

Q4 and FY 2023 Earnings Presentation

March 2024

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Stronghold at a Glance

The only environmentally beneficial and vertically integrated public Bitcoin mining company



165 MW

from 2 Mining-Waste-to-Power
Facilities: **Scrubgrass** and **Panther Creek**



4.1 EH/s

Current Hash Rate Capacity



7+ EH/s

Data Center Potential from Current Energized Slots



40,000+

Total Slots for Miners



32 J/TH

Current Efficiency



25 MW

Additional Data Center Equipment Inventory



~100,000

Tonnes of CO₂ That We May Be Able to Capture Annually¹



8th

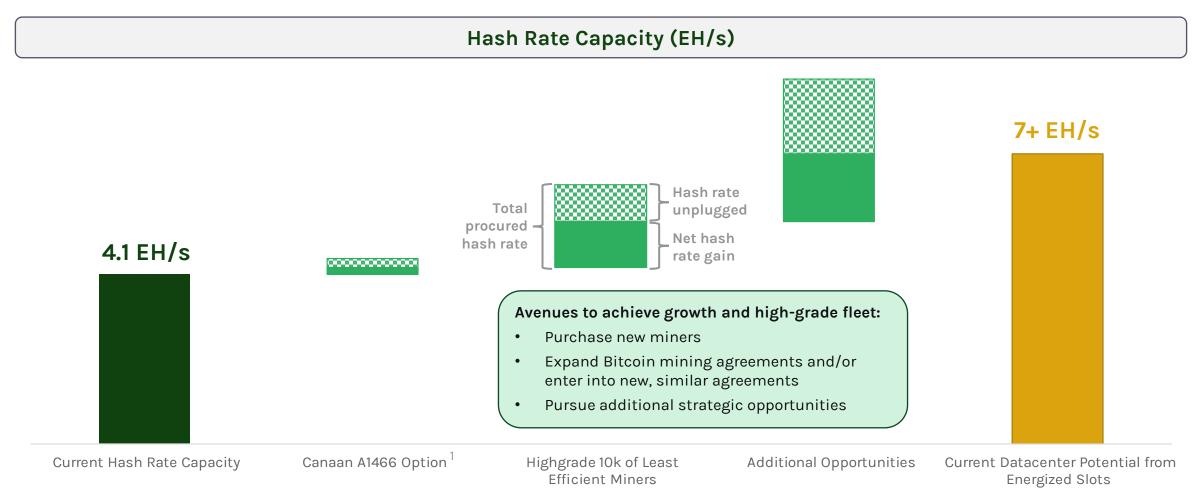
Potential to Be the 8th Largest Direct Air Capture Project in the U.S. ^{2,3}

Note: All figures approximated

- 1. See Disclaimer page and assumptions disclosed in the Company's <u>December 2023 investor presentation</u>
- 2. Assuming 60,000-100,000 tonnes of CO₂ captured per year, our project has the potential to be the 8th largest of the announced U.S. direct air capture projects tracked by IEA's CCUS Projects Explorer with expected first operation before 2030
- 3. See: *CCUS Projects Explorer.* IEA, 2023, <u>https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/data-tools/ccus-projects-explorer</u>

Potential to Scale Hash Rate Significantly at Existing Data Centers

Ability to plug latest-generation miners into already energized slots



^{1.} Previously disclosed contract per January 2, 2024 press release

Strengthening Balance Sheet Ahead of the Halving

Cash and BTC ¹ As of Feb. 29, 2024

\$10mm

Projected Q1 2024 Adjusted EBITDA ²

>\$5mm

2024 Mandatory Amortization on Senior Secured Debt

\$6.5mm

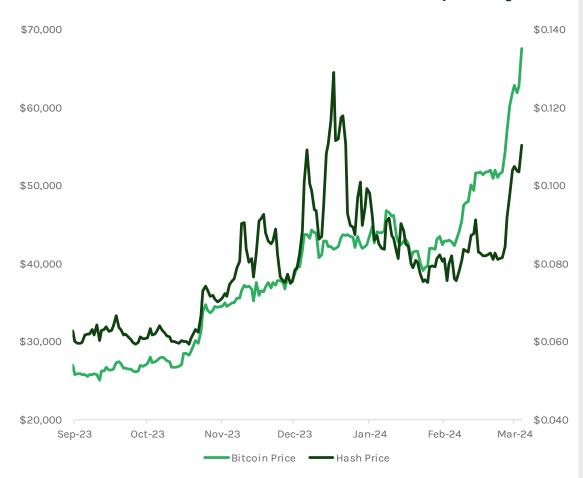
2024 Committed Capex Remaining for Bitcoin Miners:

