# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

### **CURRENT REPORT**

## PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE **SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 20, 2023

# Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc.

(Exact Name of registrant as specified in its charter)

### **Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-40931 (Commission File Number)

86-2759890 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

595 Madison Avenue, 28th Floor New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

10022

(Zip Code)

(845) 579-5992 Registrant's telephone number, including area code

## **Not Applicable**

(Former name o	r former address, if changed si	ince last report)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K and the following provisions:	filing is intended to simultaned	ously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant
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☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 1	.4d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17	7 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 1	.3e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17	CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of t	he Act:	
Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	SDIG	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the		ny as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).
Emerging growth company ⊠		
If an emerging growth company, indicate by ch	S	elected not to use the extended transition period

### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

As previously disclosed, on December 30, 2022, Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc. (the "Company") entered into an exchange agreement with the holders (the "Holders") of the Company's Amended and Restated 10% Notes (the "Notes"), providing for the exchange of the Notes (the "Exchange Transaction") for shares of the Company's newly created Series C Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Series C Preferred Stock"). On February 20, 2023, the Exchange Transaction was consummated, and the Notes were deemed paid in full and terminated in exchange for the issuances of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock.

On February 20, 2023, in connection with the consummation of the Exchange Transaction, the Company entered into a Registration Rights Agreement with the Holders (the "Registration Rights Agreement") whereby it agreed to, among other things, (i) file within two business days following the filing of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, a resale registration statement (the "Resale Registration Statement") with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering all shares of the Company's Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock") issuable upon conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock or upon exercise of the pre-funded warrants that may be issued in lieu of Common Stock upon conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock (the "Pre-Funded Warrants"), and (ii) to cause the Resale Registration Statement to become effective within the timeframes specified in the Registration Rights Agreement.

The foregoing description of the Registration Rights Agreement is not intended to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Registration Rights Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated into this Item 1.01 by reference.

## Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

To the extent required by this Item 1.02, the information contained in Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

On February 20, 2023, in connection with the closing of the Exchange Transaction, the Company filed a Certificate of Designations (the "Certificate of Designations") with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware to designate 23,102 shares of the Company's authorized preferred stock as the Series C Preferred Stock, with the powers, designations, preferences and other rights as set forth therein. The Certificate of Designations became effective upon filing on February 20, 2023.

Shares of Series C Preferred Stock have a stated value of \$1,000, subject to any adjustment for stock splits, stock combinations, recapitalizations and similar transactions. Under the terms of the Certificate of Designation, shares of Series C Preferred Stock are immediately convertible upon issuance into shares of Common Stock at a conversion price of \$0.40 per share, subject to certain adjustments (the "Conversion Price"), at the option of the holder. On the date that is five years from the issuance of the Series C Preferred Stock, any shares of Series C Preferred Stock that are then outstanding will automatically convert at the Conversion Price into shares of Common Stock or, to the extent such conversion would cause a holder to beneficially own more than 9.99% of the Company's issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock, into Pre-Funded Warrants with an exercise price of \$0.01 per share at the same Conversion Price.

The Series C Preferred Stock ranks senior to the Common Stock and the Company's Class V common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, with respect to the payment of dividends and rights upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company. Holders of Series C Preferred Stock generally have no voting rights, except as required by the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation, and in certain other circumstances. The Series C Preferred Stock is not entitled to receive dividends, does not have preemptive or subscription rights, and has no redemption or sinking fund provisions or rights.

The foregoing description of the Certificate of Designations is not intended to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Certificate of Designations, which is filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated into this Item 3.03 by reference.

## Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

To the extent required by this Item 5.03, the information contained in Item 3.03 is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
<u>3.1</u>	Certificate of Designations of the Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc., filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware and effective February 20, 2023
10.1 104	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of February 20, 2023, by and among Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc., Adage Capital Partners, LP, Continental General Insurance Company and Parallaxes Capital Opportunity Fund IV, L.P. Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC.

Date: February 24, 2023 By: /s/ Gregory A. Beard

Name: Gregory A. Beard

Title: Chief Executive Officer and Co-Chairman

### STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC.

### **CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATIONS**

Pursuant to Section 151 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware

### SERIES C CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

(Par Value \$0.0001 Per Share)

Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc. (the "Corporation"), a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended from time to time (the "DGCL"), hereby certifies that, pursuant to the authority expressly granted to and vested in the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board of Directors") by the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation (as amended from time to time in accordance with its terms and the DGCL, the "Certificate of Incorporation"), which authorizes the Board of Directors, by resolution, to provide out of the unissued shares of the preferred stock (the "Preferred Stock") for one or more series of Preferred Stock and to establish from time to time the number of shares to be included in each such series and to fix the voting rights (if any), designations, powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional, special and other rights (if any) of each such series and any qualifications, limitations and restrictions thereof, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 151 of the DGCL, the Board of Directors duly adopted on December 30, 2022, resolutions establishing the Series C Preferred Stock (as defined below) on the following terms:

# ARTICLE 1 DESIGNATION

<u>Section 1.1.</u> There is hereby created out of the authorized and unissued shares of Preferred Stock of the Corporation a series of preferred stock designated "Series C Convertible Preferred Stock" (the "<u>Series C Preferred Stock</u>"), consisting of twenty-three thousand, one hundred two (23,102) shares, par value \$0.0001 per share (each, a "<u>Series C Preferred Share</u>"). Each Series C Preferred Share shall rank equally in all respects and shall be subject to the following provisions of this Certificate of Designations. Series C Preferred Shares which have been converted, redeemed, repurchased or otherwise acquired by the Corporation shall be retired and, following the filing of any certificate required by the DGCL, will have the status of authorized and unissued shares of the Corporation's Preferred Stock, without designation as to series, until such shares are once more designated by the Board of Directors as part of a particular series of Preferred Stock.

### ARTICLE 2 RANK AND PREFERENCE

<u>Section 2.1</u>. The Series C Preferred Stock shall, with respect to rights upon an acquisition, merger or consolidation of the Corporation, sale of all or substantially all assets of the Corporation, other business combination or liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, either voluntary or involuntary (collectively, a "<u>Liquidation Event</u>") rank:

(a) senior to the Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Corporation (including any capital stock into which the Class A Common Stock shall have been converted, exchanged or reclassified following the date hereof, the "Class A Common Stock"), the Class V Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Corporation (the "Class V Common Stock" and together with the Class A Common Stock, the "Common Stock"), and any other class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, the terms of which do not expressly provide that such class or series ranks senior to or on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to rights upon a Liquidation Event (collectively, together with any warrants, rights, calls or options exercisable for or convertible into such capital stock, the "Junior Stock");

- (b) on a parity with any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, the terms of which provide that such class or series ranks on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to rights upon a Liquidation Event (collectively, together with any warrants, rights, calls or options exercisable for or convertible into such capital stock, the "Parity Stock"); and
- (c) junior to any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, the terms of which expressly provide that such class or series ranks senior to the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to rights upon a Liquidation Event (collectively, together with any warrants, rights, calls or options exercisable for or convertible into such capital stock, the "Senior Stock").

<u>Section 2.2.</u> In the event of a Liquidation Event, each Holder shall, with respect to each Series C Preferred Share owned by such Holder, be entitled to receive, out of funds of the Corporation legally available therefor, before any payment or distribution of any assets of the Corporation shall be made or set apart for holders of the Junior Stock, an amount per Series C Preferred Share equal to the Stated Value (as defined below). If upon any such Liquidation Event of the Corporation, the funds and assets available for distribution to the stockholders of the Corporation shall be insufficient to pay the Holders the full amount to which they are entitled under this <u>Section 2.2</u> and the holders of any shares of Parity Stock ranking on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock the full amount to which they are entitled under the Certificate of Incorporation or any certificate of designations, the Holders and the holders of such Parity Stock shall share ratably in any distribution of the funds and assets legally available for distribution in respect of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock and such Parity Stock held by them upon such distribution. The "<u>Stated Value</u>" shall mean One Thousand United States Dollars (\$1,000.00) per share, subject to any adjustment for stock splits, stock combinations, recapitalizations and similar transactions as set forth herein; *provided*, that a Fundamental Transaction shall not constitute a Liquidation Event but instead shall be subject to <u>Article 4</u>.

### ARTICLE 3 VOTING RIGHTS AND TRANSFERABILITY

- <u>Section 3.1</u>. Except as required by the DGCL or the Certificate of Incorporation (including this Certificate of Designations), Holders shall not have any voting rights except as set forth in this <u>Section 3.1</u>. The Corporation shall require approval of the Holders of at least two-thirds (66.67%) of the then outstanding Series C Preferred Shares (together with any Parity Stock) to (either directly or through a Subsidiary or controlled Affiliate):
  - (a) amend, alter, repeal or otherwise modify (whether by merger, operation of law, consolidation or otherwise) (i) any provision of the Certificate of Incorporation (including this Certificate of Designations) or the Corporation's bylaws in a manner that would adversely affect the powers, rights, preferences or privileges of the Series C Preferred Stock or (ii) any provision of this Certificate of Designations;
  - (b) authorize, create, increase the authorized amount of, or issue any Series C Preferred Stock or class or series of Senior Stock or Parity Stock or any security convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for, shares of Series C Preferred Stock, Senior Stock or Parity Stock;
  - (c) authorize, enter into or otherwise engage in a Fundamental Transaction unless such Fundamental Transaction does not adversely affect the rights, preferences or privileges of the Series C Preferred Stock; and
  - (d) agree or consent to any of the foregoing.

<u>Section 3.2</u>. No Holder shall be entitled to transfer any Series C Preferred Shares to any Person who is not a "United States person" as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any such transfer shall be void *ab initio*.

<u>Section 3.3</u>. <u>Certificated Shares; Replacement Certificates</u>.

- (a) The Corporation agrees, upon request of a Holder or permitted assignee, to take all steps reasonably necessary to promptly effect the removal of any restrictive legend from the certificates representing Series C Preferred Shares or shares of Class A Common Stock issued or the book-entry account of such Series C Preferred Shares or shares of Class A Common Stock, and the Corporation shall bear all costs associated therewith, regardless of whether the request is made in connection with a sale or otherwise, so long as such Holder, its permitted assigns or its broker provides to the Corporation a certification as to the length of time such shares have been held and a certification that such Holder is not an Affiliate of the Corporation. The Corporation shall cooperate with the Holder to effect the removal of the legend at any time such legend is no longer appropriate.
- (b) The Corporation shall replace any mutilated Series C Preferred Stock certificate at the Holder's expense upon surrender of that certificate to the Corporation. The Corporation shall replace certificates that become destroyed, stolen or lost at the Holder's expense upon delivery to the Corporation of satisfactory evidence that the certificate has been destroyed, stolen or lost, together with any indemnity that may reasonably be required by the Corporation.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, unless requested in writing by a Holder to the Corporation, shares of Common Stock issued upon conversion of shares of Series C Preferred Stock or exercise of a Pre-Funded Warrant shall be uncertificated, book entry form as permitted by the bylaws of the Corporation and the DGGL.

<u>Section 3.4</u>. Subject to the terms of this Certificate of Designations, the Holder may transfer to any Person any portion of their Series C Preferred Stock issued pursuant to this Certificate of Designations or any Class A Common Stock issued upon conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock (or exercise of Pre-Funded Warrants (as defined below)) issued pursuant to this Certificate of Designation or Pre-Funded Warrants.

# ARTICLE 4 CONVERSION; FUNDAMENTAL TRANSACTIONS

Section 4.1. Securities To Be Delivered Upon Conversion. Each Series C Preferred Share shall be convertible into shares of Class A Common Stock or Pre-Funded Warrants (the "Conversion Securities") at a conversion rate equal to (i) (A) the Stated Value plus (B) cash in lieu of fractional shares, as set forth in Section 4.7 divided by (ii) a conversion price of \$0.40 per share of Class A Common Stock (subject to the adjustments in <u>Section 4.5</u> herein, the "<u>Conversion Price</u>") as provided in this <u>Article 4</u>. On the date of conversion, with respect to each Series C Preferred Share, uncertificated book-entry shares representing the number of shares of Class A Common Stock into which such share of Series C Preferred Stock is converted (or Pre-Funded Warrants with respect to such shares, as applicable) shall be promptly issued and delivered to the Holder thereof or such Holder's designee upon presentation and surrender of the certificate evidencing the Series C Preferred Stock, if any (or, if such certificate or certificates have been lost, stolen, or destroyed, a lost certificate affidavit and indemnity in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Corporation), to the Corporation and, if required, the furnishing of appropriate endorsements and transfer documents and the payment of all transfer and similar taxes, if any, allocable to the Holder pursuant to Section 4.4. The Person or Persons entitled to receive the Class A Common Stock and/or cash issuable upon conversion of Series C Preferred Stock (or Pre-Funded Warrants) shall be treated for all purposes as the record holder(s) of such shares of Class A Common Stock and/or securities (including Pre-Funded Warrants) as of the close of business on the date of conversion with respect thereto. In the event that a Holder shall not by written notice designate the name in which shares of Class A Common Stock and/or cash (or Pre-Funded Warrants) to be issued or paid upon conversion or shares of Series C Preferred Stock should be registered or paid or the manner in which such shares (or Pre-Funded Warrants) should be delivered, the Corporation shall be entitled to register and deliver such shares (or Pre-Funded Warrants), and make such payment, in the name of the Holder and in the manner shown on the records of the Corporation.

# Section 4.2. Optional Conversion.

(a) Optional Conversion Right. Subject to Section 4.3, from and after the issuance of the Series C Preferred Shares (the "Issuance Date"), each Holder shall be entitled to convert all or a portion of such Holder's Series C Preferred Shares, at any time and from time to time (any such conversion, an "Optional Conversion"), into a number of duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable shares of Class A Common Stock as set forth in this Article 4. From and after any such conversion, the Series C Preferred Shares so converted shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding, and all rights of the Holder with respect to such Series C Preferred Shares shall immediately terminate, except the right to receive the shares of Class A Common Stock issuable pursuant to such Optional Conversion.

