

# Q1 2024 Earnings

May 6, 2024



#### Forward Looking Statements & Non-GAAP Measures



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#### **NON-GAAP MEASURES**

Freshpet uses certain non-GAAP financial measures, including EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA as a % of net sales (adjusted EBITDA Margin), adjusted Gross Profit, adjusted Gross Profit as a % of net sales (adjusted Gross Margin), adjusted SG&A and adjusted SG&A as a % of net sales. These non-GAAP financial measures should be considered as supplements to GAAP reported measures, should not be considered replacements for, or superior to, GAAP measures and may not be comparable to similarly named measures used by other companies.

Freshpet defines EBITDA as net income (loss) plus interest expense, income tax expense and depreciation and amortization expense, and adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA plus net income (loss) on equity method investment, non-cash share-based compensation, fees related to equity offerings of our common stock, implementation and other costs associated with the implementation of an ERP system, and other expenses, including loss on disposal of equipment, COVID-19 expenses and organization changes designed to support long-term growth objectives. Freshpet defines adjusted Gross Profit as gross profit before depreciation expense, COVID-19 expense and non-cash sharebased compensation, and adjusted SG&A as SG&A expenses before depreciation and amortization expense, non-cash share-based compensation, gain (loss) on disposal of equipment, fees related to equity offerings of our common stock, implementation and other costs associated with the implementation of an ERP system, COVID-19 expense and organization changes designed to support long term growth objectives.

Management believes that the non-GAAP financial measures are meaningful to investors because they provide a view of the Company with respect to ongoing operating results. Non-GAAP financial measures are shown as supplemental disclosures in this presentation because they are widely used by the investment community for analysis and comparative evaluation. They also provide additional metrics to evaluate the Company's operations and, when considered with both the Company's GAAP results and the reconciliation to the most comparable GAAP measures, provide a more complete understanding of the Company's business than could be obtained absent this disclosure. adjusted EBITDA is also an important component of internal budgeting and setting management compensation. The non-GAAP measures are not and should not be considered an alternative to the most comparable GAAP measures or any other figure calculated in accordance with GAAP, or as an indicator of operating performance. The Company's calculation of the non-GAAP financial measures may differ from methods used by other companies. Management believes that the non-GAAP measures are important to an understanding of the Company's overall operating results in the periods presented. The non-GAAP financial measures are not recognized in accordance with GAAP and should not be viewed as an alternative to GAAP measures of performance.

Certain of these measures represent the Company's guidance for fiscal year 2024. The Company is unable to reconcile these forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP measures without unreasonable efforts because the Company is currently unable to predict with a reasonable degree of certainty the type and impact of certain items, including the timing of and amount of costs of goods sold and selling, general and administrative expenses, that would be expected to impact GAAP measures for these periods but would not impact the non-GAAP measures. The unavailable information could significantly impact our financial results. These items are not within the Company's control and may vary greatly between periods. Based on the foregoing, the Company believes that providing estimates of the amounts that would be required to reconcile these forecasted non-GAAP measures to forecasted GAAP measures would imply a degree of precision that would be confusing or misleading to investors for the reasons identified above.







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# Highlights

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# Q1 2024: Solid growth and profitability improvement across all metrics

FINANCIAL		RETAIL		
	Q1 2024	YoY Change		YoY Change
Net Sales	\$223.8M	+34%	Household Penetration	<b>+24</b> %
Adjusted Gross Margin*	<b>45.3</b> %	+680 bps	Buy Rate	+5%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$30.6M	+\$27.6M	Cubic Feet	+15%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin*	<b>13.7</b> %	+1,190 bps	Store Count	+6%
Logistics Costs*	<b>6.4</b> %	-290 bps	Total Distribution Points	+19%
Input Costs*	<b>31.2</b> %	-390 bps		
Quality Costs*	2.8%	-240 bps		
Operating Cash Flow	\$5.4M	+\$19M		