\$0.7mm

Total cash of ~\$10mm and ~5 BTC at ~\$62k / BTC
 Assuming \$0.10/TH/s per day in March 2024; see disclaimer on page 2

Bitcoin Market Dynamics

Bitcoin Price (\$) | Hash Price (\$/TH/s per Day)



~6,000 BTC / day average net inflow into ETFs since launch (~\$8Bn of net inflows)

- ~6.5x greater than new supply (~900 BTC / day)
- Post halving, implies demand ~13x greater than new supply (~450 BTC / day)

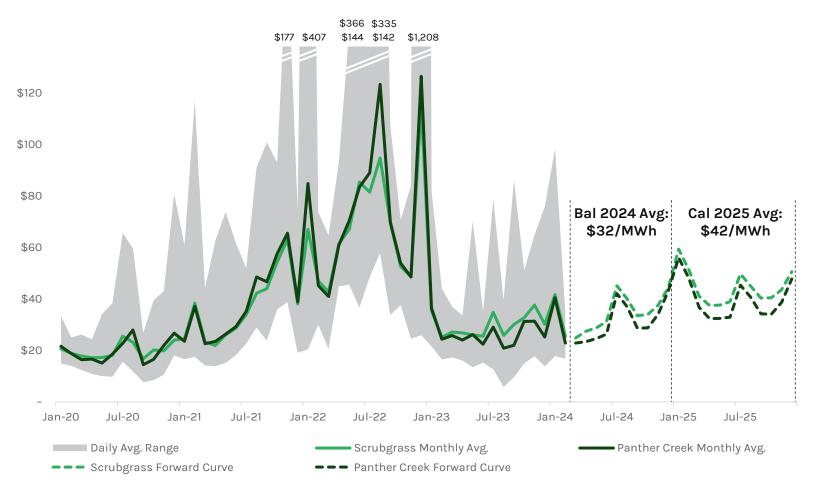
Fund Flows to the Bitcoin ETF 1 (\$Bn | BTC)



Source: Market Data; ETFs include ARKB, BITB, BRRR, BTCO, BTCW, EZBC, FBTC, HODL, IBIT; excludes GBTC

Current Low-Price Environment Makes Importing Power Highly Attractive...

Historical Real-Time Power Prices and Forward Curves as of 2/29/24 (\$/MWh)



New electricity sale and purchase agreement with Champion Energy further improves economics when importing power from the grid

- Provides flexible source of power for Scrubgrass and Panther Creek data centers
- we independently
 estimate all-in cost of
 power under agreements
 to be \$10-12/MWh,
 including ancillary charges
 & taxes, plus cost of
 wholesale power
 (assuming prices range
 from \$10-40/MWh)

Source: Market data from energy market consultants and advisors

...But It Is Still Highly Valuable to Own Power Assets in PJM Given Increasing Scarcity of Thermal Generation



40 GW

(21% of current supply/capacity)

existing PJM
baseload
generation capacity
expected to be
retired by 2030

PJM reliability study written in February 2023 provides a striking picture of potential supply shortfalls: **pim Energy Transition in PJM:** Resource Retirements, Replacements & Risks For Public Use

"For the first time in recent history, PJM could face decreasing reserve margins should these trends continue."

"PJM's interconnection queue is composed primarily of intermittent and limited-duration resources... we need multiple megawatts of these resources to replace 1 MW of thermal generation."

"PJM's New Services Queue consists primarily of renewables (94%) and gas (6%). Despite the sizable nameplate capacity of renewables in the interconnection queue (290 GW), the historical rate of completion for renewable projects has been approximately 5%. The projections in this study indicate that the current pace of new entry would be insufficient to keep up with expected retirements and demand growth by 2030."

The PJM reliability study paints a picture of tightening power markets, which we believe will result in increased volatility and, therefore, value of baseload generation assets, including Stronghold's 2 mining-waste-to-power facilities, Scrubgrass (85 MW) and Panther Creek (80 MW).

