

NEWS RELEASE

Energy Vault Reports First Quarter 2024 Financial Results

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Revenue of \$7.8 million from recognition of Utility and IPP storage projects, in-line with expectations; Licensing revenue from GESSOL in Southern Africa is expected later in 2024

GAAP Gross Margin of 26.7% driven by strong management and execution on US battery projects

Cash OpEx of \$16.7 million, improved 22% year-over-year and 14% quarter-over-quarter

Quarter-end Cash and Cash Equivalents of \$136.8 million, within Q1 guidance range of \$125 - 150 million

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Energy Vault Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: NRGV) ("Energy Vault" or "the Company"), a leader in sustainable, grid-scale energy storage solutions, announced financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2024.

"In the first quarter of 2024, the Energy Vault team continued to execute on the most important priority set at the beginning of 2023 – deployments of our first energy storage projects across multiple customers delivered on time, on budget and at the quality, safety and performance levels that meet or exceed our customer expectations," said Robert Piconi, Chairman and CEO of Energy Vault. "We are looking forward to our Investor & Analyst Day tomorrow where we will provide insight to the Company's strategy, business model, customer testimonials on executed projects, new product updates and 2024-25 financial guidance. We also plan to provide updates on the Gravity Energy Storage System (GESS) project in Rudong, China, our project in Snyder, Texas, new territory expansions, and project awards."

First Quarter 2024 Financial Highlights

- First quarter revenue of \$7.8 million from Utility and IPP storage projects with NV Energy and Jupiter Power, in line with prior year seasonality; GESSOL licensing revenue expected to be recognized later this year.
- First quarter GAAP gross margin of 26.7% and gross profit of \$2.1 million driven by strong commissioning and construction project management, and a favorable mix of higher margin service delivery.
- First quarter net loss improved \$10 million or 32% year-over-year to \$(21.1) million from \$(31.2) million due to lower operating expenses and higher other income.
- Cash OpEx of \$16.7 million improved 22% year-over-year and 14% quarter-over-quarter due to cost-side measures undertaken in Q4 2023.
- Adjusted EBITDA improved \$4.6 million or 24% year-over-year to \$(14.4) million from \$(19.0) million due to lower operating expenses.
- Total cash and cash equivalents of \$136.8 million and no debt on the balance sheet as of March 31, 2024. Cash balance was in-line with our previously-provided Q1 2024 guidance. Restricted cash of \$1.0 million as of March 31, 2024 declined from \$35.6 million as of December 31, 2023.
- 2024-2025 financial guidance including revenue, gross margin, Adjusted EBITDA and year-end cash balance will be provided at our Investor & Analyst Day tomorrow, May 9th, 2024.

Operating and Other Highlights

- Continued commissioning, testing, energization and initial operation of the first 25MW, 100MWh GESS in Rudong,
 China with China Tianying Inc (CNTY) (CN:000035). Extended contract with Atlas Renewable from 7.5 to 15 years.
- Completed and began commercial operation on the 440 MWh Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) with NV
 Energy. Built on the site of a decommissioned coal-fired electric generating facility, the grid-tied BESS, one of the
 largest in Nevada, is a 2-hour 220 MW system designed to store and dispatch excess renewable energy, including
 wind and solar power.
- Continued construction of the largest green hydrogen long duration energy storage system in the US with PG&E in Calistoga, California. The project is supported by a 10.5-year tolling agreement with commercial operation expected in summer 2024. This solidifies Energy Vault's global leadership role in long duration energy storage and green hydrogen technology for multi-day and ultra-long duration micro-grids.
- · All other operating and commercial highlights will be reviewed at the Investor and Analyst Day.

Investor & Analyst Day Information

In lieu of hosting a dedicated financial results conference call, Energy Vault will discuss the latest quarterly results and wider financial and operational updates at its inaugural Investor & Analyst Day on Thursday, May 9, 2024 at 9:00 AM ET at the New York Stock Exchange. In addition, the Company will provide insight to the Company's strategy, business

model, customer testimonials on executed projects, new product updates and 2024-25 financial guidance. Key members of the Energy Vault executive team will be present, including Robert Piconi (Chairman and CEO), and Michael Beer (Chief Financial Officer).

To attend the Investor & Analyst Day virtually, please register at https://www.energyvault.com/rsvpinvestorday2024.

Presentation materials and further information will be made available on the Company's investor relations website at https://investors.energyvault.com. A replay and transcript of the event will be available shortly after the event.

About Energy Vault

Energy Vault® develops and deploys utility-scale energy storage solutions designed to transform the world's approach to sustainable energy storage. The Company's comprehensive offerings include proprietary gravity-based storage, battery storage, and green hydrogen energy storage technologies. Each storage solution is supported by the Company's hardware technology-agnostic energy management system software and integration platform. Unique to the industry, Energy Vault's innovative technology portfolio delivers customized short-and-long-duration energy storage solutions to help utilities, independent power producers, and large industrial energy users significantly reduce levelized energy costs while maintaining power reliability. Utilizing eco-friendly materials with the ability to integrate waste materials for beneficial reuse, Energy Vault's EVx™ gravity-based energy storage technology is facilitating the shift to a circular economy while accelerating the global clean energy transition for its customers. Please visit www.energyvault.com for more information.

Non-GAAP measures

Energy Vault has provided a reconciliation of net loss to adjusted EBITDA, with net loss being the most directly comparable GAAP measure, for the historical periods in this press release.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes forward-looking statements that reflect the Company's current views with respect to, among other things, the Company's operations and financial performance. Forward-looking statements include information concerning possible or assumed future results of operations, including descriptions of our business plan and strategies. These statements often include words such as "anticipate," "expect," "suggest," "plan," "believe," "intend," "project," "forecast," "estimates," "targets," "projections," "should," "could," "would," "may," "might," "will" and other similar expressions. We base these forward-looking statements or projections on our current expectations, plans, and assumptions, which we have made in light of our experience in our industry, as well as our perceptions of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors we believe are appropriate under the circumstances at the time. These forward-looking statements are based on our beliefs, assumptions, and expectations of

future performance, taking into account the information currently available to us. These forward-looking statements are only predictions based upon our current expectations and projections about future events. These forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to differ materially from the results, level of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including changes in our strategy, expansion plans, customer opportunities, future operations, future financial position, estimated revenues and losses, projected costs, prospects and plans; the uncertainly of our awards, bookings and backlogs equating to future revenue; the lack of assurance that non-binding letters of intent and other indication of interest can result in binding orders or sales; the possibility of our products to be or alleged to be defective or experience other failures; the implementation, market acceptance and success of our business model and growth strategy; our ability to develop and maintain our brand and reputation; developments and projections relating to our business, our competitors, and industry; the ability of our suppliers to deliver necessary components or raw materials for construction of our energy storage systems in a timely manner; the impact of health epidemics, on our business and the actions we may take in response thereto; our expectations regarding our ability to obtain and maintain intellectual property protection and not infringe on the rights of others; expectations regarding the time during which we will be an emerging growth company under the JOBS Act; our future capital requirements and sources and uses of cash; the international nature of our operations and the impact of war or other hostilities on our business and global markets; our ability to obtain funding for our operations and future growth; our business, expansion plans and opportunities and other important factors discussed under the caption "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 filed with the SEC on March 13, 2024, as such factors may be updated from time to time in its other filings with the SEC, accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. New risks emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for our management to predict all risks, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements we may make. Any forward-looking statement made by us in this press release speaks only as of the date of this press release and is expressly qualified in its entirety by the cautionary statements included in this press release. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or review any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by any applicable laws. You should not place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements.

