycling revenue for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 also include \$116,693 and \$52,243, respectively, from one major customer in the digital imaging and processing industry. The combined revenues from these two major customers represent 60% and 48% of photochemical revenue for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Silver sales for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 include \$9,807 and \$52,606, respectively, from one major customer.

Technical services revenue (including pass through funds described in Note 1) for the year ended December 31, 2003 includes \$146,893, \$131,600, and \$45,830 from three major customers which represents 98% of technical services revenues. Technical services revenue (including pass through funds described in Note 1) for the year ended December 31, 2002 includes \$191,672 and \$132,890 from two major customers which represents 93% of technical services revenues. Receivables from these major customers as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 amount to \$21,210 and \$47,370, which represents 73% and 66%, respectively, of consulting accounts receivable.

The Company's major technical services customers operate within the mining industry, both nationally and internationally. Due to the nature of the Company's operations, the major sources of sales revenues may change from year to year.

NOTE 5 - Income Taxes:

The following is a reconciliation of the federal statutory tax and tax rate to the Company's provision for taxes and its effective tax rate.

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	<u>2003</u>		<u>2002</u>	
	PERCENT		PERCENT	
	OF		OF	
	PRE-TAX		PRE-TAX	
	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>INCOME</u>
Federal tax at statutory rate	\$-	- %	\$-	- %
Temporary differences, primarily bad debt and compensation related expenses	-	- %	-	- %
Non-deductible expenses	-	- %	-	- %
Utilization of NOL	-	- %	-	- %
Total Income Tax Expense	\$-	0.0%	\$-	0.0%

The Company's consolidated net operating loss available for carryforward to offset future taxable income and tax liabilities for income tax reporting purposes expire as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31:</u>	Net Operating <u>Loss</u>
2005	\$ 65,113
2006	430,403
2007	188,146
2008	113,253

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2012	322,525
2018	377,944
2019	1,605,954
2020	3,254,375
2021	2,933,607
2022	2,496,744
2023	2,083,588
	\$13,871,652

The Company's total deferred tax assets, and deferred tax asset valuation allowances at December 31, 2003 and 2002 are as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Total deferred tax assets	\$4,776,751	\$4,103,389
Less valuation allowance	(4,776,751)	(4,103,389)
Net deferred tax asset	\$ -	\$ -

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NOTE 6 - Stock Option and Purchase Plans:

In January 2000 the Company began a private placement of three year convertible notes to raise \$2.5 million. The placement was completed in February 2000 and raised a total of \$2,668,000. The notes and accrued interest at 9% compounded annually are convertible to restricted Common Shares at varying dates through February 2006, with conversion prices ranging from \$0.125 to \$1.18. During 2003 the holders of these notes were offered to extend the notes for three years in exchange for an increased interest rate to 12% and a reduction in conversion price to \$0.125 per share. All but \$90,000 of the notes were extended and \$928,000 in principal and \$340,450 in accrued interest were converted to restricted common stock during 2003.

In October 2000 the Company completed the registration of 10,000,000 common shares in connection with its agreement with Swartz Private Equity, LLC. (Swartz) to raise \$15 million over three years. As part of the agreement, Swartz received a five year warrant for 2,400,000 shares at \$0.55 per share and it received five year warrants for 331,033 shares based on the exercise of the Company's put rights during 2001. The exercise price of these warrants range from \$0.0825 to \$0.308, but are subject to downward reset provisions. In February 2002 the agreement with Swartz was renegotiated and as part of the new agreement, Swartz was granted a five year warrant for 360,000 shares at an exercise price of \$0.238.

In March 2001 the Company began a private placement of three year convertible notes. A total of \$1,242,029 was raised in 2001. The notes and accrued interest at 12% compounded annually are convertible to restricted common shares at varying dates through December 2004, with conversion prices ranging from \$0.10 to \$0.15.