- (b) <u>Notice of Optional Conversion</u>. In order to effect an Optional Conversion, a Holder shall submit a written notice to the Corporation, duly executed by an officer of the Holder and in the form attached hereto as Annex A (the "<u>Optional Conversion Notice</u>"), stating that the Holder irrevocably elects to convert the number of Series C Preferred Shares specified in such Optional Conversion Notice. Upon receiving an Optional Conversion Notice, the Corporation shall issue and deliver to such Holder the number of shares of Class A Common Stock issuable upon conversion of such Series C Preferred Shares.
- (c) Beneficial Ownership Limitation. The Corporation shall not effect any conversion of Series C Preferred Shares, and a Holder shall not have the right to convert any Series C Preferred Shares, to the extent that, after giving effect to the conversion set forth on the applicable Optional Conversion Notice, such Holder (together with such Holder's Affiliates, and any Persons acting as a group together with such Holder or any of such Holder's Affiliates (such Persons, "Attribution Parties")) would beneficially own in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation (as defined below). For purposes of the foregoing sentence, the number of shares of Class A Common Stock beneficially owned by such Holder and its Affiliates and Attribution Parties shall include the number of shares of Class A Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to which such determination is being made, but shall exclude the number of shares of Class A Common Stock which are issuable upon (i) conversion of the remaining, unconverted shares of Class A Common Stock underlying the Series C Preferred Stock beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Affiliates or Attribution Parties and (ii) exercise or conversion of the unexercised or unconverted portion of any other securities of the Corporation subject to a limitation on conversion or exercise analogous to the limitation contained herein beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Affiliates or Attribution Parties. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, for purposes of this Section 4.2, beneficial ownership shall be calculated in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. To the extent that the limitation contained in this Section 4.2 applies, the determination of whether the Series C Preferred Stock is convertible (in relation to other securities owned by such Holder together with any Affiliates and Attribution Parties) and of how many Series C Preferred Shares are convertible shall be in the sole discretion of such Holder, and the submission of an Optional Conversion Notice shall be deemed to be such Holder's determination of whether such Series C Preferred Shares may be converted (in relation to other securities owned by such Holder together with any Affiliates and Attribution Parties) and how many Series C Preferred Shares are convertible, in each case subject to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation. To ensure compliance with this restriction, each Holder will be deemed to represent to the Corporation each time it delivers an Optional Conversion Notice that such Optional Conversion Notice has not violated the restrictions set forth in this paragraph and the Corporation shall have no obligation to verify or confirm the accuracy of such determination. In addition, a determination as to any group status as contemplated above shall be determined in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. For purposes of this Section 4.2, in determining the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, a Holder may rely on the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock as stated in the most recent of the following: (i) the Corporation's most recent periodic or annual report filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, as the case may be, (ii) a more recent public announcement by the Corporation or (iii) a more recent written notice by the Corporation or the Corporation's transfer agent setting forth the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding. Upon the written or oral request (which may be via email) of a Holder, the Corporation shall within one Trading Day confirm orally and in writing to such Holder the number of shares of Class A Common Stock then outstanding. In any case, the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock shall be determined after giving effect to the conversion or exercise of securities of the Corporation, including the Series C Preferred Stock, by such Holder or its Affiliates or Attribution Parties since the date as of which such number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock was reported. The "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall be 9.99% of the number of shares of the Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Class A Common Stock issuable upon conversion of Series C Preferred Shares held by the applicable Holder. The limitations contained in this paragraph shall apply to a successor holder of Series C Preferred Stock.

Section 4.3. Automatic Conversion.

- (a) <u>Automatic Conversion</u>. Upon the fifth anniversary of the Issuance Date, each outstanding Series C Preferred Share will automatically and immediately convert (the "<u>Automatic Conversion</u>") into a number of duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable shares of Class A Common Stock or Pre-Funded Warrants as set forth in this <u>Article 4</u> without any further action by the Holders. From and after the Automatic Conversion, the Series C Preferred Shares shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding, and all rights of the Holders with respect to such Series C Preferred Shares shall immediately terminate, except the right to receive the shares of Class A Common Stock or Pre-Funded Warrants, as applicable.
- (b) <u>Automatic Conversion Notice</u>. In advance of the occurrence of the Automatic Conversion, the Corporation shall deliver to all Holders a written notice of the Automatic Conversion pursuant to this <u>Section 4.3</u>.
- (c) <u>Automatic Conversion Beneficial Ownership Limitation</u>. Upon the Automatic Conversion, in lieu of issuing any shares of Class A Common Stock to a Holder that would exceed the Beneficial Ownership Limitation, the Corporation will issue, and the Holder will receive, pre-funded warrants exercisable for the number of shares of Class A Common Stock which would otherwise be issuable ("<u>Pre-Funded Warrants</u>"), substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Annex B</u>, the exercise of which shall be subject to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation.
- <u>Section 4.4.</u> Transfer Taxes. Issuances of shares of Class A Common Stock or Pre-Funded Warrants upon conversion of the Series C Preferred Shares shall be made without charge to the Holder for any issuance or transfer tax in respect of the issuance thereof; *provided, however*, that the Corporation shall not be required to pay any tax which may be payable in respect of any transfer involved in the issuance or delivery of shares of Class A Common Stock or Pre-Funded Warrants in a name other than that of the converting Holder, and no such issuance or delivery need be made unless and until the Person requesting such issuance or delivery has paid to the Corporation the amount of any such tax or has established, to the reasonable satisfaction of the Corporation, that such tax has been, or will timely be, paid.
- <u>Section 4.5</u>. <u>Adjustments for Subsequent Events</u>. From and after the date of this Certificate of Designations, adjustments shall be made to the Conversion Price from time to time as follows:
- (a) Adjustment Upon Stock Dividends, Certain Issuances, Subdivisions or Combinations of Common Stock. If the Corporation, at any time while Series C Preferred Shares are outstanding: (i) pays a stock dividend or otherwise makes a distribution or distributions on shares of Class A Common Stock or any other equity or equity equivalent securities payable in shares of Class A Common Stock, (ii) subdivides outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock into a larger number of shares, (iii) combines (including by way of reverse stock split) outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, or (iv) issues by reclassification of shares of the Class A Common Stock any shares of capital stock of the Corporation, then in each case the Conversion Price shall be multiplied by a fraction of which the numerator shall be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock (excluding treasury shares, if any) outstanding immediately before such event and of which the denominator shall be the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event. Any adjustment made pursuant to this Section 4.5(a) shall become effective immediately after the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive such dividend or distribution and shall become effective immediately after the effective date in the case of a subdivision, combination or re-classification.
- (b) Fundamental Transaction. If, at any time while Series C Preferred Shares are outstanding, (i) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions effects any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with or into another Person (excluding a merger effected solely to change the Corporation's name), (ii) the Corporation (and all of its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole), directly or indirectly, effects any sale, lease, license, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of its assets in one or a series of related transactions, (iii) any direct or indirect purchase offer, tender offer or exchange offer (whether by the Corporation or another Person) is completed pursuant to which holders of Class A Common Stock are permitted to sell, tender or exchange their shares for other securities, cash or property and such offer has been accepted by the holders of 50% or more of the outstanding Class A Common Stock, (iv) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions effects any reclassification, reorganization or recapitalization of the Class A Common Stock or any compulsory share exchange pursuant to which the Class A Common Stock is effectively converted into or exchanged for other securities, cash or property, or (v) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions consummates a stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination (including, without limitation, a reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off, merger or scheme of arrangement) with another Person or group of Persons whereby such other Person or group acquires more than 50% of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock (not including any shares of Class A Common Stock held by the other Person or other Persons making or party to, or associated or affiliated with the other Persons making or party to such stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination) (each a "Fundamental Transaction"), then, upon any subsequent Optional Conversion or the Automatic Conversion, the Holder shall have the right to receive, for each share of Class A Common Stock that would have been issuable upon such Optional Conversion or the Automatic Conversion immediately prior to the occurrence of such Fundamental Transaction, at the option of the Holder (without regard to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation), the number of shares of common stock of the successor or acquiring corporation, or of the Class A Common Stock if the Corporation is the surviving corporation, and any additional consideration (the "Alternate <u>Consideration</u>") receivable as a result of such Fundamental Transaction by a holder of the number of shares of Class A Common Stock into which a Holder's Series C Preferred Shares are convertible immediately prior to such Fundamental Transaction (without regard to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation).

- (c) Alternate Consideration. If holders of Class A Common Stock are given any choice as to the securities, cash or property to be received in a Fundamental Transaction, then the Holder shall be given the same choice as to the Alternate Consideration it receives upon any Optional Conversion or the Automatic Conversion following such Fundamental Transaction. The Corporation shall cause any successor entity in a Fundamental Transaction in which the Corporation is not the survivor (the "Successor Entity") to assume in writing all of the obligations of the Corporation under this Certificate of Designations and the other Transaction Documents in accordance with the provisions of this Section 4.5(c) pursuant to written agreements in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Holder and approved by the Holder (without unreasonable delay) prior to such Fundamental Transaction and shall, at the option of the Holder, deliver to the Holder in exchange for the Series C Preferred Shares a security of the Successor Entity evidenced by a written instrument substantially similar in form and substance to this Certificate of Designations which is convertible for a corresponding number of shares of capital stock of such Successor Entity (or its parent entity) equivalent to the shares of Class A Common Stock acquirable and receivable upon an Optional Conversion or the Automatic Conversion (without regard to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation) prior to such Fundamental Transaction, and with a conversion price which applies the Conversion Price hereunder to such shares of capital stock (but taking into account the relative value of the shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to such Fundamental Transaction and the value of such shares of capital stock, such number of shares of capital stock and such conversion price being for the purpose of protecting the economic value of the Series C Preferred Shares immediately prior to the consummation of such Fundamental Transaction), and which is reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Holder. Upon the occurrence of any such Fundamental Transaction, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, the Corporation so that from and after the date of such Fundamental Transaction, the provisions of this Certificate of Designations and the other Transaction Documents referring to the "Company" or the "Corporation" shall refer instead to the Successor Entity, and the Successor Entity may exercise every right and power of the Corporation and shall assume all of the obligations of the Corporation under this Certificate of Designations and the other Transaction Documents with the same effect as if such Successor Entity had been named as the Corporation herein.
- (d) Other Distributions. During such time as the Series C Preferred Shares are outstanding, if the Corporation shall declare or make any dividend or other distribution of its assets (or rights to acquire its assets) to holders of shares of Class A Common Stock, by way of return of capital or otherwise (including, without limitation, any distribution of property or options by way of a dividend, spin off, reclassification, corporate rearrangement, scheme of arrangement or other similar transaction) other than any such dividend or distribution that is subject to Section 4.5(a) hereof (a "Distribution"), at any time after the issuance of the Series C Preferred Shares, then, in each such case, the Conversion Price shall be adjusted by multiplying the Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to the record date fixed for determination of stockholders entitled to receive such Distribution by a fraction of which the denominator shall be the closing price on the record date mentioned above, and of which the numerator shall be such closing price on such record date less the then-per-share fair market value at such record date of the portion of such assets or evidence of indebtedness so distributed applicable to one outstanding share of the Class A Common Stock as determined by the Board of Directors in good faith. In either case the adjustments shall be described in a statement provided to the Holder of the portion of assets or evidences of indebtedness so distributed or such subscription rights applicable to one share of Class A Common Stock. Such adjustment shall be made whenever any such distribution is made and shall become effective immediately after the record date mentioned above.

- (e) Repurchases. Unless otherwise adjusted pursuant to Section 4.5(a) through Section 4.5(f) hereof, if, at any time while Series C Preferred Shares are outstanding, the Corporation effects any Repurchases (as defined below), then, following the completion of the Repurchase, the Conversion Price shall be reduced to the price determined by multiplying the Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to the date of the Repurchase by a fraction of which the numerator shall be (i) the product of (A) the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the date of the Repurchase and (B) the closing price of the Class A Common Stock on the Trading Day immediately preceding the Corporation's first public disclosure of its intent to effect such Repurchases, minus (ii) the Assumed Payment Amount (as defined below), and of which the denominator shall be the product of (A) the number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the date of the Repurchase minus the number of shares of Class A Common Stock so repurchased and (B) the closing price of the Class A Common Stock on the Trading Day immediately preceding the Corporation's first public disclosure of its intent to effect such Repurchases. For purposes of the foregoing, the "Assumed Payment Amount" with respect to any Repurchases shall mean the closing price as of the date of such Repurchases, of the aggregate consideration paid to effect such Repurchases and "Repurchases" means any transaction or series of related transactions to purchase Class A Common Stock of the Corporation for a purchase price greater than the closing price on the Trading Day immediately prior to such transactions pursuant to any tender offer or exchange offer.
- (f) <u>Exceptions to Adjustment Upon Issuance of Class A Common Stock</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary herein, there shall be no adjustment to the Conversion Price with respect to any Excluded Issuance.

<u>Section 4.5. Rights Plans</u>. If the Corporation has a rights plan in effect with respect to the Common Stock when Series C Preferred Shares are converted, upon conversion of any shares of the Series C Preferred Stock, Holders of such shares will receive, in addition to the shares of Class A Common Stock, the rights under the rights plan relating to such Common Stock, unless, prior to such date the rights have (i) become exercisable or (ii) separated from the shares of Common Stock.

<u>Section 4.6.</u> Reservation of Shares Issuable <u>Upon Conversion</u>. The Corporation covenants that it will at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized and unissued shares of Class A Common Stock for the sole purpose of issuance upon conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock and, as applicable, the exercise of the Pre-Funded Warrants as herein provided, free from preemptive rights or any other actual contingent purchase rights of Persons other than the Holders, not less than such aggregate number of shares of the Class A Common Stock as shall be issuable (taking into account the adjustments and restrictions of this <u>Article 4</u>) upon the conversion of the then outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock and the exercise of the then outstanding Pre-Funded Warrants. The Corporation covenants that all shares of Class A Common Stock that shall be so issuable shall, upon issue, be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

Section 4.7. No Fractional Shares of Class A Common Stock. No fractional shares of Class A Common Stock will be issued as a result of any conversion of shares of Series C Preferred Stock. In lieu of any fractional share of Class A Common Stock otherwise issuable in respect of any conversion pursuant hereto, the Corporation shall pay (concurrently with the issuance of the shares of Class A Common Stock) an amount in cash (computed to the nearest cent) equal to the same fraction of the closing price of the Class A Common Stock determined as of the second Trading Day immediately preceding the date of conversion. If more than one share of the Series C Preferred Stock is surrendered for conversion at one time by or for the same Holder, the number of full shares of Class A Common Stock issuable upon conversion thereof shall be computed on the basis of the aggregate number of shares of the Series C Preferred Stock so surrendered.

# ARTICLE 5 DEFINITIONS

Unless the context otherwise requires, when used herein the following terms shall have the meaning indicated.

"Affiliate" means any person or entity that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with a Person, as such terms are used in and construed under Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. With respect to a Holder, any investment fund or managed account that is managed on a discretionary basis by the same investment manager as such Holder will be deemed to be an Affiliate of such Holder.

"Business Day" means a day except a Saturday, a Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in the City of New York are authorized or required by applicable law to be closed.

"Excluded Issuances" means any issuance of (a) shares of any equity securities pursuant to an employee stock option plan, management incentive plan, restricted stock plan, stock purchase plan or stock ownership plan or similar benefit plan, similar program or similar agreement as approved by the Board of Directors and shareholders of the Corporation existing on or prior to the date hereof, (b) shares of any equity securities issuable upon exercise of any warrants or upon conversion, exercise or redemption of other securities outstanding as of the date of this Certificate of Designations which have been disclosed in the Corporation's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Exchange Act prior to the date of this Certificate of Designations, or (c) shares of Class A Common Stock or securities convertible into Class A Common Stock, as applicable, issued by the Corporation upon any or pursuant to any of the other Transaction Documents.