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Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Unaudited)
(In thousands except par value)

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	Ma	arch 31,	De	cember 31,
		2024		2023
Assets				
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	135,773	\$	109,923
Restricted cash Accounts receivable, net		1,011 1.335		35,632 27.189
Accounts receivable, net Contract assets, net		51.328		84.873
Inventory		415		415
Customer financing receivable, current portion, net		2,625		2,625
Advances to suppliers		5,307		8,294
Assets held for sale		6,281		6,111
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		3,618		4,520
Total current assets		207,693		279,582
Property and equipment, net		47,440		31,043
Intangible assets, net Operating lease right-of-use assets		2,491 1.436		1,786 1.700
Customer financing receivable, long-term portion, net		6,899		6,698
Investments		17,365		17,295
Other assets		2,541		2,649
Total Assets	\$ 2	285,865	\$	340,753
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	52,564	\$	21,165
Accrued expenses		15,353		85,042
Contract liabilities, current portion		1,495		4,923
Lease liabilities, current portion		427		724
Total current liabilities		69,839		111,854
Deferred pension obligation		1,629		1,491
Contract liabilities, long-term portion		2.138		1,500 2,115
Other long-term liabilities		,		1
Total liabilities		73,606		116,960
Stockholders' Equity				
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value; 5,000 shares authorized, none issued		_		_
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 500,000 shares authorized, 147,868 shares issued and outstanding at March		4.5		4.5
31, 2024; 146,577 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2023 Additional paid-in capital		15 482,955		15 473,271
Audultonal parti-in capital Accumulated deficit		(269,211)		(248,072)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(1,500)		(1,421)
Total stockholders' equity		212,259		223,793
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 2	285,865	\$	340,753

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss (Unaudited)

(In thousands except per share data)

	Three Months	Three Months Ended March 31,				
	2024	2023				
Revenue	\$ 7,759	\$ 11,422				
Cost of revenue	5,691	9,003				
Gross profit	2,068	2,419				
Operating expenses:						
Sales and marketing	4,170	4,574				
Research and development	6,966	11,178				
General and administrative	15,264	19,400				
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Depreciation and amortization	295	209
Loss from operations	(24,627)	 (32,942)
Other income (expense):	·	, , ,
Interest expense	(8)	(1)
Interest income	1,826	1,935
Other income (expense), net	1,670	(159)
Loss before income taxes	(21,139)	(31,167)
Provision for income taxes		_
Net loss	\$ (21,139)	\$ (31,167)
		 (2.22)
Net loss per share — basic and diluted	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.22)
Weighted average shares outstanding — basic and diluted	147,019	139,669
Other comprehensive income (loss) — net of tax		
Actuarial (loss) gain on pension	\$ (231)	\$ 164
Foreign currency translation gain	152	121
Total other comprehensive (loss) income	(79)	 285
Total comprehensive loss	\$ (21,218)	\$ (30,882)

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

	Three Months	
	2024	2023
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Net loss	\$ (21,139)	\$ (31,167)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	005	
Depreciation and amortization	295	209
Non-cash interest income Stock based compensation	(375) 9,684	(334)
Provision (benefit) for credit losses	(89)	13,716 (14)
Foreign exchange losses	60	170
Change in operating assets	59.725	(35,504)
Change in operating liabilities	(47,214)	(17,848)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	947	(70,772)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities		
Purchase of property and equipment	(8,598)	(11,635)
Purchase of property and equipment held for sale	(170)	(11,000)
Purchase of equity securities		(6,000)
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,768)	(17,635)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities		
Cash Flows From Financing Activities Proceeds from exercise of stock options	_	35
Repayment of insurance premium financings	(358)	_
Payment of taxes related to net settlement of equity awards	(297)	(800)
Payment of finance lease obligations	(23)	(10)
Net cash used in financing activities	(678)	(775)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	(272)	(27)
Net decrease in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	(8,771)	(89,209)
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash – beginning of the period	145,555	286,182
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash — beginning of the period	136,784	196,973
	1,011	82,417
Less: Restricted cash at end of period	\$ 135,773	\$ 114,556
Cash and cash equivalents - end of period	φ 100,770	Ψ 114,550
Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information:		

Income taxes paid	_	_
Cash paid for interest	8	1
Supplemental Disclosures of Non-Cash Investing and Financing Information:		
Actuarial (loss) gain on pension	(231)	164
Property, plant and equipment financed through accounts payable	4,798	4,021
Assets acquired on finance lease	60	_

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To complement our condensed consolidated statements of operations, we use non-GAAP financial measures of adjusted selling and marketing ("S&M") expenses, adjusted research and development ("R&D") expenses, adjusted general and administrative ("G&A") expenses, and adjusted EBITDA. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures complement our GAAP amounts and such measures are useful to securities analysts and investors to evaluate our ongoing results of operations when considered alongside our GAAP measures. The presentation of these non-GAAP measures is not meant to be considered in isolation or as an alternative to net loss as an indicator of our performance.

The following table provides a reconciliation from GAAP S&M expenses to non-GAAP adjusted S&M expenses (amounts in thousands):

	Thre	Three Months Ended M		
	2024		2023	
S&M expenses (GAAP)	\$	4,170	\$	4,574
Non-GAAP adjustment:				
Stock-based compensation expense		1,715		1,949
Adjusted S&M expenses (non-GAAP)	\$	2,455	\$	2,625

The following table provides a reconciliation from GAAP R&D expenses to non-GAAP adjusted R&D expenses (amounts in thousands):

	Thre	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2	2024		2023	
R&D expenses (GAAP)	\$	6,966	\$	11,178	
Non-GAAP adjustment:					
Stock-based compensation expense		2,227		3,149	
Adjusted R&D expenses (non-GAAP)	\$	4,739	\$	8,029	

The following table provides a reconciliation from GAAP G&A expenses to non-GAAP adjusted G&A expenses (amounts in thousands):

	Thre	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2024			2023	
G&A expenses (GAAP)	\$	15,264	\$	19,400	
Non-GAAP adjustment:					
Stock-based compensation expense		5,742		8,618	
Adjusted G&A expenses (non-GAAP)	\$	9,522	\$	10,782	

The following table provides a reconciliation from net loss to non-GAAP adjusted EBITDA, with net loss being the most directly comparable GAAP measure (amounts in thousands):

	TI		Ended March	
		2024		2023
Net loss (GAAP)	\$	(21,139)	\$	(31,167)
Non-GAAP Adjustments:		, , ,		
Interest income, net		(1,818)		(1,934)
Provision for income taxes				
Depreciation and amortization		295		209
Stock-based compensation expense		9,684		13,716
Gain on satisfaction of contract liability		(1,500)		_
Foreign exchange losses		60		170
Adjusted EBITDA (non-GAAP)	\$	(14,418)	\$	(19,006)

We present adjusted EBITDA, which is net loss excluding adjustments that are outlined in the quantitative reconciliation provided above, as a supplemental measure of our performance and because we believe this measure is frequently used by securities analysts, investors, and other interested parties in the evaluation of companies in our industry. The adjusted EBITDA measure excludes the financial impact of items management does not consider in assessing our ongoing operating performance, and thereby facilitates review of our operating performance on a period-to-period basis.

In evaluating adjusted EBITDA, one should be aware that in the future we may incur expenses similar to the adjustments noted above. Our presentation of adjusted EBITDA should not be construed as an inference that our future results will be unaffected by these types of adjustments. Adjusted EBITDA is not a measurement of our financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net loss, operating loss, or any other performance measures derived in accordance with GAAP or as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities as a measure of our liquidity.

Our adjusted EBITDA measure has limitations as an analytical tool, and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP. Some of these limitations are:

- it does not reflect our cash expenditures, future requirements for capital expenditures, or contractual commitments;
- it does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs;

• it does not reflect stock-based compensation, which is an ongoing expense;

although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will

often have to be replaced in the future, and our adjusted EBITDA measure does not reflect any cash requirements

for such replacements;

• it is not adjusted for all non-cash income or expense items that are reflected in our condensed consolidated

statements of cash flows;

• it does not reflect the impact of earnings or charges resulting from matters we consider not to be indicative of our

ongoing operations;

• it does not reflect limitations on or costs related to transferring earnings from our subsidiaries to us; and

· other companies in our industry may calculate this measure differently than we do, limiting its usefulness as a

comparative measure.

Because of these limitations, adjusted EBITDA should not be considered as a measure of discretionary cash available to

us to invest in the growth of our business or as a measure of cash that will be available to use to meet our obligations.

You should compensate for these limitations by relying primarily on our GAAP results and using adjusted EBITDA only

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