In January 2002 the Company began a private placement of three year convertible notes. A total of \$844,100 was raised in 2002. The notes and accrued interest at 12% compounded annually are convertible to restricted common shares at varying dates through September 2005, with conversion prices ranging from \$0.10 to \$0.25. In November 2002 the Company began a private placement of restricted common stock with an equal number of attached warrants. A total of \$117,500 at \$0.08 per share was raised in 2002. The warrants are for three years and are convertible into restricted common stock at \$0.08 for the first year, \$0.16 for the second year, and \$0.24 for the third year.

During 2003 the Company continued the private placement of restricted common stock with an equal number of attached warrants. A total of \$703,500 at \$0.08 per share was raised in 2003. The warrants are for three years and are convertible into restricted common stock at \$0.08 during the first year, \$0.16 during the second year, and \$0.24 during the third year.

During 2003 three officer/stockholders converted salary in arrears totaling \$480,000, or a total of 6,000,000 restricted common shares, into the \$0.08 per share private placement described above under the same terms and conditions, including an equal number of attached warrants, as described above. Of this amount, \$317,500 was for salary previously converted to restricted common stock, but not issued to conserve the cash required to pay payroll taxes, and \$162,500 was additional salary in arrears converted into restricted

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common stock. The shares remain un-issued as of the date of this report to conserve cash. Also during 2003 an officer/stockholder converted a total of \$12,037 in short term debt and accrued interest into the private placement with the same terms and conditions as described above.

In addition, the Company has granted options and warrants to acquire common shares to certain officers, directors, employees, and consultants of the Company. The options are exercisable at varying dates through 2014, except for the 4,000,000 options granted to an officer/stockholder, which expire one year after the end of his employment. The number of outstanding options and warrants was 4,409,591 and 4,749,491 shares at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Following is a summary of all warrant and option activity for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002.

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Net Income (Loss):

As reported	\$(2,752,291)	\$(3,290,562)
Adjustment for additional expense for fair value of options	(109,051)	(207,999)
Pro forma	\$(2,861,342)	\$(3,498,561)
Earnings (Loss) per share, basic and diluted		
As reported	\$ (0.026)	\$ (0.039)
Pro forma, basic and diluted	\$ (0.028)	\$ (0.042)

The pro forma amounts were estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions for 2003 and 2002:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Dividend yield	0%	0%
Risk-free interest rate	3.38%	2.69%
Expected life	3-10 years	3-12 years
Expected volatility	42.71%	33.03%

NOTE 7 - Common Stock to be Issued:

The following summarizes stock transactions commencing prior to December 31, with stock issued or to be issued subsequent to that date:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Payment of salaries	\$526,375	\$345,950
Payment of consulting and operating fees	5,600	6,700
Payment of director fees	1,125	825

and development properties. At December 31, 2003 WWI owned 736,442 restricted GPXM shares. At December 31, 2002 WWI owned 3,061,212 restricted GPXM shares. The initial Rule 144 one year period for resale began in April 2000, and continues monthly thereafter. Total revenue from GPXM for 2003 and 2002 was \$146,893 and \$191,672, respectively. A total of \$13,707 and \$37,822 is included in accounts receivable at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. At December 31, 2003, the average bid/asked price for GPXM common was \$0.453, resulting in a value of shares held on that date of \$333,240. Included in the GPXM shares held at December 31, 2003 and 2002 are 300,000 and 1,050,000 restricted common shares, respectively, that were acquired by WWI purchasing \$0.10 options from Dr. Whitney and subsequently exercising the options by offsetting accounts receivable due it from GPXM. The purchase price of the options was \$109,275, which was determined at 85% of fair market value of the then current trading price of GPXM, less the \$0.10 option price. This valuation method is under the same terms that WWI uses to accept GPXM restricted common shares for its monthly services. Dr. Whitney accepted Company restricted common shares in the 2002 Equity Private Placement as payment for the options, which amounted to 1,365,938 shares plus an equal number of warrants with conversion prices ranging from \$0.08 to \$0.24 per share. The total cost to WWI of these GPXM shares was \$214,275 and the market value at December 31, 2002 was \$241,500. The 300,000 shares held at December 31, 2003 were valued at \$135,750 and have a cost of \$70,650.