"Holders" means the holders of outstanding Series C Preferred Shares as they appear in the records of the Corporation.

"<u>Person</u>" means any individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, joint venture, trust, incorporated organization or government or department or agency thereof.

"Subsidiary" means a corporation, association, company (including limited liability company), joint-stock company, business trust or other similar entity more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation or by one or more other Subsidiaries, or by the Corporation and one or more other Subsidiaries. For purposes of this definition, "voting stock" means stock which ordinarily has voting power for the election of directors, whether at all times or only so long as no senior class of stock has such voting power by reason of any contingency.

"<u>Trading Day</u>" means a day on which the Class A Common Stock is traded for any period on the principal securities exchange or if the Class A Common Stock is not traded on a principal securities exchange, on a day that the Class A Common Stock is traded on another securities market on which the Class A Common Stock is then being traded or if the Class A Common Stock is not then traded, Trading Day shall mean a Business Day.

"<u>Trading Market</u>" means any of the following markets or exchanges on which the Class A Common Stock is listed or quoted for trading on the date in question: the NYSE MKT, the Nasdaq Capital Market, the Nasdaq Global Market, the Nasdaq Global Select Market, the New York Stock Exchange, the OTC Bulletin Board, the OTCQB, or the OTCQX (or any successors to any of the foregoing).

"<u>Transaction Documents</u>" means that certain Exchange Agreement by and among the Corporation and the Holders, dated as of December 30, 2022, that certain Registration Rights Agreement by and among the Corporation and the Holders, dated as of February 20, 2023, the Pre-Funded Warrants, and this Certificate of Designations.

# ARTICLE 6 MISCELLANEOUS

<u>Section 6.1</u>. <u>Notices</u>. All notices or communications in respect of the Series C Preferred Shares shall be in writing, shall be effective upon delivery, and shall be delivered by (i) registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, (ii) reputable nationwide overnight courier service guaranteeing next Business Day delivery, (iii) personal delivery, or (iv) email, with written confirmation of receipt.

<u>Section 6.2</u>. <u>No Other Rights</u>. The Series C Preferred Shares shall not have any rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers or relative, participating, optional or other special rights, or qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, other than as expressly set forth herein or in the Certificate of Incorporation or as required by applicable law or regulation.

<u>Section 6.3</u>. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of the various subdivisions hereof are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of any of the provisions hereof.

<u>Section 6.4</u>. <u>Effectiveness</u>. This Certificate of Designations shall become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this Certificate of Designations to be duly executed and acknowledged by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, as of February 20, 2023.

## STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC.

By: /s/ Gregory A. Beard

Name: Gregory A. Beard

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

# ANNEX A

# STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC. SERIES C PREFERRED STOCK

# **CONVERSION NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby irrevocably elects to convert	shares of Series C Preferred Stock into shares of Class A
Common Stock according to the conditions of the Certificate of	f Designations of the Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of
Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc., as filed with the Secretary of S	
	e Corporation will pay any issuance or transfer tax on the issuance
of shares of Class A Common Stock, unless the tax is due beca	0 1
Stock to be issued in a name other than the undersigned's name terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the resp	
Designations.	
Date of Conversion:	
Signature:	
Name:	
Address:	

# ANNEX B

# FORM OF PRE-FUNDED WARRANT

# STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC. CLASS A COMMON STOCK PRE-FUNDED WARRANT

THIS PRE-FUNDED WARRANT (THE "WARRANT") AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE UPON EXERCISE OF THIS WARRANT HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "ACT"), OR QUALIFIED UNDER ANY STATE OR FOREIGN SECURITIES LAWS AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED FOR SALE, SOLD, PLEDGED, HYPOTHECATED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED OR ASSIGNED UNLESS (I) A REGISTRATION STATEMENT COVERING SUCH SECURITIES IS EFFECTIVE UNDER THE ACT AND IS QUALIFIED UNDER APPLICABLE STATE AND FOREIGN LAW OR (II) THE TRANSACTION IS EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION AND PROSPECTUS DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE ACT AND THE QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS UNDER APPLICABLE STATE AND FOREIGN LAW AND, IF THE COMPANY REQUESTS, AN OPINION SATISFACTORY TO THE COMPANY TO SUCH EFFECT HAS BEEN RENDERED BY COUNSEL.

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Original Issue Date: []
FOR VALUE RECEIVED, Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the " <u>Company</u> "), hereby certifies that [HOLDER] or its registered assigns (the " <u>Holder</u> ") is entitled to purchase from the Company [] duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable shares of Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, at a purchase price per share of \$0.001 (the " <u>Strike Price</u> "), all subject to the terms, conditions and adjustments set forth below in this Warrant.
This Warrant is being issued to the Holder in exchange for [] shares of the Company's Series C Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Series C Preferred Stock"), issued by the Company to the Holder on February 20, 2023.
<u><b>Definitions</b></u> . As used in this Warrant, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below:
"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such Person, it being understood for purposes of this definition that "control" of a Person means the power directly or indirectly to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person whether by contract or otherwise.
"Aggregate Strike Price" means an amount equal to the product of (a) the number of Warrant Shares in respect of which this Warrant is then outstanding, multiplied by (b) the Strike Price.
"Alternate Consideration" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(c)(ii).
"Attribution Parties" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(f)(i).
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- "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(f)(i).
- "Business Day" means any day, except a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.
- "<u>Certificate of Designations of the Series C Preferred Stock</u>" means the certificate of designations of the Series C Preferred Stock filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on February 20, 2023.
- "Common Stock" means the Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Company, and any capital stock into which such Common Stock shall have been converted, exchanged or reclassified following the date hereof.
  - "Company" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
  - "Distribution" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(c)(iii).
- "Exchange Agreement" means that certain Exchange Agreement by and among the Company, the Holder and the other holders party thereto, dated as of December 30, 2022.
- "Excluded Issuances" means any issuance of (a) shares of any equity securities pursuant to an employee stock option plan, management incentive plan, restricted stock plan, stock purchase plan or stock ownership plan or similar benefit plan, similar program or similar agreement as approved by the Board of Directors and shareholders of the Company existing on or prior to the date hereof, (b) shares of any equity securities issuable upon exercise of any warrants or upon conversion, exercise or redemption of other securities outstanding as of the date of this Warrant which have been disclosed in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (as amended, the "Exchange Act") prior to the date of this Warrant, or (c) shares of Common Stock or securities convertible into Common Stock, as applicable, issued by the Company upon exercise of this Warrant or pursuant to any of the other Transaction Documents.
- "Exercise Date" means, for any given exercise of this Warrant, the date on which the conditions to such exercise as set forth in Section 3(a) shall have been satisfied at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City, NY time, on a Business Day.
  - "Exercise Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.
  - "Fundamental Transaction" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(c)(ii).
  - "Holder" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
  - "Notice of Exercise" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(a).
  - "Original Issue Date" means the first date hereabove written.

- "Person" means any individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, joint venture, trust, incorporated organization or government or department or agency thereof.
- "Registration Rights Agreement" means that certain Registration Rights Agreement by and among the Company, the Holder and the other holders party thereto, dated as of February 20, 2023.
  - "Series C Preferred Stock" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- "<u>Strike Price</u>" has the meaning set forth in the preamble, subject to adjustments in accordance with the terms of this Warrant. No additional consideration (other than the Strike Price per Warrant Share) shall be required to be paid by the Holder to any Person to effect any exercise of this Warrant. The Holder shall not be entitled to the return or refund of all, or any portion, of such pre-paid aggregate exercise price under any circumstance or for any reason whatsoever, including in the event this Warrant shall not have been exercised prior to the Termination Date.
- "<u>Subsidiary</u>" means a corporation, association, company (including limited liability company), joint-stock company, business trust or other similar entity more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company or by one or more other Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Subsidiaries. For purposes of this definition, "voting stock" means stock which ordinarily has voting power for the election of directors, whether at all times or only so long as no senior class of stock has such voting power by reason of any contingency.
  - "Successor Entity" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(c)(ii).
  - "**Termination Date**" means the date on which this Warrant is exercised in full.
- "Trading Market" means any of the following markets or exchanges on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted for trading on the date in question: the NYSE MKT, the Nasdaq Capital Market, the Nasdaq Global Market, the Nasdaq Global Select Market, the New York Stock Exchange, the OTC Bulletin Board, the OTCQB, or the OTCQX (or any successors to any of the foregoing).
- "<u>Transaction Documents</u>" means the Exchange Agreement, the Certificate of Designations of the Series C Preferred Stock, the Registration Rights Agreement and this Warrant.

"Transfer Agent" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(c).

"YWAP" means, for any date, the price determined by the first of the following clauses that applies: (a) if the Common Stock is then listed or quoted on a Trading Market, the daily volume weighted average price of the Common Stock for such date (or the nearest preceding date) on the Trading Market on which the Common Stock is then listed or quoted as reported by Bloomberg L.P. (based on a trading day from 9:30 a.m. (New York City time) to 4:02 p.m. (New York City time)), (b) if the OTC Bulletin Board is not a Trading Market, the volume weighted average price of the Common Stock for such date (or the nearest preceding date) on the OTC Bulletin Board, (c) if the Common Stock is not then listed or quoted for trading on the OTC Bulletin Board and if prices for the Common Stock are then reported on the OTCQX, OTCQB or OTC Pink Marketplace maintained by the OTC Markets Group, Inc. (or a similar organization or agency succeeding to its functions of reporting prices), the volume weighted average price of the Common Stock on the first such facility (or a similar organization or agency succeeding to its functions of reporting prices), or (d) in all other cases, the fair market value of a share of Common Stock as determined by an independent appraiser selected in good faith by the Holder and reasonably acceptable to the Company, the fees and expenses of which shall be paid by the Company. For purposes of calculating VWAP over any multiple-day period, the number of shares of Common Stock shall be adjusted for any stock splits, stock combinations, reclassifications or similar transaction.

"<u>Warrant</u>" means this Warrant and all warrants issued upon division or combination of, or in substitution for, this Warrant.

"<u>Warrant Shares</u>" means the shares of Common Stock or other capital stock of the Company then purchasable upon exercise of this Warrant in accordance with the terms of this Warrant.

<u>Term of Warrant</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, at any time from the Original Issue Date through the Termination Date (the "<u>Exercise Period</u>"), the Holder of this Warrant may exercise this Warrant for all or any part of the Warrant Shares purchasable hereunder, subject to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation and subject to adjustment as provided herein.

### **Exercise of Warrant.**

**Exercise Procedure.** This Warrant may be exercised from time to time on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, for all or any part of the unexercised Warrant Shares, upon: surrender of this Warrant to the Company at the address for notices in Section 10 below (or an indemnification undertaking with respect to this Warrant in the case of its loss, theft or destruction), together with a duly completed and executed exercise notice in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Notice of Exercise").

### RESERVED.

**Delivery of Warrant Shares Upon Exercise.** In accordance with and subject to <u>Section 3(a)</u> and <u>Section 4</u> hereof, the Company shall, as promptly as practicable, and in any event within three (3) Business Days after surrender of this Warrant, instruct the transfer agent (the "<u>Transfer Agent</u>") for the Common Stock to record the issuance of the Warrant Shares purchased hereunder to the Holder in book-entry form pursuant to the Transfer Agent's regular procedures. The Warrant Shares shall be registered in the name of the Holder or, subject to compliance with <u>Section 5</u> below, such other Person's name as shall be designated. This Warrant shall be deemed to have been exercised in whole or in part, and such certificate or certificates of Warrant Shares shall be deemed to have been issued, and the Holder or any other Person so designated to be named therein shall be deemed to have become a holder of record of such Warrant Shares for all purposes, as of the applicable Exercise Date.

**Delivery of New Warrant**. Unless the purchase rights represented by this Warrant shall have been fully exercised, the Company shall, at the time of delivery of the Warrant Shares being issued in accordance with <u>Section 3(c)</u> hereof, deliver to the Holder a new Warrant evidencing the rights of the Holder to purchase the unexercised Warrant Shares called for by this Warrant. Such new Warrant shall in all other respects be identical to this Warrant.

Reservation of Shares. During the Exercise Period, the Company shall at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized but unissued Common Stock or other securities constituting Warrant Shares, solely for the purpose of issuance upon the exercise of this Warrant, the maximum number of Warrant Shares issuable upon the exercise of this Warrant, and the par value per Warrant Share shall at all times be less than or equal to the applicable Strike Price. The Company shall not increase the par value of any Warrant Shares receivable upon the exercise of this Warrant above the Strike Price then in effect, and shall take all such actions as may be necessary or appropriate so that the Company may validly and legally issue fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock upon the exercise of this Warrant.

**Exercise Restriction.** Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company shall not effect the exercise of any portion of this Warrant, and the Holder shall not have the right to exercise any portion of this Warrant, and any such exercise shall be null and void and treated as if never made, to the extent, and only to the extent, that:

the Holder (together with the Holder's Affiliates, and any other Persons acting as a group together with the Holder or any of the Holder's Affiliates (such Persons, "Attribution Parties")), would beneficially own in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation (as defined below) upon such exercise. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, for purposes of this Section 3(f)(i), beneficial ownership shall be calculated in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, it being acknowledged by the Holder that the Company is not representing to the Holder that such calculation is in compliance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the Holder is solely responsible for any schedules required to be filed in accordance therewith. To the extent that the limitation contained in this <u>Section 3(f)(i)</u> applies, the determination of whether this Warrant is exercisable (in relation to other securities owned by the Holder together with any Affiliates and Attribution Parties) and of which portion of this Warrant is exercisable shall be in the sole discretion of the Holder, and the submission of a Notice of Exercise shall be deemed to be the Holder's determination of whether this Warrant is exercisable (in relation to other securities owned by the Holder together with any Affiliates and Attribution Parties) and of which portion of this Warrant is exercisable, in each case subject to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation, and the Company shall have no obligation to verify or confirm the accuracy of such determination. For purposes of this Section 3(f)(i), in determining the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock, the Holder may rely on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock as reflected in (A) the Company's most recent periodic or annual report filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, as the case may be, (B) a more recent public announcement by the Company or (C) a more recent written notice by the Company or the Transfer Agent setting forth the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding. Upon the written or oral request of a Holder, the Company shall within one (1) Business Day confirm orally and in writing to the Holder the number of shares of Common Stock then outstanding. In any case, the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock shall be determined after giving effect to the conversion or exercise of securities of the Company, including this Warrant, by the Holder or its Affiliates or Attribution Parties since the date as of which such number of outstanding shares of Common Stock was reported. The "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall be 9.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of this Warrant. The limitations contained in this paragraph shall apply to a successor holder of this Warrant; or

such issuance, when aggregated with any other Common Stock theretofore or simultaneously therewith issued (including all of the transactions as contemplated under the Transaction Documents) to or otherwise beneficially owned by the Holder and its Affiliates and any other Persons or entities whose beneficial ownership of Common Stock would be aggregated with the Holder's for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act (including any shares held by any "group" of which the Holder is a member) would result in a "change of control" of the Company within the meaning of Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(b) or otherwise require shareholder approval under Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(d); except that such limitation under this Section 3(f)(ii) shall not apply in the event that the Company obtains all necessary stockholder approvals for such exchange in accordance with the Nasdaq Listing Rules. The Company has obtained any such necessary stockholder approval as of February 19, 2023. For purposes hereof, "group" has the meaning set forth in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and applicable regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the percentage held by the Holder shall be determined in a manner consistent with the provisions of Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act.