\*As a percent of net sales

### Strong performance driven by key fundamentals:

### Strength of the Freshpet growth model

- 31% volume-based growth
- Increased household penetration (24% YoY) at a customer acquisition cost (CAC) comparable to levels we experienced prior to the price increases over the last two years

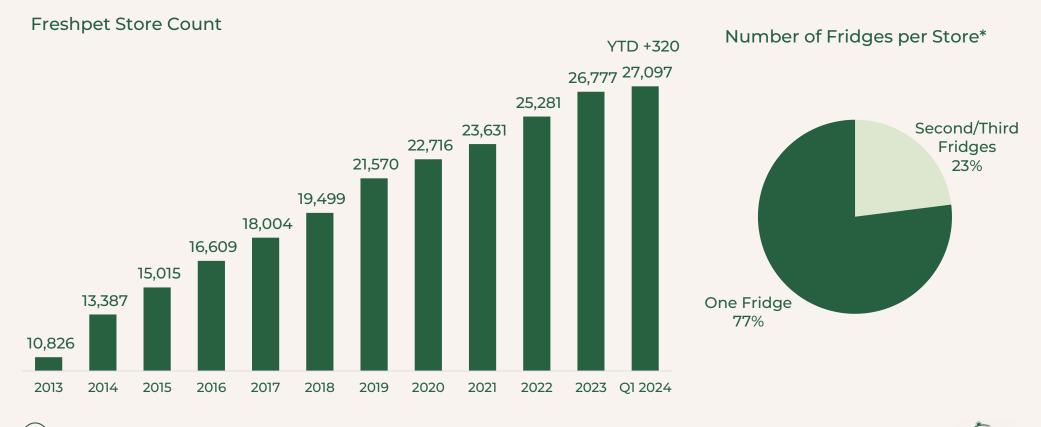
### Improved operational effectiveness

- 920 basis point improvement across quality, input, and logistics costs in Q1 2024
- Adjusted gross margin, input, quality and logistics cost all exceeded long-term targets in Q1 2024
- Adding organizational capabilities at all levels to support growth

Operating discipline to balance capacity and demand at a high growth rate

- Expanding capacity on-budget and on-time while improving margins
- Strong fill rates (high 90s) support excellent customer service

#### Expanding depth and breadth: 23% of all stores have multiple fridges



Source: Internal data for the period ending 3/31/24; \*U.S. Fridges

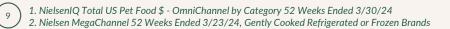
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### Vast runway for growth in a growing category