During the first quarter of 2002 Dr. Whitney loaned WWI 600,000 shares of GPXM stock at a value of \$105,000. The loaned shares were sold by WWI for \$83,045, for a realized loss of \$21,955. In 2002, WWI repaid 416,463 of the GPXM shares out of shares owned by it at a value of \$72,881 and a realized gain of \$35,587. During 2003 the remaining balance of the loan and accrued interest was paid by a combination of 87,283 GPXM shares, 250,000 shares of other marketable securities, and 150,461 Company restricted common shares. The portion of the loan paid in Company shares was converted into the \$0.08 per share Private Placement under the same terms and conditions as other investors, including an equal number of three year warrants. WWI realized a net gain of \$19,369 on the transaction.

During 2003 WWI's lease of a vehicle utilized by Dr. Whitney was completed. Dr. Whitney purchased the vehicle by financing it through a commercial lender. The purchase price was \$21,741 and the monthly payment for

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four years is \$531. WWI is leasing the vehicle from Dr. Whitney by making the monthly payments to the commercial lender and will acquire ownership of the vehicle when the loan is paid in full.

For related party transactions subsequent to December 31, 2003, see Note 16.

NOTE 11 - Lease Commitments and Rent Expense:

Operating Leases:

The Company leases its corporate office facility under a non-cancelable agreement which expires June 30, 2004. Monthly payments are \$4,864.

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from four to five years, and the total monthly lease payments are \$7,413. All the leases have buyout options for \$1 at the end of the lease, with the exception of one lease which has a fair market value purchase option at the end of the lease, which is anticipated to be a nominal amount.

At varying dates in 2002 the Company and its subsidiaries entered into leases for new plant and office equipment. The leases totaled \$209,502. The lease periods range from three to five years, and the total monthly lease payments are \$2,914. All the leases have buyout options for \$1 at the end of the lease.

At varying dates in 2003 the Company and its subsidiaries entered into leases for automotive and office equipment. The leases totaled \$31,008. The lease periods are for four years, and the total monthly lease payments are \$807. All the leases have buyout options for \$1 at the end of the lease.

As of December 31, 2003 lease payments totaling \$588,770 were in arrears. As required by U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, the principal balance of the leases that are in default are classified as a current liability. Some of the lessors have filed suit to recover the amounts due under the leases. The present status of these actions is discussed in Note 15. The Company is making ongoing payment arrangements with these and the other lessors to avoid action that may be adverse to the Company.

All of the above described leases are secured by the equipment acquired or financed under the lease.

Future minimum lease commitments at December 31, 2003 are due as

follows:

	Unrelated	Related
	<u>Parties</u>	<u>Party</u>
2004	\$1,201,497	\$ 6,370
2005	58,880	6,370
2006	9,730	6,370
2007	3,168	2,655
2008	-	-
	1,273,275	21,765
Less: amounts representing interest	(203,428)	(2,779)
	\$1,069,847	\$ 18,986

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	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Revenues		
Photochemical Fertilizer	\$ 936,913	\$ 938,653
Mining Technical Services	331,874	347,032
Consolidated Revenues	\$1,268,787	\$1,285,685
Cost of Sales		
Photochemical Fertilizer	\$1,119,831	\$1,190,447
Mining Technical Services	308,809	315,190
Consolidated Cost of Sales	\$1,428,640	\$1,505,637
Gross Profit (Loss)		
Photochemical Fertilizer	\$(182,918)	\$(251,794)
Mining Technical Services	23,065	31,842
Consolidated Gross Profit (Loss)	\$(159,853)	\$(219,952)
Operating Income (Loss)		
Photochemical Fertilizer	\$(1,834,621)	\$(2,251,024)
Mining Technical Services	(359,324)	(338,483)
Consolidated Operating Income (Loss)	\$(2,193,945)	\$(2,589,507)
Other Income (Expense)		
Photochemical Fertilizer	\$(1,014,821)	\$(858,907)
Mining Technical Services	456,475	157,852
Consolidated Other Income (Expense)	\$(558,346)	\$(701,055)
Net Income (Loss)		

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General and administrative expenses of \$179,761 and \$160,079 incurred by Itronics Inc. were equally divided between the two segments for 2003 and 2002, respectively.