## Mandatory Cashless Exercise; Adjustments.

#### RESERVED.

<u>Cashless Exercise</u>. Upon the exercise of this Warrant in whole or in part, the Company will settle such exercise by paying or delivering, as applicable and as provided in this <u>Section 4(b)</u>, shares of Common Stock, together, if applicable, with cash in lieu of fractional shares, in the amounts set forth herein. This Warrant shall only be settled in shares of Common Stock, other than any cash payments in lieu of fractional shares, and shall not be settled in cash. Upon settlement of the exercise of each Warrant, the Company will deliver the following:

A number of shares of Common Stock equal to the greater of (x) zero and (y) the quotient obtained by dividing [(VP-SP)\*(WS)] by (VP), where:

WS = the number of Warrant Shares being exercised, subject to any adjustments as set forth in this Section 4;

VP = the 20-day VWAP as of the market close on the trading day immediately preceding the applicable Exercise Date; and

SP = the Strike Price in effect immediately after the close of business on such Exercise Date.

Additionally, if the calculation set forth in  $\underline{\text{Section 4(b)(i)}}$  results in the issuance of fractional shares of Common Stock, in lieu of delivering any fractional share of Common Stock otherwise due upon exercise of any Warrant, the Company shall, at its election, either pay a cash adjustment in respect of such final fraction based on the VP per share of Common Stock on the applicable Exercise Date as set forth in  $\underline{\text{Section 4(b)(i)}}$  or round up to the next whole share.

Strike Price and Warrant Share Adjustments. Each of the Strike Price and the Warrant Shares will be adjusted from time to time as

follows:

Adjustment Upon Stock Dividends, Certain Issuances, Subdivisions or Combinations of Common Stock. If the Company, at any time while this Warrant is outstanding: (A) pays a stock dividend or otherwise makes a distribution or distributions on shares of its Common Stock or any other equity or equity equivalent securities payable in shares of Common Stock, (B) subdivides outstanding shares of Common Stock into a larger number of shares, (C) combines (including by way of reverse stock split) outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, or (D) issues by reclassification of shares of the Common Stock any shares of capital stock of the Company, then in each case the Strike Price shall be multiplied by a fraction of which the numerator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock (excluding treasury shares, if any) outstanding immediately before such event and of which the denominator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event, and the number of Warrant Shares shall be proportionately adjusted such that the Aggregate Strike Price of this Warrant shall remain unchanged. Any adjustment made pursuant to this Section 4(c)(i) shall become effective immediately after the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive such dividend or distribution and shall become effective immediately after the effective date in the case of a subdivision, combination or re-classification.

Fundamental Transaction. If, at any time while this Warrant is outstanding, (A) the Company, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions effects any merger or consolidation of the Company with or into another Person (excluding a merger effected solely to change the Company's name), (B) the Company (and all of its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole), directly or indirectly, effects any sale, lease, license, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of its assets in one or a series of related transactions, (C) any direct or indirect purchase offer, tender offer or exchange offer (whether by the Company or another Person) is completed pursuant to which holders of Common Stock are permitted to sell, tender or exchange their shares for other securities, cash or property and such offer has been accepted by the holders of 50% or more of the outstanding Common Stock, (D) the Company, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions effects any reclassification, reorganization or recapitalization of the Common Stock or any compulsory share exchange pursuant to which the Common Stock is effectively converted into or exchanged for other securities, cash or property, or (E) the Company, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions consummates a stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination (including, without limitation, a reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off, merger or scheme of arrangement) with another Person or group of Persons whereby such other Person or group acquires more than 50% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (not including any shares of Common Stock held by the other Person or other Persons making or party to, or associated or affiliated with the other Persons making or party to such stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination) (each a "Fundamental Transaction"), then, upon any subsequent exercise of this Warrant, the Holder shall have the right to receive, for each Warrant Share that would have been issuable upon such exercise immediately prior to the occurrence of such Fundamental Transaction, at the option of the Holder (without regard to any limitation in <u>Section</u> 3(f)(i) on the exercise of this Warrant), the number of shares of Common Stock of the successor or acquiring corporation or of the Company, if it is the surviving corporation, and any additional consideration (the "Alternate Consideration") receivable as a result of such Fundamental Transaction by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock for which this Warrant is exercisable immediately prior to such Fundamental Transaction (without regard to any limitation in Section 3(f)(i) on the exercise of this Warrant).

For purposes of any such exercise, the determination of the Strike Price shall be appropriately adjusted to apply to such Alternate Consideration based on the amount of Alternate Consideration issuable in respect of one share of Common Stock in such Fundamental Transaction, and the Company shall apportion the Strike Price among the Alternate Consideration in a reasonable manner reflecting the relative value of any different components of the Alternate Consideration. If holders of Common Stock are given any choice as to the securities, cash or property to be received in a Fundamental Transaction. then the Holder shall be given the same choice as to the Alternate Consideration it receives upon any exercise of this Warrant following such Fundamental Transaction. The Company shall cause any successor entity in a Fundamental Transaction in which the Company is not the survivor (the "Successor Entity") to assume in writing all of the obligations of the Company under this Warrant and the other Transaction Documents in accordance with the provisions of this Section 4(c)(ii) pursuant to written agreements in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Holder and approved by the Holder (without unreasonable delay) prior to such Fundamental Transaction and shall, at the option of the Holder, deliver to the Holder in exchange for this Warrant a security of the Successor Entity evidenced by a written instrument substantially similar in form and substance to this Warrant which is exercisable for a corresponding number of shares of capital stock of such Successor Entity (or its parent entity) equivalent to the shares of Common Stock acquirable and receivable upon exercise of this Warrant (without regard to any limitations on the exercise of this Warrant) prior to such Fundamental Transaction, and with an exercise price which applies the exercise price hereunder to such shares of capital stock (but taking into account the relative value of the shares of Common Stock pursuant to such Fundamental Transaction and the value of such shares of capital stock, such number of shares of capital stock and such exercise price being for the purpose of protecting the economic value of this Warrant immediately prior to the consummation of such Fundamental Transaction), and which is reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Holder. Upon the occurrence of any such Fundamental Transaction, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, the Company so that from and after the date of such Fundamental Transaction, the provisions of this Warrant and the other Transaction Documents referring to the "Company" shall refer instead to the Successor Entity, and the Successor Entity may exercise every right and power of the Company and shall assume all of the obligations of the Company under this Warrant and the other Transaction Documents with the same effect as if such Successor Entity had been named as the Company herein.

Other Distributions. During such time as this Warrant is outstanding, if the Company shall declare or make any dividend or other distribution of its assets (or rights to acquire its assets) to holders of shares of Common Stock, by way of return of capital or otherwise (including, without limitation, any distribution of property or options by way of a dividend, spin off, reclassification, corporate rearrangement, scheme of arrangement or other similar transaction) other than any such dividend or distribution that is subject to Section 4(c)(i) hereof (a "Distribution"), at any time after the issuance of this Warrant, then, in each such case, the Strike Price shall be adjusted by multiplying the Strike Price in effect immediately prior to the record date fixed for determination of stockholders entitled to receive such Distribution by a fraction of which the denominator shall be the closing price on the record date mentioned above, and of which the numerator shall be such closing price on such record date less the then-per-share fair market value at such record date of the portion of such assets or evidence of indebtedness so distributed applicable to one outstanding share of the Common Stock as determined by the Board of Directors of the Company in good faith, and the number of Warrant Shares shall be proportionately adjusted such that the Aggregate Strike Price of this Warrant shall remain unchanged. In either case the adjustments shall be described in a statement provided to the Holder of the portion of assets or evidences of indebtedness so distributed or such subscription rights applicable to one share of Common Stock. Such adjustment shall be made whenever any such distribution is made and shall become effective immediately after the record date mentioned above.

Repurchases. Unless otherwise adjusted pursuant to Section 4(c)(i) through (vi) hereof, if, at any time while this Warrant is outstanding, the Company effects any Repurchases, then, following the completion of the Repurchase, the Strike Price shall be reduced to the price determined by multiplying the Strike Price in effect immediately prior to the date of the Repurchase by a fraction of which the numerator shall be (a) the product of (1) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the date of the Repurchase and (2) the closing price of the Common Stock on the trading day immediately preceding the Company's first public disclosure of its intent to effect such Repurchases, minus (b) the Assumed Payment Amount (as defined below), and of which the denominator shall be the product of (X) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the date of the Repurchase minus the number of shares of Common Stock so repurchased and (Y) the closing price of the Common Stock on the trading day immediately preceding the Company's first public disclosure of its intent to effect such Repurchases. In such event, the number of Warrant Shares issuable upon the exercise of this Warrant shall be increased to the number obtained by multiplying such number of Warrant Shares by the quotient of (A) the Strike Price in effect immediately prior to the date of the Repurchases divided by (B) the new Strike Price determined in accordance with the immediately preceding sentence. For purposes of the foregoing, the "Assumed Payment Amount" with respect to any Repurchases shall mean the closing price as of the date of such Repurchases, of the aggregate consideration paid to effect such Repurchases and "Repurchases" means any transaction or series of related transactions to purchase Common Stock of the Company for a purchase price greater than the closing price on the trading day immediately prior to such transactions pursuant to any tender offer

Exceptions to Adjustment Upon Issuance of Common Stock. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary herein, there shall be no adjustment to the number of Warrant Shares issuable upon exercise of this Warrant or the Strike Price with respect to any Excluded Issuance.

Notices. Whenever the Strike Price or the Warrant Shares are adjusted pursuant to any provision of this Section 4, the Company shall send to the Holder a notice setting forth the adjusted Strike Price or Warrant Shares and a brief statement of the facts requiring such adjustment. In the event the Company shall consummate any Fundamental Transaction then, unless the Company has made a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including pursuant to a Current Report on Form 8-K, which filing discloses such Fundamental Transaction, the Company shall give to each Holder a written notice of such Fundamental Transaction.

**Transfer of Warrant**. Subject to the transfer conditions referred to in the legend endorsed hereon, this Warrant and all rights hereunder are transferable, in whole or in part, by the Holder without charge to the Holder, upon surrender of this Warrant to the Company at the address for notices in Section 10 below (email being sufficient) with a properly completed and duly executed assignment in the form set forth on Exhibit B and any other documentation as may be reasonably requested from the Company. Upon such compliance, surrender and delivery, the Company shall execute and deliver a new Warrant or Warrants in the name of the assignee or assignees and in the denominations specified in such instrument of assignment, and shall issue to the assignor a new Warrant evidencing the portion of this Warrant, if any, not so assigned and this Warrant shall promptly be cancelled.

Holder Not Deemed a Stockholder; Limitations on Liability. Other than as set forth herein, prior to the issuance to the Holder of the Warrant Shares to which the Holder is then entitled to receive upon the due exercise of this Warrant, the Holder shall not be entitled to vote or be deemed the holder of shares of capital stock of the Company for any purpose (other than for tax purposes), nor shall anything contained in this Warrant be construed to confer upon the Holder, as such, any right to vote, give or withhold consent to any corporate action (whether any reorganization, issue of stock, reclassification of stock, consolidation, merger, conveyance or otherwise) or receive notice of meetings. In addition, nothing contained in this Warrant shall be construed as imposing any liabilities on the Holder to purchase any securities (upon exercise of this Warrant or otherwise) or as a stockholder of the Company, whether such liabilities are asserted by the Company or by creditors of the Company.

### Replacement on Loss; Division and Combination.

Replacement of Warrant on Loss. Upon receipt of evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Company of the loss, theft, destruction or mutilation of this Warrant and upon delivery of an indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it (it being understood that a written indemnification agreement or affidavit of loss of the Holder shall be a sufficient indemnity) and, in case of mutilation, upon surrender of such Warrant for cancellation to the Company, the Company at its own expense shall execute and deliver to the Holder, in lieu hereof, a new Warrant of like tenor and exercisable for an equivalent number of Warrant Shares as the Warrant so lost, stolen, mutilated or destroyed; provided, that, in the case of mutilation, no indemnity shall be required if this Warrant in identifiable form is surrendered to the Company for cancellation.

**Division and Combination of Warrant**. Subject to compliance with the applicable provisions of this Warrant as to any transfer or other assignment which may be involved in such division or combination, this Warrant may be divided or, following any such division of this Warrant, subsequently combined with other Warrants, upon the surrender of this Warrant or Warrants to the Company at its then principal executive offices, together with a written notice specifying the names and denominations in which new Warrants are to be issued, signed by the respective Holders or their agents or attorneys, along with any other documentation that the Company may reasonably request. Subject to compliance with the applicable provisions of this Warrant as to any transfer or assignment which may be involved in such division or combination, the Company shall at its own expense execute and deliver a new Warrant or Warrants in exchange for the Warrant or Warrants so surrendered in accordance with such notice. Such new Warrant or Warrants shall be of like tenor to the surrendered Warrant or Warrants and shall be exercisable in the aggregate for an equivalent number of Warrant Shares as the Warrant or Warrants so surrendered in accordance with such notice.

### **Compliance with the Act.**

Restrictive Legend. The Holder, by acceptance of this Warrant, agrees to comply in all respects with the provisions of this Section 8 and the restrictive legend requirements set forth on the face of this Warrant and further agrees that such Holder shall not offer, sell or otherwise dispose of this Warrant or any Warrant Shares to be issued upon exercise hereof except under circumstances that will not result in a violation of the Act. This Warrant and all Warrant Shares issued upon exercise of this Warrant (unless registered under the Act) shall be stamped or imprinted with a legend in substantially the following form:

"THIS WARRANT AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE UPON EXERCISE OF THIS WARRANT HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "ACT"), OR QUALIFIED UNDER ANY STATE OR FOREIGN SECURITIES LAWS AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED FOR SALE, SOLD, PLEDGED, HYPOTHECATED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED OR ASSIGNED UNLESS (I) A REGISTRATION STATEMENT COVERING SUCH SECURITIES IS EFFECTIVE UNDER THE ACT AND IS QUALIFIED UNDER APPLICABLE STATE AND FOREIGN LAW OR (II) THE TRANSACTION IS EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION AND PROSPECTUS DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE ACT AND THE QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS UNDER APPLICABLE STATE AND FOREIGN LAW AND, IF THE COMPANY REQUESTS, AN OPINION SATISFACTORY TO THE COMPANY TO SUCH EFFECT HAS BEEN RENDERED BY COUNSEL."