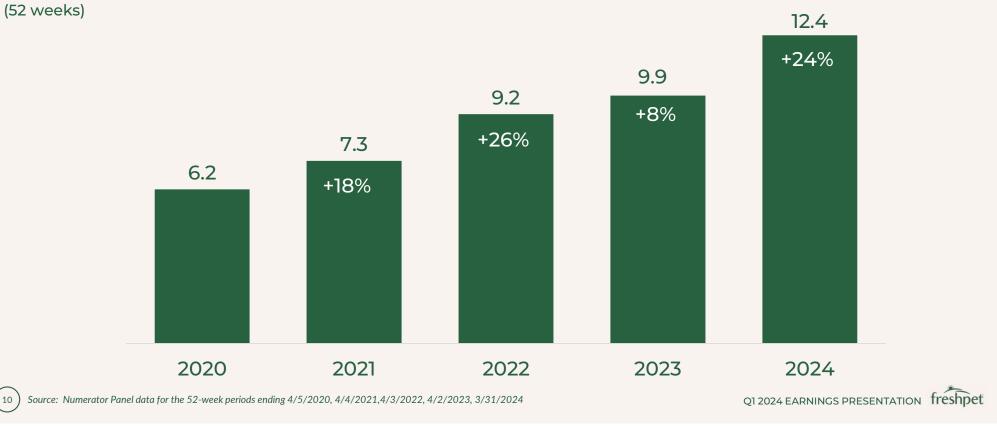


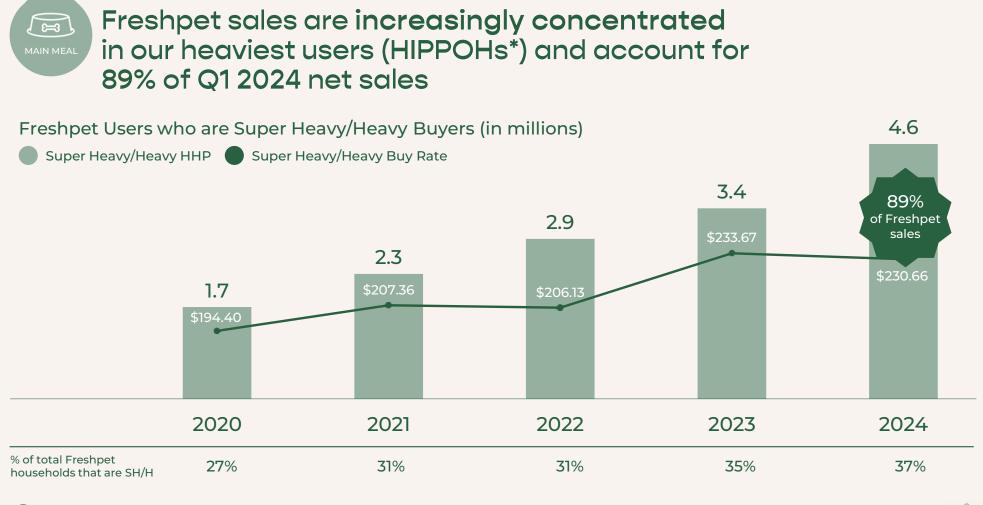




Freshpet Household Penetration Growth (in millions)

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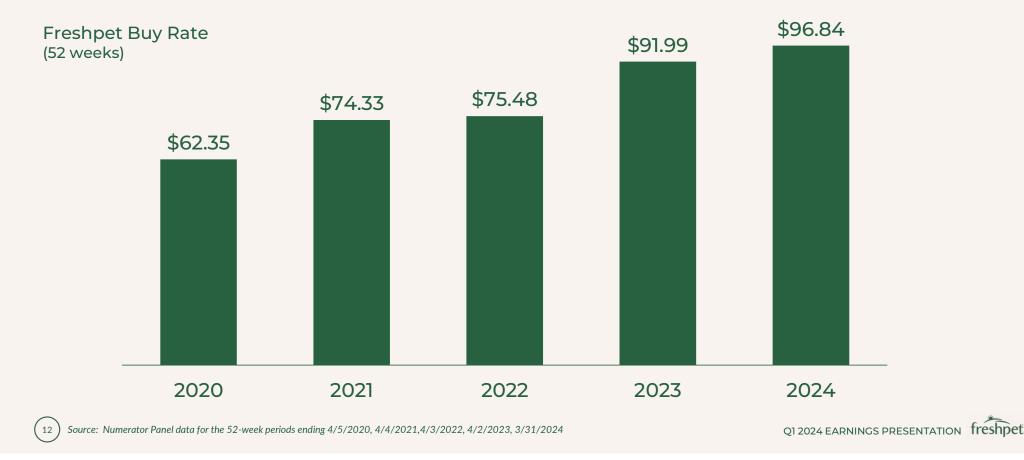
Source: Numerator data for 52-week periods ending 4/5/2020, 4/4/2021,4/3/2022, 4/2/2023, 3/31/2024 \*High profit pet owning households

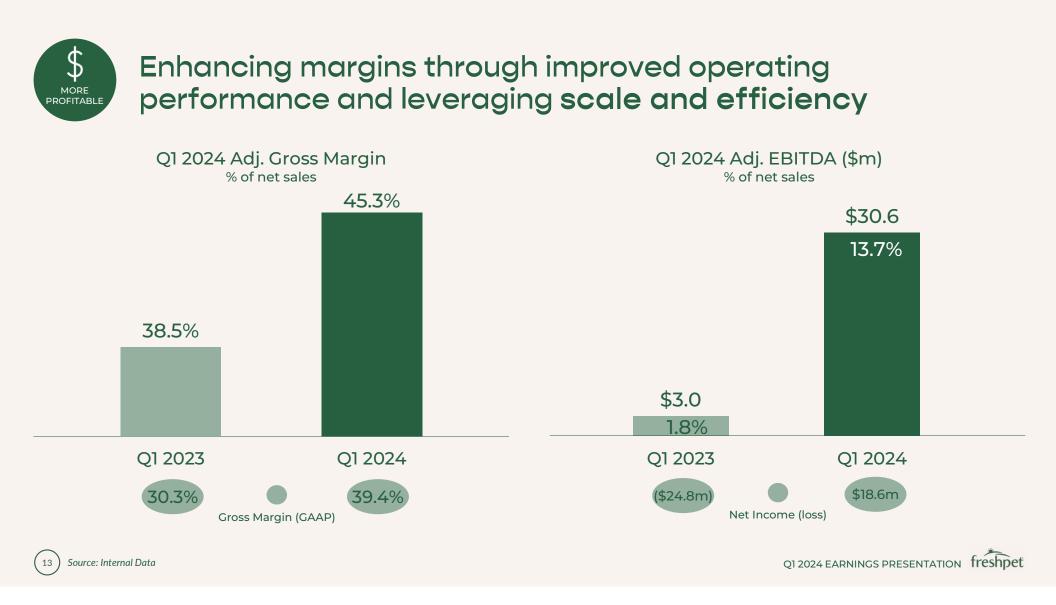
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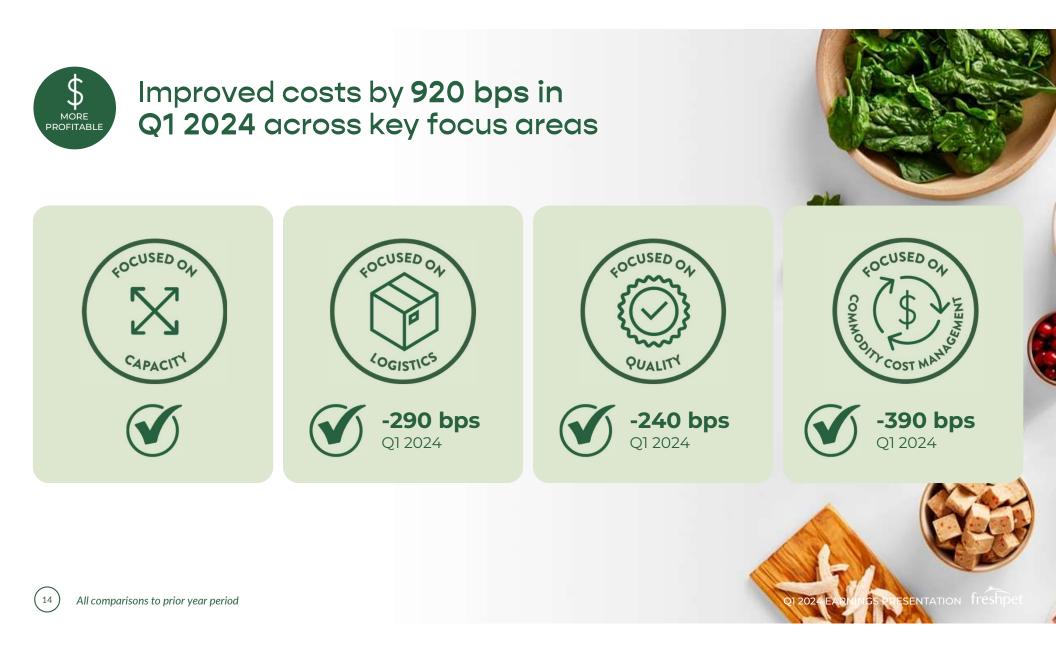
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# Converting toppers into main meal users will continue to increase buy rate

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### Capacity Update



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Ennis Kitchen producing ~25% of total Freshpet production from three lines

Phase II construction is slightly ahead of schedule; expect fourth line to begin production by the end of Q3 2024

Additional roll line in Ennis to reduce complexity of changeovers and SKU assortment



### Capital Efficiency Framework



#### MORE OUT OF EXISTING LINES

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### MORE OUT OF EXISTING SITES



#### DEVELOP & IMPLEMENT NEW TECHNOLOGIES

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## Q12024 Results

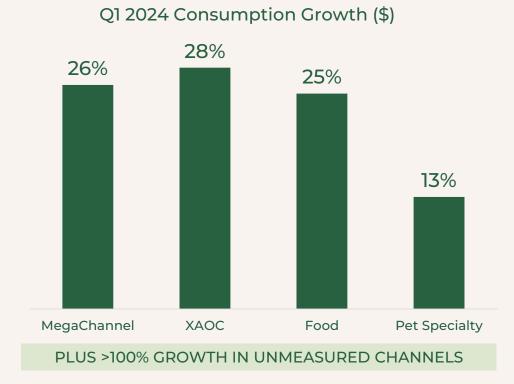
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### Strong Q1 results that demonstrate volume-driven growth



#### Consumption growth remains strong and has accelerated



Consumption Growth Trends (volume in pounds)



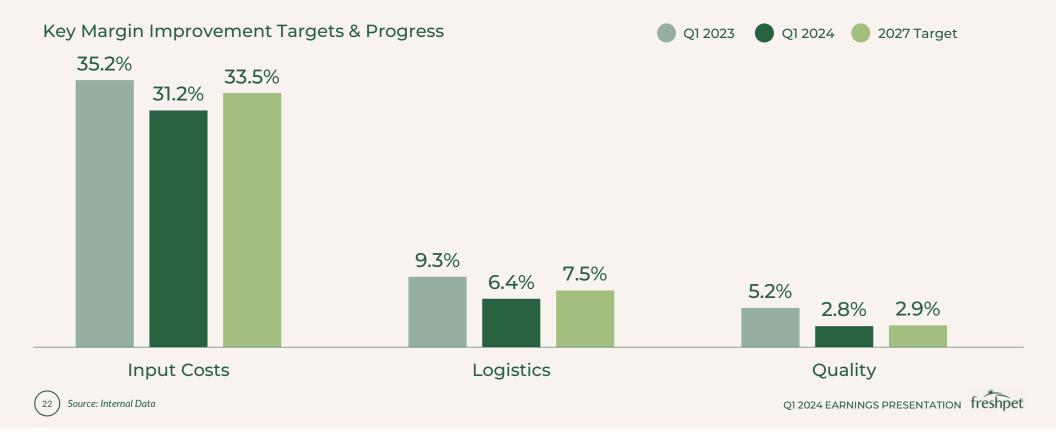
20 ) Source: NIQ consumption data, latest 13 weeks thru 3/30/24 and internal sales data

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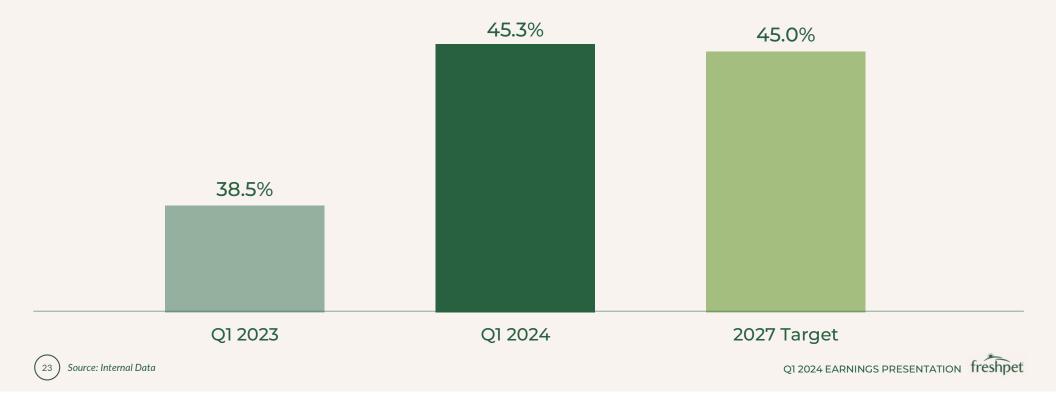


920 basis point improvement in Q1 2024; demonstrated our ability to deliver FY 2027 margin targets and now focused on consistency

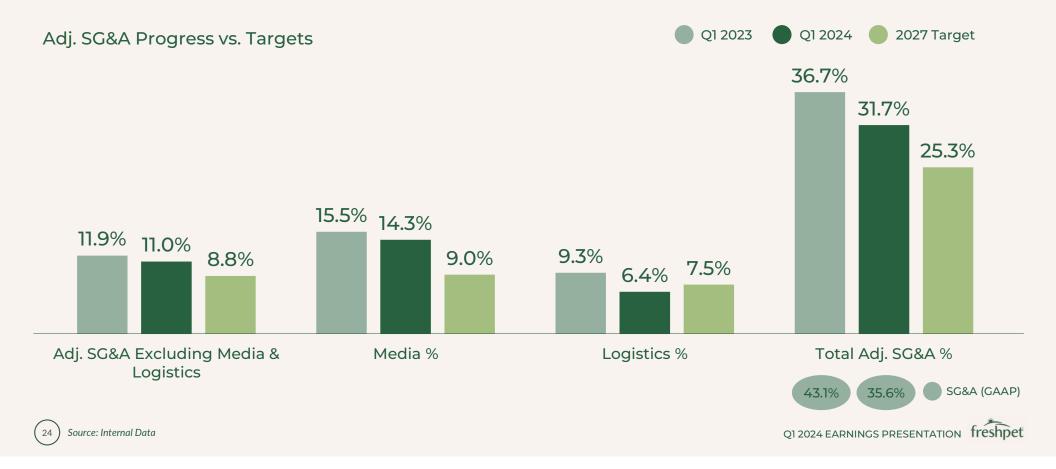


# Significant Adj. Gross Margin improvement YOY; ahead of our long-term target and now focused on consistent performance

Adj. Gross Margin Progress vs. 2027 Targets



# SG&A improvements tracking to long-term target; logistics is well ahead of plan and G&A will follow as we add scale



# FY 2024 Guidance

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### Updated FY 2024 Guidance

	Previous	Updated
Net Sales	>\$950M	no change
Net Sales Growth YoY	>24%	no change
Adjusted EBITDA	\$100 - \$110M	>\$120M
Capital Expenditures	~\$210M	no change

#### Additional considerations:

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- **Net Sales:** Maintaining guidance until we have greater confidence that we have adequate rolls capacity to meet a higher level of demand
- **Volume cadence:** Expect volume to be sequentially lower throughout the year to manage growth and cash as we ramp capacity
- Adjusted Gross Margin: Expect improvement of +300 basis points yearover-year vs. +100 basis points previously; continue to expect modest deflation
- Advertising investment: Expect media to grow in-line with sales, and will pull back as necessary to control growth in-line with long-term algorithm



## Capital Spending, Cash Flow & Liquidity

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### Significant improvement in operating cash flow