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Identifiable assets by business segment (net of accumulated depreciation, accumulated amortization, and allowance for doubtful accounts):

<u>ASSET DESCRIPTION</u>	2003		2002	
	PHOTO-	MINING	PHOTO-	MINING
	CHEMICAL	TECHNICAL	CHEMICAL	TECHNICAL
	<u>FERTILIZER</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>FERTILIZER</u>	<u>SERVICES</u>
Current Assets				
Cash	\$ 6,249	\$ 25,753	\$ 27,178	\$ 29,496
Accounts receivable, net	71,197	25,187	20,072	68,167
Marketable securities	-	413,240	-	483,983
Inventories	423,699	1,826	335,327	1,826
Deferred loan fees, current	36,234	4,539	36,234	9,991
Prepaid expenses	39,371	3,049	24,192	4,546
	576,750	473,594	443,003	598,009
Property and Equipment, net				
Land	215,000	-	215,000	-
Building and improvements	1,058,798	-	1,091,240	-
Construction in progress, manufacturing facility	102,203	-	86,884	-

NOTE 13 - Going Concern:

The Company's consolidated financial statements have been presented on the basis that it is a going concern, which contemplates the realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. The Company and its subsidiaries have reported recurring losses from operations, including a net loss of \$2,752,291 during the year ended December 31, 2003, a negative working capital of \$3,610,903, and a stockholders' deficit balance of \$3,701,682 as of December 31, 2003. These factors indicate the Company and its subsidiaries' ability to continue in existence is dependent upon their ability to obtain additional long-term debt and/or equity financing and achieve profitable operations. The consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts or the amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company and its subsidiaries be unable to continue in existence.

Prior to acquiring Whitney & Whitney, Inc. in 1988, the Company registered 1,777,000 common shares for public offering. Due to security law changes immediately subsequent to the offering, the offering did not raise sufficient equity capital to complete the Company's business plan. In order to solve the Company's liquidity problems, management implemented a plan of obtaining equity through private placements of common shares, convertible debt, conversion of debt to common shares, and payment of consulting and other labor services with common shares.

In addition to continuing the above described efforts, development of the technology necessary to manufacture fertilizer from photochemicals has been completed. In March 1998 the Company's subsidiary, Itronics Metallurgical, Inc., signed a definitive manufacturing and distribution agreement with Western Farm Services, Inc. (WFS). The agreement gives WFS the exclusive license and right to manufacture and market the GOLD n GRO line of fertilizer products in the states of Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Oregon and Washington. The agreement is for five years, with five year renewal options. In March 2003 the companies entered the second five year term of the agreement.

A summary of the results of efforts to raise funds through various private placements over the last several years is presented in Note 6.

NOTE 14 - Off-Balance Sheet Risks and Concentration of Credit Risk:

The Company occasionally maintains bank deposits in excess of federally insured limits. The Company's risk is managed by maintaining its accounts in one of the top five largest banks in the country.

As of December 31, 2003, a significant portion of the Company's accounts receivable is concentrated with one fertilizer distribution company. This concentration of credit risk is somewhat mitigated due to the fact that the distribution company is one of the largest fertilizer distribution companies in the country.