Removal of Restrictive Legend. The Company agrees, upon request of the Holder or permitted assignee, to take all steps reasonably necessary to promptly effect the removal of any restrictive legend from the certificates representing Warrant Shares or the book-entry account of such Warrant Shares, and the Company shall bear all costs associated therewith, regardless of whether the request is made in connection with a sale or otherwise, so long as the Holder, its permitted assigns or its broker provides to the Company a certification as to the length of time such Warrant Shares have been held and a certification that the Holder is not an affiliate of the Company. The Company shall cooperate with the Holder to effect the removal of the legend at any time such legend is no longer appropriate.

<u>Warrant Register</u>. The Company shall keep and properly maintain at its principal executive offices books for the registration of this Warrant and any transfers thereof. The Company may deem and treat the Person in whose name this Warrant is registered on such register as the Holder thereof for all purposes, and the Company shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary, except any assignment, division, combination or other transfer of this Warrant effected in accordance with the provisions of this Warrant.

<u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, consents, claims, demands, waivers and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given: (a) when delivered by hand (with written confirmation of receipt); (b) when received by the addressee if sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier (receipt requested); (c) on the date sent by e-mail of a PDF document (with confirmation of transmission); or (d) on the third day after the date mailed, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. Such communications must be sent to the respective parties at the addresses indicated below (or at such other address for a party as shall be specified in a notice given in accordance with this Section 10).

If to the Company: Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc.

595 Madison Avenue, 28th Floor

New York, NY 10022 Attention: Matthew Usdin

with a copy to: Vinson & Elkins LLP

901 East Byrd Street, Suite 1500

Richmond, VA 23219 Attention: Daniel M. LeBey

If to the Holder: To such Holder at the address of such Holder as listed in the stock record books of the Company.

<u>Cumulative Remedies</u>. Except to the extent expressly provided to the contrary, the rights and remedies provided in this Warrant are cumulative and are not exclusive of, and are in addition to and not in substitution for, any other rights or remedies available at law, in equity or otherwise.

**Entire Agreement**. This Warrant, together with the Transaction Documents, constitutes the sole and entire agreement of the parties with respect to this Warrant and the subject matter contained herein, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings and agreements, both written and oral, with respect to such subject matter. In the event of any inconsistency between the statements in the body of this Warrant and any of the Transaction Documents, the statements in the body of this Warrant shall control.

**Equitable Relief.** Each of the Company and the Holder acknowledges that a breach or threatened breach by such party of any of its obligations under this Warrant would give rise to irreparable harm to the other party hereto for which monetary damages would not be an adequate remedy and hereby agrees that in the event of a breach or a threatened breach by such party of any such obligations, the other party hereto shall, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies that may be available to it in respect of such breach, be entitled to equitable relief, including a restraining order, an injunction, specific performance and any other relief that may be available from a court of competent jurisdiction.

<u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Warrant and the rights evidenced hereby shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and the successors of the Company and the successors and permitted assigns of the Holder. Such successors and/or permitted assigns of the Holder shall be deemed to be a Holder for all purposes hereunder.

**No Third-Party Beneficiaries.** This Warrant is for the sole benefit of the Company and the Holder and their respective successors and, in the case of the Holder, permitted assigns and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other Person any legal or equitable right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever, under or by reason of this Warrant.

**Headings**. The headings in this Warrant are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Warrant.

Amendment and Modification; Waiver. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Warrant may only be amended, modified or supplemented by an agreement in writing signed by each party hereto. No waiver by the Company or the Holder of any of the provisions hereof shall be effective unless explicitly set forth in writing and signed by the party so waiving. No waiver by any party shall operate or be construed as a waiver in respect of any failure, breach or default not expressly identified by such written waiver, whether of a similar or different character, and whether occurring before or after that waiver. No failure to exercise, or delay in exercising, any rights, remedy, power or privilege arising from this Warrant shall operate or be construed as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege.

<u>Severability</u>. If any term or provision of this Warrant is invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other term or provision of this Warrant or invalidate or render unenforceable such term or provision in any other jurisdiction.

Governing Law. This Warrant shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Delaware without giving effect to any choice or conflict of law provision or rule (whether of the State of Delaware or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of laws of any jurisdiction other than those of the State of Delaware.

<u>Submission to Jurisdiction</u>. Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Warrant or the transactions contemplated hereby may be instituted in the federal courts of the United States of America or the Chancery Court of the State of Delaware in each case located in the city of Wilmington, and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in any such suit, action or proceeding. Service of process, summons, notice or other document by certified or registered mail to such party's address set forth herein shall be effective service of process for any suit, action or other proceeding brought in any such court. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any suit, action or any proceeding in such courts and irrevocably waive and agree not to plead or claim in any such court that any such suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum.

<u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. Each party acknowledges and agrees that any controversy which may arise under this Warrant is likely to involve complicated and difficult issues and, therefore, each party irrevocably and unconditionally waives any right it may have to a trial by jury in respect of any legal action arising out of or relating to this Warrant or the transactions contemplated hereby.

**Counterparts.** This Warrant may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement. A signed copy of this Warrant delivered by facsimile, e-mail or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Warrant.

**No Strict Construction**. This Warrant shall be construed without regard to any presumption or rule requiring construction or interpretation against the party drafting an instrument or causing any instrument to be drafted.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has duly executed this Warrant as of the Original Issue Date.

STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC.

By:			
Name:			
Title:			
WARRAI	NT AGREEMENT		

SIGNATURE PAGE TO

ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED:	
[HOLDER]	
By: Name: Title:	
	Signature Page to Warrant Agreement

#### **EXHIBIT A**

### NOTICE OF EXERCISE

To: STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC.

Reference is made to that certain Class A Common Stock Pre-Funded Warrant (the "<u>Warrant</u>") issued by Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc. (the "<u>Company</u>") on [DATE]. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings given thereto in the Warrant.

The undersigned Holder of the Warrant hereby elects to exercise the Warrant for \_\_\_\_\_ number of Warrant Shares, subject to tender of Warrant Shares pursuant to the cashless exercise provisions of <u>Section 4</u> of the Warrant.

The undersigned Holder hereby instructs the Company to issue the applicable net number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrant pursuant to the cashless exercise provisions of <u>Section 4</u> of the Warrant, in the name of the undersigned Holder. [The Holder's calculation of such net number shall be provided to the Company upon request.]

The undersigned Holder hereby represents and warrants to the Company that, as of the date hereof:

**Experience**; Accredited Investor Status. The Holder (i) is an accredited investor as that term is defined in Rule 501 of Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act, is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Company, (iii) has the capacity to protect its own interests, and (iv) has the financial ability to bear the economic risk of its investment in the Company.

Company Information. The Holder has been provided access to all information, including through the Company's publicly available documents and filings, regarding the business and financial condition of the Company, its expected plans for future business activities, material contracts, intellectual property, and the merits and risks of its purchase of the Warrant Shares, which it has requested or otherwise needs to evaluate an investment in the Warrant Shares. It has had an opportunity to discuss the Company's business, management and financial affairs with directors, officers and management of the Company and has had the opportunity to review the Company's operations and facilities. It has also had the opportunity to ask questions of, and receive answers from, the Company and its management regarding the terms and conditions of this investment and all such questions have been answered to its satisfaction.

<u>Investment</u>. The Holder has not been formed solely for the purpose of making this investment and is acquiring the Warrant Shares for investment for its own account, not as a nominee or agent, and not with the view to, or for resale in connection with, any distribution of any part thereof. It understands that the Warrant Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act or applicable state and other securities laws and are being issued by reason of a specific exemption from the registration provisions of the Securities Act and applicable state and other securities laws, the availability of which depends upon, among other things, the bona fide nature of the investment intent and the accuracy of the Holder's representations as expressed herein.

Name of Registered Owner:			
Signature of Authorized Signatory of Registered Owner	r:		
Name of Authorized Signatory:			
Title of Authorized Signatory:			
Date:			
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restrictions under the federal securities laws and (ii) it may have to bear the economic risk of this investment for an indefinite period of time unless the Warrant Shares are subsequently registered under the Securities Act and applicable state and other securities laws or unless an exemption from such

registration is available.

Transfer Restrictions. The Holder acknowledges and understands that (i) transfers of the Warrant Shares are subject to transfer

# EXHIBIT B

# ASSIGNMENT FORM

(To assign the foregoing Warrant, execute this form and supply required information. Do not use this form to purchase shares.)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the foregoing Warrant and all rights evidenced thereby are hereby assigned to

Name:	
	(Please Print)
Address:	
Details	(Please Print)
Dated: Holder's Signature:	
Holder 3 Signature.	
Holder's Address:	
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#### REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

This **REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT** (this "**Agreement**") is made and entered into as of February 20, 2023, by and among Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), Adage Capital Partners, LP ("**Adage**"), Continental General Insurance Company ("**CGIC**") and Parallaxes Capital Opportunity Fund IV, L.P. ("**Parallaxes**" and, together with Adage and CGIC, the "**Investors**").

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to that Exchange Agreement, dated as of December 30, 2022, by and among the Company and the Investors, the Company will issue to the Investors an aggregate of 23,102 shares (collectively, the "Investor Shares") of the Company's Series C Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Series C Preferred Stock").

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms of the Exchange Agreement, the Company has agreed to provide certain registration rights under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, or any similar successor statute (collectively, the "Securities Act"), and applicable state securities laws, with respect to the shares of Class A common stock of the Company, par value \$0.0001 per share ("Common Stock"), that may be received upon conversion of the Investor Shares or upon the exercise of pre-funded warrants that may be issued in connection with the Exchange Agreement in lieu of Common Stock (the "Pre-Funded Warrants") in accordance with their terms (the "Shares").

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Investors hereby agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth in this <u>Section 1</u> and other terms are defined throughout this Agreement:
- "Business Day" means a day other than Saturday, Sunday or any other day which commercial banks in New York, New York are authorized or required by law to close.
  - "Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- **"Effective Date"** means, as to a Registration Statement, the date on which such Registration Statement is first declared effective by the Commission.

"Effectiveness Date" means, with respect to the Resale Registration Statement required to be filed hereunder, the 60th calendar day following the date hereof (or, in the event of a review by the Commission, the 90th calendar day following the date hereof) and with respect to any additional Registration Statements which may be required pursuant to Section 2(b) or Section 3(b), the 30th calendar day following the date on which an additional Registration Statement is required to be filed hereunder (or, in the event of a review by the Commission, the 60th calendar day following the date such additional Registration Statement is required to be filed hereunder); provided, however, that in the event the Company is notified by the Commission that one or more of the above Registration Statements will not be reviewed or is no longer subject to further review and comments, the Effectiveness Date as to such Registration Statement shall be the fifth Trading Day following the date on which the Company is so notified if such date precedes the dates otherwise required above, provided, further, if such Effectiveness Date falls on a day that is not a Trading Day, then the Effectiveness Date shall be the next succeeding Trading Day. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company will not be required to cause the Resale Registration Statement to become effective prior to April 1, 2023.

"Effectiveness Period" means, as to any Registration Statement required to be filed pursuant to this Agreement, the period commencing on the Effective Date of such Registration Statement and ending on (a) the date that all of the Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement have been publicly sold by the Holders of the Registrable Securities included therein, or (b) such time as all of the Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement may be sold by the Holders without restriction pursuant to Rule 144 as determined by the counsel to the Company pursuant to a written opinion letter to such effect, addressed and acceptable to the Company's transfer agent and the affected Holders.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"FINRA" means the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.

"Holder" or "Holders" means the holder or holders, as the case may be, from time to time of Registrable Securities (and securities convertible into or exchangeable for Registrable Securities) and, if other than the Investors, a Person to whom the rights hereunder have been properly assigned pursuant to Section 8 hereof.

"New York Courts" means the state and federal courts sitting in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan.

"Person" means any individual or entity, including any corporation, limited liability company, partnership (general or limited), joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust, incorporated organization, or governmental entity.

**"Proceeding"** means an action, claim, suit, investigation or proceeding (including, without limitation, an investigation or partial proceeding, such as a deposition), whether commenced or threatened.

**"Prospectus"** means the prospectus included in a Registration Statement (including, without limitation, a prospectus that includes any information previously omitted from a prospectus filed as part of an effective registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A promulgated under the Securities Act), as amended or supplemented by any prospectus supplement, with respect to the terms of the offering of any portion of the Registrable Securities covered by a Registration Statement, and all other amendments and supplements to the Prospectus, including post-effective amendments, and all material incorporated by reference or deemed to be incorporated by reference in such Prospectus.

"Registrable Securities" means: (i) the Shares, whether issued or issuable or held as of the date hereof or subsequently acquired (assuming on such date any convertible or exercisable securities are exercised in full without regard to any exercise limitations therein); and (ii) any securities issued or issuable upon any stock split, dividend or other distribution, recapitalization or similar event, or any price adjustment as a result of such stock splits, reverse stock splits or similar events with respect to any of the securities referenced in clause (i) above. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a security shall cease to be a Registrable Security for purposes of this Agreement from and after such time as the Holder of such security may resell such security without restriction under Rule 144, as determined by counsel to the Company pursuant to a written opinion letter to such effect, addressed and acceptable to the Company's transfer agent and the affected Holders.

**"Registration Statement"** means any registration statement of the Company filed or confidentially submitted with the Commission under the Securities Act that covers the resale of Registrable Securities pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, including the Prospectus, amendments and supplements to such registration statement or Prospectus, including pre- and post-effective amendments, all exhibits thereto and all material incorporated by reference or deemed to be incorporated by reference, if any, in such registration statement.

**"Rule 144"** means Rule 144 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission having substantially the same effect as such Rule.

**"Rule 415"** means Rule 415 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission having substantially the same effect as such Rule.

**"Rule 424"** means Rule 424 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission having substantially the same effect as such Rule.

"Selling Holder Questionnaire" means the selling security holder notice and questionnaire attached as <u>Annex B</u> hereto.

"Trading Market" means any of the following markets or exchanges on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted for trading on the date in question: the NYSE American, the Nasdaq Capital Market, the Nasdaq Global Market, the Nasdaq Global Select Market, the New York Stock Exchange, the OTC Bulletin Board, the OTCQB, or the OTCQX (or any successors to any of the foregoing).

#### 2. <u>Registration</u>.

(a) Prior to or on the date that is two (2) Business Days after the Company files its annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company shall prepare and file or confidentially submit with the Commission a Registration Statement covering the resale of all Registrable Securities not already covered by an existing and effective Registration Statement for an offering to be made on a continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 (a "Resale Shelf Registration Statement"). The Resale Shelf Registration Statement shall be filed on Form S-3, unless the Company is not eligible to file a Form S-3, then it shall be filed on Form S-1 (or on such other form appropriate for such purpose) and contain (except if otherwise required pursuant to written comments received from the Commission upon a review of such Resale Shelf Registration Statement, other than as to the characterization of any Holder as an underwriter, which shall not occur unless such characterization is consistent with written information provided by the Holder in the Selling Holder Questionnaire) a "Plan of Distribution" in substantially the form attached hereto as Annex A. The Company shall cause the Resale Shelf Registration Statement to be declared effective under the Securities Act as soon as reasonably practicable, but in any event no later than the applicable Effectiveness Date, and shall use its reasonable best efforts to keep each such Resale Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective during its entire Effectiveness Period. By 9:30 a.m. (New York City time) on the Business Day immediately following the Effective Date of the Resale Shelf Registration Statement, the Company shall file with the Commission in accordance with Rule 424 the final Prospectus to be used in connection with sales pursuant to such Resale Shelf Registration Statement (whether or not such filing is technically required under such Rule) in accordance with the requirements of Rule 424.

