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FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

# x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013

### " TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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### PLANDAÍ BIOTECHNOLOGY, INC.

(Name of small business issuer in its charter)

<b>Nevada</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	<b>20-1389815</b> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)			
<b>2226 Eastlake Avenue East #156, Seattle, WA</b> (Address of principal executive offices)	<b>98102</b> (Zip Code)			
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (435) 881-8734				
Securities registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act:	None			
Securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act:	<b>Common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share</b> (Title of Class)			

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes "No x

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes "No x

Indicate by check mark whether the issuer (1) filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the last 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No<sup>--</sup>

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

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§ 229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. x

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

Large accelerated filer	"Accelerated filer	••
Non-accelerated filer	"Smaller reporting company	Х

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes "No x

State the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was last sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of June 30, 2013: \$19,894,000.

As of September 20, 2013, the registrant had 106,270,760 outstanding shares of Common Stock.

Documents incorporated by reference: None.

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#### PART I

#### **ITEM 1. BUSINESS.**

Plandaí Biotechnology, Inc. (the "Company") and its subsidiaries focus on the production of proprietary botanical extracts for the nutriceutical and pharmaceutical industries. The company grows much of the live plant material used in its products on a 3,000 hectare estate it operates under a 49-year notarial lease in the Mpumalanga region of South Africa. Plandaí uses a patented extraction process that is designed to yield highly bioavailable products of pharmaceutical-grade purity. The first product to be brought to market is Phytofare<sup>TM</sup> Catechin Complex, a green-tea derived extract that has multiple potential wellness applications. The company's principle holdings consist of land, farms and infrastructure in South Africa.

The Company was incorporated, as Jerry's Inc., in the State of Florida on November 30, 1942. The company catered airline flights and operated coffee shops, lounges and gift shops at airports and other facilities located in Florida, Alabama and Georgia. The company's airline catering services included the preparation of meals in kitchens located at, or adjacent to, airports and the distribution of meals and beverages for service on commercial airline flights. The company also provided certain ancillary services, including, among others, the preparation of beverage service carts, the unloading and cleaning of plates, utensils and other accessories arriving on incoming aircraft, and the inventory management and storage of airline-owned dining service equipment. In March of 2004 we moved our domicile to Nevada and changed our name to Diamond Ranch Foods, Ltd. Diamond Ranch Foods, Ltd. was engaged in the meat processing and distribution industry. Operations consisted of packing, processing, custom meat cutting, portion controlled meats, private labeling, and distribution of our products to a diversified customer base, including, but not limited to; in-home food service businesses, retailers, hotels, restaurants and institutions, deli and catering operators, and industry suppliers. On November 17, 2011, the Company, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Plandaí Biotechnologies, Inc. consummated a share exchange with Global Energy Solutions Corporation Limited, an Irish corporation. Under the terms of the Share Exchange, GES received 76,000,000 shares of Diamond Ranch that had been previously issued to Plandaí Biotechnologies, Inc. in exchange for 100% of the issued and outstanding capital of GES. On November 21, 2011, the Company filed an amendment to the articles of incorporation to change the name of the company to Plandaí Biotechnology, Inc. GES was subsequently folded up into Plandaí and the legal status terminated, leaving Plandaí Biotechnology, Inc. as the surviving entity.

The Company is actively pursuing additional financing and has had discussions with various third parties, although no firm commitments have been obtained. Management believes these efforts will generate sufficient cash flows from future operations to pay the Company's obligations and realize positive cash flow. There is no assurance any of these transactions will occur. In April 2012, through our subsidiary companies, we secured a 100 million Rand (approximately \$13 million) financing with the Land and Agriculture Bank of South Africa which has been used to build infrastructure and further operations.

#### **DISPOSITION OF SUBSIDIARY**

On November 17, 2011, the Company sold its subsidiary, Diamond Ranch, Ltd., together with its wholly-owned subsidiary, Executive Seafood, Inc. to the former officer and director of Diamond Ranch. Under the terms of the sale, the purchaser assumed all associated debt as consideration. During the three and six months ended December 31, 2011, Diamond Ranch, Ltd. and Executive Seafood, Inc. had negligible revenues from operations, generated a net loss of \$126,000, and as of the date of disposition, liabilities exceeded assets by over \$5,000,000.

As a result of the Share Exchange Agreement and disposition of Diamond Ranch, Ltd., the operations of Plandaí Biotechnology, Inc. consist entirely of the operations of the former GES entity its subsidiaries.

### PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

Plandaí has a proprietary technology that extracts a high level of bio-available compounds from organic matter including green tea leaves and most other organic materials. Various tests have been conducted over the past ten years using this technology that generates functional chemical compounds possessing nutritive properties that act effectively as preventive agents in the healthcare field. Polyphenols from green tea are an excellent source antioxidant and anti-carcinogenic substances. The Company intends to use its plantation leases to focuses on the farming of whole fruits, vegetables and live plant material and the production of proprietary functional foods and botanical extracts for the health and wellness industry using its proprietary extraction technology.

Many botanical extracts have demonstrated varying degrees of health benefit, and many pharmaceutical drugs are either derived directly from plant extracts or are synthetic analogs of phytonutrient molecules. Green tea leaf, for example, has shown promising in-vitro results as an anti-oxidant, with hundreds of different published studies demonstrating its potential usefulness in weight loss, anti-viral, anti-cancer, and anti-parasitic applications, amongst others.