The suits seek a total of \$588,706 plus attorneys fees and other costs. Four of these suits, seeking a total of \$252,688 plus costs, were settled by restructuring the leases, signing stipulated judgments and agreeing to pay total payments of \$178,231. Monthly payments on the settlements total \$10,033 and are paid over various periods ranging from 6 to 31 months. If the restructured leases are defaulted, judgments for the original claimed amounts can be entered and further collection action, including repossession of the secured equipment, can be taken. Payment arrangement has been agreed to on two additional suits and stipulated judgments have been signed. The two payment arrangements call for the delinquent payments to be added onto the end of the leases, with regular monthly payments at the original terms beginning in August 2003. Of the remaining unsettled suits, three have received judgments and are being actively negotiated. No further action has occurred on the fourth unsettled suit.

In September and October 2002 three mechanics liens totaling \$104,708 were filed on IMI s Stead manufacturing facility due to non payment for work performed on the property. In November 2002 the general contractor filed suit for its portion of the above amount, a total of \$81,233, which was paid prior to September 30, 2003 and two of the liens were released. Payment of the remaining \$23,475 was made subsequent to December 31, 2003 and the remaining lien has been released.

In December 2002 a trade creditor filed suit against the Company and WWI in Washoe County, Nevada seeking a total of \$12,100. The Company has signed a stipulated judgment and has made partial payments. The Company is in periodic communication with the plaintiffs lawyer regarding the past due payments. Final payment of \$1,235 is expected to be made in April 2004.

In February 2003 a trade creditor filed suit against the Company in Washoe County, Nevada seeking a total of \$85,525 plus attorney fees and other costs. A default judgment was entered in May 2003. The Company is attempting to negotiate a settlement.

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Successful settlement of the above claims is dependent on additional financing.

NOTE 16 - Subsequent Events:

The following summarizes common stock activity from January 1, 2004 through March 20, 2004:

	<u>ISSUED</u>		<u>TO BE ISSUED</u>	
	<u>SHARES</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>SHARES</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Labor and consulting services	1,035,936	\$ 171,475	6,130,851	\$500,350
Director fees	7,500	1,125	-	-

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Warrants, options, and shares to be issued, totaling 68,633,857 and 41,682,465 shares as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, would dilute future EPS. No diluted EPS is presented as the effect of including these shares is antidilutive.

ITEM 14.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

Following is a summary of the aggregate fees billed for professional service by the Company's principal accountants.

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Audit fees	\$37,000	\$34,700
Audit related fees	1,400	2,410
Tax fees	500	-
All other fees	-	-
Total	\$38,900	\$37,110

The audit related fees listed above pertain to the issuance of cold comfort letters related to the Company's exercise of its put rights under the Swartz agreement and the issuance of consent letters for inclusion in S-8 registration statements.

The Company does not have an audit committee and consequently the entire Board of Directors serves in that capacity. The Board's pre-approval policy regarding professional services provided by the Company's principal accountant is to pre-approve the engagement of the principal accountant for the performance of all professional services. The policy does provide a waiver of pre-approval in the event that such services, in the aggregate, will be less than 5% of the audit fee, such services are not recognized as non-audit fees at the time of the engagement, and pre-approval is obtained from a designated member of the Board prior to the engagement. Until such time as an audit committee is appointed, the designated individual is the Principal Executive Officer, currently the President of the Company. 100% of the 2003 non-audit fees were pre-approved by the designated Board member and subsequently approved by the Board.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ITRONICS INC.

Date: March 29, 2004

By: /S/ JOHN W. WHITNEY

John W. Whitney
President, Treasurer and Director
(Principal Executive Officer)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Company and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Date: March 29, 2004

By: /S/ JOHN W. WHITNEY

John W. Whitney
President, Treasurer and Director
(Principal Executive and Financial
Officer)

Date: March 29, 2004

By: /S/ MICHAEL C. HORSLEY

Michael C. Horsley
Controller
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: March 29, 2004

By: /S/ PAUL H. DURCKEL

Paul H. Durckel
Director

Date: March 29, 2004

By: /S/ ALAN C. LEWIN

Alan C. Lewin

Director