- (b) If the Resale Shelf Registration Statement is not initially filed on Form S-3, then following any date on which the Company becomes eligible to use a registration statement on Form S-3 to (and provided it is not subject to any other restrictions imposed by the Commission from filing or otherwise using a registration statement on Form S-3) register Registrable Securities for resale, the Company shall file a Registration Statement on Form S-3 covering all securities that are then deemed Registrable Securities (or a post-effective amendment on Form S-3 to the then effective Registration Statement) for an offering to be made on a continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 (an "S-3 Resale Shelf Registration Statement") and shall cause such S-3 Resale Shelf Registration Statement to be filed as soon as commercially reasonable and declared effective under the Securities Act as soon as reasonably possible thereafter, but in any event no later than the applicable Effectiveness Date. Such S-3 Resale Shelf Registration Statement shall contain (except if otherwise required pursuant to written comments received from the Commission upon a review of such S-3 Resale Shelf Registration Statement, other than as to the characterization of any Holder as an underwriter, which shall not occur unless such characterization is consistent with written information provided by the Holder in the Selling Holder Questionnaire) a "Plan of Distribution" in substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Annex</u> A. The Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to keep such S-3 Resale Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective under the Securities Act during the entire Effectiveness Period. By 9:30 a.m. (New York City time) on the Business Day immediately following the Effective Date of such S-3 Resale Shelf Registration Statement, the Company shall file with the Commission in accordance with Rule 424 the final Prospectus to be used in connection with sales pursuant to such S-3 Resale Shelf Registration Statement (whether or not such filing is technically required under such Rule) in accordance with the requirements of Rule 424.
- (c) Each Holder agrees to furnish to the Company a completed Selling Holder Questionnaire in the form attached to this Agreement as <u>Annex B</u>. The Company shall not be required to include the Registrable Securities of a Holder in any Registration Statement if such Holder fails to furnish to the Company a fully completed Selling Holder Questionnaire at least two Business Days prior to the filing of the Resale Shelf Registration Statement or S-3 Resale Shelf Registration Statement (subject to the requirements set forth in <u>Section 3(a)</u>).
- (d) The Company shall promptly notify the Holders via e-mail (to the extent a Holder has provided the Company with a valid and working email address) of the effectiveness of a Registration Statement on the same Trading Day that the Company confirms effectiveness with the Commission, which shall be the date of effectiveness of such Registration Statement.
  - 3. <u>Registration Procedures</u>. In connection with the Company's registration obligations hereunder:

(a) If requested by the Holder and, if necessary, such Holder has delivered an Opt-In Election (as defined below) on a timely basis, not less than one (1) Trading Day prior to the filing of each Registration Statement and not less than one (1) Trading Day prior to the filing of any related Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto (including any document that would be incorporated or deemed to be incorporated therein by reference), the Company shall (i) furnish to each Holder copies of all such documents proposed to be filed, which documents (other than those incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference) will be subject to the review of such Holders, and (ii) cause its officers and directors, counsel and independent registered public accountants to respond to such inquiries as shall be necessary, in the reasonable opinion of respective counsel to each Holder, to conduct a reasonable investigation within the meaning of the Securities Act. The Company shall not file a Registration Statement or any such Prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto to which the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities (that have requested the foregoing and, if necessary, have timely delivered an Opt-In Election) shall reasonably object in good faith, provided that, the Company is notified of such objection in writing no later than two (2) Trading Days after the Holders have been so furnished copies of a Registration Statement or one (1) Trading Day after the Holders have been so furnished copies of any related Prospectus or amendments or supplements thereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall provide a copy of the "Selling Stockholder" and "Plan of Distribution" section (or any amendments or supplements thereto) at least three (3) Trading Days prior to filing (which shall not contain any material non-public information) and shall not file a Registration Statement, any Prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto in which the "Selling Stockholder" or "Plan of Distribution" section thereof differs from the disclosure received from a Holder in its Selling Holder Questionnaire (as amended or supplemented) or Annex A unless consented to in writing by such Holder. The Company shall not file a Registration Statement, any Prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto in which it (i) characterizes any Holder as an underwriter, unless such characterization is consistent with written information provided by the Holder in the Selling Holder Questionnaire, (ii) excludes a particular Holder due to such Holder refusing to be named as an underwriter, or (iii) reduces the number of Registrable Securities being registered on behalf of a Holder without such Holder's express written authorization. The Company shall also ensure that each Registration Statement (including any amendments or supplements thereto and prospectuses contained therein) shall not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein, or necessary to make the statements therein (in the case of prospectuses, in the light of the circumstances in which they were made) not misleading.

(b) The Company shall (i) prepare and file with the Commission such amendments, including post-effective amendments, to each Registration Statement and the Prospectus used in connection therewith as may be necessary to keep such Registration Statement continuously effective as to the applicable Registrable Securities for its Effectiveness Period and prepare and file with the Commission such additional Registration Statements in order to register for resale under the Securities Act all of the Registrable Securities, (ii) cause the related Prospectus to be amended or supplemented by any required Prospectus supplement, and as so supplemented or amended to be filed pursuant to Rule 424, (iii) respond as promptly as reasonably possible to any comments received from the Commission with respect to each Registration Statement or any amendment thereto, and (iv) comply in all material respects with the provisions of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act with respect to the Registration Statement(s) and the disposition of all Registrable Securities covered by each Registration Statement.

- (c) The Company shall notify the Holders as promptly as reasonably possible (i)(A) when a Prospectus or any Prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment to a Registration Statement is proposed to be filed; and (B) with respect to each Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective; (ii) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of a Registration Statement covering any or all of the Registrable Securities or the initiation of any Proceedings for that purpose; (iii) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification or exemption from qualification of any of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction, or the initiation or threatening of any Proceeding for such purpose; and (iv) of the occurrence of any event or passage of time that makes the financial statements included in a Registration Statement ineligible for inclusion therein or any statement made in such Registration Statement or Prospectus or any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated therein by reference untrue in any material respect or that requires any revisions to such Registration Statement, Prospectus or other documents so that, in the case of such Registration Statement or the Prospectus, as the case may be, it will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- (d) The Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to prevent the issuance of any stop order or other suspension of effectiveness of a Registration Statement, or the suspension of the qualification of any of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction and, if such an order or suspension is issued, to obtain the withdrawal of such order or suspension at the earliest possible moment and to notify the Holders of the issuance of such order and the resolution thereof or its receipt of actual notice of the initiation or threat of any proceeding for such purpose.
- (e) The Company shall promptly deliver to the Holders, without charge, as many copies of each Prospectus or Prospectuses (including each form of prospectus) and each amendment or supplement thereto as the Holders may reasonably request. The Company hereby consents to the use of such Prospectus and each amendment or supplement thereto by each of the selling Holders in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by such Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto.
- (f) Prior to any public offering of Registrable Securities, the Company shall (i) register or qualify such Registrable Securities for offer and sale under the securities or Blue Sky laws of all jurisdictions within the United States as any Holder may request, (ii) keep each such registration or qualification (or exemption therefrom) effective during the Effectiveness Period and (iii) do any and all other acts or things necessary or advisable to enable the disposition in such jurisdictions of the Registrable Securities covered by the Registration Statements; provided, however, in connection with any such registration or qualification, the Company shall not be required to (A) qualify to do business in any jurisdiction where the Company would not otherwise be required to qualify, (B) subject itself to general taxation in any such jurisdiction, (C) file a general consent to service of process in any jurisdiction, or (D) make any change to the Company's articles of incorporation or bylaws.
- (g) The Company shall cooperate with the Holders who hold Registrable Securities being offered and, to the extent applicable, facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates or book-entry securities (not bearing any restrictive legend to the extent permitted by the federal securities laws) representing the Registrable Securities to be offered pursuant to a Registration Statement and enable such certificates or book-entry securities to be in such denominations or amounts, as the case may be, as the Holders may reasonably request and registered in such names as the Holders may request.

- (h) As promptly as reasonably possible upon the occurrence of any event contemplated by Section 3(c)(iv), the Company shall prepare a supplement or amendment, including a post-effective amendment, to the affected Registration Statements or a supplement to the related Prospectus or any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated therein by reference, and file any other required document so that, as thereafter delivered, no Registration Statement nor any Prospectus will contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- (i) For so long as the Registrable Securities that have been registered under a Registration Statement remain Registrable Securities, the Company shall notify the Holders thereof in writing of the happening of any event, as promptly as reasonably practicable after becoming aware of such event, as a result of which the prospectus included in a Registration Statement, as then in effect, includes an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (provided that in no event shall such notice contain any material, nonpublic information unless a Holder has made an Opt-In Election), and shall as promptly as reasonably practicable prepare a supplement or amendment to such Registration Statement to correct such untrue statement or omission. The Company shall also notify the Holders of Registrable Securities that have been registered under a Registration Statement in writing as promptly as reasonably possible when a prospectus or any prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment has been filed, and when the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment relating to such Registrable Securities has become effective.
- (j) If any Holder is required under applicable securities laws to be described in the Registration Statement as an underwriter, at the reasonable request of such Holder or in connection with an underwritten offering at the request of the underwriters, the Company shall furnish to such Holder and underwriters, as applicable, on the date of the effectiveness of the Registration Statement and thereafter from time to time on such dates as a Holder and underwriters may reasonably request, as applicable: (i) a letter, dated such date, from the Company's independent certified public accountants in form and substance as is customarily given by independent certified public accountants to underwriters in an underwritten public offering, addressed to the Holders and underwriters, as applicable, and (ii) an opinion, dated as of such date, of counsel representing the Company for purposes of such Registration Statement, in form, scope and substance reasonably acceptable to such counsel and as is customarily given in an underwritten public offering, addressed to the Holders and underwriters, as applicable.
- (k) Other than the information regarding a Holder provided by such Holder to the Company for inclusion in a Registration Statement, the Company shall hold in confidence and not make any disclosure of information concerning a Holder provided to the Company unless: (i) disclosure of such information is necessary to comply with federal or state securities laws, (ii) the disclosure of such information is necessary to avoid or correct a misstatement or omission in any Registration Statement, (iii) the release of such information is ordered pursuant to a subpoena or other final, non-appealable order from a court or governmental body of competent jurisdiction, or (iv) such information has been made generally available to the public other than by disclosure in violation of this Agreement or any other agreement. The Company agrees that it shall, upon learning that disclosure of such information concerning a Holder is sought in or by a court or governmental body of competent jurisdiction or through other means, give prompt written notice to such Holder and allow such Holder, at the Holder's expense, to undertake appropriate action to prevent disclosure of, or to obtain a protective order for, such information.

- (l) The Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause all of the Registrable Securities covered by a Registration Statement to be listed on each Trading Market on which securities of the same class or series issued by the Company are then listed, if any, if the listing of such Registrable Securities is then permitted under the rules of such Trading Market. The Company shall pay all fees and expenses in connection with satisfying its obligation under this Section 3(1).
- (m) If requested by a Holder and to the extent legally required for the Holder to offer and sell Registrable Securities or required by any underwriters, the Company shall as soon as practicable: (i) incorporate in a prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment such information as a Holder reasonably requests to be included therein relating to the sale and distribution of Registrable Securities, including, without limitation, information with respect to the number of Registrable Securities being offered or sold, the purchase price being paid therefor and any other terms of the offering of the Registrable Securities to be sold in such offering; (ii) make all required filings of such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment after being notified of the matters to be incorporated in such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment; and (iii) supplement or make amendments to any Registration Statement if reasonably requested by a Holder holding any Registrable Securities.
- (n) The Company shall enter into customary agreements and take such other actions as are reasonably requested by the Holders or the underwriters, if any, in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities and entry of such Registrable Securities in book-entry form with The Depository Trust Company.
- (o) The Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to take all other steps reasonably necessary to effect the registration of the Registrable Securities contemplated hereby and to assist the Holders in completing the offer and sale thereof.

- Notice Opt-In and Opt-Out. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, until a Holder makes an affirmative written election (which may be done by so indicating on the applicable signature page hereto), the Company shall not deliver any notice or any information to such Holder that would reasonably be expected to constitute material non-public information ("MNPI"), including any applicable registration notices, or any other information under this Agreement. Upon receipt of a written election to receive such notices or information (an "Opt-In Election") the Company shall provide to the Holder all applicable notices or information pursuant to this Agreement from the date of such Opt-In Election. At any time following a Holder making an Opt-In Election, such Holder may also make a written election to no longer receive any such notices or information (an "Opt-Out Election"), which election shall cancel any previous Opt-In Election, and, following receipt of such Opt-Out Election, the Company shall not deliver any such notice or information to such Holder from the date of such Opt-Out Election. An Opt-Out Election may state a date on which it expires or, if no such date is specified, shall remain in effect indefinitely. A Holder who previously has given the Company an Opt-In Election or Opt-Out Election may revoke such election at any time, and there shall be no limit on the ability of a Holder to issue and revoke subsequent Opt-In Elections and Opt-Out Elections. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent the Company reasonably and in good faith determines that it is necessary to disclose MNPI to a Holder in order to comply with its obligations hereunder (a "Necessary Disclosure"), the Company shall inform counsel to such Holder to the extent such counsel has been identified in writing to the Company in advance of such determination without disclosing the applicable MNPI, and the Company and such counsel on behalf of the applicable Holder shall endeavor to agree upon a process for making such Necessary Disclosure to the applicable Holder or its representatives that is mutually acceptable to such Holder and the Company (an "Agreed Disclosure Process"). Thereafter, the Company shall be permitted to make such Necessary Disclosure in accordance with the Agreed Disclosure Process.
- 5. Registration Expenses. All fees and expenses incident to the performance of or compliance with this Agreement by the Company shall be borne by the Company. Such fees and expenses referred to in the foregoing sentence shall include, without limitation, (i) registration and filing fees (including, without limitation, fees and expenses (A) with respect to filings required to be made with any Trading Market on which the Common Stock or other Registrable Securities are then listed or quoted for trading, (B) with respect to filings with FINRA, and (C) in compliance with applicable state securities or Blue Sky laws), (ii) printing expenses (including, without limitation, expenses of printing certificates for Registrable Securities and of printing prospectuses if the printing of prospectuses is reasonably requested by a Holder), (iii) messenger, telephone and delivery expenses, (iv) fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company, and (v) fees and expenses of all other Persons retained by the Company in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. In no event shall the Company be responsible for any broker or similar commissions or fees incurred by any Holder, except to the extent provided for in this Agreement or the Exchange Agreement referred to herein, including any legal fees or other cost, of the Holders incurred in connection with this Agreement.