The company is presently developing for market two unique extracts: Phytofare<sup>™</sup> Catechin Complex and Phytofare<sup>™</sup> Limonoid Glycoside Complex. The catechin complex is derived from green tea harvested locally on the Senteeko Tea Estate in Mpumalanga, South Africa, and then processed on a state-of-the-art extraction facility constructed onsite using funds obtained from the Land and Agriculture Bank of South Africa. The facility is expected to become operational in December 2013, with initial sales commencing first quarter 2014. The limonoid glycoside product is extracted from lemons which are sourced from local plantations in South Africa and then produced in the same factory that makes the green tea product. The Phytofare<sup>™</sup> Limonoid Glycoside Complex will be introduced to the market in July 2014.

In August 2014, Plandaí entered into a license agreement with North-West University in Potchefstroom, South Africa, which granted the company the exclusive right to use the University's Pheroid<sup>TM</sup> technology to product nano-entrapped botanical extracts for human and animal use. The company believes that this technology will enable it to develop products with much higher absorption coefficients in both topical use and oral consumption.

### COMPETITION

The Company faces competition from a variety of sources. There are several large producers of farm products including green tea and there are numerous companies that develop and market nutraceutical products that include bio-available compounds including those from green tea and citrus extracts. Many of these competitors benefit from established distribution, market-ready products, and greater levels of financing. Plandaí intends to compete by producing higher quality and higher concentration extracts, producing at lower costs, and controlling a vertically integrated market that includes all stages from farming through production and marketing. The company's unique patent-pending technology, combined with the patented Pheroid<sup>TM</sup> technology, should provide several unique market advantages in the form of higher absorption, increased bioavailability, and lower dosage requirements.

#### **CUSTOMERS**

Plandaí will market to nutriceutical and supplement companies that require high-quality bio-available extracts for their products. As pharmaceutical products clear their human clinical trials and receive market approval from the FDA, Plandaí will enlist distribution companies to sell to various end user outlets. In addition, the Company anticipates having surplus farm products including timber, fruits, and nuts which will be sold to local markets.

#### **ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

An investment in our securities is highly speculative, involves a high degree of risk and is suitable only for investors with substantial means who can bear the economic risk of the investment for an indefinite period of time, have no

need for liquidity of the investment, and have adequate means of providing for their current needs and contingencies. An investment in the securities should be made only by persons able to bear the risk in the event the investment results in a total loss.

#### We Have Historically Lost Money and Losses May Continue in the Future

We have historically lost money. The loss for the fiscal year June 30, 2013 was \$2,108,005 and future losses are likely to occur. Accordingly, we may experience significant liquidity and cash flow problems if we are not able to raise additional capital as needed and on acceptable terms. No assurances can be given we will be successful in reaching or maintaining profitable operations.

#### We Will Need to Raise Additional Capital to Finance Operations

Our operations have relied almost entirely on external financing to fund our operations. Such financing has historically come from a combination of borrowings and from the sale of common stock and assets to third parties. We will need to raise additional capital to fund our anticipated operating expenses and future expansion. Among other things, external financing will be required to cover our operating costs. We cannot assure you that financing whether from external sources or related parties will be available if needed or on favorable terms. The sale of our common stock to raise capital may cause dilution to our existing shareholders. Our inability to obtain adequate financing will result in the need to curtail business operations. Any of these events would be materially harmful to our business and may result in a lower stock price.

#### There is Substantial Doubt About Our Ability to Continue as a Going Concern Due to Recurring Losses and Working Capital Shortages, Which Means that We May Not Be Able to Continue Operations Unless We Obtain Additional Funding

Our independent certified public accountant has stated in their report included in this filing that we have suffered recurring losses from operations that raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

The Company has experienced recurring operating losses and we currently have a working capital deficiency. There is a possibility that our revenues will not be sufficient to meet our operating costs. To date our liabilities have greatly exceeded our current assets. There is a substantial doubt that we can continue as a going concern.

There can be no assurance that we will continue to generate revenues from operations or obtain sufficient capital on acceptable terms, if at all. Failure to obtain such capital or generate such operating revenues would have an adverse impact on our financial position and results of operations and ability to continue as a going concern. Our operating and capital requirements during the next fiscal year and thereafter will vary based on a number of factors, including the level of sales and marketing activities for our services and products. There can be no assurance that additional private or public finances, including debt or equity financing, will be available as needed or, if available, on terms favorable to us. Any additional equity financing may be dilutive to stockholders and such additional equity securities may have rights, preferences or privileges that are senior to those of our existing common stock.

Furthermore, debt financing, if available, will require payment of interest and may involve restrictive covenants that could impose limitations on our operating flexibility. Our failure to successfully obtain additional future funding may jeopardize our ability to continue our business and operations.

#### Our Common Stock May Be Affected By Limited Trading Volume and May Fluctuate Significantly

There has been a limited public market for our common stock and there can be no assurance that an active trading market for our common stock will develop. As a result, this could adversely affect our shareholders' ability to sell our common stock in short time periods, or possibly at all. Our common stock has experienced, and is likely to experience in the future, significant price and volume fluctuations that could adversely affect the market price of our common stock without regard to our operating performance. In addition, we believe that factors such as quarterly fluctuations in our financial results and changes in the overall economy or the condition of the financial markets could cause the price of our common stock to fluctuate substantially. Substantial fluctuations in our stock price could significantly reduce the price of our stock.

# There is no Assurance of Continued Public Trading Market and Being a Low Priced Security may Affect the Market Value of Our Stock

To date, there has been only a limited public market for our common stock. Our common stock is currently quoted on the OTCBB. As a result, an investor may find it difficult to dispose of, or to obtain accurate quotations as to the market value of our stock. Our stock is subject to the low-priced security or so called "penny stock" rules that impose additional sales practice requirements on broker-dealers who sell such securities. The Securities Enforcement and Penny Stock Reform Act of 1990 requires additional disclosure in connection with any trades involving a stock

defined as a penny stock (generally, according to recent regulations adopted by the SEC, any equity security that has a market price of less than \$5.00 per share, subject to certain exceptions that we no longer meet). For example, brokers/dealers selling such securities must, prior to effecting the transaction, provide their customers with a document that discloses the risks of investing in such securities. Included in this document are the following:

- the bid and offer price quotes in and for the "penny stock," and the number of shares to which the quoted prices apply,

- the brokerage firm's compensation for the trade, and

- the compensation received by the brokerage firm's sales person for the trade.

In addition, the brokerage firm must send the investor:

- a monthly account statement that gives an estimate of the value of each "penny stock" in the investor's account, and

- a written statement of the investor's financial situation and investment goals.

If the person purchasing the securities is someone other than an accredited investor or an established customer of the broker/dealer, the broker/dealer must also approve the potential customer's account by obtaining information concerning the customer's financial situation, investment experience and investment objectives. The broker/dealer must also make a determination whether the transaction is suitable for the customer and whether the customer has sufficient knowledge and experience in financial matters to be reasonably expected to be capable of evaluating the risk of transactions in such securities. Accordingly, the Commission's rules may limit the number of potential purchasers of the shares of our common stock.

Resale restrictions on transferring "penny stocks" are sometimes imposed by some states, which may make transaction in our stock more difficult and may reduce the value of the investment. Various state securities laws pose restrictions on transferring "penny stocks" and as a result, investors in our common stock may have the ability to sell their shares of our common stock impaired.

There can be no assurance we will have market makers in our stock. If the number of market makers in our stock should decline, the liquidity of our common stock could be impaired, not only in the number of shares of common stock which could be bought and sold, but also through possible delays in the timing of transactions, and lower prices for the common stock than might otherwise prevail. Furthermore, the lack of market makers could result in persons being unable to buy or sell shares of the common stock on any secondary market.

### We Could Fail to Retain or Attract Key Personnel

Our future success depends in significant part on the continued services of Roger Duffield, our President. We cannot assure we would be able to find an appropriate replacement for key personnel. Any loss or interruption of our key personnel's services could adversely affect our ability to develop our business plan.

# Nevada Law and Our Charter May Inhibit a Takeover of Our Company That Stockholders May Consider Favorable

Provisions of Nevada law, such as its business combination statute, may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of our company. As a result, these provisions could limit the price some investors might be willing to pay in the future for shares of our common stock.

# We have a history of operating losses and expect to incur losses for the foreseeable future. We may never generate revenues or, if we are able to generate revenues, achieve profitability.

We are focused on product development, and we have not generated any revenues to date. We have incurred losses in each year of our operations, and we expect to continue to incur operating losses for the foreseeable future. These operating losses have adversely affected and are likely to continue to adversely affect our working capital, total assets and shareholders' equity.

The Company and its prospects should be examined in light of the risks and difficulties frequently encountered by new and early stage companies in new and rapidly evolving markets. These risks include, among other things, the speed at which we can scale up operations, our complete dependence upon development of products that currently have no market acceptance, our ability to establish and expand our brand name, our ability to expand our operations to

meet the commercial demand of our clients, our development of and reliance on strategic and customer relationships and our ability to minimize fraud and other security risks.

The process of developing our products requires significant clinical, development and laboratory testing and clinical trials. In addition, commercialization of our product candidates will require that we obtain necessary regulatory approvals and establish sales, marketing and manufacturing capabilities, either through internal hiring or through contractual relationships with others. We expect to incur substantial losses for the foreseeable future as a result of anticipated increases in our research and development costs, including costs associated with conducting preclinical testing and clinical trials, and regulatory compliance activities.

Our ability to generate revenues and achieve profitability will depend on numerous factors, including success in:

developing and testing product candidates; receiving regulatory approvals; commercializing our products; establishing a favorable competitive position.

Many of these factors will depend on circumstances beyond our control. We cannot assure you that we will ever have a product that we will bring to market or, if we are successful in doing so, that we will ever become profitable.

We expect to incur substantial additional operating expenses over the next several years as our research, development, pre-clinical testing, and clinical trial activities increase. The amount of future losses and when, if ever, we will achieve profitability are uncertain. We have no products that have generated any commercial revenue, do not expect to generate revenues from the commercial sale of products in the near future, and might never generate revenues from the sale of products. Our ability to generate revenue and achieve profitability will depend on, among other things, successful completion of the development of our product candidates; the successful testing of our product in both in *in vitro* and *in vivo* trials; establishing manufacturing, sales, and marketing arrangements with third parties; and raising sufficient funds to finance our activities. We might not succeed at any of these undertakings. If we are unsuccessful at some or all of these undertakings, our business, prospects, and results of operations may be materially adversely affected.

# We received a report from our independent registered public accounting firm with an explanatory paragraph for the year ended June 30, 2013 with respect to our ability to continue as a going concern. The existence of such a report may adversely affect our stock price and our ability to raise capital.

In their report dated September 25, 2013, our independent registered public accounting firm expressed substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern as we have incurred losses, have a negative cash flow from operations and have working capital and stockholders' deficiencies. Our ability to continue as a going concern is subject to our ability to generate a profit and/or obtain necessary funding from outside sources, including obtaining additional funding from the sale of our securities, increasing sales or obtaining loans and grants from various financial institutions where possible. Our continued net operating losses increase the difficulty in meeting such goals and there can be no assurances that such methods will prove successful.

#### We have no approved products on the market and have generated no product revenues to date.

To date, we have no approved product on the market and have generated no product revenues. Until and unless we receive approval from regulatory authorities for our product candidates, we cannot sell our products and will not have product revenues. Therefore, for the foreseeable future, we will have to fund all of our operations and capital expenditures from cash on hand, licensing fees and grants and additional financings, to the extent such financings can be obtained.

# We need additional capital. If additional capital is not available or is available at unattractive terms, we may be forced to delay, reduce the scope of or eliminate our research and development programs, reduce our commercialization efforts or curtail our operations.

In order to develop and bring our product candidates to market, we must commit substantial resources to costly and time-consuming production development, research, clinical trials and marketing activities. We anticipate that our existing cash and cash equivalents will enable us to maintain our current operations for at least the next six months. We anticipate using our cash and cash equivalents to fund further research and development with respect to our lead product candidates. We may, however, need to raise additional funding sooner if our business or operations change in a manner that consumes available resources more rapidly than we anticipate. Our requirements for additional capital will depend on many factors, including:

successful commercialization of our product candidates; the time and costs involved in obtaining regulatory approval for our product candidates; costs associated with protecting our intellectual property rights; development of marketing and sales capabilities;

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payments received under future collaborative agreements, if any; and market acceptance of our products.

To the extent we raise additional capital through the sale of equity securities, the issuance of those securities could result in dilution to our shareholders. In addition, if we obtain debt financing, a substantial portion of our operating cash flow may be dedicated to the payment of principal and interest on such indebtedness, thus limiting funds available for our business activities. If adequate funds are not available, we may be required to delay, reduce the scope of or eliminate our research and development programs, reduce our commercialization efforts or curtail our operations. In addition, we may be required to obtain funds through arrangements with collaborative partners or others that may require us to relinquish rights to technologies, product candidates or products that we would otherwise seek to develop or commercialize ourselves or license rights to technologies, product candidates or products on terms that are less favorable to us than might otherwise be available.

The Company will require substantial additional funds to support its research and development activities and eventual commercialization. Such additional sources of financing may not be available on favorable terms, if at all. If we do not succeed in raising additional funds on acceptable terms, we could be forced to discontinue product development, forego sales and marketing efforts and forego attractive business opportunities. Any additional sources of financing will likely involve the issuance of our equity securities, which will have a dilutive effect on our stockholders.

There is no assurance that we will be successful in raising the additional funds needed to fund our business plan. If we are not able to raise sufficient capital in the near future, our continued operations will be in jeopardy and we may be forced to cease operations and sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of our remaining assets.

We face intense competition in the markets targeted by our lead product candidates. Many of our competitors have substantially greater resources than we do, and we expect that all of our product candidates under development will face intense competition from existing or future drugs.

We expect that all of our product candidates under development, if approved, will face intense competition from existing and future products marketed by large companies. These competitors may successfully market products that compete with our products, successfully identify and develop products earlier than we do, or develop products that are more effective or cost less than our products.

These competitive factors could require us to conduct substantial new research and development activities to establish new product targets, which would be costly and time consuming. These activities would adversely affect our ability to commercialize products and achieve revenue and profits.

# Competition and technological change may make our product candidates and technologies less attractive or obsolete.

We compete with established pharmaceutical and food additive companies that are pursuing other products for the same indications we are pursuing and that have greater financial and other resources. Other companies may succeed in developing products earlier than us, or developing products that are more effective than our product candidates. Research and development by others may render our technology or product candidates obsolete or noncompetitive, or result in treatments or cures superior to any product we develop. We face competition from companies that internally develop competing technology or acquire competing technology from universities and other research institutions. As these companies develop their technologies, they may develop competitive positions that may prevent, make futile, or limit our product commercialization efforts, which would result in a decrease in the revenue we would be able to derive from the sale of any products.

There can be no assurance that any of our product candidates will be accepted by the marketplace as readily as these or other competing treatments. Even if our products are successfully developed and approved for use by all governing regulatory bodies, there can be no assurance that 3<sup>rd</sup> party manufacturers and consumers will prefer our products to those already in the market.

Furthermore, the food additive industry is diverse, complex, and rapidly changing. By its nature, the business risks associated therewith are numerous and significant. The effects of competition, intellectual property disputes, and market acceptance preclude us from forecasting revenues or income with certainty or even confidence.

If we fail to protect our intellectual property rights, our ability to pursue the development of our technologies and products would be negatively affected.

Our success will depend in part on our ability to obtain patents and maintain adequate protection of our technologies and products. If we do not adequately protect our intellectual property, competitors may be able to use our technologies to produce and market drugs in direct competition with us and erode our competitive advantage. Some foreign countries lack rules and methods for defending intellectual property rights and do not protect proprietary rights to the same extent as the United States. Many companies have had difficulty protecting their proprietary rights in these foreign countries. We may not be able to prevent misappropriation of our proprietary rights.

We are currently seeking patent protection for numerous processes and finished products. However, the patent process is subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, and there can be no assurance that we will be successful in protecting our products by obtaining and defending patents. These risks and uncertainties include the following: patents that may be issued or licensed may be challenged, invalidated, or circumvented, or otherwise may not provide any competitive advantage; our competitors, many of which have substantially greater resources than us and many of which have made significant investments in competing technologies, may seek, or may already have obtained, patents that will limit, interfere with, or eliminate our ability to make, use, and sell our potential products either in the United States or in international markets; there may be significant pressure on the United States government and other international governmental bodies to limit the scope of patent protection both inside and outside the United States for treatments that prove successful as a matter of public policy regarding worldwide health concerns; countries other than the United States may have less restrictive patent laws than those upheld by United States courts, allowing foreign competitors the ability to exploit these laws to create, develop, and market competing products.

Moreover, any patents issued to us may not provide us with meaningful protection, or others may challenge, circumvent or narrow our patents. Third parties may also independently develop products similar to our products, duplicate our unpatented products or design around any patents on products we develop. Additionally, extensive time is required for development, testing and regulatory review of a potential product. While extensions of patent term due to regulatory delays may be available, it is possible that, before any of our product candidates can be commercialized, any related patent, even with an extension, may expire or remain in force for only a short period following commercialization, thereby reducing any advantages of the patent.

In addition, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (the "PTO") and patent offices in other jurisdictions have often required that patent applications concerning biotechnology-related inventions be limited or narrowed substantially to cover only the specific innovations exemplified in the patent application, thereby limiting the scope of protection against competitive challenges. Thus, even if we or our licensors are able to obtain patents, the patents may be substantially narrower than anticipated.

Our success depends on patent applications that are licensed exclusively to us and other patents to which we may obtain assignment or licenses. We may not be aware, however, of all patents, published applications or published literature that may affect our business either by blocking our ability to commercialize our product candidates, by preventing the patentability of our product candidates to us or our licensors, or by covering the same or similar technologies that may invalidate our patents, limit the scope of our future patent claims or adversely affect our ability to market our product candidates.

In addition to patents, we rely on a combination of trade secrets, confidentiality, nondisclosure and other contractual provisions, and security measures to protect our confidential and proprietary information. These measures may not adequately protect our trade secrets or other proprietary information. If they do not adequately protect our rights, third parties could use our technology, and we could lose any competitive advantage we may have. In addition, others may independently develop similar proprietary information or techniques or otherwise gain access to our trade secrets, which could impair any competitive advantage we may have.

Patent protection and other intellectual property protection is crucial to the success of our business and prospects, and there is a substantial risk that such protections will prove inadequate.

# If testing or clinical trials for our product candidates are unsuccessful or delayed, we will be unable to meet our anticipated development and commercialization timelines.

We rely and expect to continue to rely on third parties, including clinical research organizations and outside consultants, to conduct, supervise or monitor some or all aspects of testing or clinical trials involving our product candidates. We have less control over the timing and other aspects of testing or clinical trials than if we performed the monitoring and supervision entirely on our own. Third parties may not perform their responsibilities for our testing or clinical trials on our anticipated schedule or, for clinical trials, consistent with a clinical trial protocol. Delays in preclinical and clinical testing could significantly increase our product development costs and delay product

commercialization. In addition, many of the factors that may cause, or lead to, a delay in the clinical trials may also ultimately lead to denial of regulatory approval of a product candidate.

The commencement of clinical trials can be delayed for a variety of reasons, including delays in:

- demonstrating sufficient safety and efficacy to obtain regulatory approval to commence a clinical trial;
- reaching agreement on acceptable terms with prospective contract research organizations and trial sites; manufacturing sufficient quantities of a product candidate; and
  - obtaining institutional review board approval to conduct a clinical trial at a prospective site.

Once a clinical trial has begun, it may be delayed, suspended or terminated due to a number of factors, including:

•ongoing discussions with the FDA or other regulatory authorities regarding the scope or design of our clinical trials; failure to conduct clinical trials in accordance with regulatory requirements; lower than anticipated recruitment or retention rate of patients in clinical trials; lack of adequate funding to continue clinical trials; or negative results of clinical trials

If clinical trials are unsuccessful, and we are not able to obtain regulatory approvals for our product candidates under development, we will not be able to commercialize these products, and therefore may not be able to generate sufficient revenues to support our business.

#### If we are unable to hire additional qualified personnel, our ability to grow our business may be harmed.

Over time we will need to hire additional qualified personnel with expertise in clinical testing, clinical research and testing, government regulation, formulation and manufacturing, financial matters and sales and marketing. We compete for qualified individuals with numerous biopharmaceutical companies, universities and other research institutions. Competition for such individuals is intense, and we cannot be certain that our search for such personnel will be successful. Attracting and retaining qualified personnel will be critical to our success.

# Data provided by collaborators and others upon which we rely that has not been independently verified could turn out to be false, misleading, or incomplete.

We rely on third-party vendors, scientists, and collaborators to provide us with significant data and other information related to our projects, clinical trials, and our business. If such third parties provide inaccurate, misleading, or incomplete data, our business, prospects, and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

#### Successful development of our products is uncertain.

Our development of current and future product candidates is subject to the risks of failure and delay inherent in the development of new biotech products, including: delays in product development, clinical testing, or manufacturing; unplanned expenditures in product development, clinical testing, or manufacturing; failure to receive regulatory approvals; emergence of superior or equivalent products; inability to manufacture on its own, or through any others, product candidates on a commercial scale; and failure to achieve market acceptance.

Because of these risks, our research and development efforts may not result in any commercially viable products. If a significant portion of these development efforts are not successfully completed, required regulatory approvals are not obtained or any approved products are not commercially successfully, our business, financial condition, and results of operations may be materially harmed.

We do not have, and may never obtain, the regulatory approvals we need to market our product candidates.

Following completion of clinical trials, the results are evaluated and, depending on the outcome, may be submitted to the FDA in the form of an NDA in order to obtain approval to commence commercial marketing using the desired claims. While FDA approval will not be required to sell our products, in order to make certain health-related claims, FDA approval may be required. In responding to an NDA, the FDA may require additional testing or information, may require that the product labeling be modified, may impose post-approval study or reporting requirements or other restrictions on product distribution, or may deny the application. The FDA has established performance goals for review of NDAs - six months for priority applications and ten months for standard applications. However, the FDA is not required to complete its review within these time periods. The timing of final FDA review and action varies greatly, but can take years in some case and may involve the input of an FDA advisory committee of outside experts. Product sales in the United States may commence only when an NDA is approved.

To date, we have not applied for or received the regulatory approvals required for the commercial sale of any of our products in the United States or in any foreign jurisdiction. None of our product candidates has been determined to be safe and effective, and we have not submitted an NDA to the FDA or an equivalent application to any foreign regulatory authorities for any of our product candidates.

It is possible that none of our product candidates will be approved for marketing. Failure to obtain regulatory approvals, or delays in obtaining regulatory approvals, may adversely affect the successful commercialization of any products we develop, may impose additional costs on us or our collaborators, may diminish any competitive advantages that we or our partners may attain, and/or may adversely affect our receipt of revenues or royalties.

# Even if we obtain regulatory approval to market our product candidates, our product candidates may not be accepted by the market.

Even if we receive regulatory approval to market one or more of our product candidates, consumers may not accept it or use it. Acceptance and use of our products will depend upon a number of factors including: perceptions by members of the health care community, including physicians, about the safety and effectiveness of our products; cost-effectiveness of our product relative to competing products; and effectiveness of marketing and distribution efforts by us and our licensees and distributors, if any.

# If we fail to establish marketing, sales and distribution capabilities, or fail to enter into arrangements with third parties, we will not be able to create a market for our product candidates.

Our strategy with our lead product candidates is to control, directly or through contracted third parties, all or most aspects of the product development process, including marketing, sales and distribution. Currently, we do not have any sales, marketing or distribution capabilities. In order to generate sales of any product candidates that receive regulatory approval, we must either acquire or develop an internal marketing and sales force with technical expertise and with supporting distribution capabilities or make arrangements with third parties to perform these services for us. The acquisition or development of a sales and distribution infrastructure would require substantial resources, which may divert the attention of our management and key personnel and defer our product development efforts. To the extent that we enter into marketing and sales arrangements with other companies, our revenues will depend on the efforts of others. These efforts may not be successful. If we fail to develop sales, marketing and distribution channels, or enter into arrangements with third parties, we will experience delays in product sales and incur increased costs.

The establishment of a marketing, sales, and distribution capability would significantly increase our costs, possibly requiring substantial additional capital. In addition, there is intense competition for proficient sales and marketing personnel, and we may not be able to attract individuals who have the qualifications necessary to market, sell, and distribute our products. There can be no assurance that we will be able to establish internal marketing, sales, or distribution capabilities. If we are unable to, or choose not to establish these capabilities, or if the capabilities we establish are not sufficient to meet our needs, we will be required to establish collaborative marketing, sales, or distribution relationships with third parties.

#### We face the risk of product liability claims and may not be able to obtain insurance.

Our business exposes us to the risk of product liability claims that are inherent in the development of consumer products. If the use of one of our products harms people, we may be subject to costly and damaging product liability claims brought against us by clinical trial participants, consumers, or others selling our products. Our inability to obtain sufficient product liability insurance at an acceptable cost to protect against potential product liability claims could prevent or inhibit the commercialization of products we develop, alone or with collaborators. We currently do not carry clinical trial insurance or product liability insurance. We intend to obtain such insurance in the future. We cannot predict all of the possible harms or side effects that may result and, therefore, the amount of insurance coverage we hold now or in the future may not be adequate to cover all liabilities we might incur. If we are unable to obtain insurance at an acceptable cost or otherwise protect against potential product liability claims, we will be exposed to significant liabilities, which may materially and adversely affect our business and financial position. If we are sued for any injury allegedly caused by our or our collaborators' products, our liability could exceed our total assets and our ability to pay the liability. A product liability claim or series of claims brought against us would decrease our cash and could cause our stock price to fall.

#### **EMPLOYEES**

The Company, including subsidiaries, currently employs 100 full time employees, of which 80 are engaged in farming, 5 in research and development, and 15 in management and operations. Once the Company has completed testing on its Phytofare<sup>™</sup> products and has its production facility nearing completion, management expects to increase the number of employees engaged in farming, production, and operations significantly. We assess employee relations to be excellent.

# **ITEM 1 B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS**

None.

# **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

The Company, through its subsidiary, Dunn Roman Holdings, controls notarial leases in South Africa encompassing 8,000 acres of tea plantations, farms and associated buildings. The Company also leases office space in London, England and White River, Mpumalanga, South Africa, and Seattle, Washington.

We believe that our existing facilities are suitable and adequate to meet our current business requirements.

# **ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

None.

#### **ITEM 4. MINING SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

Not applicable.

PART II

# ITEM 5. MARKET FOR COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Shares of the Company's common stock are quoted and traded from time to time on the OTC.BB with the trading symbol "PLPL."

The following table sets forth the high and low bid information for the Company's common stock for each quarter within the two fiscal years. The prices reflect inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-up, mark-down or commission and may not represent actual transactions.

Quarter Ending	Quarterly High	Quarterly Low
6/30/2011	\$0.19	\$0.16
9/30/2011	\$0.13	\$0.12
12/31/2011	\$0.17	\$0.15
3/31/2012	\$0.26	\$0.21
6/30/2012	\$0.34	\$0.18
9/30/2012	\$0.22	\$0.12
12/31/2012	\$0.15	\$0.06
3/31/2013	\$0.08	\$0.04
6/30/2013	\$0.54	\$0.05

Secondary trading of our shares may be subject to certain state imposed restrictions.

The ability of individual shareholders to trade their shares in a particular state may be subject to various rules and regulations of that state. A number of states require that an issuer's securities be registered in their state or appropriately exempted from registration before the securities are permitted to trade in that state.

From time-to-time we may grant options or warrants, or promise registration rights to certain shareholders. We have no control over the number of shares of our common stock that our shareholders sell. The price of our common stock may be adversely affected if large amounts are sold in a short period of time.

Our shares most likely will be subject to the provisions of Section 15(g) and Rule 15g-9 of the Exchange Act, commonly referred to as the "penny stock" rule.

Section 15(g) sets forth certain requirements for transactions in penny stocks and Rule 15g-9(d)(1) incorporates the definition of penny stock as that used in Rule 3a51-1 of the Exchange Act.

The SEC generally defines penny stock to be any equity security that has a market price less than \$5.00 per share, subject to certain exceptions. Rule 3a51-1 provides that any equity security is considered to be a penny stock unless that security is: registered and traded on a national securities exchange meeting specified criteria set by the SEC; authorized for quotation on

The NASDAQ Stock Market; issued by a registered investment company; excluded from the definition on the basis of price (at least \$5.00 per share) or the issuer's net tangible assets; or exempted from the definition by the SEC. Broker-dealers who sell penny stocks to persons other than established customers and accredited investors (generally persons with assets in excess of \$1,000,000 or annual income exceeding \$200,000, or \$300,000 together with their spouse), are subject to additional sales practice requirements.

For transactions covered by these rules, broker-dealers must make a special suitability determination for the purchase of such securities and must have received the purchaser's written consent to the transaction prior to the purchase. Additionally, for any transaction involving a penny stock, unless exempt, the rules require the delivery, prior to the first transaction, of a risk disclosure document relating to the penny stock market. A broker-dealer also must disclose the commissions payable to both the broker-dealer and the registered representative, and current quotations for the securities. Finally, monthly statements must be sent to clients disclosing recent price information for the penny stocks held in the account and information on the limited market in penny stocks. Consequently, these rules may restrict the ability of broker-dealers to trade and/or maintain a market in our common stock and may affect the ability of shareholders to sell their shares.

As of June 30, 2013, there were approximately 299 holders of record of our common stock. This number does not include an indeterminate number of shareholders whose shares are held by brokers in street name.

#### TRANSFER AGENT

We have appointed Signature Stock Transfer, Inc., with offices at 2301 Ohio Drive, Suite 100, Plano, TX 75093, phone number 972-612-4120, as transfer agent for our shares of common stock. The transfer agent is responsible for all record-keeping and administrative functions in connection with the common shares and stock warrants.

#### **DIVIDEND POLICY**

We don't plan to pay dividends at this time or anytime soon. The board of directors will decide on any future payment of dividends, depending on our results of operations, financial condition, capital requirements, and any other relevant factors. However, we expect to use any future earnings for operations and in the business.

#### **RECENT SALES OF UNREGISTERED SECURITIES.**

In connection with the Share Exchange dated November 17, 2011, the Company issued 76,000,000 shares of unregistered, restricted common stock to the owners of Global Energy Solutions Corporation Limited. The shares were issued under Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.

Prior to executing the share exchange, the Company issued 14,000,000 to various third parties in exchange for services rendered. These shares, together with the prior outstanding balance, have been treated as shares issued as of the share exchange date since Global Energy Solutions is the surviving company for reporting purposes. The shares were issued under Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, the Company issued a total of 7,980,000 shares of restricted common stock in exchange for services previously rendered. The value of such shares on the date of issuance, \$2,979,509, has been recorded as an expense in the period issued. The shares were issued under Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.

In February 2012, the Company issued a total of 1,500,000 shares of restricted common stock to three individuals in exchange for shares of Dunn Roman Holdings stock which had been previously issued. The acquired Dunn Roman

shares were then provided to thirds parties in order to comply with the BEE provisions associated with the loan from the Land Bank of South Africa, which required that 26% of Dunn Roman be black owned. The Company has therefore determined to treat the value of the shares issued to acquire the Dunn Roman stock as a cost of securing the financing. The value of the shares on the date of issuance, \$585,000, has been recorded as a discount to Long Term Notes Payable. As funds are advanced on the loan, the \$585,000 will be amortized over the life of the loan (7 years). The shares were issued under Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.

During the year ended June 30, 2013, the company sold a total of 525,460 shares of restricted common stock for cash proceeds of \$140,500. The shares were issued under Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.

During the year ended June 30, 2013, the company received back 250,000 shares of stock that had been previously issued for services valued at \$80,000. The company and the service provided determined that the services had not been fully rendered, thus the shares were returned to the company and cancelled. The company also purchased 4,900,000 shares of common stock from a former director of the company in exchange for \$125,000, which represented a discount of 50% off the closing bid price on the date of purchase. These shares were subsequently cancelled.

In July of 2013, the Company issued 16,700 common shares for \$5,000 cash. The shares were issued under Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.

# ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA.

Not Applicable.

# ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

### ANALYSIS OF OPERATIONS

#### FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2013 AND 2012

#### SALES

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, sales were \$359,143 compared to sales of \$0 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012. Sales during 2013 consisted of avocado, macadamia nuts and timber from the company's farming operations in South Africa. The company has not commenced sales of its botanical extracts and does not anticipate having product available for market until early 2014.

#### **EXPENSES**

Our total expenses for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 were \$1,973,698 compared to \$3,912,812 in the prior year. Of the prior year amount, \$2,977,700 resulted from recording the fair value of stock issued for services previously rendered, which was recorded as salary and professional services. In 2013, the company also commenced recording rent expense of \$320,927 and depreciation of \$135,039 as assets were placed in service.

#### **OTHER**

For the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the Company reported interest expense of \$265,245 and \$28,586, respectively, an increase of \$236,659. The increase was primary due to the interest accrued on the Land Bank loans.

For the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the Company reported derivative interest expense of \$45,227 and \$0, respectively, an increase of \$45,227. The increase was due to the issuance of convertible debenture issued in May, 2013.

# LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013; the Company's cash used in operating activities totaled \$1,846,334, which was primarily attributable to operational costs in South Africa associated with getting the Senteeko estate operational. Cash used in investing activities was \$1,986, 908, which consisted almost entirely of leasehold improvements and fixed asset acquisitions in South Africa. Cash provided by financing activities was \$4,327,047, the majority of which was provided by a bank loan of \$3,944,712 that was used to purchase equipment and leasehold improvements for the South African operations. As of June 30, 2013, the Company had current assets of \$518,994 compared to current liabilities of \$823,729. Cash on hand was \$498,917.

#### PLAN OF OPERATION

The Company executed a 49-year notarial lease, giving it control over 8,000 acres of plantation properties in South Africa. Plandaí plans to use a proprietary extraction process to create bio-available extracts using the farm produce from the plantation, with an initial emphasis on green tea and citrus extracts. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 commenced rehabilitation efforts on the plantation, which involved removing overgrowth, paring the tea bushes, refurbishing housing for the laborers, and repairing the roads and bridges. The company also commenced construction on a 3,000m<sup>2</sup> extraction facility which was completed in September 2013. Management currently estimates that tea harvesting and extract production will commence in December 2013.

Plandaí also commenced several laboratory trials in preparation for releasing product to market. These trials focus on bioavailability, anti-inflammation, topical absorption, weight loss, and malaria. The Company expects to release product to market in early 2014 under Phytofare<sup>TM</sup> brand name.

Plandaí has entered into several distribution agreements covering nutriceutical sales in North America, Europe and parts of Africa, with additional markets opening in the coming months.

The Company's long-term existence is dependent upon our ability to execute our operating plan and to obtain additional debt or equity financing to fund payment of obligations and provide working capital for operations. In April 2012, the Company through majority-owned subsidiaries of Dunn Roman Holdings, Inc., executed final loan documents on a 100 million Rand (approx. \$13 million USD) financing with the Land and Agriculture Bank of South Africa.

### ACQUISITIONS

The company does not anticipate making any acquisitions in the coming twelve months.

#### TRENDS

Green tea and green tea extracts have become ever-present in consumer products throughout Europe, Asia and the Americas. Every major beverage manufacturer has a green tea-infused product, but there are also countless other green tea-derived products that have flooded the market in recent years, including:

- Ice cream
- Soda
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Lotion and skin care products
- Nail polish
- Vitamins
- Weight loss supplements
- Food additive
- Soap

A 2008 published report estimated that the market for green tea extract would grow by more than 13% for the next seven years as demand increases in Europe and the United States. Worldwide, sales for antioxidants, primarily green tea, was \$34 billion in 2010. Sports supplements have also surged in recent years. In 2010, total worldwide sales were \$4.7 billion, of which the US market comprised 66%, and growing at a rate of 15\$ per year.

The Phytofare<sup>TM</sup> Citrus Limonoid Gl