#### 🗹 Capital Spending:

- Key projects remain on-track and on-budget; estimated 2024 spending of ~\$210 million
- Once Ennis Phase II is completed this summer/fall, we will have built adequate infrastructure/buildings to accommodate our next 5+ lines

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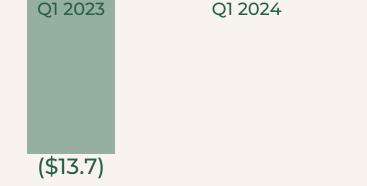
#### Cash flow:

- Generated \$5.4 million of operating cash flow in Q1 2024, a YoY improvement of over \$19 million driven by:
  - Adj. EBITDA growth
  - Working capital position
- · Interest income is offsetting interest expense

#### 🖌 Liquidity:

- \$258 million of cash-on-hand as of 3/31/24
- Generating meaningful Adj. EBITDA which could be leveraged to provide increased liquidity in 2025, if necessary

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) Source: Internal Data

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#### Operating Cash Flow (\$m)

# Appendix



#### Freshpet, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation between Gross Profit and Adjusted Gross Profit

	TI	Three Months Ended		
		March 31,		
	2024 2023		2023	
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Gross profit	\$	88,158	\$	50,760
Depreciation expense		10,675		10,721
Non-cash share-based compensation (a)		2,622		2,956
Loss on disposal of manufacturing equipment		21		
Adjusted Gross Profit	\$	101,476	\$	64,437
Adjusted Gross Profit as a % of Net Sales		45.3%	<u> </u>	38.5%

(a) Includes the true-up of share-based compensation expense in the three months ended December 31, 2023. We have certain outstanding multi-year share-based awards, granted in FY 2020, with performance-based vesting conditions that require the achievement of certain Adjusted EBITDA targets in FY 2024 as a condition to vesting. At each reporting period, we reassess the probability of achieving the performance criteria and the performance period required to meet those targets set in 2020. When such performance conditions are deemed to be improbable of achievement, the compensation cost previously recorded is reversed.



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### Freshpet, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation between SG&A Expenses and Adjusted SG&A Expenses

	Т	Three Months Ended		
		March 31,		
	2024 2023			2023
	(□	(Dollars in thousands)		
SG&A expenses	\$	79,695	\$	72,271
Depreciation and amortization expense		5,070		3,771
Non-cash share-based compensation (a)		3,600		5,459
Loss on disposal of equipment		129		268
Enterprise Resource Planning (b)				801
Capped Call Transactions fees (c)				113
Activism engagement (d)				389
Adjusted SG&A Expenses	\$	70,896	\$	61,470
Adjusted SG&A Expenses as a % of Net Sales		31.79	6	<b>36.7</b> %

(a) Includes true-ups, if required, to share-based compensation expense compared to prior periods. We have certain outstanding share-based awards with performance-based vesting conditions that require the achievement of certain Adjusted EBITDA and/or Net Sales targets as a condition of vesting. At each reporting period, we reassess the probability of achieving the performance criteria and the performance period required to meet those targets. When such performance conditions are deemed to be improbable of achievement, the compensation cost previously recorded is reversed.

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(d) Represents advisory fees related to activism engagement.



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### Freshpet, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation between Net Income (loss) and Adjusted EBITDA

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31,			
		2024		2023
	(	(Dollars in thousands)		
Net income (loss)	\$	18,602	\$	(24,786)
Depreciation and amortization		15,745		14,492
Interest income, net of interest expense		(275)		2,225
Income tax expense		54		70
EBITDA	\$	34,126	\$	(7,999)
Loss on equity method investment				980
Gain on equity investment		(9,918)		
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		150		268
Non-cash share-based compensation (a)		6,221		8,415
Enterprise Resource Planning (b)		—		801
Capped Call Transactions fees (c)				113
Activism engagement (d)				389
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	30,579	\$	2,967
Adjusted EBITDA as a % of Net Sales		13.7%	, 0	1.8%

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