#### 6. <u>Indemnification</u>.

(a) Indemnification by the Company. The Company shall, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, indemnify and hold harmless each Holder, the officers, directors, agents, investment advisors, partners, members and employees of each of them, each Person who controls any such Holder (within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act) and the officers, directors, agents and employees of each such controlling Person, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, costs (including, without limitation, reasonable costs of preparation and reasonable attorneys' fees) and expenses (collectively, "Losses"), as incurred, arising out of or relating to any untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Registration Statement, any Prospectus or any form of prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto or in any preliminary prospectus, or arising out of or relating to any omission or alleged omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein (in the case of any Prospectus or form of prospectus or supplement thereto, in light of the circumstances under which they were made) not misleading, except to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statements or omissions are based solely upon information regarding such Holder furnished in writing to the Company by such Holder expressly for use therein, or to the extent that such information relates to such Holder or such Holder's proposed method of distribution of Registrable Securities and was reviewed and expressly approved in writing by such Holder expressly for use in the Registration Statement, such Prospectus or such form of prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto. The Company shall notify the Holders promptly of the institution, threat or assertion of any Proceeding of which the Company is aware in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agre

- (b) <u>Indemnification by Holders</u>. Each Holder shall, severally and not jointly, indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its directors, officers, agents and employees, each Person who controls the Company (within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act and Section 20 of the Exchange Act), and the directors, officers, agents or employees of such controlling Persons, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, from and against all Losses, as incurred, arising solely out of or based solely upon any untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Registration Statement, any Prospectus, or any form of prospectus, or in any amendment or supplement thereto, or arising solely out of or based solely upon any omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading to the extent, but only to the extent that, such untrue statements or omissions are based solely upon information regarding such Holder furnished in writing to the Company by such Holder expressly for use therein (so long as such information was not derived from false information provided by the Company), or to the extent that such information relates to such Holder or such Holder's proposed method of distribution of Registrable Securities and was reviewed and expressly approved in writing by such Holder expressly for use in the Registration Statement, such Prospectus or such form of prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto. In no event shall the liability of any selling Holder hereunder be greater in amount than the dollar amount of the net proceeds received by such Holder upon the sale of the Registrable Securities giving rise to such indemnification obligation.
- (c) <u>Conduct of Indemnification Proceedings</u>. If any Proceeding shall be brought or asserted against any Person entitled to indemnity hereunder (an "**Indemnified Party**"), such Indemnified Party shall promptly notify the Person from whom indemnity is sought (the "**Indemnifying Party**") in writing, and the Indemnifying Party shall assume the defense thereof, including the employment of counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party and the payment of all fees and expenses incurred in connection with defense thereof; provided, that the failure of any Indemnified Party to give such notice shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party of its obligations or liabilities pursuant to this Agreement, except (and only) to the extent that it shall be finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction (which determination is not subject to appeal or further review) that such failure shall have proximately and materially adversely prejudiced the Indemnifying Party.

An Indemnified Party shall have the right to employ separate counsel in any such Proceeding and to participate in the defense thereof, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Party or Parties unless: (1) the Indemnifying Party has agreed in writing to pay such fees and expenses; (2) the Indemnifying Party shall have failed promptly to assume the defense of such Proceeding and to employ counsel reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Party in any such Proceeding; or (3) the named parties to any such Proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both such Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party, and such Indemnified Party shall have been advised by counsel that a conflict of interest is likely to exist if the same counsel were to represent such Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party (in which case, if such Indemnified Party notifies the Indemnifying Party in writing that it elects to employ separate counsel at the expense of the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnifying Party shall not have the right to assume the defense thereof and such counsel shall be at the expense of the Indemnifying Party); provided, that, the Indemnifying Party shall pay for no more than two separate sets of counsel for all Indemnified Parties and such legal counsel shall be selected by the Holders who are named as parties in the same Proceeding. The Indemnifying Party shall not be liable for any settlement of any such Proceeding effected without its written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. No Indemnifying Party shall, without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party, effect any settlement of any pending Proceeding in respect of which any Indemnified Party is a party, unless such settlement includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such Proceeding.

All fees and expenses of the Indemnified Party (including reasonable fees and expenses to the extent incurred in connection with investigating or preparing to defend such Proceeding in a manner not inconsistent with this <u>Section 6</u>) shall be paid to the Indemnified Party, as incurred, within ten Business Days of written notice thereof to the Indemnifying Party (regardless of whether it is ultimately determined that an Indemnified Party is not entitled to indemnification hereunder; <u>provided</u>, that the Indemnifying Party may require such Indemnified Party to undertake to reimburse all such fees and expenses to the extent it is finally judicially determined that such Indemnified Party is not entitled to indemnification hereunder).

(d) Contribution. If a claim for indemnification under Section 6(a) or 6(b) is unavailable to an Indemnified Party (by reason of public policy or otherwise), then each Indemnifying Party, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Party, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Party as a result of such Losses, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the Indemnifying Party and Indemnified Party in connection with the actions, statements or omissions that resulted in such Losses as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of such Indemnifying Party and Indemnified Party shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any action in question, including any untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission of a material fact, has been taken or made by, or relates to information supplied by, such Indemnifying Party or Indemnified Party, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such action, statement or omission. The amount paid or payable by a party as a result of any Losses shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6(c), any reasonable attorneys' or other reasonable fees or expenses incurred by such party in connection with any Proceeding to the extent such party would have been indemnified for such fees or expenses if the indemnification provided for in this Section 6(d) was available to such party in accordance with its terms.

The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this <u>Section 6(d)</u> were determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation that does not take into account the equitable considerations referred to in the immediately preceding paragraph. Notwithstanding the provisions of this <u>Section 6(d)</u>, (i) no Person involved in the sale of Registrable Securities which Person is guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) in connection with such sale shall be entitled to contribution from any Person involved in such sale of Registrable Securities who was not guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation; and (ii) no Holder shall be required to contribute, in the aggregate, any amount in excess of the amount by which the proceeds actually received by such Holder from the sale of the Registrable Securities subject to the Proceeding exceeds the amount of any damages that such Holder has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission.

The indemnity and contribution agreements contained in this  $\underline{Section~6(\underline{d})}$  are in addition to any liability that the Indemnifying Parties may have to the Indemnified Parties.

- 7. <u>Reports Under the Exchange Act</u>. With a view to making available to the Holders the benefits of Rule 144 or any other similar rule or regulation of the SEC that may at any time permit the Holders to sell Registrable Securities of the Company to the public without registration, the Company agrees, for so long as Registrable Securities are outstanding and held by the Holders, to use its commercially reasonable efforts to:
  - (a) make and keep public information available, as those terms are understood, defined and required in Rule 144;
- (b) file with the SEC in a timely manner all reports and other documents required of the Company under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act so long as the Company remains subject to such requirements and the filing of such reports and other documents is required for the applicable provisions of Rule 144; and
- (c) furnish to each Holder so long as such Holder owns Registrable Securities, promptly upon request, such information as may be reasonably and customarily requested to permit the Holders to sell such securities pursuant to Rule 144 without registration.
- 8. Assignment of Registration Rights. Except as provided below, neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests, or obligations hereunder shall be assignable by a Holder without the prior written consent of the Company. Further, the rights under this Agreement may be assignable by an Investor to any permitted transferee of all or any portion of such Investor's Registrable Securities if: (i) the Investor agrees in writing with the transferee or assignee to assign such rights and such transferee agrees to be bound by the terms of this Agreement, and a copy of such agreement is furnished to the Company within five (5) Business Days after such assignment; (ii) the Company is, within five (5) Business Days after such transfer or assignment, furnished with written notice of (a) the name and address of such transferee or assignee, and (b) the securities with respect to which such registration rights are being transferred or assigned; (iii) immediately following such transfer or assignment the further disposition of such securities by the transferee or assignee is restricted under the Securities Act or applicable state securities laws; (iv) at or before the time the Company receives the written notice contemplated by clause (ii) of this sentence the transferee or assignee agrees in writing with the Company to be bound by all of the provisions contained herein; and (v) such transfer shall have been made in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company.

#### 9. <u>Miscellaneous</u>.

- (a) Remedies. In the event of a breach by the Company or a Holder of any of their obligations under this Agreement, each Holder or the Company, as the case may be, in addition to being entitled to exercise all rights granted by law and under this Agreement, including recovery of damages, will be entitled to specific performance of its rights under this Agreement. The Company and each Holder agree that monetary damages would not provide adequate compensation for any losses incurred by reason of a breach by it of any of the provisions of this Agreement and hereby further agrees that, in the event of any action for specific performance in respect of such breach, it shall waive the defense that a remedy at law would be adequate.
- (b) <u>Compliance</u>. Each Holder covenants and agrees that it will comply with the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act as applicable to it in connection with sales of Registrable Securities pursuant to the Registration Statement.
- (c) <u>Discontinued Disposition</u>. Each Holder agrees that, upon receipt of a notice from the Company of the occurrence of any event of the kind described in <u>Section 3(c)(ii)</u>, (<u>iii)</u> or (<u>iv)</u>, such Holder will forthwith discontinue disposition of Registrable Securities under the Registration Statement until such Holder's receipt of the copies of the supplemented Prospectus and/or amended Registration Statement or until it is advised in writing by the Company that the use of the applicable Prospectus may be resumed, and, in either case, has received copies of any additional or supplemental filings that are incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in such Prospectus or Registration Statement. The Company may provide appropriate stop orders to enforce the provisions of this paragraph.
- (d) Amendments and Waivers. Provisions of this Agreement may be amended and the observance thereof may be waived (either generally or in a particular instance and either retroactively or prospectively), only with the written consent of the Company and the Holders. Any amendment or waiver effected in accordance with this Section 8(d) shall be binding upon each Investor or other Holder and the Company. No such amendment shall be effective to the extent that it applies to less than all of the Holders. No consideration shall be offered or paid to any Person to amend or consent to a waiver or modification of any provision of this Agreement unless the same consideration also is offered to all of the parties to this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a waiver or consent to depart from the provisions hereof with respect to a matter that relates exclusively to the rights of certain Holders and that does not directly or indirectly affect the rights of other Holders may be given by the Holders to which such waiver or consent relates
- (e) <u>Notices</u>. Any notices, consents, waivers or other communications required or permitted to be given under the terms of this Agreement must be in writing and will be deemed to have been delivered to the Company if delivered to: Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc., 595 Madison Avenue, 29th Floor, New York, New York 10022, Attention: Chief Executive Officer, with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to the Company's counsel at Vinson & Elkins L.L.P., 1114 Avenue of the Americas, 32nd Floor, New York, New York 10036, Attention: Daniel M. LeBey and Shelley A. Barber, and if to the Holder, to the address indicated on the signature page of this Agreement, or such other address as the Holder shall provide to the Company.

- (f) <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and permitted assigns of each of the parties and shall inure to the benefit of each Holder. The Company may not assign its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of each Holder. Each Holder may assign their respective rights hereunder in the manner as permitted under the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company.
- (g) <u>Execution and Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and, all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. In the event that any signature is delivered by facsimile or email transmission, such signature shall create a valid and binding obligation of the party executing (or on whose behalf such signature is executed) the same with the same force and effect as if such facsimile or email signature were the original thereof.
- (h) Governing Law. All questions concerning the construction, validity, enforcement and interpretation of this Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law thereof. Each party agrees that all Proceedings concerning the interpretations, enforcement and defense of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (whether brought against a party hereto or its respective affiliates, employees or agents) will be commenced in the New York Courts. Each party hereto hereby irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the New York Courts for the adjudication of any dispute hereunder or in connection herewith or with any transaction contemplated hereby or discussed herein, and hereby irrevocably waives, and agrees not to assert in any Proceeding, any claim that it is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of any New York Court, or that such Proceeding has been commenced in an improper or inconvenient forum. Each party hereto hereby irrevocably waives personal service of process and consents to process being served in any such Proceeding by mailing a copy thereof via registered or certified mail or overnight delivery (with evidence of delivery) to such party at the address in effect for notices to it under this Agreement and agrees that such service shall constitute good and sufficient service of process and notice thereof. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to limit in any way any right to serve process in any manner permitted by law. Each party hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any Proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby. If either party shall commence a Proceeding to enforce any provisions of this Agreement, then the prevailing party in such Proceeding shall be reimbursed by the other party for its attorney's fees and other costs and
- (i) <u>Causes of Action</u>. All claims or causes of action that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement, or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement, may be made only against the entities that are expressly identified as parties hereto. No person who is not a named party to this Agreement, including any director, officer, employee, member, partner (general or limited), securityholder, affiliate, agent, attorney or representative of any named party to this Agreement ("Non-Party Affiliates"), shall have any liability (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity, or based upon any theory that seeks to impose liability of an entity party against its owners or affiliates) for any obligations arising under, in connection with or related to this Agreement or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of this Agreement or its negotiation or execution; and each party waives and releases all such claims and obligations against any such Non-Party Affiliates. Non-Party Affiliates are expressly intended as third party beneficiaries of this provision of this Agreement.

- (j) The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to the full extent set forth herein with respect to any and all stock or other securities of the Company or any successor or assign of the Company (whether by merger, consolidation, sale of assets or otherwise), which may be issued in respect of, in exchange for or in substitution of, the Registrable Securities, and shall be appropriately adjusted for combinations, stock splits, recapitalizations, pro rata distributions of stock and the like occurring after the date of this Agreement.
- (k) The Company shall not merge, consolidate or combine with any other Person, or reorganize or convert into another entity or form of entity, or sell all or substantially all of its assets (on a consolidated basis or otherwise), or engage in any similar transaction unless the agreement, plan of conversion and/or other governing instrument providing for such merger, consolidation or combination, or reorganization, conversion, sale or similar transaction, expressly provides for the continuation of the rights specified in this Agreement with respect to the Registrable Securities or other equity securities issued pursuant to such merger, consolidation or combination or reorganization, conversion, sale or similar transaction, to the extent there are any Registrable Securities (or other securities issued in exchange for Registrable Securities in such merger, consolidation or combination or reorganization, conversion, sale or similar transaction) are outstanding.
  - (l) <u>Cumulative Remedies</u>. The remedies provided herein are cumulative and not exclusive of any remedies provided by law.
- (m) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement and the instruments referenced herein and therein constitute the entire agreement among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof. There are no restrictions, promises, warranties or undertakings, other than those set forth or referred to herein and therein. This Agreement and the instruments referenced herein and therein supersede all prior agreements and understandings among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof.
- (n) <u>Severability</u>. If any term, provision, covenant or restriction of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, void or unenforceable, the remainder of the terms, provisions, covenants and restrictions set forth herein shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated, and the parties hereto shall use their reasonable efforts to find and employ an alternative means to achieve the same or substantially the same result as that contemplated by such term, provision, covenant or restriction. It is hereby stipulated and declared to be the intention of the parties that they would have executed the remaining terms, provisions, covenants and restrictions without including any of such that may be hereafter declared invalid, illegal, void or unenforceable.
- (o) <u>Headings</u>. The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

(p) <u>Independent Nature of Holders' Obligations and Rights</u>. The obligations of each Holder under this Agreement are several and not joint with the obligations of each other Holder, and no Holder shall be responsible in any way for the performance of the obligations of any other Holder under this Agreement. Nothing contained herein or in the Exchange Agreement, and no action taken by any Holder pursuant thereto, shall be deemed to constitute the Holders as a partnership, an association, a joint venture or any other kind of entity, or create a presumption that the Holders are in any way acting in concert or as a group with respect to such obligations or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the Exchange Agreement. Each Holder acknowledges that no other Holder will be acting as agent of such Holder in enforcing its rights under this Agreement. Each Holder shall be entitled to independently protect and enforce its rights, including without limitation the rights arising out of this Agreement, and it shall not be necessary for any other Holder to be joined as an additional party in any Proceeding for such purpose. The Company acknowledges that each of the Holders has been provided with the same Agreement for the purpose of closing a transaction with multiple Holders and not because it was required or requested to do so by any Holder.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have executed this Registration Rights Agreement as of the date first written above.