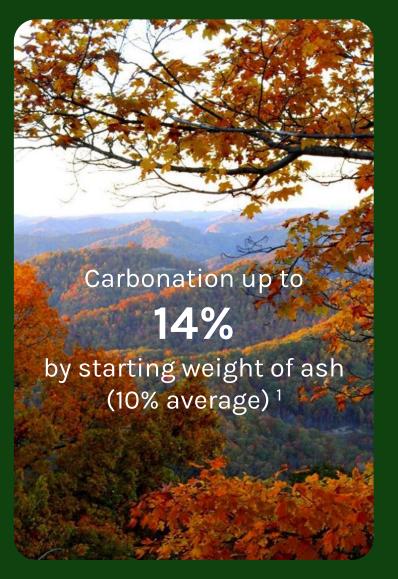
Source: https://www.pim.com/-/media/library/reports-notices/special-reports/2023/energy-transition-in-pim-resource-retirements-replacements-and-risks.ashx

Carbon Capture Update

Scrubgrass carbon capture project listed on Puro Registry in late February



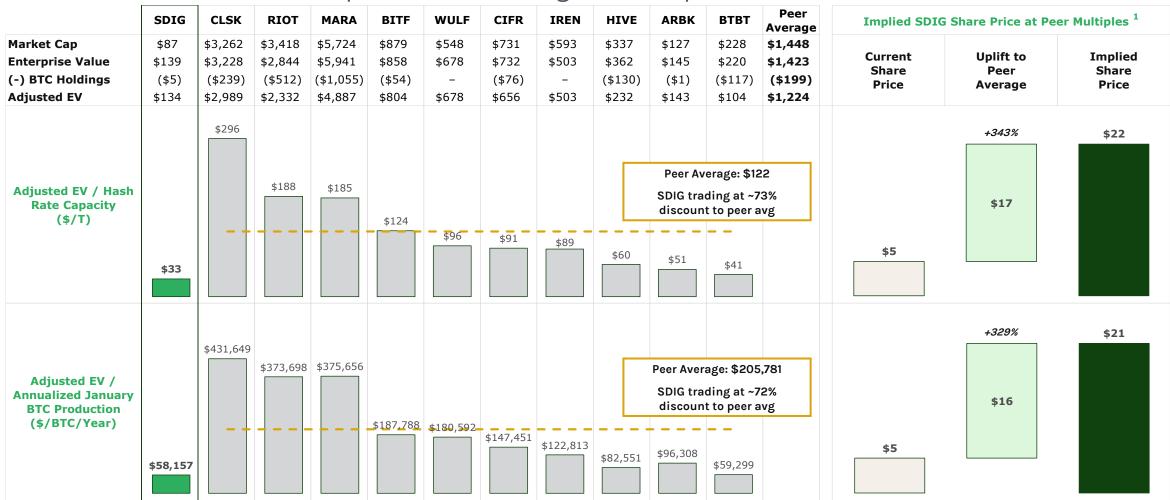




1. Based on third-party lab results from 12 recent samples of beneficial use ash, as disclosed in our press release on February 8, 2024

Whiskey Tango Foxtrot

Select valuation metrics for public self-mining-focused peers



Note: All Stronghold data per latest Stronghold disclosures; all peer data for market cap and enterprise value per Bloomberg as of 3/4/24; all peer data for BTC holdings, hash rate, and BTC production pulled directly from peers' January 2024 disclosures; Stronghold makes no representation as to the accuracy of Bloomberg data and peers' disclosures

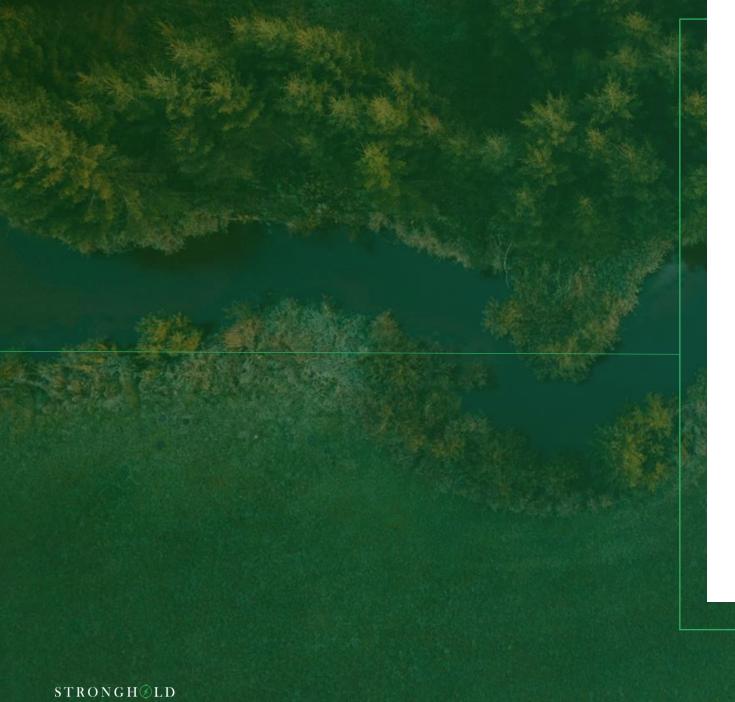
^{1.} Represents implied share prices based exclusively on the selected valuation metrics; implied share prices calculated as ([Average Multiple] x [Relevant Stronghold Metric] - [Net Debt] + [BTC Holdings]) / [Fully Diluted Share Count (at implied share price)]

Q4 and FY 2023 Results

		Link
	Q4 2023	FY 2023
Bitcoin Mined	599	2,463
Total Revenue (mm)	\$21.7	\$75.0
Net Loss (mm)	(\$21.2)	(\$101.8)
Adjusted EBITDA (mm) *	\$2.3	(\$6.5)
		END STATE

^{*} Presentation includes non-GAAP financial measures; Adjusted EBITDA references related to fourth quarter and full year 2023 throughout the presentation should be considered in connection with the Reconciliation of non-GAAP on page 13







Appendix

Other Information

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Items

Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA (mm)	Q4 2023	FY 2023	
Net income (loss)	(\$21.2)	(\$101.8)	
Interest expense	2.4	9.8	
Depreciation and amortization	9.4	35.4	
Loss on debt extinguishment		29.0	
Impairments on equipment deposits		5.4	
Impairments on digital currencies	0.2	0.9	
Realized gain on sale of miner assets	(0.1)	(0.1)	
Stock-based compensation	1.6	9.2	
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	3.7	3.8	
Change in fair value of warrant liabilities	6.2	0.6	
Realized gain on sale of digital currencies	(0.2)	(1.0)	
Accretion of asset retirement obligation		0.1	
Non-recurring expenses	0.2	2.0	
Adjusted EBITDA (Non-GAAP)	\$2.3	(\$6.5)	

Hash Price Calculation

The metric that drives BTC mining revenue, reflecting both BTC price and network hash rate



Divided by:

Network Hash Rate (TH/s)



Note: Hash price per daily Bitcoin price and network hash rate calculated from difficulty

Note: Bitcoin mining revenue is based on a hash price on \$ per terahash per second ("TH/s") per day. Hash price represents global Bitcoin mining revenue per TH/s of network hash rate, incorporates both Bitcoin price and network hash rate and it is calculated as follows: [Bitcoin price] x [number of Bitcoins mined per day (~900)] x [1 + transaction fee %] ÷ [network hash rate (TH/s)]

1. Current block subsidies are 6.25 BTC

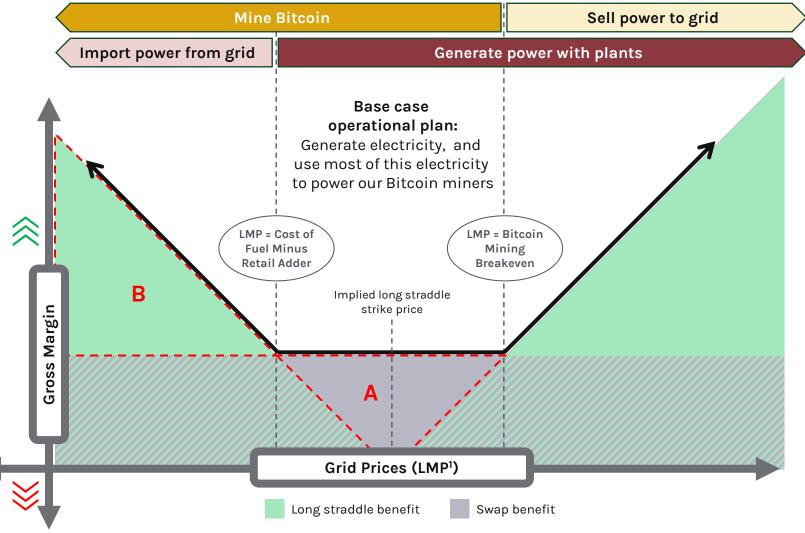
Stronghold Capitalization Table

(000s of share equivalents)	Securities Estimated Diluted Share Count at Various Share Prices (Based on Treasury Met							
	as of 2/29/24	\$4.87	\$7.50	\$10.00	\$12.50	\$15.00	\$17.50	\$20.00
Shares of Common Stock								
Class A Common Stock	12,645	12,645	12,645	12,645	12,645	12,645	12,645	12,645
Class V Common Stock	2,406	2,406	2,406	2,406	2,406	2,406	2,406	2,406
Basic Share Count	15,051	15,051	15,051	15,051	15,051	15,051	15,051	15,051
Warrants to Purchase Class A Common Stock								
\$0.0001 Exercise Price	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
\$0.0010 Exercise Price	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27
\$0.1000 Exercise Price	79	78	78	79	79	79	79	79
\$7.0000 Exercise Price	3,700	-	247	1,110	1,628	1,973	2,220	2,405
\$10.1000 Exercise Price	60	-	-	-	12	20	25	30
\$11.0000 Exercise Price	100	-	-	-	12	27	37	45
\$86.8000 Exercise Price	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
\$110.1000 Exercise Price	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	5,278	1,404	1,652	2,515	3,057	3,425	3,688	3,886
Vested LTIP Equity Awards								
Restricted Stock Units	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stock Options - \$39.70 Exercise Price	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stock Options - \$63.85 Exercise Price	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stock Options - \$93.30 Exercise Price	52	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	81	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Preferred Stock, Convertible Into Class A Common	Stock							
Series C - Post-Conversion Share Equivalents	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498
Subtotal	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498	1,498
Estimated Diluted Share Count		17,954	18,201	19,064	19,606	19,974	20,237	20,435

Currently out of the money

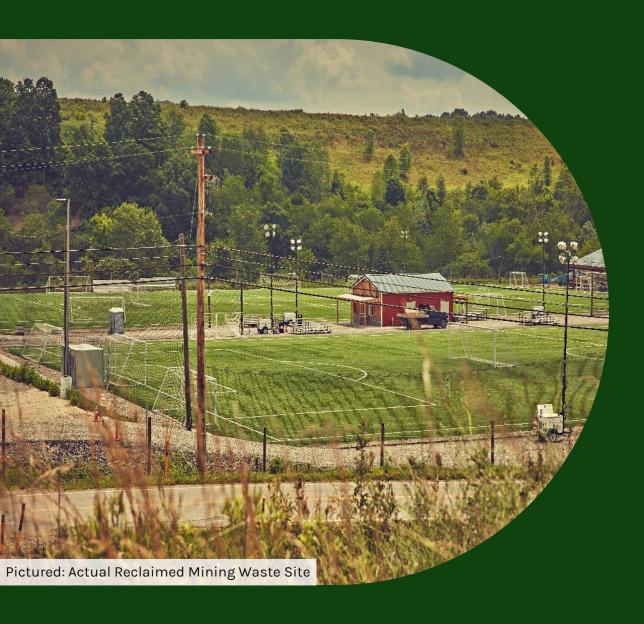
Integrated Bitcoin Mining Illustrative Profit and Loss

Long Straddle + Swap



- Vertically integrated power generation +
 Bitcoin mining is effectively a long straddle
 option strategy with a power price swap
 - Highly unique and differentiated to combine the downside protection of A with the upside exposure of B
- We have the option to capture additional value both when grid electricity prices rise and fall:
 - If power prices are high (more attractive than Bitcoin mining economics), curtail miners and sell power to the grid
 - If power prices are low (lower than our plant cost of fuel minus the retail adder to import power), turn off plants and purchase electricity from the grid to mine Bitcoin
- The cost of the long straddle option is effectively the cost of ASICs and associated infrastructure, and the cost of the swap is effectively the cost of the power generation assets

1. Locational Marginal Pricing



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