# **COMPANY:**

# STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC.

By: /s/ Gregory A. Beard

Name: Gregory A. Beard

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

# INVESTOR:

# ADAGE CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP

By: Adage Capital Partners, GP, LLC, its General Partner

By: Adage Capital Advisors, LLC, its Managing Member

By: /s/ Daniel J. Lehan

Name: Daniel J. Lehan

Title: Chief Operating Officer / Chief Compliance Officer

#### ADDRESS FOR NOTICE

Adage Capital Partners, LP Attn: Dan Lehan 200 Clarendon St., Ste. 52 Boston, MA 02116 Email: \*\*\*\*\*@\*\*\*\*\*.com

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# INVESTOR:

#### CONTINENTAL GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

By: /s/ Michael Gorzynski

Name: Michael Gorzynski Title: Executive Chairman

# ADDRESS FOR NOTICE

Continental General Insurance Company Attn: Rachel Giani, General Counsel 11001 Lakeline Boulevard, Suite 120 Austin, TX 78717

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#### INVESTOR:

#### PARALLAXES CAPITAL OPPORTUNITY FUND IV, L.P.

By: <u>/s/ Andrew</u> Lee

Name: Andrew Lee

Title: Chief Investment Officer

# ADDRESS FOR NOTICE

Parallaxes Capital Opportunity Fund IV, L.P.
250 Park Avenue Floor 7
New York, NY 10177
Attn: Andrew Lee
Email: \*\*\*\*\*@\*\*\*\*\*.com with a copy to \*\*\*\*\*@ \*\*\*\*\*.com

DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS

(if different from above)

c/o:
Street:

City/State/Zip:

Attention:

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#### Annex A

#### **Plan of Distribution**

We are registering [\_\_\_\_\_], which were issued or are issuable to the selling security holders to permit the selling security holders and its pledgees, transferees or other successors-in-interest that receive its securities after the date of this prospectus to resell or otherwise dispose of the securities in the manner contemplated in this section. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of securities in this offering. We will bear all fees and expenses incident to our obligation to register the securities. In connection with this transaction, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the selling security holders, which included registration rights pursuant to which we agreed to file with the SEC a registration statement covering the resale of such securities from time to time. We are registering the securities issued or issuable pursuant to the exchange agreement in accordance with the registration rights agreement entered into in connection therewith in order to permit the selling security holders to offer securities for resale from time to time.

The selling security holders (or their underwriters, if applicable) and any of their pledgees, donees, transferees, assignees and successors-ininterest may, from time to time, sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any or all of its securities on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which
the securities are traded or quoted or in private transactions. These dispositions may be at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at
prices related to the prevailing market price, at varying prices determined at the time of sale or at negotiated prices. The selling security holders may use
any one or more of the following methods when disposing of the securities:

- on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which the securities may be listed or quoted at the time of sale (including through underwritten offerings);
- in the over-the-counter market;
- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;
- block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell securities as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- through market makers, brokers, dealers or underwriters that may act solely as agents or as principals;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;
- privately negotiated transactions;

- delivery of securities in settlement of short sales;
- through the writing or settlement of options or other hedging transactions entered into after the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, whether through an options exchange or otherwise;
- broker-dealers may agree with the selling security holders to sell a specified number of securities at a stipulated price per security;
- a combination of any such methods of disposition; and
- any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

The selling security holders may elect to make a pro rata in-kind distribution of the securities to its security holders pursuant to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part by delivering a prospectus. To the extent that such security holders are not affiliates of ours, such security holders would thereby receive freely tradeable securities pursuant to the distribution through a registration statement.

The selling security holders may also sell securities under Rule 144 under the Securities Act or other exemption from registration under the Securities Act, rather than under this prospectus, provided that they meet the criteria and conform to the requirements of that rule.

Broker-dealers engaged by the selling security holders may arrange for other broker-dealers to participate in sales. Broker-dealers, underwriters and other agents may receive commissions or discounts from the selling security holders (or, if any broker-dealer acts as agent for the purchaser of securities, from the purchaser) in amounts to be negotiated. The selling security holders do not expect these commissions and discounts to exceed what is customary in the types of transactions involved but any such discounts or commissions might be in excess of those customary in the types of transactions involved.

If the selling security holders sell securities in an underwritten offering, the underwriters may acquire the securities for their own account and resell the securities from time to time in one or more transactions. The selling security holders may also authorize underwriters acting as their agents to offer and sell the securities on a continuous at-the-market basis. In any such event described above in this paragraph, we will set forth in a supplement to this prospectus the names of the underwriters and the terms of the transactions, including any underwriting discounts, concessions or commissions and other items constituting compensation of the underwriters and broker-dealers. The underwriters from time to time may change any public offering price and any discounts, concessions or commissions allowed or reallowed or paid to broker-dealers. Unless otherwise set forth in a supplement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the securities will be subject to certain conditions, and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the securities specified in the supplement if they purchase any of the securities.

The selling security holders may, from time to time, pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the securities and the pledgee or other secured party, transferee or other successor in interest may sell securities from time to time under this prospectus, or under a supplement or amendment to this prospectus under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act amending the list of selling security holders to include the pledgee, secured party, transferee or other successors in interest as selling security holders under this prospectus. The selling security holders also may transfer the securities in other circumstances in which case the transferees, pledgees or other successors-in-interest may be the selling beneficial owners for purposes of this prospectus and may sell such securities from time to time under this prospectus after an amendment or supplement has been filed under Rule 424(b)(3) under, or another applicable provision of, the Securities Act, amending, if necessary, the list of selling security holders to include the transferees, pledgees or other successors-in-interest as a selling security holder under this prospectus.

Upon being notified in writing by the selling security holders that any material arrangement has been entered into with a broker-dealer for the sale of securities through a block trade, special offering, exchange distribution or secondary distribution or a purchase by a broker or dealer, a supplement to this prospectus, if required, pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act will be filed, disclosing (i) the name of each such selling security holder and of the participating broker-dealer(s), (ii) the number and kind of securities involved, (iii) the price at which such securities were sold, (iv) the commissions paid or discounts or concessions allowed to such broker-dealer(s), where applicable, (v) that such broker-dealer(s) did not conduct any investigation to verify the information set out or incorporated by reference in this prospectus, if applicable, and (vi) other facts material to the transaction or required to be disclosed by applicable laws, rules and regulations.

The selling security holders also may transfer the securities in other circumstances, in which case the transferees, pledgees or other successors in interest will be the selling beneficial owners for purposes of this prospectus.

In connection with the sale of the securities, the selling security holders may enter into hedging transactions after the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part with broker-dealers, other financial institutions and other third parties, which may in turn engage in short sales in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The selling security holders may also sell securities short after the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part and deliver these securities to close out its short positions, or loan or pledge the securities to broker-dealers or other third parties that in turn may sell these securities. The selling security holders may also enter into option or other transactions after the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part with broker-dealers, other financial institutions and other third parties or create one or more derivative securities which require the delivery to such broker-dealer, other financial institution and other third parties of securities offered by this prospectus, which securities such broker-dealer or other financial institution or third party may resell pursuant to this prospectus (as supplemented or amended to reflect such transaction if required), including in short sale transactions. Third parties may use securities pledged by the selling security holders or borrowed from the selling security holders or others to settle sales or to close out any related open borrowings of securities, and may use securities received from the selling security holders in settlement of those derivatives to close out any related open borrowings of securities.

The selling security holders and any broker-dealers or agents that are involved in selling the securities may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with such sales. In such event, any commissions received by such broker-dealers or agents and any profit on the resale of the securities purchased by them may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act.

If a prospectus supplement so indicates, the underwriters engaged in an offering of these securities may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of these securities at levels above those that might otherwise prevail in the open market. Specifically, the underwriters may over-allot in connection with the offering creating a short position in these securities for their own account. For the purposes of covering a syndicate short position or pegging, fixing or maintaining the price of these securities, the underwriters may place bids for these securities or effect purchases of these securities in the open market. A syndicate short position may also be covered by exercise of an over-allotment option, if one is granted to the underwriters. Finally, the underwriters may impose a penalty bid on certain underwriters and dealers. This means that the underwriting syndicate may reclaim selling concessions allowed to an underwriter or a dealer for distributing securities in transactions to cover syndicate short positions, in stabilization transactions or otherwise. The underwriters will not be required to engage in any of these activities and any such activities, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

Any of the selling security holders' underwriters or agents or any of either of their affiliates may be customers of, engage in transactions with and perform services for us, and/or one or more of the selling security holders' or their affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

There can be no assurance that any selling security holders will sell any or all of the securities registered pursuant to the registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part.

The aggregate proceeds to the selling security holders from the sale of securities offered by them will be the purchase price of the securities less discounts or commissions, if any. The selling security holders reserve the right to accept and, together with its agents from time to time, to reject, in whole or in part, any proposed purchase to be made directly or through agents. We will not receive any of the proceeds from this offering.

We are required to pay all fees and expenses incident to the registration of the securities, other than any underwriting fees, discounts and selling commissions, stock transfer taxes and fees and disbursements of counsel. We have agreed to indemnify the selling security holders, the officers, directors, agents, investment advisors, partners, members and employees of each of them, each person who controls and such holder, and the officers, directors, agents and employees of each such controlling person, in certain circumstances against certain losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which they may become subject, including certain liabilities under the Securities Act.

Additional information related to the selling security holders and the plan of distribution may be provided in one or more prospectus supplements.

# Annex B

**Selling Securityholder Notice and Questionnaire** 

# STRONGHOLD DIGITAL MINING, INC.

#### **Selling Securityholder Notice and Questionnaire**

The undersigned beneficial owner of Registrable Securities understands that Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), has filed or intends to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement") for the registration and resale of certain shares (the "Registrable Securities") of Class A common stock of the Company, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Class A Common Stock") that certain holders may hold.

The undersigned hereby provides the following information to the Company and represents and warrants that such information is accurate:

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	Name.	
	(a)	Full Legal Name of Selling Securityholder:
	(b)	Full Legal Name of Registered Holder (if not the same as (a) above) through which Registrable Securities Listed in Item 3 below at held:
	(c)	Full Legal Name of Natural Control Person (which means a natural person who directly or indirectly alone or with others has power to vote or dispose of the securities covered by the questionnaire) and describe the relationship by which they exercise such powers (e.g. director(s), general partner(s), managing member(s), etc.). If voting and dispositive powers are divided among such listed persons, pleas so indicate:
2.	Addres	Telephone:
2.	Addres	Telephone: Address¹:

Bene	ficial Ownership of Registrable Securities:
(a)	Type and number of Registrable Securities beneficially owned:
(b)	Number of Registrable Securities to be included in the Registration Statement by the undersigned:
Brok	er-Dealer Status:
(a)	Are you a broker-dealer?
	Yes □ No □
	Note: If yes, the Commission's staff has indicated that you should be identified as an underwriter in the Registration Statement.
(b)	Are you an affiliate of a broker-dealer?
	Yes □ No □
	If "Yes", please identify the registered broker-dealer(s), describe the nature of the affiliation(s):
(c)	If you are an affiliate of a broker-dealer, do you certify that you bought the Registrable Securities in the ordinary course of business, and at the time of the purchase of the Registrable Securities to be resold, you had no agreements or understandings, directly or indirectly, with any person to distribute the Registrable Securities?
	Yes □ No □

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Note: If no, the Commission's staff has indicated that you should be identified as an underwriter in the Registration Statement.

5.	Beneficial Ownership of Other Securities of the Company Owned by the Selling Securityholder.		
	Except as set forth below in this Item 5, the undersigned is not the beneficial or registered owner of any securities of the Company other than the Registrable Securities listed above in Item 3.		
	Type and Amount of Other Securities beneficially owned by the Selling Securityholder:		
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6.	Relationships with the Company:		
	Except as set forth below, neither the undersigned nor any of its affiliates, officers, directors or principal equity holders (owners of 5% of more of the equity securities of the undersigned) has held any position or office or has had any other material relationship with the Company (or its predecessors or affiliates) during the past three years.		
	State any exceptions here:		

The Company has advised each Selling Stockholder that it is the view of the Commission that it may not use shares registered on the Registration Statement to cover short sales of Common Stock made prior to the date on which the Registration Statement is declared effective by the Commission, in accordance with 1997 Securities and Exchange Commission Manual of Publicly Available Telephone Interpretations Section A.65. If a Selling Securityholder uses the prospectus for any sale of the Common Stock, it will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. The Selling Securityholders will be responsible to comply with the applicable provisions of the Securities Act and Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations thereunder promulgated, including, without limitation, Regulation M, as applicable to such Selling Securityholders in connection with resales of their respective shares under the Registration Statement.

The undersigned agrees to promptly notify the Company of any inaccuracies or changes in the information provided herein that may occur subsequent to the date hereof and prior to the Effective Date for the Registration Statement, and to promptly provide any other information requested by the Company to the extent required in order to comply with the form requirements of the Registration Statement.

Certain legal consequences arise from being named as a Selling Securityholder in the Registration Statement and related prospectus. Accordingly, the undersigned is advised to consult their own securities law counsel regarding the consequence of being named or not being named as a Selling Securityholder in the Registration Statement and the related prospectus.

By signing below, the undersigned consents to the disclosure of the information contained herein in its answers to Items 1 through 6 and the inclusion of such information in the Registration Statement and the related prospectus. The undersigned understands that such information will be relied upon by the Company in connection with the preparation or amendment of the Registration Statement and the related prospectus. The undersigned hereby elects to include the Registrable Securities owned by it and listed above in Item 3 (unless otherwise specified in Item 3) in the Registration Statement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, by authority duly given, has caused this Notice and Questionnaire to be executed and delivered either in person or by its duly authorized agent.

Dated:	Beneficial Owner:
	Ву:
	Name: Title:
PLEASE EMAIL A COPY OF THE COMPLETED AND EXECUTED	O NOTICE AND QUESTIONNAIRE TO: