Annual Report of



For the year ended December 31, 2023

Letter from the Chair of the Board

This is my second annual message to our shareholders, as Chairman of Decisive Dividend Corporation ("Decisive"). It is meant to be a continuation of what I set out last year, providing a continuing long-term viewpoint from my perspective as to our company experience. As Chair I was happy to report the success of 2022 and was excited about the prospects for 2023, and I now get to report that 2023 was a year that surpassed expectations. I will leave the details for our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), Jeff Schellenberg, to discuss in his report, but 2023 was another year of highs in our financial metrics that was recognized when Decisive placed first in the diversified industries TSX Venture Top 50 performers.

More importantly, we believe that many of our board and management team decisions executed upon in 2023 have placed Decisive in a position for long term growth and success. We have seen a robust acquisition market in the industries we are interested in owning and operating in and 2023 saw some exciting acquisitions by Decisive of companies that we think will be excellent long-term performers for us. We have had an opportunity to broaden and strengthen our management team with some important additions which have provided important resources for integrating our acquisitions and managing our existing subsidiaries for growth. Our existing subsidiaries are all taking steps and expending necessary capital to ensure that they are able to perform and grow in their space for the long term. We continue to see new opportunities for our subsidiaries to work with each other and provide goods and services to each other and to their markets. We have undertaken the steps necessary to significantly enhance our banking facilities from \$68 million to \$175 million to ensure that we are able to continue to operate and support growth in accordance with our model and business plans. Our total Decisive workforce now comprises 511 people and we continue to see the growth in our team to support our overall growth, and our Employee Share Purchase Plan continues to be a success with a participation rate of 55% that continues to grow as we grow. Our subsidiary management teams continue to perform, evolve and strengthen with succession planning in place.

Suffice it to say that while I am pleased to report that we have had an excellent fiscal 2023 which has allowed our board to approve two dividend increases in 2023 (representing a 33% increase in our per share dividend) and as at the time of this letter an additional increase of 12.5% in our per share dividend in Q1 2024, resulting in the current dividend being set at \$0.54 per share, I am equally pleased to report that Decisive has taken several important steps toward future growth and operating success. Our total shareholder return for 2023 was an impressive 67%. While we can celebrate the success, we remain focused on the future. We recognize the inevitability of challenges, whether economic, market, political, social or otherwise, yet our board and management team are continually and actively implementing strategies to support growth through 2024 and beyond.

I reiterate this sentiment from my previous report as it is fundamental to what we do. If you understand our model, you understand our fierce commitment to it. Decisive's business model is unchanged since inception. Our purpose is to be the sought-out choice for exiting legacy-minded business owners, while supporting the long-term success of the businesses acquired. Through that, we create sustainable and growing shareholder returns. The strategy is to provide a stable and growing dividend coupled with growth, which we believe is sustainable by implementing and executing upon our plan. Our subsidiaries are in diverse industries and provide a stable and resilient cash flow which supports our monthly dividends. We are able to maintain growth by investing in our existing subsidiaries and providing them with the tools and opportunities to foster their accelerated growth, and in addition, adding to our subsidiary portfolio through strategic acquisitions of new companies and the integration of complementary tuck-in acquisitions to our existing businesses, all of which are expected to contribute to per share growth in each of our key financial metrics.

I congratulate our Decisive management team and our subsidiaries on a very successful 2023!

James A. Paterson Chair, Board of Directors

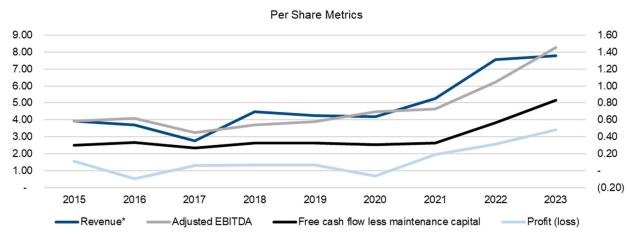
Letter from the CEO

It is a privilege to communicate with you, our shareholders, in this my second annual CEO Letter. In the 2022 letter, I provided an overview of our business model which I would encourage you to read as the foundational elements of our business model that I talked about in that letter continue to guide our decision-making processes. In this letter, I'd like to review some of the key accomplishments Decisive Dividend had in 2023 and discuss how these accomplishments are replicable and scalable outcomes of execution under our business model. Finally, I will provide some comments regarding the outlook for our business for 2024.

2023 Key Accomplishments

By any metric we measure, 2023 was a very successful year for Decisive Dividend with many things to celebrate, including the following highlights:

- We completed four accretive acquisitions adding Capital I, Micon, Procore and IHT to our portfolio of businesses. Over the period of 15 months leading to the IHT transaction, we completed six acquisitions, or an acquisition every 77 days. The recently announced acquisition of Alberta Production Machining demonstrates our focus on continuing to deliver growth via acquisition for our shareholders.
- The five businesses we owned for full year periods prior to 2023 experienced revenue growth of 13% on a year over year basis, which is a result of the work done by our subsidiaries to price our products to reflect the value we create for our customers and access profitable new customers.
- The gross margins across our portfolio of businesses improved by 6 percentage points on a year over year basis to 39% from 33% in 2022, reflecting the product mix changes, pricing increases and other margin enhancing activities, the effect of higher sales covering a larger percentage of fixed costs and the impact of the acquisition of higher gross margin businesses in 2023.
- As a result of the acquisition activity, organic growth and margin enhancement experienced in 2023, our per share financial metrics improved significantly, a critical metric for shareholders in terms of the ability to support dividend growth and equity value creation for our shareholders. You can see, from the chart below, the progress we made in our per share metrics in 2023.



*In the above chart, per share revenue is measured on the left axis, while all other per share metrics are measured on the right axis.

• It was the strength of our per share Adjusted EBITDA and per share Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital performance that allowed us to complete two dividend increases in 2023 (representing a 33% increase in our per share dividend) and a further 12.5% increase in our per share dividend in Q1 2024, resulting in the current dividend being set at an annualized \$0.54 per share.

- During 2023, Decisive's financial performance drove strong stock performance with total shareholder return of 67%. This resulted in us earning recognition in the TSX Venture 50 as one of the top 50 performing stocks of the 1,665 companies listed on the TSX Venture, placing first in the diversified industries category.
- In July 2023, we renewed and upsized our credit facilities to \$68 million with Canadian Western Bank and its subsidiary, CWB Maxium Financial Inc., and then, subsequent to the 2023 year-end, we announced a new syndicated debt facility. The new syndicated facility, co-lead by National Bank of Canada and CWB Maxium Financial Inc., also includes Royal Bank of Canada and Fédération des caisses Desjardins du Québec, and increases our overall debt capacity by \$107 million through a committed \$100 million senior secured revolving term loan and a \$75 million accordion facility.
- In April 2023 we also completed our first bought deal offering, led by Eight Capital and Cormark Securities Inc., raising \$11.6 million dollars to fund the three acquisitions we announced concurrently in April 2023.
- Finally, we also had six banks initiate research coverage on Decisive in 2023, significantly raising the profile of the business with equity investors.

Replicable and Scalable Growth

The 2023 accomplishments reflect our focus on building an organization focused on growing both via acquisition as well as organically.

Growth Via Acquisition

As discussed in last year's CEO letter, there are many companies across North America and the United Kingdom who are, or will be, for sale because of the aging business owner demographic macrotrend. Completing four acquisitions in 2023, double the number of acquisitions completed in 2022, was consistent with our objective to ramp up our pace of acquisition activity in 2023. However, the size of our M&A team did not change throughout the year. The additional capacity to complete these acquisitions resulted from deal process efficiencies, use of third-party resources to support diligence and the hard work and dedication of the team members to take advantage of the opportunities that were in front of us. These efforts netted positive results, but we are only scratching the surface. There continue to be a significant number of businesses for sale in the market resulting from the inter-generational wealth transfer trend and we need to scale our M&A team and capabilities to achieve the objectives we have set for ourselves in this area.

Further, we have seen the benefit of adding businesses in industries we have already invested in, that manufacture similar products to the businesses we already own or sell those products to similar customers we already service. Specifically, the industries we operate in are the hearth industry, wear parts industry, agriculture industry, industrials / machining industry, and merchandising industry and we have significant overlap in the mining, construction, and energy sector customers we service with our existing products. Investing in similar industries to which we are already operating in de-risks the acquisition diligence process and supports scalability in our model as the acquired businesses can fall under existing subsidiary leaders while allowing us to pursue synergistic opportunities which support organic growth.

Transaction De-Risking

ACR Heat Products, acquired in October 2022, operates in the hearth industry, an industry we had previously invested in with the acquisition of Blaze King in 2015. During this transaction, we were able to utilize Blaze King's expertise, relationships and facilities to test product quality and assess regulatory compliance. Further, in the recently announced acquisition of the assets of Alberta Production Machining by our subsidiary Hawk, completed to help support Hawk's organic growth potential, we were able to leverage off of the expertise and relationships in place at Hawk to diligence equipment quality and quote work utilizing the acquired assets in advance of acquiring the assets, to gain comfort around the return threshold we would generate from this asset acquisition.

Scalability Support

As discussed earlier, we have increased the amount of capital we have access to for acquisition purposes, with the increase in our credit facilities and access to the equity capital markets resulting from our relationships with investors and investment banks. While our access to capital has improved, we remain focused on acquiring businesses that have less than \$25 million in enterprise value as we believe we can acquire these businesses for attractive values and implement a playbook to drive organic growth post-acquisition over time, generating compounding returns for our shareholders. Further, acquiring businesses in industries we are already invested in allows us to elevate the high-quality leaders who are already working in our subsidiaries by providing the opportunity to move into more senior industry head roles or by increasing the scale of the business they are leading. This, in turn, provides additional opportunity and runway for these leaders who have demonstrated an ability to generate results and act in a way that aligns with our values, supporting retention of that leader. Further, organizing the businesses in this fashion reduces the burden on head office, allowing us to focus on supporting the subsidiaries we are already invested in or acquire and integrate more businesses into our portfolio.

Synergistic Opportunities

Though some of our subsidiaries had previously worked with other subsidiaries as vendors on a smaller scale, 2023 was the first year in which we saw subsidiaries working together to leverage off each other's capacity and capabilities to support organic growth initiatives. We have seen several examples of this across our portfolio including:

- Northside building Blaze King stoves to help address Blaze King's large backlog;
- ACR and Blaze King working together to leverage off ACR's design capabilities and Blaze King's combustion technology to develop an overnight burning European designed stove for sale in the UK, European and North American markets;
- Northside utilizing Unicast's sales personnel to sell some of their products; and
- Capital I, Hawk and Unicast working together to produce components for a shared client introduced to the group by Capital I prior to its acquisition in April 2023.

These examples, which support important opportunities to drive organic growth, are available because of the overlapping capabilities and customer bases of the group of subsidiaries we are acquiring. They have, and will continue, to support the return on invested capital we are pursuing for our shareholders which, since the acquisition of Blaze King in 2015, has been 38%, well in excess of our 15% target.

While the diversification in Decisive's portfolio of companies helps support stability in cash flows, which supports dividend sustainability, adding additional businesses that manufacture similar products or sell to similar customers is the primary focus of Decisive's M&A activities moving forward. We continue to see many high-quality opportunities to acquire businesses that generate recurring revenue streams with low capital intensity, which is why we are focused on building the capacity of our team with a focus on ramping up the pace of acquisition and integration. This methodical scaling of the business, when done with valuation discipline, which is a core tenet of Decisive's model, supported by the capacity to finance deals, can be highly accretive for Decisive shareholders, enhancing financial metrics per share which support value-creation and dividend growth.

Organic Growth

In 2021, we went through an exercise of establishing the standard of "what winning looked like" with respect to organic growth at our subsidiaries. The standard that was established was 15% annual Adjusted EBITDA growth for each subsidiary. Since that time, five businesses owned for full year periods prior to 2023 have dramatically outperformed that target, achieving 33% Adjusted EBITDA growth in 2022 and 42% Adjusted EBITDA growth in 2023. Our subsidiaries build their annual and long-term plans based on this standard and Decisive's focus is on creating an environment that can support the achievement of this profit growth objective with resources including capital, expertise and connections to internal and external resources. Examples of how this has been accomplished in 2023 include adding Julie Wilson as

VP, People and Culture at head office to support the senior leaders of our subsidiaries in their human resources development programs, including recruitment, onboarding, compensation and retention, adding Josh Widmann as AVP Accounting to help support subsidiary controllers in systems development, financial planning and analysis, and financial reporting. We also provided third-party resources throughout the year to support operational efficiency enhancement and commercial programs.

The starting point of the work to drive organic growth is done by the decentralized, entrepreneurial business leaders we have in place at each of our subsidiaries. Sometimes it takes time to ensure we have the right leader in place who can create and execute on plans to achieve this type of growth. Sometimes it takes time to build the team around that leader who can help achieve these types of results. Given our focus is on Adjusted EBITDA growth, there are multiple levers our leaders can use to achieve the desired outcomes outside of increases in top-line revenue. The margin enhancing activities that occurred in 2023, for example, are material drivers of the organic Adjusted EBITDA growth we achieved and the focus of our compensation programs to align incentives with desired outcomes.

The performance of the two businesses we bought in 2022 illustrated how the process of realigning a business from "sustained success" mode to "accelerated growth" mode (discussed in the last year's CEO letter), where the growth targets we've established are consistently achieved, does not happen overnight. The more significant the changes are that are required to complete this realignment, the longer the time it will take to take this journey. Marketing Impact experienced significant change in 2023 with the vendors stepping out of the business, which, along with a need to change course from the individual who had stepped into the leadership role, has resulted in this journey being extended. We believe we have found the right leader in Marc Gosselin to complete this realignment (as disclosed in our MD&A), but this situation provides a clear example of how the pursuit of organic growth in an acquired business takes time.

ACR, on the other hand, was acquired with the next generation leader, Jason Searle, already in place, who had initiated a growth strategy for the business. The performance of that business post-acquisition reflects this, with significant growth in the first full year period of ownership even though full-year comparative earnings to the period before our ownership was relatively flat given the demand for ACR's products contracted in 2023. The stability of Jason's leadership at ACR also has allowed the team at ACR to work very closely with the team at Blaze King around shared product development opportunities they are pursuing, which, we believe, will position these businesses for their next wave of growth.

While getting the right leaders in place in organizations is so critical in achieving the growth standards we have established for our businesses, the amount of change occurring in an organization, as discussed above, can impact performance as can the condition of the economy, especially in the short term. Uncertainty in current economic conditions is having an impact on our subsidiaries. We saw the impact of that in our businesses toward the end of 2023 which resulted in our subsidiaries entering 2024 with lower backlog than they had in place at the beginning of 2023. Though that is the case, we have seen overall order activity in 2024 outpace 2023 order activity, with some subsidiaries having higher order activity offsetting the performance of others who are generating orders at a reduced rate. As we monitor these types of figures, we are constantly communicating with our subsidiaries to understand the drivers of any shifts in demand they are experiencing and the efforts they are undertaking to be able to reposition the business to build the organization's market communication, lead generation and sales capabilities to generate demand, create programs to convert demand to sales and increase the capacity of the organization to fulfill additional demand. The long-term hold element of our "buy, build and hold" strategy that we outlined in last year's CEO letter, allows us to focus our attention on ensuring we are building our business in a way that generates total shareholder returns well in excess of the market through both capital appreciation and providing a growing and sustainable dividend to our shareholders over the longterm horizon of our ownership strategy while continuing to complete accretive business acquisitions in a way that supports both short-term and long-term success.

Conclusion

While I have focused my comments on the initiatives we are undertaking to grow the business, I want to conclude by highlighting that we are not pursuing growth for the sake of growth but, rather, value creating growth. The measure of how well we are doing regarding this will be whether we are able to continue to improve our per share financial metrics. Creating this per share financial metric growth will drive value creation and our ability to sustain and grow our dividend and will be the guiding light for all of the decision-making processes in our business.

2023 demonstrates the level of success and growth we can experience in the near-term, but the work done to prepare the business for these types of results was done by addressing challenges and pursuing opportunities over a period of years which has positioned our businesses to take advantage of the market opportunities as they presented themselves in 2023. This will continue to be our story as we acquire, integrate and realign businesses into accelerated growth mode and our focus is on continuing to execute, driving total shareholder return for our shareholders through our story of growth and yield.

Jeff Schellenberg
Chief Executive Officer

Management's Discussion and Analysis of



For the year ended December 31, 2023

Corporate Overview

Decisive Dividend Corporation ("Decisive" or the "Company") is an acquisition-oriented company focused on opportunities in manufacturing.

Decisive's purpose statement is:

- To be the sought-out choice for exiting legacy-minded business owners, who will be provided the opportunity to stay involved in Decisive;
- To support the long-term success of the businesses acquired, including through sharing resources with other Decisive companies; and
- To create sustainable and growing shareholder returns.

The Company intends to meet these objectives by:

- acquiring already profitable, well-established, high quality manufacturing companies that have a sustainable competitive advantage, a focus on non-discretionary products, steady cash flows, growth potential and established, strong leadership;
- continuing the business legacies of the vendors of companies acquired by Decisive and remaining committed to the communities our businesses are located in;
- providing resources, support and oversight to ensure sound business operations through ongoing active collaboration and monitoring while recognizing that the people running the business know it best; and
- implementing appropriate expansion strategies to pursue active organic growth of its operating subsidiaries.

The Company was incorporated under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) on October 2, 2012 and is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange, trading under the symbol "DE". The head office of the Company is located in Kelowna, British Columbia.

To date, the Company has completed the acquisition of eleven manufacturing companies. The principal wholly-owned operating subsidiaries of the Company are managed through two reportable segments and were acquired as follows:

Finished Product Segment

- Valley Comfort Systems Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiary Blaze King Industries Inc.; collectively referred to herein as "Blaze King"; acquired in February 2015.
- Slimline Manufacturing Ltd. ("Slimline"); acquired in May 2018.
- Marketing Impact Limited ("Marketing Impact"); acquired in April 2022.
- ACR Heat Products Limited ("ACR"); acquired in October 2022.
- Capital I Industries Inc. and its sister company, Irving Machine Inc.; collectively referred to herein as "Capital I"; acquired in April 2023.
- Innovative Heating Technologies Inc. ("IHT"); acquired in July 2023.

Component Manufacturing Segment

- Unicast Inc. ("Unicast"); acquired in June 2016.
- Hawk Machine Works Ltd. ("Hawk"); acquired in June 2018.
- Northside Industries Inc. ("Northside"); acquired in August 2019.
- Micon Industries Ltd. ("Micon"); acquired in April 2023.
- Procore International Radiators Ltd. ("Procore"); acquired in April 2023.

Preface

This Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") focuses on key items from the audited consolidated financial statements of Decisive for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. The audited financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS Accounting Standards"). All amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted. This discussion should not be considered all-inclusive as it excludes changes that may occur in general economic, political and environmental conditions. Additionally, other matters may occur which could affect the Company in the future.

This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements and the related notes for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. This MD&A covers the year ended December 31, 2023 and the subsequent period up to the date of filing. In this MD&A, the Company and its subsidiaries, collectively, are referred to as the "Group".

This MD&A was prepared effective March 20, 2024.

Certain statements in this MD&A constitute forward-looking information and forward-looking statements, as such this MD&A should be read in conjunction with the Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information and Statements included later in this MD&A.

In this MD&A, reference is made to "Adjusted EBITDA", "Free Cash Flow", "Growth Capital Expenditures", "Maintenance Capital Expenditures", "Dividend Payout Ratio" and "Return on Invested Capital", which are financial measures that are not recognized financial measures under IFRS Accounting Standards but are believed to be meaningful in the assessment of the Group's performance. The Company's method of calculating Non-IFRS financial measures may differ from that of other corporations or entities and therefore may not be directly comparable to measures utilized by other corporations or entities. A reader should not place undue reliance on any Non-IFRS financial measures. Detailed descriptions of these financial measures are included later in this MD&A under the heading "Non-IFRS Financial Measures" and reconciliations to their most comparable IFRS Accounting Standards measure are included throughout the MD&A where applicable.

Additional information regarding the Company, including the Company's Annual Information Form, is available on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca, or on the Company's website at www.decisivedividend.com.

Overall Performance

Financial Highlights

The financial results of the Group for the periods indicated below are, as follows:

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE (Stated in thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)			
For the year ended December 31,	2023	2022	2021
Sales	\$ 134,881	\$ 98,587	\$ 62,491
Gross profit	52,763	32,853	21,376
Gross profit %	39%	33%	34%
Adjusted EBITDA ¹	25,204	13,667	8,657
Per share basic	1.45	1.05	0.73
Profit before tax	11,750	5,687	2,940
Profit	8,333	4,084	2,282
Per share basic	0.48	0.31	0.19
Per share diluted	0.45	0.29	0.18
Free cash flow ¹	15,626	8,363	4,533
Per share basic	0.90	0.64	0.38
Free cash flow less maintenance capital 1	14,282	7,409	3,867
Per share basic	0.82	0.57	0.32
Dividends declared	7,732	4,569	2,461
Per share basic	0.44	0.35	0.21
Dividend payout ratio ¹	54%	62%	64%

¹ – As defined under the heading "Non-IFRS Financial Measures" later in this MD&A.

The non-IFRS measures referenced in the table above reconcile to the IFRS Accounting Standards measures reported in the Company's consolidated financial statements as follows:

Adjusted EBITDA

(Stated in thousands of dollars)							
For the year ended December 31,		2023		2022		2021	
Profit for the period	\$	8,333	\$	4,084	\$	2,282	
Add (deduct):							
Financing costs		3,795		2,524		2,079	
Income tax expense		3,417		1,603		658	
Amortization and depreciation		7,895		4,884		3,666	
Acquisition and restructuring costs		1,001		1,077		115	
Inventory fair value adjustments and write downs		28		22		27	
Share-based compensation expense		745		143		256	
Foreign exchange losses (gains)		96		(619)		54	
Interest and other income		(9)		(20)		(408)	
Gain on sale of equipment		(97)		(31)		(72)	
Adjusted EBITDA	·	25.204		13.667		8.657	

Free Cash Flow, Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital and Dividend Payout Ratio

(Stated in thousands of dollars)				
For the year ended December 31,	2023	2022	2021	
Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 15,789 \$	8,427	\$ 3,908	
Add (deduct):				
Changes in non-cash working capital	4,117	3,192	3,783	
Income taxes paid	4,306	991	859	
Current income tax expense	(4,274)	(1,743)	(1,080)	
Acquisition and restructuring costs	1,001	1,077	115	
Interest paid	(3,650)	(2,354)	(1,969)	
Lease payments	(1,492)	(1,227)	(1,028)	
Required principal repayments on debt	(171)	-	(55)	
Free cash flow	15,626	8,363	4,533	
Maintenance capital expenditures	(1,344)	(954)	(666)	
Free cash flow less maintenance capital	14,282	7,409	3,867	
Dividends declared	7,732	4,569	2,461	
Dividend payout ratio	54%	62%	64%	

The financial position of the Group for the periods indicated below is, as follows:

FINANCIAL POSITION (Stated in thousands of dollars)					
As at December 31	2023		2022		2021
Working capital	\$	21,686	\$	17,929	\$ 12,753
Property and equipment		23,776		12,299	7,586
Total assets		152,567		98,434	60,297
Long-term debt, excluding debt issuance costs		45,282		32,988	23,052
Equity		57,751		34,130	22,222
Share Information (000s)					
Common shares issued and outstanding		18,911		14,888	12,093

Discussion of Overall Performance

Annual Consolidated Financial Highlights

Sales for 2023 increased by \$36.3 million, or 37%, to \$134.9 million from \$98.6 million in 2022. The overall increase was driven by a 44% increase in the finished product segment and a 32% increase in the component manufacturing segment. These increases were a result of the sales generated by the six businesses added to the Group from the beginning of 2022 to the end of 2023, as well as aggregate organic revenue growth from businesses owned prior to 2022. Marketing Impact, ACR, Capital I, Micon, Procore and IHT, each of which were acquired since the start of 2022, each contributed meaningfully to the consolidated sales increases. Additionally, in 2023, on an aggregate basis, the five businesses owned prior to 2022 experienced organic revenue growth of 13% relative to 2022, driven primarily by increased sales at Northside, Hawk and Unicast.

The overall sales increase led to an overall gross profit increase of \$19.9 million, or 61%, to \$52.8 million in 2023 compared to \$32.9 million in 2022. Gross profit percentages in 2023 increased to 39%, up 6 percentage points compared to 33% in 2022. Both segments contributed to the margin increase that were a result of product mix changes, pricing increases and other margin enhancing activities, the effect of higher sales covering a larger percentage of fixed costs and the impact of the high gross margin businesses acquired in 2023.

Overall operating expenses increased from \$27.8 million in 2022 to \$41.0 million in 2023. The increase was primarily a result of the overall increase in scale due to the six acquisitions completed since the beginning of 2022, the associated acquisition costs, increased financing costs, and the increase in the size of the head office team to support the increased scale of the overall business, continued organic growth in the existing subsidiaries and further acquisitions.

Adjusted EBITDA in 2023 was \$25.2 million, a \$11.5 million, or 84%, increase compared to 2022. The overall increase in Adjusted EBITDA was primarily driven by the increase in sales and gross profit noted above.

Foreign exchange gains also affected profit between 2023 and 2022. The 2023 foreign exchange losses of \$0.1 million were considerably lower than the 2022 foreign exchange gains of \$0.6 million, which were a result of a \$0.09 increase in the value of the United States dollar, relative to the Canadian dollar during 2022.

Consolidated net profit was \$8.3 million, or \$0.48 per share, an increase of \$4.2 million, or \$0.17 per share, compared to 2022.

2024 Acquisitions

On March 14, 2024, the Company acquired, through Hawk, the assets of Alberta Production Machining Ltd. ("APM") for cash consideration of \$2.7 million, which was funded using the Company's new syndicated credit facility. The assets of APM are operated out of a leased facility in Edmonton, Alberta, and provides Hawk with increased machining capabilities and access to additional equipment and people to service the strong demand from its growing customer base.

The acquisition of APM with the new syndicated credit facility brings Decisive's cumulative acquisition funding mix to 50% debt and 50% equity, consistent with the Company's long-term acquisition funding target of 50/50 debt and equity. The Company's credit facilities and equity transactions noted above and below are described later in this MD&A under the heading "Liquidity and Capital Resources".

The acquisition date fair value of the assets acquired, and liabilities assumed in this transaction is currently being determined.

2023 Acquisitions

On April 5, 2023, the Company acquired 100% ownership of Capital I, Micon and Procore. Capital I, Micon and Procore manufacture and sell a range of products that support non-cyclical road maintenance and construction customers, as well as heavy equipment maintenance customers across multiple industries and geographies.

On July 19, 2023, the Company acquired 100% ownership of IHT, a well-established manufacturer and developer of high efficiency heating mats and lighting solutions for hog production.

These businesses are further described later in this MD&A under the headings "Finished Product Segment Overview" and "Component Manufacturing Segment Overview".

The acquisitions of Capital I, Micon, Procore and IHT are anticipated to have a positive financial impact on Decisive as they are expected to result in an increase in sales, gross profit, profit, and Adjusted EBITDA. The table below sets forth the pro forma combined financial information of Decisive and the applicable pre-acquisition periods for the acquisitions completed in 2023:

(Stated in thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)				Add	
			pre-a	acquisition	
			F	periods for	
acquired					
For the trailing twelve month period ended December 31, 2023		Decisive*	bu	sinesses**	Pro forma
Sales	\$	134,881	\$	17,078	\$ 151,959
Gross profit		52,763		9,544	62,307
Gross profit %		39%		56%	41%
Profit		8,333		4,496	12,829
Per share basic		0.48			0.69
Adjusted EBITDA ¹		25,204		6,215	31,419
Per share basic		1.45			1.69

¹ – see IFRS measurement to non-IFRS measurement reconciliation table below.

^{** –} based on the unaudited financial information for the pre-acquisition period from January 1, 2023 to April 4, 2023 for each of Capital I, Micon, and Procore, and the unaudited financial information of IHT for the pre-acquisition period from January 1, 2023 to July 18, 2023.

(Stated in thousands of dollars)	Add pre-acquisition periods for acquired				
For the trailing twelve month period ended December 31, 2023	Decisive*	bus	sinesses**		Pro forma
Profit	\$ 8,333	\$	4,496	\$	12,829
Add (deduct):					
Financing costs	3,795		27		3,822
Income tax expense	3,417		1,620		5,037
Amortization and depreciation	7,895		125		8,020
Acquisition and restructuring costs	1,001		-		1,001
Inventory fair value adjustments and write downs	28		-		28
Share-based compensation expense	745		-		745
Foreign exchange losses (gains)	96		(12)		84
Interest and other income	(9)		(3)		(12)
Gain on sale of equipment	(97)		(38)		(135)
Adjusted EBITDA	25,204		6,215		31,419

The components of the consideration paid to acquire these businesses are as follows:

(stated in thousands of dollars)					
	Capital I	Micon	Procore	IHT	Total
Cash (net of cash acquired)	\$ 10,077 \$	2,991 \$	4,331 \$	12,678 \$	30,077
Common shares	848	379	610	2,325	4,162
Long term debt assumed	588	-	-	-	588
Contingent consideration	1,910	-	-	6,676	8,586
	\$ 13,423 \$	3,370 \$	4,941 \$	21,679 \$	43,413

^{* -} based on Decisive's audited financial information reported for the year ended December 31, 2023.

The cash portion of the consideration in each of these acquisitions was initially funded using the Company's revolving term acquisition facility. Subsequent to the acquisitions of Capital I, Micon and Procore, a large portion of the amount drawn on the acquisition facility was repaid using the net proceeds of a bought deal equity financing. After the acquisition of IHT, \$4.0 million of the amount drawn on the acquisition facility was repaid using the cash proceeds from the exercise of warrants. The share portion of the consideration was funded through the issuance of an aggregate 583,191 common shares of Decisive to the vendors of Capital I, Micon, Procore and IHT.

Additionally, the vendors of Capital I can be paid up to an additional \$4.5 million and the vendors of IHT can be paid up to an additional \$10.0 million, contingent on Capital I and IHT meeting certain earnings targets over the three years following the acquisition date. For each acquisition, the contingent consideration recorded by the Company reflected the estimated fair value of the earnings target being met, as at the acquisition date.

The allocation of the purchase price to the acquisition date fair value of the assets acquired, and liabilities assumed in these transactions are as follows:

(stated in thousands of dollars)					
	Capital I	Micon	Procore	IHT	Total
Working capital, excluding cash	\$ 6,723 \$	408 \$	985 \$	1,958 \$	10,074
Property and equipment	3,688	225	603	4,957	9,473
Intangible assets	2,697	2,017	2,340	7,905	14,959
Goodwill	2,472	1,354	1,882	11,447	17,155
Lease obligation	(890)	(47)	(121)	(2,389)	(3,447)
Deferred income taxes	(1,267)	(587)	(748)	(2,199)	(4,801)
	\$ 13,423 \$	3,370 \$	4,941 \$	21,679 \$	43,413

Further particulars regarding Capital I, Micon, Procore and IHT, including certain (unaudited) historical financial information, are set forth in Decisive's material change reports dated April 10, 2023 and July 19, 2023, copies of which are available on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.

2022 Acquisitions

On April 14, 2022, the Company acquired 100% ownership of Marketing Impact. Marketing Impact designs, manufactures, and distributes a comprehensive range of merchandising products, systems and solutions as well as displays for consumer-packaged goods customers.

On October 3, 2022, the Company acquired 100% ownership of ACR. ACR manufactures EcoDesign Ready woodburning, multifuel, and gas stoves. ACR was the first add-on acquisition completed by Decisive in an industry in which it has previously invested, having acquired Blaze King in 2015.

These businesses are further described later in this MD&A under the heading "Finished Product Segment Overview".

The components of the consideration paid to acquire these businesses are as follows:

(stated in thousands of dollars)	Marketing							
		Impact	ACR	Total				
Cash (net of cash acquired)	\$	8,633 \$	6,464 \$	15,097				
Common shares		1,000	719	1,719				
Contingent consideration		600	2,858	3,458				
	\$	10,233 \$	10,041 \$	20,274				

The cash portion of the consideration paid for Marketing Impact was funded through the Company's revolving term acquisition facility and revolving term operating facility. The cash portion of the

consideration paid for ACR was funded through a private placement offering of common shares of Decisive completed in September 2022. The share portion of the consideration was funded through the issuance of an aggregate 402,084 common shares of Decisive to the vendors of Marketing Impact and ACR.

Additionally, the vendors of Marketing Impact can be paid up to an additional \$1.5 million and the vendors of ACR can be paid up to an additional £2.75 million, contingent on Marketing Impact and ACR meeting certain earnings targets over the three years following the acquisition date. For each acquisition, the contingent consideration recorded by the Company reflected the estimated fair value of the earnings target being met, as at the acquisition date. In 2023, \$1.2 million (£0.7 million) in contingent payments were paid to the vendors of ACR.

The allocation of the purchase price to the acquisition date fair value of the assets acquired, and liabilities assumed in these transactions are as follows:

(stated in thousands of dollars)	Marketing		
	Impact	ACR	Total
Working capital, excluding cash	\$ 1,277 \$	2,051 \$	3,328
Property and equipment	1,689	813	2,502
Intangible assets	6,620	5,945	12,565
Goodwill	3,727	3,521	7,248
Lease obligation	(1,427)	(799)	(2,226)
Deferred income taxes	(1,653)	(1,490)	(3,143)
	\$ 10,233 \$	10,041 \$	20,274

Further particulars regarding Marketing Impact and ACR, including certain (unaudited) historical financial information, are set forth in Decisive's material change reports dated April 18, 2022 and October 3, 2022, copies of which are available on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.

Outlook

The Company has significantly advanced its growth strategy with seven acquisitions completed in the last 24 months. Marketing Impact was a platform acquisition into a new industry for the Group, while ACR was Decisive's first add-on acquisition into an industry in which it had previously invested. The acquisitions of Capital I, Micon, Procore and IHT in 2023 diversify the Group's product offering while creating potential cross-selling opportunities in leveraging customer relationships in similar industries and complementary geographic regions. The 2024 acquisition of the assets of APM into Hawk provides Hawk with increased capabilities and access to additional equipment and people to service the strong demand from its growing customer base. Decisive is executing on its buy, build, and hold business model and completing seven acquisitions in a 24-month period demonstrates the Company's ongoing commitment to its shareholders to continue to grow the business through acquisition.

Decisive has built a strong pipeline of acquisition opportunities, and new opportunities are consistently being added to the Company's acquisition prospect pipeline. This reflects the fact that we are in the middle of the largest period of inter-generational transfer of wealth in history, where many businesses are assessing alternatives as to how the business can be carried forward into the future, including seeking out new owners. This trend will continue to provide opportunities for Decisive, with its legacy-maintaining business model being a key differentiator in a competitive acquisition marketplace.

From an operational perspective, 2023 was a year of strong operating performance for Decisive with the five businesses owned prior to 2022 generating an aggregate 13% organic revenue growth over 2022 and the six businesses acquired in the two years ended December 31, 2023, further bolstering those results. Notably, margin enhancing activities that each of the businesses have been actively pursuing, including operational efficiency improvements, cost control measures and pricing increases, resulted in an increase in gross profit percentages and improved per share Adjusted EBITDA and Free Cash Flow metrics in the year. While these efforts are ongoing, softening economic activity, as a result of the high interest rate environment, increased geopolitical instability, and ongoing inflation, though at a declining

rate, has impacted demand for certain businesses, relative to what has been experienced over the last two years. Certain of Decisive's subsidiaries, specifically Hawk and Northside, are continuing to experience robust demand characteristics, and both Marketing Impact and Slimline order levels are tracking slightly ahead of 2023. Others, specifically Unicast, Capital I and IHT, are seeing order levels trailing last year's orders. While Blaze King and ACR entered 2024 with significantly lower backlogs relative to the start of 2023, which will have an impact on Q1 2024 sales levels, management is encouraged by to-date 2024 order levels, particularly at Blaze King which are ahead of last year. Management is also pleased with the steps being taken by the new business leaders who have stepped into roles at Slimline, Micon, Procore, Capital I, and Marketing Impact. Overall, Decisive's results continue to be positively impacted by the diversification and growth in scale of its portfolio, even when individual businesses face near-term challenges.

Decisive has seen the significant positive impacts that a change in leadership at a subsidiary can have on the results of that subsidiary, especially as teams, strategies and processes are upgraded to support longer term growth objectives in the businesses. However, while these changes are taking effect, typically these subsidiaries have experienced more challenged short-term results, which is part of the process of positioning these businesses for long-term success. The quality of the leaders being brought in to run subsidiary businesses and head office personnel to provide support to these businesses, along with the steps those leaders are taking at each of the subsidiaries to pursue margin and market share enhancing activities, gives Decisive management confidence that each of Decisive's portfolio businesses is being positioned for long-term success in a manner that will continue to support per share financial metric enhancement and growing and sustainable dividends.

The Company has been focused on increasing production capacity and improving operational efficiency in its businesses. In aggregate, \$3.5 million of growth capital expenditures on manufacturing equipment were made over the last 24 months and the use of strategic third-party manufacturing partners was expanded. Additional productivity and automation initiatives are also being explored to increase production capacity and improve operational efficiency to position the portfolio businesses to meet the expected future demand levels of the Group's customers and capitalize on future market expansion opportunities over the long term. Any such initiatives will be assessed on whether they have the potential to earn a greater than 15% return on invested capital, the same target return the Company uses in assessing potential acquisitions. Further commentary surrounding the outlook for each of the businesses in the Group is provided in the MD&A under the headings "Finished Product Segment Industry Trends and Outlook".

Based on operating results in 2022 and 2023, as well as management's assessment of the outlook of the future business performance of its diversified portfolio of operating subsidiaries, the Company increased its monthly dividend three times in a 12-month span. Effective for its April 2023 dividend payment, the Company increased its monthly dividend to \$0.035 per share from \$0.030 previously, increased it to \$0.040 per share effective for its August 2023 dividend payment, and increased it again to \$0.045 effective for its March 2024 dividend payment. These increases are consistent with Decisive's objective of providing shareholders with long-term, sustainable, and growing dividends.

Decisive demonstrated its ability to access both debt and equity financing through its relationships with its lenders, shareholders, and various investment banks, funding seven acquisitions in 24-months through its expanded debt facilities and two successful equity raises. In March 2024, the Company syndicated its credit facility with four top tier lending partners, increasing its total available debt by \$107 million to \$175 million. The significant increase to the Company's credit facilities, coupled with a conservative 1.5 times debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratio as of December 31, 2023, leaves the Company with significant capacity to pursue its strategic objectives. Decisive's balance sheet is the strongest it has ever been, and management believes that the balance sheet strength and flexibility gained over the last year as well as ongoing investor interest in the Company's story of growth and yield has the Company well positioned to take advantage of potential opportunities for further growth, both through long term organic growth as well as further acquisitions, as they arise.

As a result of all of these factors, management remains confident in the long-term fundamentals of Decisive's business model.

Summary of Quarterly Results

The Group's interim results are impacted by seasonality factors primarily driven by weather patterns, including the impact thereof on heating, planting and harvesting seasons, as well as the timing of ground freeze and thaw in Western Canada and the effect thereof on the oil and gas industry. Blaze King and ACR's businesses historically experience lower demand in the first and second quarters of the calendar year, Slimline's business historically experiences lower demand in the third and fourth quarters, and Hawk's business historically experiences lower demand in the second quarter. Seasonality does not have a significant impact on the businesses of Decisive's other subsidiaries. In each subsidiary, there are substantial fixed costs that do not meaningfully fluctuate with product demand in the short-term.

(Stated in thousands of dollars, except p	,	04.2022		02 2022		02 2022		04 2022
Sales	\$	Q4 2023 35,668	\$	Q3 2023 37,654	\$	Q2 2023 30,706	\$	Q1 2023 30,853
Gross profit	Ψ	13,796	Ψ	16,346	Ψ	11,499	Ψ	11,122
Gross profit %		39%		43%		37%		36%
Adjusted EBITDA ¹		7,181		7,863		5,266		4,894
Per share basic		0.38		0.43		0.31		0.33
Profit before tax		3,160		3,995		1,911		2,684
Profit		2,424		2,741		1,201		1,967
Per share basic		0.13		0.15		0.07		0.13
Per share diluted		0.12		0.14		0.06		0.12
		Q4 2022		Q3 2022		Q2 2022		Q1 2022
Sales		30,778		25,932		23,189		18,689
Gross profit		9,988		8,912		7,756		6,198
Gross profit %		32%		34%		33%		33%
Adjusted EBITDA ¹		4,018		3,999		3,344		2,306
Per share basic		0.27		0.32		0.27		0.19
Profit before tax		983		2,644		1,245		814
Profit		659		2,029		884		512
Per share basic		0.04		0.16		0.07		0.04
Per share diluted		0.04		0.15		0.07		0.04

¹ – see IFRS measurement to non-IFRS measurement reconciliation table below.

The non-IFRS measures referenced in the table above reconcile to the IFRS Accounting Standards measures reported in the Company's consolidated financial statements as follows:

(Stated in thousands of dollars)				
	Q4 2023	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q1 2023
Profit for the period	\$ 2,424	\$ 2,741	\$ 1,201	\$ 1,967
Add (deduct):				
Financing costs	1,083	1,076	881	755
Income tax expense	736	1,253	710	718
Amortization and depreciation	2,574	2,231	1,771	1,319
Acquisition and restructuring costs	1	397	578	25
Inventory fair value adjustments and write downs	28	-	-	-
Share-based compensation expense	108	283	115	239
Foreign exchange losses (gains)	220	(100)	18	(42)
Interest and other expense (income)	(5)	21	(8)	(17)
Gain on sale of equipment	12	(39)	-	(70)
Adjusted EBITDA	7,181	7,863	5,266	4,894

(Stated in thousands of dollars)				
	Q4 2022	Q3 2022	Q2 2022	Q1 2022
Profit for the period	\$ 659	\$ 2,029	\$ 884	\$ 512
Add (deduct):				
Financing costs	740	672	657	455
Income tax expense	324	615	361	303
Amortization and depreciation	1,663	1,204	1,140	876
Acquisition and restructuring costs	440	61	578	-
Inventory fair value adjustments and write downs	22	-	-	-
Share-based compensation expense	19	26	28	70
Foreign exchange losses (gains)	176	(598)	(291)	94
Interest and other income	(7)	(5)	(4)	(4)
Gain on sale of equipment	(18)	(5)	(9)	
Adjusted EBITDA	4,018	3,999	3,344	2,306

Discussion of Quarterly Performance

In addition to the effects of seasonality as described above, the variation in the Group's results on a quarterly basis are as follows:

Q4 2023 Consolidated Financial Highlights

Sales for the fourth quarter increased by 16% to \$35.7 million from \$30.8 million in Q4 2022. The overall increase was driven by a 17% increase in the finished product segment and a 22% increase in the component manufacturing segment. Hawk and Northside were the key drivers of this growth as Hawk sales increased 30% compared to Q4 2022 and Northside sales increased 20% relative to Q4 2022 with both businesses facing robust demand. Blaze King and ACR worked through order backlogs during the quarter, although warm weather in the United Kingdom and a delay in receiving regulatory approval for the launch of a new product line impacted ACR's seasonal increase in sales of its wood stove products. As a result, overall hearth product sales declined in Q4 2023 compared to Q4 2022. Fourth quarter sales for Unicast, Slimline, and Marketing Impact declined relative to Q4 2022, as lower demand resulting from economic uncertainty impacted Unicast product sales and Slimline sprayer sales. For Marketing Impact, however, Q4 2023 sales were higher than any other quarter in 2023. The sales generated by the four businesses acquired in 2023 (Capital I, Micon, Procore and IHT) contributed meaningfully to the consolidated sales increases. Q4 2023 sales for Capital I, Micon and Procore were consistent with preacquisition averages. IHT sales moved below pre-acquisition averages during the quarter as a result of a facility move and customers electing to delay capital projects in light of economic uncertainty, though a significant number of product trial initiatives, a leading indicator of high-probability future sales for IHT, are already underway or being initiated.

Overall gross profit was \$13.8 million in Q4 2023, an increase of \$3.8 million, or 38%, relative to Q4 2022, driven by the increase in overall sales. Gross profit percentages in Q4 2023 increased by 7 percentage points to 39% compared to 32% in Q4 2022. Both segments contributed to the margin increase that were a result of product mix changes, pricing increases and other margin enhancing activities, as well as the contribution from the four high margin business acquired in 2023.

Overall operating expenses increased from \$8.9 million in Q4 2022 to \$10.4 million in Q4 2023. The increase was primarily a result of the overall increase in scale due to the four acquisitions completed in 2023 and the associated acquisition costs, as well as increased financing costs. The three roles added to the head office team in Q3 2023 (VP Manufacturing, VP People & Culture, and AVP Finance) also impacted overall operating expenses in the guarter.

Adjusted EBITDA for the fourth quarter of 2023 was \$7.2 million, a \$3.2 million, or 79%, increase compared to Q4 2022. The overall increase in Adjusted EBITDA was primarily driven by the increases in sales and gross profit relative to Q4 2022.

Consolidated net profit in the quarter was \$2.4 million, or \$0.13 per share, an increase of \$1.8 million, \$0.09 higher on a per share basis, compared to Q4 2022.

Q3 2023 Consolidated Financial Highlights

Sales for the third quarter increased by 45% to \$37.7 million from \$25.9 million in Q3 2022. The overall increase was driven by a 58% increase in the finished product segment and a 37% increase in the component manufacturing segment. The sales generated by ACR, which was acquired in October 2022, as well as the sales generated in the three businesses acquired in April 2023 (Capital I, Micon and Procore) and the first sales reported for IHT, which was acquired in July 2023, contributed meaningfully to the consolidated sales increases. Blaze King and Unicast both achieved strong sales during the quarter, consistent with sales levels in Q3 2022. Marketing Impact sales decreased 19% relative to the higher sales realized in Q3 2022, however quarterly sales levels remained in-line with pre-acquisition averages. Slimline sales increased 22% on the back of a significant sale within its wastewater evaporator business that contributed \$3.5 million in sales in the quarter. Hawk sales increased 25% compared to Q3 2022 and Northside sales increased 55% relative to Q3 2022 with both businesses facing robust demand.

Overall gross profit was \$16.3 million in Q3 2023, an increase of \$7.4 million, or 83%, relative to Q3 2022, driven by the increase in overall sales. Gross profit percentages in Q3 2023 increased by 9 percentage points compared to Q3 2022. Both segments contributed to the margin increase that were a result of product mix changes, including the high margin wastewater evaporator sales in Slimline in Q3 2023, pricing increases and other margin enhancing activities, as well as the contribution from the five high margin business acquired since Q3 2022.

Overall operating expenses increased from \$6.9 million in Q3 2022 to \$12.5 million in Q3 2023. The increase was primarily a result of the overall increase in scale due to the five acquisitions completed between September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2023 and the associated acquisition costs, as well as increased financing costs. The head office team also increased in the quarter with the addition of three roles (VP Manufacturing, VP People & Culture, and AVP Finance), each of which augment the ability of Decisive to support existing subsidiaries in achieving organic growth and complete acquisitions.

The above noted increases in sales and gross profit, were the primary drivers of the \$3.9 million, or 97%, increase in Adjusted EBITDA and \$0.7 million increase in net profit compared to Q3 2022.

Q2 2023 Consolidated Financial Highlights

Sales for the second quarter increased by 32% to \$30.7 million from \$23.2 million in Q2 2022. The overall increase was driven by a 37% increase in the finished product segment and a 26% increase in the component manufacturing segment. The sales generated by ACR, which was acquired in October 2022, as well as the sales generated in the three businesses acquired in April 2023 (Capital I, Micon and Procore), contributed meaningfully to the consolidated sales increases. Traditional seasonality negatively impacted sales for Blaze King and Hawk during the quarter. Blaze King sales were also affected by reduced productivity in the quarter and Slimline sales continued to be negatively impacted by leadership and sales personnel transitions. These decreases were more than offset by increased sales at Northside and Unicast, which highlights the benefit of diversification in the portfolio.

Overall gross profit was \$11.5 million in Q2 2023, an increase of \$3.7 million, or 48%, relative to Q2 2022, driven by the increase in overall sales. Gross profit percentages in Q2 2023 increased by 4 percentage points compared to Q2 2022, which was driven by the component manufacturing segment where product mix changes, pricing increases and other margin enhancing activities led to increased segment margins.

Overall operating expenses increased from \$6.8 million in Q2 2022 to \$9.6 million in Q2 2023. The increase was primarily a result of the overall increase in scale due to the four acquisitions completed between June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2023, and the associated acquisition costs, as well as increased financing costs.

The above noted increases in sales and gross profit, were the primary drivers of the \$1.9 million, or 57%, increase in Adjusted EBITDA and \$0.3 million increase in net profit relative to Q2 2022.

Q1 2023 Consolidated Financial Highlights

Sales for the first quarter increased by 65% to a record \$30.9 million from \$18.7 million in Q1 2022. The overall increase was driven by an 88% increase in the finished product segment and a 42% increase in the component manufacturing segment. The portfolio businesses are experiencing robust customer demand supported by favorable underlying economic conditions and strong commodity prices. Further, the sales generated by both Marketing Impact and ACR, which were acquired in April and October of 2022 respectively, contributed meaningfully to the finished product segment and consolidated sales increases. Year-over-year organic growth was also achieved in the quarter. The five businesses owned prior to 2022 experienced aggregate revenue growth of 22% in Q1 2023, relative to Q1 2022.

Overall gross profit was \$11.1 million in Q1 2023, an increase of \$4.9 million, or 79%, relative to Q1 2022, driven by the increase in overall sales. Gross profit percentages in Q1 2023 increased by 3 percentage points compared to Q1 2022, which was driven by the component manufacturing segment where product mix changes, pricing increases and the effect of higher sales covering a larger percentage of fixed costs led to increased segment margins.

Overall operating expenses increased from \$5.3 million in Q1 2022 to \$8.6 million in Q1 2023. The increase was primarily a result of increased financing costs, selling costs associated with the increase in overall sales, and overall scale due to the acquisitions of Marketing Impact and ACR.

The above noted increases in sales and gross profit, were the primary drivers of the \$2.6 million, or 112%, increase in Adjusted EBITDA and \$1.5 million increase in net profit relative to Q1 2022.

Segment Overview and Performance

Decisive's overall business is conducted through three operating segments comprised of finished product; component manufacturing; and head office. An overview of these segments and the businesses within each segment is set forth below.

Finished Product Segment Overview

The finished product segment manufactures and sells products that are purchased and used by end customers as designed. Within the finished product segment, there are six separate businesses: Blaze King, Slimline, Marketing Impact, ACR, Capital I and IHT.

Blaze King

The business of Blaze King is producing and selling high-quality, high-efficiency wood burning stoves, wood burning fireplace inserts, gas stoves, gas fireplaces, and gas fireplace inserts. All of its products are manufactured in its premises in Penticton, British Columbia and Walla Walla, Washington. Blaze King has been operating since 1977, and its hearth products are sold worldwide. Blaze King's wood burning stoves and inserts are recognized as some of the longest-burning and most efficient in the hearth market. Blaze King management believes that its products have developed a strong reputation for quality. These factors have helped build the Blaze King brand and reputation, which drives sales through dealer and customer loyalty. Blaze King has a growing distribution base that includes a large network of retailers and distributors across Canada, the United States and New Zealand.

ACR

ACR produces and sells woodburning, multifuel, and gas stoves and sells them primarily in the United Kingdom. It also produces electric stoves, electric fireplaces and outdoor pizza ovens. ACR was founded in 2004, has a well-established brand in the United Kingdom marketplace and is known for its high-quality and attractively designed products. ACR utilizes third party partners to manufacture its products making ACR scalable and versatile. It then distributes these products at accessible price points that drive a strong value proposition for its customers. Further, with its Eco-design Ready models, ACR is compliant with the emissions standards in place in the United Kingdom and across Europe.

Slimline

Slimline and predecessor companies have been manufacturing and selling air blast sprayers since 1948. The air blast sprayers are used primarily in the agricultural industry to apply treatments to crops such as apples, cherries, grapes, almonds, walnuts, oranges, and peaches. Slimline also designs, manufactures, and sells EcoMister evaporator systems primarily used in the mining, oil and gas, and waste management industries. In addition to its two main product lines, Slimline manufactures custom products and sells various sprayer, evaporator, and other industrial parts. Slimline's sprayers and evaporators utilize common technology including pumps and fan assemblies. Slimline sells its sprayers under the name "Turbo Mist" which includes a heavy-duty series, a standard series, a cherry blower, and multiple attachments for different crop types. Slimline's sprayers are primarily sold through its dealer network throughout Canada and the United States. Slimline's EcoMister evaporator division has been in operation since 1996. It produces an environmental and economical solution that meets specific customer needs in the elimination of wastewater. Slimline's evaporators are sold into markets throughout the world.

Marketing Impact

Marketing Impact designs, manufactures, and distributes a comprehensive range of merchandising products, systems and solutions for retail customers including grocery stores, convenience stores, and pharmacies. Its catalogue of over 4,000 products includes: product pusher systems, loss prevention solutions, merchandising bins and accessories, shelf management systems, and sign holder systems, among others. Marketing Impact also designs and manufactures displays for consumer-packaged goods customers. Since commencing operations in 1986, Marketing Impact has had a strong reputation for customer service, responsiveness, and innovation amongst its robust list of blue-chip, well-diversified retail customers across North America. Its design team is a leading innovator of merchandising systems and consumer-packaged goods displays as evidenced by the more than 15 patents issued or pending in Marketing Impact's portfolio.

Capital I

Capital I, located in Tisdale, Saskatchewan, has been designing, manufacturing and distributing high-quality road maintenance and construction equipment since 1993. Capital I's innovative products include dozer blades, snow blades and wings, gravel reclaimers, road groomers, quick attach lifts, road mulchers and mowers, that are used in the construction and maintenance of gravel roads. Capital I's products are tailored to fit numerous makes and models of heavy equipment used in road maintenance which allows them to service a diverse customer base ranging from OEMs, dealers and municipalities. In addition, Capital I fabricates and/or distributes mining equipment, oil and gas parts, agricultural parts and hydraulic cylinders.

IHT

IHT, located outside of Winnipeg, Manitoba, is a well-established manufacturer and developer of high efficiency heating mats and lighting solutions for hog production. IHT was founded in 1995 and offers a diverse range of reliable and energy-efficient equipment, with a strong emphasis on research and development of new innovative technologies. The current focus of the business is centered on heat mats, lighting products and related equipment for hog producers. Management believes that the key competitive advantages for these products are durability, anti-microbial characteristics, energy efficiency, optimal heat distribution, and safety and hazard prevention, all of which promote animal welfare and cost savings for their customers. IHT's products are sold around the world both directly and through strategic distributors.

Finished Product Segment Performance

(Stated in thousands of dollars)								
	For the three months ended				For the y	ear ei	ear ended	
December 31,		2023		2022	2023		2022	
Sales	\$	23,928	\$	20,402	\$ 82,470	\$	57,478	
Gross profit		9,584		7,255	34,340		22,391	
Gross profit %		40%		36%	42%		39%	
Profit		3,164		2,237	10,854		7,779	
Add (deduct):								
Financing costs		163		95	464		307	
Income tax expense		838		176	2,315		1,205	
Amortization and depreciation		1,743		1,005	4,855		2,461	
Inventory fair value adjustments and write downs		28		19	28		19	
Foreign exchange expense (income)		60		37	(24)		(84)	
Interest and other income		(2)		(4)	(3)		(14)	
Gain on sale of equipment		-		(7)	(40)		(14)	
Adjusted EBITDA		5,994		3,558	18,449		11,659	

IFRS measurement to non-IFRS measurement reconciliation presented in the table above.

Three Months Ended December 31, 2023

Overall sales for the segment in Q4 2023, increased by \$3.5 million, or 17%, relative to Q4 2022. The increase was driven primarily by the sales generated in the two businesses acquired in 2023: Capital I and IHT. Capital I sales levels remained consistent with pre-acquisition averages, while IHT sales moved below pre-acquisition averages during the quarter as a result of a facility move and customers electing to delay capital projects in light of economic uncertainty. Blaze King and ACR worked through order backlogs during the quarter, ensuring products required by their customers for the heating season were delivered, although warm weather in the United Kingdom and a delay in receiving regulatory approval for the launch of a new product line impacted ACR's seasonal increase in sales of its wood stove products, resulting in overall decreases in hearth product sales in Q4 2023 compared to Q4 2022. Q4 2023 sales at Marketing Impact decreased 24% relative to the higher sales realized in Q4 2022, however Q4 2023 sales were higher than any other quarter in 2023 for Marketing Impact. Slimline sales decreased by 20% in Q4 2023, compared to Q4 2022 as decreases in sprayer sales were more than offset by increased wastewater evaporator sales in the quarter.

The increase in overall sales combined with margin enhancing activities undertaken over the last year resulted in a \$2.3 million, or 32%, increase in gross profit in Q4 2023 compared to Q4 2022. The increase in segment gross profit percentage to 40% in Q4 2023 compared to 36% in Q4 2022 was driven primarily by the pricing increases and input cost decreases realized in the hearth division businesses, product mix changes with the increase in higher margin wastewater evaporator sales in Slimline in Q4 2023 relative to Q4 2022, as well as the contribution from the two high margin business acquired in 2023.

Overall segment Adjusted EBITDA was \$6.0 million in Q4 2023; an increase of \$2.4 million, or 68%, compared to Q4 2022, driven by the increases in overall sales and gross profit described above.

Year Ended December 31, 2023

Overall sales for the segment in 2023 increased by \$25.0 million, or 44%, relative to 2022. The increase was a result of the sales generated by Marketing Impact, ACR, Capital I and IHT since their respective acquisition dates of April 14, 2022, October 3, 2022, April 5, 2023, and July 19, 2023. Sales for Marketing Impact and ACR were both lower in 2023 relative to the comparative post-acquisition periods in 2022. Blaze King sales in 2023, increased by 4% relative to 2022, as pricing increases more than offset an 4% decrease in the number of units sold as traditional seasonal demand patterns reduced unit sales in Q2 2023. Sales for Slimline in 2023 decreased 10% relative to 2022, primarily due to decreases in

agricultural sprayer sales relative to a year ago, which were partially offset by increased wastewater evaporator sales.

Overall gross profit increased by \$11.9 million, or 53%, in 2023 relative to 2022, driven by the overall increase in sales. Segment gross profit percentage increased to 42% in 2023 compared to 39% in 2022, based on pricing increases and input cost decreases realized in Blaze King as well as the impact of acquiring three high margin business (ACR, Capital I and IHT) since Q3 2022, which was partially offset by margin compression at Marketing Impact.

Overall segment Adjusted EBITDA was \$18.5 million in 2023; an increase of \$6.8 million, or 58%, compared to 2022, driven by the increases in overall sales and gross profit described above.

Finished Product Segment Industry Trends and Outlook

Blaze King and ACR

- All Blaze King products meet stringent EPA 2020 regulations in effect for wood burning appliances in North America. Blaze King's top selling King and Princess model woodstoves are listed first and second in North America in terms of efficiency by the EPA. Similarly, all of ACR's products meet the environmental standards in effect in the United Kingdom and Europe.
- Investments made with respect to EPA 2020 readiness positioned Blaze King to increase its market share. According to information published by the EPA, since October 2019, the total number of wood stove manufacturers declined by 45% and the total number of certified fireboxes declined by 66%.
- United States government's tax credit program, effective until 2032, has buoyed demand as Blaze King products make up 10% of eligible wood stoves. Consumers can apply for a tax credit of up to \$2,000 to replace older non-efficient wood stoves and fireplaces.
- A warm winter, the stabilization in the availability and costs of heating alternatives such as natural
 gas, timelines for receiving regulatory approval for new product line launches, the high interest
 rate environment, and near-term geopolitical and economic uncertainty may negatively impact
 near-term demand for wood stoves and fireplaces in North America, the United Kingdom and
 Europe.
- Both Blaze King and ACR worked through their backlogs in Q4 2023, and are actively pursuing market share increases through its distribution channels including through the reintroduction of incentives for customers to commit to orders early in the year and the introduction of new product designs. Blaze King management is focused on building appropriate levels of inventory to satisfy demand witnessed in its early-buy program and to capitalize on future market expansion opportunities. Investments in growth capital were made over the last three years to increase production capacity and efficiency with additional investments underway and planned in the coming months. In addition, different third party manufacturers (including Northside for Blaze King products) are being utilized to increase production and, in some cases, to enhance product margins.
- Blaze King and ACR are in the early stages of leveraging synergies between the two businesses
 which could include the introduction of Blaze King products into Europe and the introduction of
 ACR products into North America, supported by the extensive dealer networks both businesses
 have in their respective markets.

Slimline

• Slimline's agriculture sprayers have strong brand equity and market penetration in British Columbia and in the Pacific Northwest and is aiming to capitalize on the wider industry movement toward precision agriculture.

- In February 2023, Daryll Lowry was named the new president of Slimline. Leadership transition has progressed considerably over the last year.
- New leadership team is focused on improving service to the existing customer base in the Pacific Northwest while also pursuing expansion in other large agricultural markets in North America, such as California, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and New York. This renewed focus is expected to have Slimline better positioned for the 2024 and 2025 agricultural sprayer buying seasons, as agricultural sprayer orders were considerably lower in 2023 relative to 2022. However, the current high interest rate environment and general economic uncertainty may impact the extent of 2024 sprayer sales increases.
- Other worldwide markets are being explored as potential expansion opportunities to augment its North American sprayer business.
- Opportunities for Slimline's wastewater evaporator products to provide alternative wastewater remediation solutions in the mining, oil and gas and waste management industries.
- The development of a larger scale evaporator for use in larger scale tailings ponds over the last several months led to a substantial order that was fulfilled in Q3 2023 and further opportunities for the larger scale evaporator are being pursued. However, the current high interest rate environment and general economic uncertainty may cause customers to defer capital projects of this nature in the near-term.

Marketing Impact

- Services a wide range of top-tier retail and consumer packaged goods customers that are in non-cyclical industries selling non-discretionary products. Grocery stores, convenience stores, and pharmacies, as well as the consumer-packaged goods that are shelved by these outlets, have all experienced strong demand trends over the last few years and that is expected to continue in the long-term.
- Demand from these customers softened in 2023. However, Marketing Impact is uniquely
 positioned as a domestic supplier of merchandising products, systems, solutions and displays for
 these customer groups. Its product pusher and anti-theft systems can demonstrate a strong
 return on investment to its customer base as they support labour savings and reduced shrinkage
 for its customers.
- Well established with its customer base in Eastern Canada. Given its market position and the
 quality of its products, management believes there are opportunities for growth in Western
 Canada, Quebec and the United States. In the United States, the grocery and pharmacy
 industries are more fragmented than in Canada, which provides for a wider potential customer
 sales base.
- Transition of leadership from the founders limited growth in the business in 2023. Marc Gosselin
 was hired as the President of Marketing Impact in March 2024, marking a major advancement in
 the leadership transition process, positioning the business to pursue growth in a methodical
 fashion while improving operational efficiency.

Capital I

Innovative products designed for optimizing maintenance of gravel roads that can demonstrate a
strong return on investment for its customers through reduced use of consumables, improved
visibility and safety of drivers given the proprietary method of product attachment to grader units,
and improved performance as a result of the unique design attributes of its products relative to its
competitors.

- Vernon Snidal hired as President in November 2023, supporting leadership transition from the
 exiting founders of this business, while also pursuing operational efficiency enhancements and
 customer acquisition process improvement, including through the expansion of the sales team at
 Capital I.
- Current project underway to manufacture oil and gas machinery in conjunction with Hawk and Unicast.
- Significant opportunities for growth in adjacent markets in Eastern Canada and the United States.
- The current high interest rate environment and general economic uncertainty may cause its customers to defer capital expenditures and instead focus on maintenance which could reduce demand for Capital I products in the near-term.

<u>IHT</u>

- The energy efficiency of IHT's products results in significant cost savings for pork producers relative to other technologies used in the industry.
- Similarly, its products optimize heating conditions, and improve safety and hazard prevention, all
 of which enhance animal welfare and additional cost savings for its customers.
- The North American pork market has faced high feed costs and low market pricing over the last year. Management of IHT believes that pork pricing may begin to rebound in mid-2024. Despite these industry headwinds, IHT's products can help pork producers realize cost savings and it currently has a large number of trials out with potential customers to demonstrate that. However, the current high interest rate environment and general economic uncertainty may impact timing of when these trials turn into larger scale sales.
- Opportunities to expand product offering with near term launch of cooling mats and expanded use
 of fiberglass reinforced plastics into additional product lines. The additional capacity afforded to
 IHT by the move to a new larger facility, with new more efficient equipment will allow IHT to meet
 its expected demand levels over the coming years while also expanding its product offering.
- Opportunities for growth in other pork producing countries in South America, Asia and Europe.

Component Manufacturing Segment Overview

The component manufacturing segment manufactures and sells products based on specifications determined by its customers for use in its customers' processes. Within the component manufacturing segment, there are five separate businesses: Unicast, Hawk, Northside, Micon and Procore.

<u>Unicast</u>

The business of Unicast is producing and distributing wear parts and valves for the mining, aggregate and cement industries. Wear parts are consumable parts for machinery that wear out when crushing rock, which is done extensively in the mining, aggregate and cement industries. Unicast has been in operation since 1994. Unicast is focused on providing quality wear parts that are more durable and last longer than the products of its competitors. Unicast's products are designed to have fewer issues regarding installation and maintenance by using novel alloys, precision engineering, three-dimensional scanning technology, robust quality control processes, and comprehensive collaboration agreements involving academia and industry partners. Unicast management believes that these are Unicast's primary competitive advantages over its competitors. Unicast has a growing dealer distribution base that includes distributors across Canada and the United States, with continuing growth in Latin America, the Middle East, Asia, and Europe.

Hawk

Hawk was founded in 1998 and is positioned in the computer numerical control (CNC) machining/fabrication market as a complete turnkey solution for customized machining products. Over the last five years, customers of Hawk have primarily been market participants in the down hole tool sector of the oil and gas industry, power utility generation, appliance, and other original equipment manufacturers. Products and services include: general machining; hydraulic fracturing tools; ground and subsurface tools; rods and couplings; reconditioning services; and resale parts. Hawk routinely delivers product direct to end-users rather than customers' facilities for inspection as a result of its low historical failure rates.

Northside

Northside was founded in 1967 and is a full-service provider of welding and fabrication solutions for a diverse number of industries. The primary focus of Northside is supplying products for the commercial vehicle and forestry sectors; however, Northside also has exposure to the agriculture, environmental, mining and oil and gas sectors, among others. Northside has produced an expansive range of products for its customers over the years including: truck and automotive components, fuel-hydraulic fluid tanks, j-brackets and straps, bumpers, truck chassis components, cab panels, tanks, architectural components, tool and battery boxes, steel under-decking and much more.

Micon

Micon, located in Merritt, British Columbia, designs, manufactures and distributes high-quality radiator seals and grommets for heavy duty equipment. Its products are designed to help reduce downtime associated with cooling system failures of the equipment used in the demanding mining and road construction industries. Micon utilizes strategic distribution hubs and distribution partners to reduce time to fulfill orders to its worldwide base of customers.

Procore

Procore, located in Merritt, British Columbia, designs, manufactures and distributes high-performance radiators for heavy duty equipment. Procore radiators are designed for the cooling systems found in the heavy-duty equipment used in the mining, oil and gas and road construction industries. Procore manufactures a full line of folded core radiators as well as a growing list of AMOCS Radiators to fit into Caterpillar™ type equipment. Procore's innovative designs reduce expensive downtime for its customers, and it utilizes strategic distribution hubs and distribution partners to reduce time to fulfill orders to its worldwide base of customers.

Component Manufacturing Segment Performance

(Stated in thousands of dollars)									
	For the three months ended					For the year ended			
December 31,		2023		2022		2023		2022	
Sales	\$	12,742	\$	10,458	\$	54,698	\$	41,346	
Gross profit		4,212		2,733		18,423		10,462	
Gross profit %		33%		26%		34%		25%	
Profit		1,107		494		6,536		2,703	
Add (deduct):									
Financing costs		32		22		127		101	
Income tax expense		184		132		1,347		235	
Amortization and depreciation		811		644		2,977		2,379	
Acquisition and restructuring costs		-		-		-		237	
Inventory fair value adjustments and write downs		-		3		-		3	
Foreign exchange expense (income)		160		139		120		(535)	
Interest and other income		(3)		(1)		(6)		(1)	
Gain on sale of equipment		12		(11)		(57)		(17)	
Adjusted EBITDA		2,303		1,422		11,044		5,105	

IFRS measurement to non-IFRS measurement reconciliation presented in the table above.

Three Months Ended December 31, 2023

The \$2.3 million, or 22%, increase in segment sales in Q4 2023 relative to Q4 2022, was driven by sales increases in Hawk and Northside as well as the sales generated in the two businesses acquired in April 2023: Micon and Procore. The sales generated by Micon and Procore in Q4 2023 were consistent with pre-acquisition averages. Unicast sales decreased 14% in Q4 2023 compared to Q4 2022 as economic and geopolitical uncertainty resulted in reduced order activity. Hawk sales increased 30% compared to Q4 2022 and Northside sales increased 20% relative to Q4 2022. Demand levels in these businesses has continued to be strong, supported by commodity prices and customer diversification efforts.

The increase in sales was a key driver of the \$1.5 million, or 54%, increase in segment gross profit for the three-month period ended December 31, 2023, compared to the same period in 2022. In addition, segment gross profit percentages increased by 7 percentage points to 33% in Q4 2023 compared to 26% in Q4 2022, as a result of product mix changes, pricing increases and the impact of Northside moving production of certain lower margin products to a strategic partner in a lower cost jurisdiction.

Segment Adjusted EBITDA was \$2.3 million in Q4 2023; an increase of \$0.9 million, or 62%, compared to Q4 2022. The increase in segment Adjusted EBITDA was driven by the increased sales and gross profit generated in the quarter.

Year Ended December 31, 2023

For the year ended December 31, 2023, segment sales increased by \$13.4 million, or 32%, compared to 2022. The overall increase was a result of sales increases of 16%, 28% and 31% in each of Unicast, Hawk and Northside respectively, as well as the sales generated by Micon and Procore, which were acquired in April 2023. Demand levels for Unicast were strong through the first half of the year but decreased in the second half of the year as customers elected to defer maintenance on machinery or delay capital projects in light of economic uncertainty. Conversely, demand for Hawk and Northside was strong throughout 2023, reflecting strength in demand from the industries that these businesses serve.

Overall segment gross profit in 2023 increased by \$8.0 million, or 76%, compared to 2022. In addition, segment gross profit percentages increased by 9 percentage points to 34% in 2023 compared to 25% in 2022. The higher sales levels in 2023 were a driver of the overall gross profit increase, however margin enhancing activities undertaken over the last year had an even greater impact on both the overall gross profit increase as well as the increase in gross profit percentages.

Segment Adjusted EBITDA in 2023 was \$11.0 million; an increase of \$5.9 million, or 116%, compared to 2022. The increase in segment Adjusted EBITDA was driven by the increase in sales and gross profit.

Component Manufacturing Segment Industry Trends and Outlook

Unicast, Micon and Procore

- Long-term demand expectations for cement and aggregate industries continue to be strong based on infrastructure spending initiatives that have been introduced by governments globally. Near-term economic and geopolitical uncertainty has resulted in reduced order activity, as some customers are electing to defer maintenance on machinery or delay capital projects. The impact of this demand shift resulted in lower sales in Q4 2023 and is expected to negatively impact Q1 and Q2 2024 results as well.
- Unicast continues to diversify its supply chain with over 30% of the products delivered in 2023 coming from suppliers outside of China. Unicast can produce over 90% of its wear parts from suppliers outside of China, which greatly mitigates geopolitical and supply chain risk for its business.
- Mark Watson named President of Unicast in May 2022 with a focus on highlighting Unicast's product differentiators to support sales growth, focusing on higher margin products and expanding Unicast's sales team and distribution networks while diversifying suppliers.

- Brian McDonald hired as the General Manager of Micon and Procore in August 2023, supporting leadership transition from the exiting founders of these businesses along with operational efficiency enhancement and customer acquisition activity.
- Opportunity for market share increases through cross selling amongst complementary customer bases and geographies served between Unicast, Micon and Procore. Further geographic expansion opportunities in Latin America, Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Middle East.

Hawk

- Customer base currently tied closely to the North American oil and gas industry. Over the last year, customer base has diversified which has lessened the reliance on its main customer considerably.
- Current oil and natural gas price levels continue to be supportive of strong activity levels in the oil
 and gas industry, evidenced by increasing rig counts in Western Canada in the second half of
 2023 and further rig count increases forecasted in 2024, which is positive with respect to demand
 for Hawk's products.
- Tim Stewart named President of Hawk in January 2022, with a focus on pursuing sales growth from a broad range of customers, supporting the ongoing diversification of Hawk's revenue mix while continuing to provide turnkey services to its main customers.
- In March 2024, Hawk acquired the assets of APM, providing it with increased machining capabilities and access to additional equipment and people to service the strong demand from its growing customer base.

Northside

- Northside's primary focus is supplying products to two main customers in the commercial vehicle and forestry sectors.
- Demand for commercial vehicle products increased significantly in 2023 and based on current production forecasts, the provision of these products is expected to continue to support strong demand levels for commercial vehicle products in 2024.
- In Q4 2023, Northside extended the term of its long-term contract with a major commercial vehicle customer through to the end of 2026 and also entered into a new contract with another major commercial vehicle customer. The new contract diversifies Northside's customer base and includes shared investment in property and equipment with this customer to produce specific products for them. Sales under this new contract are expected to commence in Q4 2024.
- Conversely, North American lumber prices have declined in 2023, as rising interest rates have reduced demand for lumber. Demand for forestry equipment has moderated as a result, which has negatively impacted demand for the products connected to this sector.
- Northside is committed to improving production capacity and efficiency and successfully entered
 into a strategic partnership to produce certain lower margin products in a lower cost jurisdiction in
 2023 to help mitigate the effect of cost increases over the last few years and meet the expected
 future demand levels of its customers while also increasing production capacity.
- Production capacity improvements are being used to produce fireboxes for Blaze King, which commenced in Q3 2023. These efficiencies are also allowing Northside to pursue other value-add manufacturing opportunities.
- Additional capacity and efficiency enhancing investments are targeted for 2024, with initial deposits on a new laser and brake press made in Q4 2023.

Head Office Segment Overview

The Canadian public company parent, Decisive Dividend Corporation, is considered a third and separate segment, as its function is as an investment holding and management company.

(Stated in thousands of dollars)							
	Fo	For the year ended					
December 31,		2023	2022		2023		2022
Loss	\$	(1,847)	\$ (2,072)	\$	(9,057)	\$	(6,398)
Add (deduct):							
Financing costs		888	623		3,204		2,116
Income tax expense (recovery)		(286)	16		(245)		163
Amortization and depreciation		20	14		63		44
Acquisition and restructuring costs		1	440		1,001		840
Share-based compensation expense		108	19		745		143
Interest and other income		-	(2)		-		(5)
Adjusted EBITDA		(1,116)	(962)		(4,289)		(3,097)

IFRS measurement to non-IFRS measurement reconciliation presented in the table above.

Three Months Ended December 31, 2023

During the three-month period ended December 31, 2023, Head Office expended \$2.1 million, before income taxes, on corporate activities. This was consistent with Q4 2022, as increases in financing costs and professional fees were offset by lower acquisition costs.

Year Ended December 31, 2023

For the year ended December 31, 2023, Head Office expended \$9.3 million, before income taxes, on corporate activities, an increase of \$3.1 million relative to 2022.

The increase was in part a result of a \$1.1 million increase in financing costs in 2023 due to the increase in long-term debt used to fund acquisitions during the year and to fund increased working capital across the Group, as well as an increase in variable rate borrowing costs. The acquisition activity in 2023 resulted in a \$0.2 million increase in acquisition costs relative to 2022. Professional fees were also \$0.5 million higher in 2023 as a result of recruitment costs incurred to fill additional head office positions, investments in resources to assist subsidiaries in identifying market share and margin enhancing activities, and increased audit fees. In addition, salaries, wages and benefits increased due to three new team members at head office as well as short-term incentive accruals based on the strong overall operating performance of the Group in 2023. The three team members added included the roles of VP Manufacturing, VP People & Culture, and AVP Finance, each of which augment the ability of head office to support existing subsidiaries in achieving organic growth and complete acquisitions. Also, share-based compensation was \$0.6 million higher in 2023, versus the same period in 2022, primarily as a result of deferred share units and restricted share units issued in 2023. Selling, general and administrative costs increased by \$0.2 million in 2023 as a result of the increased scale of the Group over the last year.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders.

The capital structure of the Group currently consists of equity and debt. The Company manages the capital structure and adjusts it in the light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may issue new shares, purchase shares for cancellation pursuant to a normal course issuer bid ("NCIB"), adjust the amount of

dividends paid to align the dividend policy with shareholder expectations, place new debt, refinance existing debt, or sell assets. Management reviews its capital management approach on a regular basis.

The Company is continuing to manage its financial position in accordance with its capital management objectives and considering its current operating environment.

The industry trends outlined in the "Finished Product Segment Industry Trends and Outlook" and "Component Manufacturing Segment Industry Trends and Outlook", as well as the market risks described under "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Information Form and in this MD&A can significantly affect the financial condition and liquidity of the Company.

Cash and Working Capital

As of the date of this MD&A, the Company had cash of \$5.2 million, compared to cash of \$4.1 million at December 31, 2023, and cash of \$4.7 million at December 31, 2022.

As at December 31, 2023, the Company had net working capital of \$21.7 million (December 31, 2022 - \$17.9 million) as follows:

	Dec	ember 31,	Dec	ember 31,
(Stated in thousands of dollars)		2023		2022
Cash	\$	4,050	\$	4,734
Accounts receivable		22,647		16,380
Inventory		24,351		14,940
Prepaid expenses and deposits		1,399		2,433
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(26,107)		(17,909)
Dividends payable		(756)		(447)
Warranty provision		(700)		(579)
Customer deposits		(1,281)		(344)
Current portion of lease obligations		(1,693)		(1,279)
Current portion of long-term debt		(224)		_
Net working capital	\$	21,686	\$	17,929

Capital Expenditures

(Stated in thousands of dollars)								
	For the three months ended				For the year ended			
December 31,		2023		2022		2023		2022
Purchase of property and equipment	\$	1,137	\$	231	\$	3,918	\$	2,140
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		(92)		(19)		(173)		(40)
		1,045		212		3,745		2,100
Growth capital expenditures		764		46		2,401		1,146
Maintenance capital expenditures		281		166		1,344		954
	\$	1,045	\$	212	\$	3,745	\$	2,100

The increase in capital expenditures was a result of increases in both maintenance capital and growth capital expenditures. Growth capital expenditures in 2023 were directed toward production capacity enhancements for Blaze King, including capital expenditures at Northside required to setup a

manufacturing cell for Blaze King products, capability enhancements at Hawk, and deposits on new equipment at Northside aimed at improving production capacity and efficiency.

Free Cash Flow

(Stated in thousands of dollars)								
	Fo	r the three	month	s ended	For the y	ear ended		
December 31,		2023		2022	2023		2022	
Cash provided by operating activities	\$	7,862	\$	3,314	\$ 15,789	\$	8,427	
Add (deduct):								
Changes in non-cash working capital		(2,052)		271	4,117		3,192	
Income taxes paid		1,376		-	4,306		991	
Current income tax expense		(865)		(143)	(4,274)		(1,743)	
Acquisition and restructuring costs		-		440	1,001		1,077	
Interest paid		(1,058)		(706)	(3,650)		(2,354)	
Lease payments		(431)		(323)	(1,492)		(1,227)	
Required principal repayments on debt		(60)		-	(171)			
Free cash flow	\$	4,772	\$	2,853	15,626		8,363	

The increase in Free Cash Flow in 2023, was primarily a result of the increase in Adjusted EBITDA relative to 2022, which was partially offset by increases in interest paid, current income taxes and lease payments on right of use assets.

Dividends and Dividend Payout Ratios

The Company's Board of Directors regularly examines the dividends paid to shareholders. The following dividends were declared during the year ended December 31, 2023, and throughout 2022:

(Stated in thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)

		20		2022			
				Dividend			Dividend
	P	er share		Amount	Per share		Amount
Month	•	(\$)		(\$)	(\$)		(\$)
-	\$	0.030	\$	448	\$ 0.025	\$	303
February		0.030		450	0.025		304
March		0.035		528	0.025		305
April		0.035		608	0.030		377
May		0.035		610	0.030		377
June		0.035		611	0.030		378
July		0.040		712	0.030		379
August		0.040		746	0.030		379
September		0.040		752	0.030		436
October		0.040		755	0.030		441
November		0.040		755	0.030		443
December		0.040		757	0.030		447
Total	\$	0.440	\$	7,732	\$ 0.345	\$	4,569

The above dividends were paid on or about the 15th of the month following their declaration. Of the dividends paid in 2023, \$5.2 million were settled in cash and \$2.2 million were reinvested in additional

common shares of the Company, pursuant to the dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan "the DRIP".

On March 15, 2023, the Company announced an increase in its monthly dividend to \$0.035 per share and on June 22, 2023 announced a further increase in its monthly dividend to \$0.04 per share effective for the August 2023 dividend payment declared in July 2023. At December 31, 2023, the monthly dividend represented annualized dividends of \$0.48 per common share, up from the annualized March level of \$0.42 per common share and the previous level set at \$0.36 per common share on an annualized basis. Subsequent to December 31, 2023, on February 15, 2024, the Company announced a further increase in its monthly dividend to \$0.045 per share effective for the March 2024 dividend payment, which represents annualized dividends of \$0.54 per common share.

The Company utilizes Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital to analyze the percentage of cash generated from operations returned to shareholders as dividends. This is analyzed on a trailing twelve-month basis in order to reduce the impact of seasonality on the analysis. Cash outflows associated with acquisitions, including acquisition costs, and growth capital expenditures are not included in this payout ratio as they are expected to generate incremental cash inflows in the future. The Company's dividend payout ratio decreased in the trailing twelve-month period ended December 31, 2023 compared to the same period in 2022, primarily as a result of the \$11.5 million increase in Adjusted EBITDA for the trailing twelve-month period ended December 31, 2023, compared to the same period in 2022, which was partially offset by increases in interest paid, current income taxes and lease payments on right of use assets.

(Stated in thousands of dollars)									
	Fo	For the three months ended					For the year ended		
December 31,		2023		2022		2023		2022	
Free cash flow	\$	4,772	\$	2,853	\$	15,626	\$	8,363	
Maintenance capital expenditures		(281)		(166)		(1,344)		(954)	
Free cash flow less maintenance capital		4,491		2,687		14,282		7,409	
Dividends declared		2,266		1,332		7,732		4,569	
Dividend payout ratio						54%		62%	

Cumulative dividends, paid since Decisive's inception, for the year ended December 31, 2023, are as follows:

(Stated in thousands of dollars)	December 31, 2023
Cumulative dividends, beginning of year	\$ 19,686
Dividends declared during the year	7,732
Cumulative dividends, end of year	\$ 27,418

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, to the date of this MD&A, the Company undertook the following dividend actions:

- A dividend of \$0.04 per share was declared on January 15, 2024, for shareholders of record on January 31, 2024, which was paid on February 15, 2024;
- A dividend of \$0.045 per share was declared on February 15, 2024, for shareholders of record on February 29, 2024, which was paid on March 15, 2024; and
- A dividend of \$0.045 per share was declared on March 15, 2024, for shareholders of record on March 29, 2024, which is payable on April 15, 2024.

Long-Term Debt

(Stated in thousands of dollars)	Authorized and Available		March 20, December 3 ^o 2024 202 Outstanding Outstandin		2023	ember 31, 2022 utstanding
Syndicated revolving term loan Previous credit agreement Equipment loans	\$ 100,000 see below 383	\$	51,200 - 383	\$	- 45,091 415	\$ 32,988
Total debt Less: cash		\$	51,583 (5,219)	\$	45,506 (4,050)	\$ 32,988 (4,734)
Total debt, net of cash	\$ -	\$	46,364	\$	41,456	\$ 28,254

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, and before the date of this MD&A, the Company entered into a new syndicated credit facility providing for a committed \$100 million senior secured revolving term loan and a \$75 million accordion, which the Company can request as an increase, in whole or in part, to the total amount available under the new syndicated credit facility. The syndicate lenders include National Bank of Canada, CWB Maxium Financial (a wholly owned division of Canadian Western Bank), Royal Bank of Canada and Fédération des caisses Desjardins du Québec, with National Bank of Canada acting as administrative agent on behalf of the syndicate.

The new syndicated credit facility increased the Company's overall debt capacity from \$68 million to \$175 million, providing Decisive with considerable additional liquidity to fund growth in its existing operations as well as through acquisition opportunities, at borrowing costs consistent with the effective interest rates under its previous credit agreement.

Comparative details of the new syndicated credit facility and the previous credit agreement with Canadian Western Bank and CWB Maxium Financial are as follows:

New Syndicated Credit Facility

(Stated in thousands of dollars)		Effective	Revised
	Interest	Interest	Authorized
	Rate	Rate	Debt
Senior secured revolving term loan	see below	8.2%	\$ 100,000
Accordion facility	see below	-	75,000
Equipment loans	2.3%	2.3%	383
Total debt			\$ 175,383

Previous Credit Agreement

(Stated in thousands of dollars)		Effective	Previous
	Interest	Interest	Authorized
	Rate	Rate	Debt
Revolving term acquisition facility	P+2.5%	9.7%	\$ 25,000
Revolving term operating facility	P+1.0%	8.2%	15,000
Non-amortizing term facility	6.9%	6.9%	28,000
Total senior debt		8.2%	68,000
Equipment loans	2.3%	2.3%	383
Total debt			\$ 68,383

[&]quot;P" in the table above denotes prime rate

The new syndicated credit facility consists of a single senior secured revolving term loan, compared to the three separate loan tranches outlined in the table above. There are no required principal payments for the

committed three-year term of the new syndicated credit facility, which also provides for annual extension provisions, and all drawn amounts will mature in March 2027.

Borrowings under the new syndicated credit facility may be made by way of Canadian prime rate, U.S. base rate, CORRA or SOFR advances. The new syndicated credit facility bears interest at the Canadian prime rate or U.S. base rate plus 0.75% to 2.25%, or at the Canadian overnight repo rate average ("CORRA") or the U.S. Federal reserve secured overnight financing rate ("SOFR") plus 2.00% to 3.50%. These interest rate ranges are dependent on certain financial ratios of the Company. In addition, standby fees ranging from 0.40% to 0.70% per annum are paid quarterly on the unused portion of the new syndicated credit facility depending on certain financial ratios of the Company. There are no fees paid on the accordion until amounts are made available.

The acquisition of the assets of APM in March 2024 was completed utilizing the new syndicated credit facility. The Company utilized its revolving term acquisition facility included in its previous credit agreement in each of the four acquisitions completed in 2023. The acquisition facility was subsequently paid down through the net proceeds of an equity offering completed in April 2023, proceeds on the exercise of warrants (both of which are described later in this MD&A under the heading "Disclosure of Outstanding Share Data"), and operating cash flows.

The new syndicated credit facility is secured by a general security agreement, assignment of insurance, and unlimited corporate cross guarantees. In addition, the Company and its subsidiaries have agreed to maintain the following ratios (as defined in the credit agreement) as a group on a trailing twelve-month basis:

- Maximum total debt to Adjusted EBITDA of 3.25:1
- Minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.50:1

As at December 31, 2023, the Group was in compliance with these ratios.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The Group does not have any off-balance sheet arrangements.

Disclosure of Outstanding Share Data

The following table sets forth the Company's share capital data as at March 20, 2023, December 31, 2023, and December 31, 2022. Each deferred share unit and restricted share unit entitled the holder thereof to one common share of the Company pending the satisfaction of certain vesting, settlement and/or redemption criteria. Each warrant and stock option entitled the holder thereof to purchase one common share of the Company pending the satisfaction of certain vesting criteria.

	March 20, 2024	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Common shares, basic	19,197,898	18,910,603	14,888,021
Warrants outstanding	931,982	968,082	924,181
Deferred share units outstanding	96,356	44,440	-
Restricted share units outstanding	152,757	69,789	-
Stock options outstanding	263,502	400,002	659,666
Common shares, fully diluted	20,642,495	20,392,916	16,471,868

An aggregate of 538,860 common shares were issued during the year ended December 31, 2023, through Decisive's employee share purchase plan, DRIP and the exercise of stock options. These share issuances generated cash proceeds of \$0.5 million and reduced the amount of cash dividends paid by

\$2.2 million. In Q4 2023, Decisive purchased and cancelled 2,300 common shares at a weighted average price of \$6.97 per common share under its NCIB. In addition, 938,343 common shares were issued during the year ended December 31, 2023 on the exercise of warrants which generated \$4.8 million in cash proceeds. Of the warrants exercised, 819,175 warrants issued to Waratah Capital Advisors Ltd. in 2022 were exercised at a price of \$4.94 per warrant for total cash proceeds of \$4.0 million, which was used to pay down the Company's revolving term acquisition facility following the acquisition of IHT.

During the second quarter, as part of the consideration paid for the acquisitions of Capital I, Micon and Procore described earlier in this MD&A under the heading "Acquisitions", the Company issued an aggregate 268,577 common shares to the vendors of Capital I, Micon, and Procore at a price of \$6.84 per share. In the third quarter, as part of the consideration paid for the acquisition of IHT described earlier in this MD&A under the heading "Acquisitions", on July 19, 2023, the Company issued an aggregate 314,614 common shares to the vendors of IHT at a price of \$7.39 per share.

Also during the second quarter, the Company closed a bought deal equity offering, with a syndicate of underwriters, of 1,964,488 common shares at a price of \$5.91 per share. In addition, for each common share subscribed for under the bought deal equity offering, the subscriber also received a one-half common share purchase warrant. Each whole common share purchase warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one common share at a price of \$7.09 for a period of 24 months following the closing of the bought deal equity offering.

As at March 20, 2023, there were 851,247 shares in escrow relating to the Company's completed acquisitions, as follows:

- Marketing Impact 156,863 to be released half per year in April 2024 and 2025 respectively.
- ACR 111,193 to be released half per year in October 2024 and 2025 respectively.
- Capital I 123,962 to be released at one-third per year in April 2024, 2025, and 2026 respectively.
- Micon 55.434 to be released at one-third per year in April 2024, 2025, and 2026 respectively.
- Procore 89,181 to be released at one-third per year in April 2024, 2025, and 2026 respectively
- IHT 314,614 to be released at one-third per year in July 2024, 2025, and 2026 respectively.

Related Party Transactions

The Group's related parties consist of directors, officers and key management or companies associated with them.

Key management, including directors and officers of the Group, are those personnel having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling the Group.

Key management compensation for the year ended December 31, 2023, included \$1.9 million of salaries, benefits and director fees and \$0.5 million of share-based compensation (2022 - \$1.6 million of salaries and benefits and \$0.1 million of share-based compensation).

Accounting Policies

The Company's material accounting policies are disclosed in Note 3 of Decisive's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023. During 2023, there were no changes in the accounting policies or methods of computation used relative to 2022.

Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of the Company's financial statements in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires management to make estimates based on assumptions about future events that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgments about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized prospectively in the period in which the estimate is revised.

Areas that require significant estimates and assumptions as the basis for determining the stated amounts include, but are not limited to, the following:

Business Combinations

Management uses valuation techniques when determining the fair values of certain assets and liabilities acquired in a business combination. The most significant assumptions and those requiring the most judgment involve the estimated fair values of intangible assets. Significant assumptions include, among others, the determination of projected revenues, cash flows, customer retention rates, and discount rates.

The Company's acquisitions have been accounted for using the acquisition method when control is transferred to the Group. The consideration paid in the acquisition is generally measured at fair value, as are the identifiable net assets acquired. The consideration includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement. Any contingent consideration is recognized at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration are recognized in profit or loss. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured, and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

Any goodwill that arises is tested annually for impairment. Any gain on a bargain purchase is recognized in profit or loss immediately. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred, except if related to the issue of debt or equity securities.

Depreciation and Amortization of Long-Lived Assets

The Company makes estimates about the expected useful lives of long-lived assets and the expected residual values of the assets based on the estimated current fair value of the assets. Changes to these estimates, which can be significant, could be caused by changes in the utilization of major manufacturing equipment and uncertainties relating to technological obsolescence. Management reviews its estimate of the useful lives of depreciable assets at each reporting date, based on the expected utility of the assets. Generally, these adjustments are accounted for on a prospective basis, through depreciation and amortization expense.

Impairment of Non-Financial Assets and Goodwill

In assessing impairment, management estimates the recoverable amount of each asset or cashgenerating unit ("CGU") based on discounted expected future cash flows. Estimation uncertainty relates to assumptions about future operating results and the determination of a suitable discount rate.

Inventories

Management estimates the net realizable values of inventories, taking into account the most reliable evidence available at each reporting date. The future realization of these inventories may be affected by future technology or other market-driven changes that may reduce future selling prices.

Warranty Liabilities

The Company provides for warranty expenses by analyzing historical failure rates, warranty claims, current sales levels and current information available about returns based on warranty periods. Uncertainty relates to the timing and amount of actual warranty claims which can vary from the Company's estimation.

Expected credit losses

The Company provides for expected credit losses of its accounts receivable based on historical collection trends and experiences with customers. Uncertainty relates to the timing and amount of actual credit losses which can vary from the Company's estimation.

Share-based compensation

Compensation expense associated with stock options granted is based on various assumptions, using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, to produce an estimate of fair value. This estimate may vary due to changes in the variables used in the model including interest rates, expected life, expected volatility, expected forfeitures and share prices. Estimating expected life and forfeitures requires judgement.

Financial Instruments

The Group's financial instruments consist of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, dividends payable, and long-term debt.

Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities recorded or disclosed at fair value in the consolidated statements of financial position are categorized based on the level of judgment associated with the inputs used to measure their fair value. The following fair value hierarchy reflects the significance of inputs of valuation techniques used in making fair value measurements and/or disclosures.

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3 Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (supported by little or no market activity).

The Group's financial assets and financial liabilities, including long-term debt, are measured and/or disclosed at fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy described above. Assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The Group's policy is to recognize transfers in and out of the fair value hierarchy as of the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. There were no such transfers during the year.

Fair Value Disclosures

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, the carrying amounts of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and dividends payable, approximate their fair value due to their short-term nature.

The Group's long-term debt, as described under heading "Long-Term Debt" earlier in this MD&A, was measured and recognized in the consolidated statement of financial position at fair value as a level 2 financial instrument. Management determined that the fair values of the Group's long-term debt was not materially different than their carrying amounts as they are based on market interest rates.

Financial Risk Management

The Group's primary business activities consist of the acquisition of corporations in the manufacturing sector. The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks. The Group examines the various financial risks to which it is exposed and assesses the impact and likelihood of occurrence. These risks may include liquidity risk, credit risk, currency risk, and interest rate risk. The Company's risk management program strives to evaluate the unpredictability of financial and commodity markets and its objective is to minimize the potential adverse effects of such risks on the Group's financial performance, where financially feasible to do so. When deemed material, these risks may be monitored by the Group's corporate finance group and they are regularly discussed with the Company's board of directors or one of its committees.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will not be able to meet its financial obligations when they become due. To mitigate this risk, the Group has a planning and budgeting process in place to determine the funds required to support its ongoing operations and capital expenditures. The contractual maturities of financial instruments are as follows:

(Stated in thousands of dollars)

December 31, 2023	Carrying value	Total contractual cash flows	Within one year	Two to five years	More than five years
Accounts payable	\$ 26,107	\$ 26,107	\$ 19,586	\$ 6,521	\$ -
Dividends payable	756	756	756	-	-
Long-term debt	45,261	54,097	3,664	50,433	-
Lease obligations	10,707	12,924	2,162	6,512	4,250
	\$ 82,831	\$ 93,884	\$ 26,168	\$ 63,466	\$ 4,250

December 31, 2022	Carrying value	Total contractual cash flows	Within one year	Two to five years	Мо	re than five years
Accounts payable	\$ 17,909	\$ 17,909	\$ 14,451	\$ 3,458	\$	-
Dividends payable	447	447	447	-		-
Long-term debt	32,669	39,186	2,254	36,932		-
Lease obligations	6,338	7,218	1,513	4,367		1,338
	\$ 57,363	\$ 64,760	\$ 18,665	\$ 44,757	\$	1,338

Liquidity risk management involves maintaining sufficient cash or cash equivalents and availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities. The Group's cash is held in business accounts which are available on demand for the Group's programs. The Company also attempts to maintain flexibility in funding by securing committed and available credit facilities. The Company has a credit facility in place with its senior lenders that provides the Group access to a revolving term loan and an available accordion facility. The Group continues to manage its financial position in accordance with its capital management objectives and in light of its current operating environment.

Credit Risk

Counterparty credit risk is the risk that the financial benefits of contracts with a specific counterparty will be lost if a counterparty defaults on its obligations under the contract. This includes any cash amounts owed to the Group by those counterparties, less any amounts owed to the counterparty by the Group where a legal right of set-off exists and also includes the fair values of contracts with individual counterparties which are recorded in the consolidated financial statements.

The Group's credit risk is predominantly limited to cash balances held in financial institutions, and the recovery of the Group's accounts receivable. The maximum exposure to the credit risk is equal to the

carrying value of such financial assets. At December 31, 2023, the Company expects to recover the full amount of such assets, less any expected credit losses.

Cash and cash equivalents are only deposited with or held by major financial institutions where the Group conducts its business.

The following details the aging of the Group's trade accounts receivable and expected credit losses:

(Stated in thousands of dollars)

	December 3	December 31, 2022		
Not yet due	\$ 13,127	58%	\$ 12,657	79%
31-60 days overdue	5,497	24%	2,900	18%
61-90 days overdue	1,951	9%	332	2%
>90 days overdue	2,030	9%	142	1%
Trade accounts receivable	22,605	100%	16,031	100%
Less: expected credit losses	(177)		(114)	
Net trade accounts receivable	\$ 22,428		\$ 15,917	

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, to the date of this MD&A, the Group collected 62% of the amounts over 90 days overdue. The objective of managing counterparty credit risk is to minimize potential losses in financial assets. The Group assesses the quality of its counterparties, taking into account their creditworthiness and reputation, past performance and other factors. In certain cases, the Group obtains insurance to assist in managing its credit risk.

Currency Risk

The functional currency for Blaze King Industries Inc. and Unicast is the US dollar ("USD"), the functional currency for ACR is the British pound sterling ("GBP"), while all other entities in the group have a Canadian dollar ("CAD") functional currency. The Company's reporting currency is the Canadian dollar. As a result, the Group's profit or loss and total comprehensive income are in part impacted by fluctuations in the value of each foreign currency ("FC") in which it transacts in relation to the CAD.

The table below summarizes the quantitative data about the Group's exposure to currency risk:

(Stated in thousands of dollars)

		Entities w					Entities with functional c			
As at December 31, 2023		CAD		USD		CAD	USD	CAD	GBP	Tota
Cash	\$	1,990	\$	1,841	\$	(486) \$	189 \$	- \$	516	4,050
Accounts receivable		12,174		6,921		668	2,020	-	864	22,647
Accounts payable		(22,628)		(525)		(130)	(591)	-	(2,233)	(26,107)
Dividend payable		(756)		-		-	-	-	-	(756)
Inter-company amounts		2,747		-		(5,558)	1,621	1,190	-	-
Long-term debt		(44,930)		(331)		-	-	-	-	(45,261)
Net exposure		(51,403)		7,906		(5,506)	3,239	1,190	(853)	(45,427)
Effect of 5% strengthening of FC versus CAD:										
Profit (loss)		-		395		275	-	(59)	-	611
OCI	\$	- ;	\$	-	\$	- \$	(162) \$	- \$	43	(119

(Stated in thousands of dollars)

		Entities wit		Entities with functional cu		Entities with functional co				
As at December 31, 2022		CAD	USD	CAD	USD	CAD	USD	Total		
Cash	\$	267 \$	980 \$	468 \$	153 \$	- \$	2,866 \$	4,734		
Accounts receivable		8,534	4,202	545	2,106	-	993	16,380		
Accounts payable		(14,288)	(1,278)	(180)	(872)	-	(1,291)	(17,909)		
Dividend payable		(447)	-	-	-	-	-	(447)		
Inter-company amounts		5,486	-	(8,462)	2,976	-	-	-		
Long-term debt		(32,669)	-	-	-	-	-	(32,669)		
Net exposure		(33,117)	3,904	(7,629)	4,363	-	2,568	(29,911)		
Effect of 5% strengthening of FC versus CAD:										
Profit (loss)		-	195	381	-	-	-	576		
OCI	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	(218) \$	- \$	(128) \$	(346)		

Interest Rate Risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk on its long-term debt, as described under the heading "Long-Term Debt" earlier in this MD&A, due to the interest rate on certain of its credit facilities being variable. Of the Group's interest-bearing debt at December 31, 2023, 38% was variable rate (2022 - 15%). The Group does not enter into derivative contracts to manage this risk.

The table below summarizes the quantitative data about the Group's exposure to interest rate risk:

(Stated in thousands of dollars)

Interest rate risk	Dec	Dec	cember 31, 2022	
Floating instruments	\$	17,091	\$	4,988
Average balance Impact on profit (loss) of a change in interest rates:		12,052		7,699
-1%		121		77
+1%	\$	(121)	\$	(77)

Risk Factors

The Group is subject to a number of risk factors. These risk factors relate to, among other things, the organizational structure of the Company and to the operations of its subsidiaries. The risk factors described below are significant risk factors that management of the Company believes to be material to the business and results of operations of the Group. When reviewing forward-looking statements and other information contained in this report, investors and others should carefully consider these risk factors, as well as other risk factors that may adversely affect the business, operations and future results of the Group. The Group operates in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risk factors emerge from time-to-time and it is not possible for management of the Company to anticipate all risk factors or the impact that such factors may have on the business and financial performance of the Group. The Company assumes no obligation to update or revise these risk factors or other information contained in this report to reflect new events or circumstances, except as may be required by law.

The most significant risks to the Group are categorized by their source and described as follows:

External	Operational	Financial	Human Capital
General Economic Conditions	Risk Related to Acquisitions	Availability of Future Financing	Reliance on Management and Key Personnel
• Pandemics	Dependence on Customers, Distributors and Strategic Relationships	Interest Rates and Debt Financing	Employees and Labour Relations
Competition	Supply and Cost of Raw Materials and Purchased Parts	Income Tax Matters	Conflicts of Interest
Government Regulation	Operational Performance and Growth	Foreign Exchange	
Environmental Regulation	Implementation of the Growth Strategy	Dividends	
Access to Capital	Product Liability and Warranty Claims	Trading Volatility of Common Shares	
Market Trends and Innovation	Litigation	Dilution Risk	
Climate Risk	Reliance on Technology, Intellectual Property, and Information Systems		
General Uninsured Losses			

External Risks:

General Economic Conditions

The general global economic environment can impact the business and financial performance of the Group. The demand for the Group's products depends on the conditions of the respective industries in which they operate, which are influenced by numerous factors over which the Company has no control, including, without limitation, macro-economic factors such as inflation and interest rates, geopolitical factors, pandemics, oil and natural gas and other commodity prices, the weather and climate, regulatory changes and other economic conditions. A prolonged or more significant downturn in any economy where the Group operates could negatively impact the demand for the Group's products.

Geopolitical instability (including military conflict and the accompanying international responses, including economic sanctions) can be disruptive to the world economy and result in additional volatility in commodity markets, international trade and financial markets, which could impact the Group. The conflict between Russia and the Ukraine has resulted in sanctions imposed upon Russia by the United States, European Union, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, Japan, Switzerland, and other countries, which may impact world economic markets and have follow-on effects in particular industries. Similarly, the

conflict in Gaza may also impact world economic markets, including through the interruption of supply chains and shipping routes. To date, these conflicts have not impacted the ability of the Group to carry on business and there have been no significant delays or direct security issues affecting operations, offices, or personnel of the Group, and the enacted sanctions have not had a material adverse effect on the business of the Group. The outcome of the conflict between Russian and Ukraine as well as the conflict in Gaza is uncertain at this time, however, they have the potential to impact the peace and stability of the affected regions and the world and could affect the global economy, including regions and markets in which the Group operates. Any subsequent supply shortages or volatile commodity prices could have an adverse impact on the world economy and the business of the Group. As geopolitical conflicts occur, reoccur or escalate, they could have a material adverse effect on business, financial condition or results of operations of the Group.

Pandemics

The spread of contagious disease and pandemics could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business and financial performance by triggering global financial market shocks, causing shortages of employees to staff the Group's head office and facilities, interrupting supplies from third parties upon which the Group rely for its business operations, impacting the industries of customers, and disrupting or suspending the Group's business operations entirely in certain circumstances.

Competition

New competition or increased competition could have a significant impact on the Group's business, results from operations, and financial conditions.

The industries in which the Group operate are highly competitive and each of the Group competes with a substantial number of companies, some of which have greater technical and financial resources. There can be no assurance that such competitors will not substantially increase the resources devoted to the development and marketing of products and services that compete with those of the Group or that new or existing competitors will not enter the various markets in which the Group is active or that the Group wishes to enter. In certain aspects of its business, the Group also competes with a number of small and medium-sized companies which may have certain competitive advantages such as low overhead costs and specialized regional strengths.

There can be no assurance that competitors will not develop new and unknown technologies with which the Group may have difficulty competing. As well, without remaining cost competitive, there is also a risk that the Group may lose business to its competitors.

The competitive environment in the manufacturing industry has been impacted by customers seeking to take advantage of the low-cost environments that exist in certain countries. As a result, there is the possibility of increased competition from suppliers that have manufacturing operations in these countries. The loss of any significant production contract or other business to competitors in low-cost countries could have an adverse effect on the profitability of the Group.

Government Regulation

Certain of the industries in which the Group operate are subject to, and significantly impacted by, governmental regulation. For example, the wood burning stove market in which Blaze King and ACR operate are highly regulated and these regulations are subject to frequent change. There can be no assurance that the Group's business will not be adversely affected in the event of additional regulation in any of the industries or jurisdictions where the Group operates or sells its products.

Current international, multinational and/or bilateral trade agreements and tariffs in effect from time to time can significantly impact the Group's business and financial performance. Such trade agreements and tariffs can impact the demand, cost, and production of the Group's products.

Trade disputes between countries or among multiple countries can disrupt global and local supply chains, distort commodity pricing, impair the ability of the Group to make long-term investment decisions, create volatility in relative foreign exchange rates and contribute to stock market volatility. The continuation or

increase of existing tariffs, the implementation of new tariffs, and/or the existence or escalation of trade disputes from time to time could have an adverse effect on the financial results and profitability of the Group.

Environmental Regulation

The past and present operation by the Group of manufacturing facilities and ownership and/or occupation of real property are subject to extensive and changing federal, provincial, state and local environmental laws and regulations, including those relating to discharges in air, water and land, the handling and disposal of solid and hazardous waste and the remediation of contamination associated with releases of hazardous substances. To date, compliance with environmental regulations has not had a material adverse effect on the capital expenditures, earnings or competitive position of the Group. There can be no assurance that compliance with current or more stringent laws or regulations which may be imposed on the Group in the future, stricter interpretation of existing laws or discoveries of contamination at the leased business locations of the Group which occurred prior to the Group's lease of such sites or the advent of environmental regulation will not require the Group to incur significant expenditures in the future, some of which may have a material adverse effect on the capital expenditures, earnings or competitive position of the Group.

Access to Capital

One of the objectives of the Company is to continue to acquire additional businesses or interests therein in order to expand and diversify the Company's investments. The ability to execute this objective is, in part, dependent on the Company's ability to raise funds in the capital markets. If the capital markets' desire for income producing investments, such as Decisive's common shares, were to significantly decrease, the Company would have difficulty in executing its acquisition objectives. The Company's current level of leverage is considered reasonable, which gives the Company the ability to undertake acquisitions, up to a given size, in the short-term without being dependent on the capital markets.

Market Trends and Innovation

The Group's market position is dependent on its ability to effectively anticipate consumer habits and expectations and develop new or modified products in a timely fashion to satisfy these expectations. If the Group is not able to develop new products that are attractive to customers, the Group risks losing those customers to competitors.

Climate Risk

The Group's results of operations could be impacted by fluctuations from weather and natural disasters. Severe weather conditions and natural disaster conditions can significantly disrupt service by impeding the movement of goods or consumer demand, which could have an adverse effect on the Group's business, results of operations and financial condition. In addition, increases in frequency, severity or duration of severe weather events, including changes in the global climate, could result in increases in raw materials costs, freight costs and delivery delays, any of which would increase the potential for loss of revenue and higher costs. For example, Blaze King and ACR may be impacted by the length and severity of the winter season, which drives customer demand for heating appliances as well as alternative sources of fuels. Additionally, the Group's results are impacted by seasonality factors primarily driven by weather patterns in the markets in which they operate and worldwide, including the impact on heating and planting and harvesting seasons, as well as the timing of ground freeze and thaw in Western Canada and the effect thereof on the oil and gas industry. For example, the impact of weather conditions and patterns on the agriculture sector in North America and worldwide, has a direct impact on activities of the customers of Slimline.

General Uninsured Losses

The Group carries comprehensive general liability, fire, flood and extended coverage insurance with policy specifications, limits and deductibles customarily carried for similar businesses. There are, however, certain types of risks, generally of a catastrophic nature, such as natural disasters, wars, pandemic, and environmental contamination, which are either uninsurable or not insurable on an economically viable basis. Should an uninsured or underinsured loss occur, anticipated profits and cash flows could be negatively impacted.

Operational Risks:

Risk Related to Acquisitions

The Company regularly reviews potential acquisition opportunities to support its strategic objective to expand and diversify the Company's investments. The Company's ability to successfully grow or diversify through additional acquisitions will be dependent on several factors, including the identification of suitable acquisition targets in both new and existing markets, the negotiation of purchase agreements on satisfactory terms and prices, securing attractive financing arrangements, and, where applicable, the integration of newly acquired operations into the existing business.

In pursuing a strategy of acquiring other businesses or interests, the Company will face risks commonly encountered with growth through acquisitions. These risks include, but are not limited to, incurring higher capital expenditures and operating expenses than expected, entering new unfamiliar markets, incurring undiscovered liabilities at acquired businesses, disrupting ongoing business, diverting management resources, failing to maintain uniform standards, controls and policies, impairing relationships with employees, suppliers and customers as a result of changes of ownership, causing increased expenses for accounting and computer systems and incorrectly valuing acquired entities.

The Company may not adequately anticipate all the demands that its growth will impose on its personnel, procedures, and structures, including its financial and reporting control systems, data processing systems and management structure. Moreover, the Company's failure to retain qualified management personnel at any acquired business may increase the risk associated with integrating the businesses. If the Company cannot adequately anticipate and respond to these demands, it may fail to realize the expected operating performance and its resources will be focused on incorporating new operations into its structure rather than on areas that may be more profitable. In addition, although the Company conducts what it believes to be a prudent level of investigation regarding the operating condition of the businesses it purchases, in light of the circumstances of each transaction, an unavoidable level of risk remains regarding the actual operating condition of these businesses.

The Company conducts business, legal and financial due diligence investigations in connection with its acquisitions and the purchase and sale agreements pursuant to which the Company directly or indirectly acquires a business or interest will generally contain customary representations and warranties with respect to the applicable business and related indemnities from the vendors regarding corporate matters, taxes, litigation, environmental, operations, employee matters and financial statements, among other things. However, there can be no assurance the Company will uncover all risks associated with the investment through its due diligence investigations, that the representations and warranties given by such vendors will adequately protect against such risks or that the Company will recover any losses incurred in the event of a breach of a representation or warranty.

With respect to acquired companies, there can be no assurance that the operating performance and financial results of those companies after they have been acquired by the Company will reflect the past operating performance or financial results of such companies.

In addition, while the Company seeks to identify and exploit potential synergies among its various subsidiaries in the Group, there can be no assurance that the Company will successfully identify potential synergies or exploit such synergies for the benefit of the Group.

Dependence on Customers, Distributors and Strategic Relationships

The Group's business may be subject to customer concentration risk in that the financial performance is based substantially on business carried out with a main customer or a small group of customers. For example, Hawk's business is subject to customer concentration risk in that the financial performance of Hawk during recent financial periods was substantially the result of business conducted with a main customer. Northside's financial performance during recent financial periods has been similarly substantially the result of business conducted with two main customers. There can be no assurance that these main customers will continue to conduct business with Hawk and Northside in a similar amount and on similar terms to the business conducted with these subsidiaries each year. In the event that the

business prospects of these main customers deteriorate, or in the event that these main customers reduce the amount of business that they conduct with Hawk or Northside, or do not conduct business with Hawk or Northside on similar terms, there may be a material adverse effect on the business and financial performance of Hawk and/or Northside, as applicable. Although Hawk and Northside both have the objective of diversifying their respective customer bases and the industries that they serve, there can be no assurance that they will achieve such objectives. The other subsidiaries in the Group have a fairly broad customer base and do not solely depend on any one customer or group of customers.

Additionally, the future revenue growth of the Group will depend in large part upon its ability to successfully establish and maintain a network of suppliers and distributors for its subsidiaries as well as its ability to enter into strategic alliances. There can be no assurances that the Group will be able to successfully establish and maintain these relationships and if the Group is unable to do so, it may not be able to generate sufficient revenues to maintain profitability.

Supply and Cost of Raw Materials and Purchased Parts

The Group relies on a stable and consistent supply of materials and finished goods in carrying out its operations. Each of the subsidiaries in the Group secure supplies of raw materials and finished goods from various suppliers on an ongoing basis at negotiated prices (including, Chinese and/or other foreign suppliers). An interruption in the availability of, or in the ability to transport, these raw materials or finished goods, from pandemics, natural disasters, trade barriers inflicted on the countries where these suppliers are located, geopolitical factors in certain parts of the world, other factors not within the control of the Group or otherwise, or significant increases in the prices paid by the Group for them, could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business and financial performance.

The pricing of certain commodities used to produce certain of the Group's products, such as steel, titanium carbide and manganese, are still largely driven by overall market conditions and increases in the cost of these components could increase the Group's manufacturing costs and have a material adverse effect on the Group's business and financial performance.

The Group relies on a number of suppliers to provide products and materials. For the businesses to be successful, such suppliers must provide quality products and material, in substantial quantities, in compliance with regulatory requirements, at acceptable costs and on a timely basis. The Group's ability to obtain a sufficient selection or volume of supplies on a timely basis at competitive prices could suffer as a result of any deterioration or change in its supplier relationships or events that adversely affect its suppliers.

There can be no assurance the Group will be able to detect, prevent or fix all defects in products or materials provided by its suppliers. Failure to detect, prevent, or fix defects, or the occurrence of real or perceived quality or safety problems or material defects in the Group's current and future products, could result in a variety of consequences, including a greater number of product returns than expected from customers, litigation, product recalls, and credit, warranty, or other claims, among others, which could harm the Group's results of operation and financial conditions. Such events could hurt the Group's business image, which is critical to maintaining and expanding its business. Any negative publicity or lawsuits filed against the Group, related to the perceived quality and safety of its products could harm the Group's businesses and decrease demand for their products.

If one or more of the Group's significant suppliers were to sever their relationship or significantly alter the terms of its relationship, including due to changes in applicable trade or border policies, the Group may not be able to obtain replacement products in a timely manner, which could have a material adverse effect on its business, results of operations, and financial condition.

In addition, if any of the Group's suppliers fail to make timely shipments, do not meet its quality standards, or otherwise fail to deliver materials or a product in accordance with the Group's plans, there could be a material adverse effect on their results of operations.

Operational Performance and Growth

The Group's principal source of funds is cash generated from the Company's subsidiaries, which is expected to provide the Group with sufficient liquidity and capital resources to meet its current and future financial obligations at existing business levels, including meeting certain financial ratios with the Company's senior lenders. If additional capital and/or operating expenditures, dependent on increased cash flow or additional financing, arise in the future, lack of such funds could limit or delay the future growth of the Company's subsidiaries. Furthermore, underperformance of a Subsidiary could have an adverse effect by limiting or delaying future growth cash flow, while also potentially impacting the amount of cash available for dividends to the shareholders. The Group continues to manage its financial position in accordance with the Company's capital management objectives and in light of its current operating environment.

Implementation of the Growth Strategy

Historically high valuation multiples have dominated the acquisition market. Management of the Company continues to focus on strategic acquisitions and organic growth. Given the current environment, it continues to be imperative for the Company to maintain its acquisition discipline and not enter into transactions at multiples that exceed the Company's acquisition model.

The Company may not effectively select candidates for acquisition or successfully negotiate or finance such acquisitions. There can be no assurance the acquisitions will be completed on acceptable terms or that the newly acquired companies will be successfully integrated into the Group's operations. Additionally, the Group may experience increased production costs or problems, difficulty in obtaining financing and increased cost of borrowing as a result of such acquisitions. With the Group's intention to expand the sales focus into new geographic areas there may be exposure to political and economic risks not currently experienced in current geographic sales areas.

Product Liability and Warranty Claims

The Group may be subject to potential product liabilities connected with its operations, including liabilities and expenses associated with product defects. The Group may also be subject to personal injury claims for injuries resulting from use of its products.

Any liability for damages resulting from product malfunctions could be substantial and could materially adversely affect the Group's business, results of operations and financial performance. In addition, a well-publicized actual or perceived claim could adversely affect the market's general perception of the Group's products. This could result in a decline in demand for the Group's products, which would materially adversely affect the Group's business, results of operations and financial performance.

While the Group maintains product liability insurance, there can be no assurance that such insurance will continue to be available on commercially reasonable terms and that it will be sufficient to cover all claims.

Litigation

The Group may be subject to litigation from time to time and such litigation has the potential to materially adversely affect the business and/or financial performance of the Group.

Reliance on Technology, Intellectual Property, and Information Systems

The Group will depend upon improvements in technology to meet customer demands in respect of performance and cost, and to explore additional business opportunities. There can be no assurance that the Group will be successful in its efforts in this regard or that it will have the resources available to meet this demand.

The Group currently relies on intellectual property rights and other contractual or proprietary rights, including, without limitation, copyright, trade secrets, confidential procedures, contractual provisions, licenses and patents, to protect its proprietary technology and commercial advantages. The Group may have to engage in litigation in order to protect its patents or other intellectual property rights, or to determine the validity or scope of the proprietary rights of others. This type of litigation can be expensive and time consuming, regardless of whether the Group is successful. The Group may seek patents or

other similar protections in respect of particular technology. There can be no assurances that any future patent applications will result in issued patents, or that, even if patents are issued, they will be of sufficient scope or strength to provide meaningful protection or any commercial advantage to the Group. The process of seeking patent protection can also be long and expensive. Competitors may develop technologies that are similar or superior to the technology of the Group or design around the patents owned by the Group, thereby adversely affecting the Group's competitive advantage in one or more of its businesses.

The Group's reliance on information technology to manage its business exposes the Group to potential risks related to cybersecurity attacks and unauthorized access to the Group's customers, suppliers, counterparties and employees sensitive or confidential information (which may include personally identifiable information and credit information) through hacking, viruses or otherwise (collectively "cybersecurity threats"). Through the normal course of business, the Group also collects, processes, and retains sensitive and confidential customer, supplier, counterparty and employee information.

Cybersecurity threats are continually growing and changing and require continuous monitoring and detection efforts to address. While the Group has security measures in place, its systems, assets and information could be vulnerable to cybersecurity attacks and other data security breaches that could cause system failures, disrupt operations, adversely affect safety, result in loss of service to customers and result in the release of sensitive or confidential information. Despite such security measures, there is no assurance that cybersecurity threats can be fully detected, prevented or mitigated. Should such threats materialize, the Group could suffer costs, losses and damages such as property damage, corruption of data, lower earnings, reduced cash flow, third party claims, fines and penalties; all or some of which may not be recoverable

With the recent rise of products that use artificial intelligence ("Al"), companies in a range of industries are reviewing and developing products and services that incorporate Al to enhance their competitiveness and the quality of their products. While Al presents numerous opportunities for growth and innovation, there are potential risks that could impact the Group. There is potential for biased decision-making as machine learning algorithms can perpetuate existing biases if not properly monitored and adjusted. This could result in faulty or discriminatory practices or results arising from the reliance of Al that can potentially lead to operational, financial, legal and reputational damage. Al is also a new and developing technology that can be prone to errors and may also be used more effectively by competitors. Another risk is the potential for Al systems to malfunction or be hacked, leading to unreliable output, unpredictable data breaches and financial losses. To address these risks, Decisive is taking a proactive approach to Al governance, including adopting a policy regarding the use of Al. Due to the inherent complexity of Al, there is no quarantee that the Group will be able to effectively mitigate the risks associated with its use.

Financial Risks:

Availability of Future Financing

In order to execute its business plan, the Group may require a combination of additional debt and equity financing to support ongoing operations, to undertake capital expenditures or to undertake acquisitions or other business combination transactions. There can be no assurance that additional financing will be available when needed or on terms acceptable to the Group. The Group's inability to raise financing to support ongoing operations or to fund capital expenditures or acquisitions could limit the Group's growth and may have a material adverse effect upon the Group.

Interest Rates and Debt Financing

The Group has significant debt service obligations pursuant to the financing agreements relating to its long-term debt. The degree to which the Group is leveraged could have important consequences to the Group and/or the Company's shareholders, including:

• the ability of the Group to obtain additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures or acquisitions in the future may be limited;

- a substantial portion of cash flow from operations of the Company are, and will be, dedicated to servicing its indebtedness, thereby reducing funds available for future operations;
- certain borrowings of the Group are, or will be, at variable rates of interest, which will expose the Group to future fluctuations of interest rates; and
- the Group may be more vulnerable to economic downturns and may be limited in its ability to withstand competitive pressure.

The ability of the Group to make scheduled payments of the principal of or interest on, or to refinance, their respective indebtedness will depend on future operating performance and cash flow, which are subject to prevailing economic conditions, prevailing interest rate levels, and financial, competitive, business and other factors, many of which are beyond its control. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to refinance its long-term debt on maturity on terms similar to existing terms, or at all

The debt financing agreements relating to the Group's long-term debt contain restrictive covenants that limit the discretion of management with respect to certain business matters. These covenants may place significant restrictions on, among other things, the ability of the Group to incur additional indebtedness, to create liens or other encumbrances, to pay dividends, to redeem equity or debt or make certain other payments, investments, capital expenditures, loans and guarantees and to sell or otherwise dispose of assets and merge or consolidate with another entity. The financing agreements also contain a number of financial covenants that require the Group to meet certain financial ratios and financial condition tests. A failure to comply with the obligations and covenants under the financing agreements relating to the credit facility could result in an event of default under such agreements, as the case may be, which, if not cured or waived, could permit acceleration of indebtedness. If the indebtedness under such agreements were to be accelerated, there can be no assurance that the assets of the Group would be sufficient to repay that indebtedness in full.

Income Tax Matters

The business and operations of the Group are complex and the computation of income taxes payable involves many complex factors including the Group's interpretation of relevant tax legislation and regulations. While management believes that the provision for income tax is adequate and in accordance with IFRS and applicable legislation and regulations, tax filing positions are subject to review and adjustment by taxation authorities who may challenge the Group's interpretation of the applicable tax legislation and regulations. If any challenge to the Group's tax filing positions were to succeed, it could result in a reassessment of taxes or otherwise have a material adverse effect on the Group's tax position. Furthermore, federal or provincial or foreign tax legislation may be amended, or its interpretation changed (whether by legislative or judicial action or decision), retroactively or for the future, which could adversely affect the Group's tax position.

Foreign Exchange

A significant portion of the Group's products are sold in markets outside of Canada, while most of its operating expenses and capital expenditures are denominated in Canadian dollars. Additionally, certain amounts of the raw materials and finished goods used by the Group in its business are denominated in foreign currency when they are sourced from outside of Canada. Also, certain subsidiaries have functional currencies that differ from the Company's reporting currency. As a result, the Group will be exposed to fluctuations in the foreign exchange rates between the Canadian dollar and the currency in which a particular purchase or sale is transacted, which may result in foreign exchange losses that could affect earnings. The Group does not currently manage this exposure through the use of derivative contracts.

Dividends

One of Decisive's objectives is to pay growing and sustainable dividends to its shareholders over the long term. However, dividends are payable if, as and when declared by the Board. While as at the date hereof, a monthly dividend policy is in effect and is currently anticipated to continue, there can be no assurance that dividends will continue in the future at the same frequency, or in the same amounts, or at all. The

actual amount of dividends declared and paid by the Company in respect of the common shares will depend upon numerous factors, including profitability, fluctuations in working capital, and the sustainability of margins and capital expenditures of the Group.

Trading Volatility of Common Shares

The common shares of the Company are listed for trading on the TSX Venture Exchange on the date hereof. There can be no assurance as to the price at which the Company's common shares will trade and there can be no assurance that an active trading market for its common shares will be sustained. The market price of and trading in the Company's common shares could be subject to significant fluctuations in response to a number of factors, including variations in financial results, and could potentially be subject to extreme price and volume fluctuations which have been experienced by the securities markets from time to time.

Dilution Risk

The authorized share capital of the Company is comprised of an unlimited number of common shares. The Company may issue additional common shares, or securities which are convertible, exchangeable or exercisable into common shares, for consideration and on those terms and conditions as are established by the Company without the approval of shareholders of the Company. The Company intends to pursue further acquisitions which will likely require the issuance of additional common shares.

Human Capital Risk:

Reliance on Management and Key Personnel

The success of the Company is dependent on a number of key senior employees both at the Company's head-office level and at the subsidiary level. The loss of any one of these key employees may impair the Company's ability to operate at its optimum level of performance and could have an adverse effect on the Group's business, results from operations and financial condition. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to retain its existing senior management, attract additional qualified executives or adequately fill new senior management positions or vacancies created by expansion or turnover at either the head office level or subsidiary level.

Employees and Labour Relations

The success of the Company's subsidiaries is dependent in large part upon their ability to attract and retain key management and employees. Recruiting and maintaining personnel in the industries in which the subsidiaries are involved is highly competitive and it cannot be guaranteed that these entities will be able to attract and retain the qualified personnel needed for their businesses. A failure to attract or retain qualified personnel could have an adverse effect on the Company's businesses, results from operations and financial condition.

Conflicts of Interest

The Group may be subject to various conflicts of interest due to the fact that its directors and management are or may be engaged in a wide range of other business activities. The Group may become involved in transactions that conflict with the interests of these other business activities. The directors and management of the Group and associates or affiliates may from time-to-time deal with persons, firms, institutions or organizations with which the Group may be dealing, or which may be seeking investments similar to those desired by the Company. The interests of these persons could conflict with those of the Group. In addition, from time to time, these persons may be competing with the Company for available investment opportunities. Any such conflicts will be resolved in accordance with the provisions of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) relating to conflicts of interest. Additionally, Decisive has a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics that provides guidance to, officers and employees on how to deal with potential conflicts of interest.

Non-IFRS Financial Measures

"Adjusted EBITDA", "Free Cash Flow", "Growth Capital Expenditures", "Maintenance Capital Expenditures", "Dividend Payout Ratio" and "Return on Invested Capital" are not recognized financial measures under IFRS Accounting Standards but are believed to be meaningful in the assessment of the Group's performance as defined below.

"Adjusted EBITDA" is defined as earnings before finance costs, income taxes, depreciation, amortization, foreign exchange gains or losses, other non-cash items such as gains or losses recognized on the fair value of contingent consideration items, asset impairment, share-based compensation, and restructuring costs, and other non-operating items such as acquisition costs.

Adjusted EBITDA is a financial performance measure that management believes is useful for investors to analyze the results of the Group's operating activities prior to consideration of how those activities are financed and the impact of non-operating charges related to planned or completed acquisitions, foreign exchange, taxation, depreciation, amortization, and impairment charges.

The most directly comparable financial measure is profit or loss. Set forth below are descriptions of the financial items that have been excluded from profit or loss to calculate Adjusted EBITDA and the material limitations associated with using these Non-IFRS financial measures as compared to profit or loss:

- The amount of interest expense incurred, or interest income generated, may be useful for investors to
 consider and may result in current cash inflows or outflows. However, management does not consider
 the amount of interest expense or interest income to be a representative component of the day-to-day
 operating performance of the Group.
- Depreciation and amortization expense may be useful for investors to consider because it generally represents the wear and tear on the property and equipment used in the Group's operations. However, management does not believe these charges necessarily reflect the current and ongoing cash charges related to the Group's operating costs as they also include expenses related to the amortization of the fair value of intangible assets acquired in business combinations.
- Acquisition costs are non-operating expenses that can affect costs with respect to planned and completed acquisitions. While a necessary expense as part of an acquisition, the magnitude and timing of these items may vary significantly depending upon the acquisition. As such, management does not consider acquisition costs incurred to be a representative component of the day-to-day operating performance of the Group.
- Additionally, management does not consider foreign exchange gains or losses to be a representative component of the day-to-day operating performance of the Group.
- Manufacturing costs include non-cash charges to expense the fair value increment of acquired inventories sold in the period that were originally valued as part of the initial purchase in a business acquisition, inventory write downs, and allowances for inventory obsolescence. Management does not consider these non-cash charges to be a representative component of the day-to-day operating performance of the Group.
- Similarly, goodwill impairment losses and gains or losses recognized on fair value adjustments of contingent consideration liabilities are non-cash items that management does not consider to be a representative component of the day-to-day operating performance of the Group.
- Share-based compensation may be useful for investors to consider because it is an estimate of the non-cash component of compensation received by the Group's directors, officers and employees. Management does not consider these non-cash charges to be a representative component of the day-to-day operating performance of the Group as the decisions that gave rise to these expenses were not made to increase revenue in a particular period, but were made for the Group's long-term benefit over multiple periods.

Adjusted EBITDA per share is also presented, which is calculated by dividing Adjusted EBITDA, as defined above, by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period.

"Free Cash Flow" is defined as cash provided by operating activities, as defined by IFRS Accounting Standards, adjusted for changes in non-cash working capital, timing considerations between current income tax expense and income taxes paid, interest payments, required principal payments on long-term debt and right of use lease liabilities, and any unusual non-operating one-time items such as acquisition and restructuring costs (as described above).

Free Cash Flow is a financial performance measure used by management to analyze the cash generated from operations before the impact of changes in working capital items or other unusual items and after giving effect to expected income taxes thereon, as well as required interest and principal payments on long-term debt and right of use lease liabilities.

The most directly comparable financial measure is cash provided by operating activities. Adjustments made to cash provided by operating activities in the calculation of Free Cash Flow include other IFRS Accounting Standards measures, including changes in non-cash working capital, current income tax expense, income taxes paid, interest paid, and principal payments on long-term debt and right of use lease liabilities.

Free Cash Flow per share is also presented, which is calculated by dividing Free Cash Flow, as defined above, by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period.

"Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital" is defined as Free Cash Flow, as defined above, less Maintenance Capital Expenditures, as defined below. Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital is a financial performance measure used by management to analyze the cash generated from operations before the impact of changes in working capital items or other unusual items and after giving effect to expected income taxes thereon, as well as required interest and principal payments on long-term debt and right of use lease liabilities, and capital expenditures required to sustain the current operations of the Company.

The Company presents Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital Expenditures per share, which is calculated by dividing Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital, as defined above, by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period.

"Growth and Maintenance Capital Expenditures" maintenance capital expenditures are defined as capital expenditures required to maintain the operations of the Group at the current level and are net of proceeds from the sale of property and equipment. Growth capital expenditures are defined as capital expenditures that are expected to generate incremental cash inflows and are not considered by management in determining the cash flows required to sustain the current operations of the Company. While there are no comparable IFRS Accounting Standards measures for Maintenance Capital Expenditures or Growth Capital Expenditures, the total of Maintenance Capital Expenditures and Growth Capital Expenditures is equivalent to the total purchases of property and equipment, net of proceeds from the sale of property and equipment, on the Company's statement of cash flows.

"Dividend Payout Ratio" the Company presents a dividend payout ratio, which is calculated by dividing dividends declared by the Company by Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital, as defined above. The Dividend Payout Ratio is a financial ratio used by management to analyze the percentage of cash generated from operations, before the impact of changes in working capital items or other unusual items and after giving effect to expected income taxes thereon, as well as required interest and principal payments on long-term debt and right of use lease liabilities, and capital expenditures required to sustain the current operations of the Company, returned to shareholders as dividends.

"Return on Invested Capital" the Company references a return on invested capital ratio, which is calculated by dividing Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital, as defined above, by the associated capital cost of the applicable investment. Specifically, the Return on Invested Capital for the aggregate

investments completed by the Company to the end of a given period would be measured as follows: cumulative Free Cash Flow Less Maintenance Capital (as defined above) divided by the sum of: 1) the aggregate consideration paid for completed acquisitions (net of cash acquired); 2) aggregate acquisition costs (as described above); and 3) aggregate Growth Capital Expenditures (as defined above). The Return on Invested Capital Ratio is a financial ratio used by management to analyze the returns of competing investment opportunities.

While the above Non-IFRS financial measures are used by management of the Company to assess the historical financial performance of the Group, as applicable, readers are cautioned that:

- Non-IFRS financial measures, such as Adjusted EBITDA, Free Cash Flow, Growth Capital Expenditures, Maintenance Capital Expenditures and Dividend Payout Ratio, are not recognized financial measures under IFRS Accounting Standards;
- The Company's method of calculating Non-IFRS financial measures may differ from that of other corporations or entities and therefore may not be directly comparable to measures utilized by other corporations or entities;
- In the future, the Company may disclose different Non-IFRS financial measures in order to help its investors more meaningfully evaluate and compare future results of operations to previously reported results of operations.
- Non-IFRS financial measures should not be viewed as an alternative to measures that are recognized under IFRS Accounting Standards such as profit or loss or cash provided by operating activities; and
- A reader should not place undue reliance on any Non-IFRS financial measures.

Reconciliations of Non-IFRS financial measures to their most relevant IFRS Accounting Standards measures, are included in this MD&A under "Overall Performance – Financial Highlights", "Summary of Quarterly Results", and "Segment Overview and Performance".

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward Looking Information and Statements

Certain statements in this MD&A constitute forward-looking information and forward-looking statements. All statements other than statements of historical fact contained in this report are forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, statements regarding the future financial position, operations, business strategy, future acquisitions, and the potential impact of completed acquisitions on the operations, financial condition, capital resources and business of the Company and its subsidiaries, the Company's policy with respect to the amount and/or frequency of dividends, if any, budgets, forecasts, litigation, projected costs and plans and objectives of or involving the Company and/or its subsidiaries. Readers can identify many of these forward-looking statements by looking for words such as "believes", "expects", "will", "may", "intends", "projects", "anticipates", "plans", "estimates", "continues" and similar words or the negative and grammatical variations thereof.

Forward-looking statements are necessarily based upon a number of expectations or assumptions that, while considered reasonable by management at the time the statements are made, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive risks, uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond the Company's control and many of which are subject to change. Readers are cautioned to not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements which only speak as to the date they are made. Although management believes that the expectations and assumptions underlying such forward-looking statements are reasonable, there can be no assurance that such expectations or assumptions will prove to be correct. A number of factors could cause actual future results, performance, achievements and developments of the Company to differ materially from anticipated results, performance, achievements and developments expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to risks relating to: general economic conditions; pandemics; competition; government regulation; environmental regulation; access to capital; market trends and innovation; climate risk; general uninsured losses; risk related to acquisitions; dependence on customers, distributors and strategic

relationships; supply and cost of raw materials and purchased parts; operational performance and growth; implementation of the growth strategy; product liability and warranty claims; litigation; reliance on technology, intellectual property, and information systems; availability of future financing; interest rates and debt financing; income tax matters; foreign exchange; dividends; trading volatility of common shares; dilution risk; reliance on management and key personnel; employee and labour relations; and conflicts of interest.

Assumptions about the performance of the businesses of the Company are considered in setting the business plan and financial targets for the Company and its businesses. Key assumptions include assumptions relating to the demand for products and services of the businesses of the Company and relating to the Canadian and other markets in which the businesses are active. Should one or more of the risks materialize or the assumptions prove incorrect, actual results, performance or achievements of the Group may vary materially from those described in forward-looking statements.

All forward-looking statements contained herein are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. Except as required by law, the Company disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking information or forward-looking statements to reflect future events or results or otherwise.

Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting

The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, in accordance with National Instrument 52-109 ("NI 52-109"), have both certified that they have reviewed the annual information form, the annual financial statements and this MD&A (the "Annual Filings") and that, based on their knowledge having exercised reasonable diligence, that (a) the Annual Filings do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances under which it was made with respect to the period covered by the Annual Filings; and (b) the annual financial statements together with the other financial information included in the Annual Filings fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, financial performance and cash flows of the Company as of the date of and for the periods presented in the Annual Filings.

Investors should be aware that there are inherent limitations on the ability of the certifying officers to cost effectively design and implement Disclosure Controls and Procedures and Internal Controls over Financial Reporting (as those terms are used in NI 52-109). This may result in additional risks to the quality, reliability, transparency and timeliness of interim and annual filings and other reports provided under securities legislation.

Financial Statements of



For the year ended December 31, 2023



Independent auditor's report

To the Shareholders of Decisive Dividend Corporation

Our opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Decisive Dividend Corporation and its subsidiaries (together, the Company) as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards).

What we have audited

The Company's consolidated financial statements comprise:

- the consolidated statements of financial position as at December 31, 2023 and 2022;
- the consolidated statements of profit and comprehensive income for the years then ended;
- the consolidated statements of changes in equity for the years then ended;
- · the consolidated statements of cash flows for the years then ended; and
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, comprising material accounting policy information and other explanatory information.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.



Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter

Impairment tests of goodwill and brand intangible assets

Refer to note 2 – Basis of preparation and statement of compliance, note 3 – Material accounting policies, note 8 – Intangible assets and note 9 – Goodwill to the consolidated financial statements.

The Company had goodwill of \$44.1 million and brand intangible assets of \$3.6 million as at December 31, 2023. Indefinite life assets (which include brand intangible assets and goodwill) are tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the assets may be impaired. In assessing impairment, management estimates the recoverable amount of each asset or cash generating unit (CGU), which is the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets. An impairment loss is recognized if the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount.

As at December 31, 2023, annual impairment tests were performed and management has estimated the recoverable amounts of the CGUs based on the value-in-use method using discounted cash flow models. Significant assumptions used by management in estimating the recoverable amounts included revenue growth rates, operating margins and discount rates.

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Our approach to addressing the matter included the following procedures, among others:

- Evaluated how management determined the recoverable amounts of the CGUs, which included the following:
 - Tested the appropriateness of the method used and the mathematical accuracy of the discounted cash flow models.
 - Tested the reasonableness of the revenue growth rates and operating margins used by management in the discounted cash flow models, by comparing them to the budgets approved by the Board of Directors, available third party published economic data and the results historically achieved by the Company.
 - Professionals with specialized skill and knowledge in the field of valuation assisted in assessing the reasonableness of the discount rates applied by management based on available data of comparable companies.
 - Tested the underlying data used in the discounted cash flow models.
- Tested the disclosures made in the consolidated financial statements, particularly with regard to the sensitivity of the significant assumptions used by management.



Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

No impairment was recognized as a result of the 2023 impairment tests.

We considered this a key audit matter due to the judgment by management in determining the recoverable amounts of the CGUs, including the development of significant assumptions. This in turn led to a high degree of auditor judgment, subjectivity and effort in performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence relating to the significant assumptions used by management. The audit effort involved the use of professionals with specialized skill and knowledge in the field of valuation.

Valuation of customer relationships acquired in the business combinations

Refer to note 2 - Basis of preparation and statement of compliance, note 4 – Acquisitions and note 8 – Intangible assets to the consolidated financial statements.

During the year, the Company acquired Capital I Industries Inc. (Capital I), Micon Industries Ltd. (MIcon), Procore International Radiators Ltd. (Procore) and Innovative Heating Technologies Inc. (IHT) for a total combined consideration of \$43.4 million. The fair values of the identifiable assets acquired from these acquisitions included \$15.0 million in intangible assets; which included \$11.8 million in customer relationships. Management applied judgment in estimating the fair values of the customer relationships. To estimate the fair values of the customer relationships, management used the excess earnings method.

The customer relationships were fair valued using discounted cash flow models. Management developed significant assumptions which include

Our approach to addressing the matter included the following procedures, among others:

- Tested how management estimated the fair values of the customer relationships, which included the following:
 - Read the purchase agreements.
 - Evaluated the appropriateness of the method used and the mathematical accuracy of the discounted cash flow models.
 - Evaluated the reasonableness of significant assumptions used by management related to projected revenues, operating margin forecasts and customer retention rates by considering the past performance of Capital I, Micon, Procore and IHT, the budgets approved by the Board of Directors and similar prior acquisitions made by the Company, as applicable.

Professionals with specialized skill and knowledge in the field of valuation assisted in evaluating the appropriateness of management's method and discounted cash flow models, as well testing the reasonableness of certain significant



Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

projected revenues, operating margin forecasts, customer retention rates, and discount rates.

We considered this a key audit matter due to the significant judgment by management in estimating the fair values of the customer relationships, including the development of significant assumptions. This in turn led to a high degree of auditor judgment, subjectivity and effort in performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence relating to the significant assumptions which included projected revenues, operating margin forecasts, customer retention rates, and discount rates. The audit effort involved the use of professionals with specialized skill and knowledge in the field of valuation.

assumptions such as the customer retention rates and discount rates assumptions.

Tested the underlying data used in the discounted cash flow models.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Management's Discussion and Analysis.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the consolidated financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements,
 whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and
 obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of
 not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error,
 as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of
 internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.



- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Company to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is David Neale.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Vancouver, British Columbia March 20, 2024

Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

(Expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	De	cember 31,	December 31,
		2023	2022
Assets			
Cash	\$	4,050 \$	4,734
Accounts receivable (note 5)		22,647	16,380
Inventory (note 6)		24,351	14,940
Prepaid expenses and deposits		1,399	2,433
Total current assets		52,447	38,487
Property and equipment (note 7)		23,776	12,299
Intangible assets (note 8)		32,648	21,174
Goodwill (note 9)		43,696	26,474
Total assets	\$	152,567 \$	98,434
Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 10)	\$	26,107 \$	17,909
Dividends payable (note 16)		756	447
Warranty provision (note 11)		700	579
Customer deposits		1,281	344
Current portion of lease obligations (note 12)		1,693	1,279
Current portion of long-term debt (note 13)		224	-
Total current liabilities		30,761	20,558
Lease obligations (note 12)		9,014	5,059
Long-term debt (note 13)		45,037	32,669
Deferred income taxes (note 14)		10,004	6,018
Total liabilities		94,816	64,304
Equity			
Share capital (note 15)		66,611	44,094
Contributed surplus		1,378	1,028
Cumulative profit		15,202	6,869
Cumulative dividends (note 16)		(27,418)	(19,686)
		55,773	32,305
Accumulated other comprehensive income		1,978	1,825
Total equity		57,751	34,130
Total liabilities and equity	\$	152,567 \$	98,434

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors:

"James Paterson" Director

"Michael Conway" Director

Consolidated Statements of Profit and Comprehensive Income

(Expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars, except per share amounts)

For the Years Ended December 31,	 2023	2022
Sales (note 18)	\$ 134,881 \$	98,587
Manufacturing costs (note 19)	82,118	65,734
Gross profit	52,763	32,853
Expenses		
Amortization and depreciation	5,145	3,309
Financing costs (note 20)	3,795	2,524
Occupancy costs	1,902	1,353
Professional fees	2,715	1,772
Salaries, wages and benefits	19,263	13,157
Selling, general and administration	8,203	5,721
	41,023	27,836
Operating profit	11,740	5,017
Other items		
Interest and other income	9	20
Foreign exchange gains (losses)	(96)	619
Gain on sale of equipment	97	31
	10	670
Profit before income taxes	11,750	5,687
Income taxes (note 14)		
Current expense	4,274	1,743
Deferred recovery	(857)	(140)
	3,417	1,603
Profit	\$ 8,333 \$	4,084
Other comprehensive income		
Foreign operation currency translation differences	153	1,371
Total comprehensive income	\$ 8,486 \$	5,455
Profit per share		
Basic	0.48	0.31
Diluted	0.45	0.29
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (000s):		
Basic	17,323	13,033
Diluted	18,531	13,912

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity

(Expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Sha	re Capita	al		Deficit		Accumulated Other	
·	Number	ne Capite	<u> </u>	Contributed	 Cumulative	Cumulative	Comprehensive	Tota
For the Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022	(000s)		Amount	Surplus	Dividends	Profit	Income	Equity
Balance, January 1, 2022	12,093	\$	32,818	\$ 1,282	\$ (15,117) \$	2,785	\$ 454	\$ 22,222
Shares issued under ESPP (note 15)	71		264	2	-	-	-	266
Shares issued under DRIP (note 15)	189		833	-	-	-	-	833
Exercise of stock options (note 15)	300		1,363	(607)	-	-	-	756
Share-based payment awards (note 15)	-		-	82	-	-	-	82
Shares purchased and cancelled under NCIB (note 15)	(15)		(62)	-	-	-	-	(62)
Shares issued to vendors on business acquisitions (note 15)	402		1,719	-	-	-	-	1,719
Shares issued for cash proceeds (note 15)	1,848		7,615	-	-	-	-	7,615
Share issuance costs (note 15)	-		(456)	269	-	-	-	(187)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-		-	-	-	4,084	1,371	5,455
Dividends declared (note 16)	-		-	-	(4,569)	-	-	(4,569
Balance, December 31, 2022	14,888	\$	44,094	\$ 1,028	\$ (19,686) \$	6,869	\$ 1,825	\$ 34,130
Shares issued under ESPP (note 15)	91		490	45	-	-	_	535
Shares issued under DRIP (note 15)	333		2,224	-	-	-	-	2,224
Exercise of stock options (note 15)	115		385	(201)	-	-	-	184
Exercise of warrants (note 15)	938		5,108	(276)	-	-	-	4,832
Share-based payment awards (note 15)	_		_	466	_	_	_	466
Shares purchased and cancelled under NCIB (note 15)	(2)		(16)	_	_	_	_	(16
Shares issued to vendors on business acquisitions (note 15)	583		4,162	_	_	_	_	4,162
Shares issued for cash proceeds (note 15)	1,965		11,294	316	_	_	_	11,610
Share issuance costs (note 15)	-		(1,130)	-	_	-	_	(1,130
Total comprehensive income for the year	_		-	_	_	8,333	153	8,486
Dividends declared (note 16)	-		-	-	(7,732)	-	-	(7,732
Balance, December 31, 2023	18,911	\$	66,611	\$ 1,378	\$ (27,418) \$	15,202	\$ 1,978	\$ 57,751

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

For the Years Ended December 31,		2023	2022
Operating activities			
Profit	\$	8,333 \$	4,084
Adjusted by:			
Amortization and depreciation		7,895	4,884
Financing costs		3,795	2,524
Share-based compensation		745	143
Foreign exchange (gains) losses		96	(619)
Inventory write-downs and obsolescence allowance		28	22
Gain on sale of equipment		(97)	(31)
Income tax expense		3,417	1,603
		24,212	12,610
Changes in non-cash working capital (note 21)		(4,117)	(3,192)
		20,095	9,418
Income taxes paid		(4,306)	(991)
Cash provided by operating activities		15,789	8,427
Financing activities			
Proceeds from issuance of shares		15,756	8,338
Dividends paid (note 16)		(5,219)	(3,602)
Proceeds from long-term debt (note 13)		23,566	9,936
Repayment of long-term debt (note 13)		(11,635)	-
Debt issuance costs		(71)	(28)
Lease payments		(1,492)	(1,227)
Interest paid		(3,650)	(2,354)
Cash provided by financing activities		17,255	11,063
Investing activities			
Acquisitions (note 4)		(30,077)	(15,097)
Purchase of property and equipment		(3,918)	(2,140)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		173	40
Cash used in investing activities		(33,822)	(17,197)
Increase (decrease) in cash during the year		(778)	2,293
Cash, beginning of year		4,734	2,143
Effect of movements in exchange rates		94	298
Cash, end of year	\$	4,050 \$	4,734
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Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

For the Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 (Expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars, except per share amounts)

1. Nature and Operations

Decisive Dividend Corporation (the "Company") was incorporated under the British Columbia Business Corporations Act on October 2, 2012 and is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange, trading under the symbol "DE". The address of the Company's head office is #260 – 1855 Kirschner Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1Y 4N7.

Decisive Dividend Corporation is an acquisition-oriented company, focused on opportunities in manufacturing. The Company's purpose is to be the sought-out choice for exiting legacy-minded business owners, while supporting the long-term success of the businesses acquired, and through that, creating sustainable and growing shareholder returns. The Company uses a disciplined acquisition strategy to identify already profitable, well-established, high quality manufacturing companies that have a sustainable competitive advantage, a focus on non-discretionary products, steady cash flows, growth potential and established, strong leadership.

The principal wholly-owned operating subsidiaries of the Company, as at December 31, 2023, are managed through two reportable segments and were acquired as follows:

Finished Product Segment

- Valley Comfort Systems Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiary Blaze King Industries Inc. ("Blaze King USA"), collectively referred to herein as "Blaze King"; acquired in February 2015.
- Slimline Manufacturing Ltd. ("Slimline"); acquired in May 2018.
- Marketing Impact Limited ("Marketing Impact"); acquired in April 2022.
- ACR Heat Products Limited ("ACR"); acquired in October 2022.
- Capital I Industries Inc. and its sister company, Irving Machine Inc. (together, "Capital I"); acquired in April 2023.
- Innovative Heating Technologies Inc. ("IHT"); acquired in July 2023.

Component Manufacturing Segment

- Unicast Inc. ("Unicast"); acquired in June 2016.
- Hawk Machine Works Ltd. ("Hawk"); acquired in June 2018.
- Northside Industries Inc. ("Northside"); acquired in August 2019.
- Micon Industries Ltd. ("Micon"); acquired in April 2023.
- Procore International Radiators Ltd. ("Procore"); acquired in April 2023.

These consolidated financial statements comprise the Company and its subsidiaries, collectively referred to as the "Group". The consolidated financial statements include the results of acquired subsidiaries from their dates of acquisition.

2. Basis of Preparation and Statement of Compliance

a) Statement of compliance

These consolidated financial statements (the "financial statements") have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS Accounting Standards").

These consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors of the Company for issue on March 20, 2024.

b) Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost basis specified by IFRS Accounting Standards for each type of asset, liability, income and expense as set out in the accounting policies below, except for certain financial assets and liabilities which are measured at fair value.

c) Judgments

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgments that affect the application of accounting policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. In making judgments, management relies on external information and observable conditions where possible, supplemented by internal analysis as required. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

d) Accounting estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the Company's financial statements in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires management to make estimates based on assumptions about future events that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgments about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized prospectively in the period in which the estimate is revised.

Areas that require significant estimates and assumptions as the basis for determining the stated amounts include, but are not limited to, the following:

i. Business combinations

Management uses valuation techniques when determining the fair values of certain assets and liabilities acquired in a business combination. The most significant assumptions and those requiring the most judgment involve the estimated fair values of intangible assets. Management uses the excess earnings method through a discounted cash flow model to value certain intangible assets. Significant assumptions include, among others, the determination of projected revenues, operating margin forecasts, customer retention rates and discount rates.

The Company's acquisitions have been accounted for using the acquisition method when control is transferred to the Group (note 3(a)). The consideration transferred in the acquisition is measured at fair value, as are the identifiable net assets acquired, except where specified otherwise under IFRS Accounting Standards, and goodwill is recognized as the residual amount. The consideration includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement. Any contingent consideration is recognized at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration, where classified as a financial liability, are recognized in profit or loss. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured, and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

Any goodwill that arises is tested annually for impairment. Any gain on a bargain purchase is recognized in profit or loss immediately. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred, except if related to the issue of debt or equity securities.

ii. Depreciation and amortization of long-lived assets

The Company makes estimates about the expected useful lives of long-lived assets and the expected residual values of the assets based on the estimated current fair value of the assets. Changes to these estimates, which can be significant, could be caused by changes in the utilization of major manufacturing equipment and uncertainties relating to technological obsolescence. Management reviews its estimate of the useful lives of long-lived assets at each reporting date, based on the expected utility of the assets. Generally, these adjustments are accounted for on a prospective basis, through depreciation and amortization expense.

iii. Impairment of non-financial assets and goodwill

In assessing impairment, management estimates the recoverable amount of each asset or cash-generating unit ("CGU"), which is the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets, based on discounted expected future cash flows. Estimation uncertainty relates to significant assumptions about future operating results including revenue growth rates, operating margins, and the determination of a suitable discount rate.

iv. Inventories

Management estimates the net realizable values of inventories, taking into account the most reliable evidence available at each reporting date. The future realization of these inventories may be affected by future technology or other market-driven changes that may reduce future selling prices.

v. Warranty liabilities

The Company provides for warranty expenses by analyzing historical failure rates, warranty claims, current sales levels and current information available about returns based on warranty periods. Uncertainty relates to the timing and amount of actual warranty claims which can vary from the Company's estimation.

vi. Expected credit losses

The Company uses the simplified approach for measuring expected credit losses to provide for a lifetime expected credit loss allowance for all trade receivables based on indicators such as creditworthiness, historical collection trends and experiences with customers. Uncertainty relates to the timing and amount of actual credit losses which can vary from the Company's estimation.

vii. Share-based compensation

Compensation expense associated with stock options granted is based on various assumptions, using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, to produce an estimate of fair value. This estimate may vary due to changes in the variables used in the model including interest rates, expected life, expected volatility, expected forfeitures and share prices. Estimating expected life and forfeitures requires judgement.

3. Material Accounting Policies

a) Principles of consolidation

These financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries disclosed in note 1. Consolidated profit or loss and cash flows include the results of acquired subsidiaries from their dates of acquisition. All inter-company balances, transactions, revenues and expenses have been eliminated on consolidation.

Control exists where the parent entity is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. Subsidiaries are included in the financial statements from the date control commences until the date control ceases.

b) Revenue recognition

The Group recognizes revenue from the sale of manufactured products as follows:

Revenue from the sale of manufactured products is recognized when the customer obtains control of the product and therefore has the ability to direct its use and obtain the benefits from it, which is generally at the time of delivery. Payments received from customers in advance of the delivery of the goods are recorded as customer deposits in the consolidated statement of financial position.

c) Foreign currency translation

i. Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each consolidated entity in the Group are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the "functional currency"). For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Group has determined that Blaze King USA and Unicast have a United States dollar functional currency, ACR has a British pound sterling functional currency, while all the other entities have a Canadian dollar functional currency. The financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Company's presentation currency.

The financial statements of entities that have a functional currency different from that of the Company ("foreign operations") are translated into Canadian dollars as follows: assets and liabilities – at the closing rate at the date of the statement of financial position, and income and expenses – at the appropriate average rate of the period (where this is considered a reasonable approximation to actual rates). All resulting changes are recognized in other comprehensive income as a currency translation differences adjustment.

If the Group disposes of its entire interest in a foreign operation, or loses control, joint control, or significant influence over a foreign operation, the foreign currency gains or losses accumulated in other comprehensive income related to the foreign operation are recognized in profit or loss. If the Company disposes of part of an interest in a foreign operation which remains a subsidiary, a proportionate amount of foreign currency gains or losses accumulated in other comprehensive income related to the subsidiary is reallocated between

controlling and non-controlling interests. No such transactions occurred in the years ended December 31, 2023 or December 31, 2022.

ii. Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of foreign currency transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than an operation's functional currency are recognized in profit or loss.

d) Operating expenses

Operating expenses are recognized in profit or loss upon utilization of the service or as incurred. Changes in expenditure for warranties is recognized when the Group incurs an obligation, which is typically when the related goods are sold.

e) Goodwill

Goodwill represents the future economic benefits arising from a business combination that are not individually identified and separately recognized. Goodwill is carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Refer to note 9 for a description of impairment testing procedures.

f) Intangible assets

Intangible assets are recorded at cost. The Group's Brand intangible assets are considered to have indefinite lives and are not amortized. The other intangible assets with finite lives are amortized as follows:

Customer relationships

Contract costs

Distribution and other agreements

Manufacturing technology

Product development costs

10-12 years straight-line basis
7-10 years straight-line basis
10 years straight-line basis
3 years straight-line basis

The depreciation method and estimates of useful lives ascribed to intangible assets are reviewed at least annually and, if necessary, amortization is adjusted on a prospective basis.

g) Property and equipment

Property and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is determined at rates which will reduce the original cost to the estimated residual value over the expected useful life of each asset. The expected useful lives used to compute depreciation are as follows:

Automotive 30% declining-balance basis

Manufacturing equipment 20% declining-balance basis

Office equipment 20% declining-balance basis

Computer equipment 30% to 100% declining-balance basis

Leasehold improvements 5 years straight line basis

Right of use assets 1-10 years straight line basis

h) Impairment – non-financial and indefinite life assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's non-financial assets (which include property and equipment, and intangibles with a definite life) are reviewed at each financial reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss. An impairment loss is recognized when the carrying amount of an asset or its CGU exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognized in profit or loss for the period.

The carrying amounts of the Group's indefinite life assets (which include Brand intangible assets and Goodwill) are tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the assets may be impaired. An impairment loss is recognized when the carrying amount of an asset or its CGU exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognized in profit or loss for the period. The assessment of indefinite life is reviewed each period to determine whether the indefinite life assumption continues to be supportable. If deemed unsupportable, the change in the useful life from indefinite to finite life is made and amortization recognized on a prospective basis.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the greater of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and value-in-use. The value-in-use method is based on a discounted cash flow model. In assessing value-in-use, management estimates expected future cash flows from each CGU and determines a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. Discount factors are determined individually for each CGU and reflect current market assessments of the time value of money and asset-specific risk factors.

Impairment losses for each CGU reduce first the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to that CGU. Any remaining impairment loss is charged pro rata to the other assets in the CGU. With the exception of goodwill, all assets are subsequently reassessed for indications that an impairment loss previously recognized may no longer exist.

An impairment loss is only reversed if there is an indication that the impairment loss may no longer exist and there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount, however, not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized in previous years. An impairment loss with respect to goodwill is never reversed.

i) Financial instruments

i. Recognition, initial measurement and de-recognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument and are measured initially at fair value adjusted for transaction costs. Subsequent measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities are described below. Financial assets are de-recognized when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards are transferred. A financial liability is de-recognized when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

ii. Classification and subsequent measurement

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets and liabilities, other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments, are classified into the following categories: (1) those measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (loss) ("OCI"), (2) those measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"), or (3) those measured at amortized cost.

The Group's cash and accounts receivable are classified as financial assets measured at amortized cost. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities, dividends payable, and long-term debt are classified as financial liabilities measured at amortized cost. All financial assets and liabilities measured at amortized cost use the effective interest rate method with interest income/expense recorded in profit or loss.

iii. Impairment

Expected credit losses are to be recognized using a forward-looking approach that reflects any changes in credit risk associated with the financial instruments.

For trade and other receivables, the loss allowance is measured at initial recognition and throughout its life at an amount equal to its lifetime expected credit loss. Impairment of trade and other receivables is recognized in selling, general and administration expenses when evidence of impairment arises.

Impairment losses on financial assets carried at amortized cost are reversed in subsequent periods if the amount of the loss decreases.

i) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost includes all expenses directly attributable to the manufacturing process as well as suitable portions of related production overheads, based on normal operating capacity. Costs of ordinarily interchangeable items are assigned using the first in, first out cost formula. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less any applicable selling expenses.

k) Leases

The Group leases office and shop premises that give rise to lease obligations and associated right of use assets. Lease agreements are typically for fixed period terms but may have extension options available. If the lease agreement contains consideration for both lease and non-lease components, these components are allocated separately based on their relative stand-alone prices. Lease agreements are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor.

Lease obligations and associated right of use assets are measured at the present value of the lease payments for the term of the lease, discounted using the Company's incremental borrowing rate on the date at which the leased asset is available for use by the Group. Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the liability.

Lease payments are allocated between principal and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

Right of use assets are depreciated over the term of the lease on a straight-line basis.

I) Government Grants

Government grants are recognized in the consolidated statement of profit and comprehensive income when received. Where appropriate, grants are recorded as a reduction of the costs for which those grants are intended to cover. Grants that are intended as a revenue guarantee are recorded within revenue.

m) Income taxes

Provision for income taxes consists of current and deferred tax expense. Income tax expense is recognized in the consolidated statement of profit and comprehensive income except to the extent that it relates to items recognized either in other comprehensive income or loss or directly in equity, in which case it is recognized in other comprehensive income or loss or in equity, respectively. Current tax expense is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the period, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at period end, adjusted for amendments to income taxes payable with regards to previous years.

Deferred tax is recognized in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred tax is not recognized for temporary differences associated with the initial recognition of goodwill, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable income or loss, or temporary differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse based on the laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

A deferred tax asset is recognized to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

n) Cash

Cash comprises of cash on hand and demand deposits.

o) Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits, including holiday pay, are current liabilities included in employee obligations, measured at the undiscounted amount that the Group expects to pay as a result of the unused entitlement.

p) Provisions, contingent assets and contingent liabilities

Provisions for product warranties, legal disputes and onerous contracts or other claims are recognized when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic resources will be required from the Company, and amounts can be estimated reliably. Timing or amount of the outflow may still be uncertain.

Provisions are measured at the estimated expenditure required to settle the present obligation, based on the most reliable evidence available at the reporting date; the risks and the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. Provisions are discounted to their present values, where the time value of money is material.

Any reimbursement that the Group is virtually certain to collect from a third party with respect to the obligation is recognized as a separate asset. However, this asset may not exceed the amount of the related provision.

No liability is recognized if an outflow of economic resources as a result of present obligations is not probable. Such situations are disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the outflow of resources is remote.

q) Share capital

The Group records proceeds from share issuances, net of issue costs and any tax effects, in equity. Common shares held by the Group are classified as treasury stock and recorded as a reduction to equity.

r) Share-based payments

The Company has an equity incentive plan which enables it to grant share-based rewards, in the form of deferred share units ("DSUs"), restricted share units ("RSUs") and stock options, to the directors, officers, and employees of the Company or any of its affiliates or designated service providers. All share-based rewards granted under the Company's equity incentive plan are settled through the issuance of shares from treasury. The fair value of the share-based rewards, determined at the date of the grant, is charged to profit and loss, with an offsetting credit to contributed surplus, over the vesting period. If and when the share-based rewards are exercised, the applicable original amounts of contributed surplus are transferred to share capital.

The fair value of a share-based payment is determined at the date of the grant. For DSUs and RSUs, fair value is measured based on the volume weighted average trading price of Decisive's shares for the five trading days immediately preceding the grant. For stock options, the estimated fair value is measured using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The Black-Scholes option pricing model requires the input of subjective assumptions, including the expected term of the option and share price volatility. The expected term of options granted is determined based on historical data on the average hold period before exercise, expiry or cancellation. Expected volatility is estimated with reference to the historical volatility of the share price of the Company.

These estimates involve inherent uncertainties and the application of management's judgement. The costs of share-based payments are recognized over the vesting period of the reward. The total amount recognized as an expense is adjusted to reflect the number of share-based rewards expected to vest at each reporting date. At each reporting date prior to vesting, the cumulative compensation expense representing the extent to which the vesting period has passed and management's best estimate of the share-based rewards that are ultimately expected to vest is computed. The movement in cumulative expense is recognized in earnings or loss with a corresponding entry to contributed surplus.

Share-based payments to non-employees are measured at the fair value of the goods or services received or the fair value of the equity instruments issued if it is determined that the fair value of the goods or services cannot be reliably measured, and are recorded at the date the goods or services are received.

No expense is recognized for share-based rewards that do not ultimately vest. Charges for share-based rewards that are forfeited before vesting are reversed from contributed surplus and credited to profit or loss. For those share-based rewards that expire unexercised after vesting, the recorded value remains in contributed surplus.

s) Profit per share

Basic profit per share is computed by dividing the profit or loss applicable to equity owners of the Company by the weighted average number of common shares issued and outstanding for the relevant period.

Diluted profit per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for dilutive instruments. Share-based rewards and warrants are included in the calculation of diluted profit per share only to the extent that the market price of the common shares exceeds the exercise price of the share-based rewards or share purchase warrants except where such conversion would be anti-dilutive.

4. Acquisitions

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, and before these financial statements were authorized, on March 14, 2024, the Company acquired, through Hawk, the assets of Alberta Production Machining Ltd. ("APM") for cash consideration of \$2,710, which was funded using the Company's new syndicated credit facility (Note 13). The assets of APM are operated out of a leased facility in Edmonton, Alberta, and provides Hawk with increased machining capabilities and access to additional equipment and people to service the demand from its growing customer base.

The initial accounting for the acquisition of APM is not complete and is pending the determination of the fair value of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date.

In 2023, the Company acquired four businesses as described below. The consideration paid on these acquisitions is as follows:

	Capital I	Micon	Procore	IHT	Total
Cash (net of cash acquired)	\$ 10,077 \$	2,991 \$	4,331 \$	12,678 \$	30,077
Common shares	848	379	610	2,325	4,162
Long term debt assumed	588	-	-	-	588
Contingent consideration	1,910	-	-	6,676	8,586
	\$ 13,423 \$	3,370 \$	4,941 \$	21,679 \$	43,413

The allocation of the purchase prices, to the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed on these acquisitions is as follows:

	Capital I	Micon	Procore	IHT	Total
Accounts receivable	\$ 3,376 \$	262 \$	582 \$	2,041 \$	6,261
Prepaid expenses and deposits	70	12	11	681	774
Inventory	4,730	289	867	1,449	7,335
Property and equipment	3,688	225	603	4,957	9,473
Intangible assets	2,697	2,017	2,340	7,905	14,959
Goodwill	2,472	1,354	1,882	11,447	17,155
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(1,453)	(155)	(475)	(2,123)	(4,206)
Customer deposits	-	-	-	(90)	(90)
Lease obligation	(890)	(47)	(121)	(2,389)	(3,447)
Deferred income taxes	(1,267)	(587)	(748)	(2,199)	(4,801)
	\$ 13,423 \$	3,370 \$	4,941 \$	21,679 \$	43,413

Subsequent adjustments to the purchase price allocations, if any, can be recognized if they occur within twelve months of the acquisition date. After twelve months, adjustments are recognized through profit or loss. The adjustments made as a result of finalizing the provisional accounting are retrospectively recognized from the acquisition date. In 2023, the Company incurred acquisition-related costs of \$970 relating to legal fees, accounting fees, and due diligence costs. These costs are included in professional fees in the consolidated statement of profit and comprehensive income.

a) Capital I

On April 5, 2023, the Company acquired all of the shares of Capital I. Capital I, which is located in Tisdale, Saskatchewan, designs, manufactures and distributes road maintenance and construction equipment. Capital I's products include dozer blades, snow blades and wings, gravel reclaimers, gravel groomers, lifts, mulchers and mowers, that are used in the construction and maintenance of gravel roads.

The Capital I purchase agreement contains negotiated representations, warranties, indemnities and closing conditions. The purchase price included a payment of cash (which was subject to customary post-closing adjustments) and the issuance of common shares to the vendors, plus up to an additional \$4,500 contingent on Capital I meeting certain earnings targets over the three years following the acquisition date. The contingent consideration recorded by the Company reflects the estimated fair value of the earnings target being met, as at the acquisition date. The cash portion of the consideration was initially funded through the Company's revolving term acquisition facility (Note 13) which was subsequently partially repaid through the net proceeds of an equity offering that closed on April 13, 2023 (Note 15). The share portion of the consideration was funded through the issuance of 123,962 common shares to the vendors of Capital I (Note 15).

b) Micon

On April 5, 2023, the Company acquired all of the shares of Micon. Micon, which is located in Merritt, British Columbia, designs, manufactures and distributes high-quality radiator seals and grommets for heavy duty equipment.

The Micon purchase agreement contains negotiated representations, warranties, indemnities and closing conditions. The purchase price included a payment of cash (which was subject to customary post-closing adjustments) and the issuance of common shares to the vendors. The cash portion of the consideration was initially funded through the Company's revolving term acquisition facility (Note 13) which was subsequently partially repaid through the net proceeds of an equity offering that closed on April 13, 2023 (Note 15). The share portion of the consideration was funded through the issuance of 55,434 common shares to the vendors of Micon (Note 15).

c) Procore

On April 5, 2023, the Company acquired all of the shares of Procore. Procore, which is located in Merritt, British Columbia, designs, manufactures and distributes radiators for heavy duty equipment used in the mining, oil and gas and road construction industries.

The Procore purchase agreement contains negotiated representations, warranties, indemnities and closing conditions. The purchase price included a payment of cash (which was subject to customary post-closing adjustments) and the issuance of common shares to the vendors. The cash portion of the consideration was initially funded through the Company's revolving term acquisition facility (Note 13) which was subsequently partially repaid through the net proceeds of an equity offering that closed on April 13, 2023 (Note 15). The share portion of the consideration was funded through the issuance of 89,181 common shares to the vendors of Procore (Note 15).

d) IHT

On July 19, 2023, the Company acquired IHT. IHT, which is located outside of Winnipeg, Manitoba, is a well-established manufacturer and developer of high efficiency heating mats and lighting solutions for hog production.

The IHT purchase agreement contains negotiated representations, warranties, indemnities and closing conditions. The purchase price included a payment of cash (which was subject to customary post-closing adjustments), and the issuance of common shares to the vendors, plus up to an additional \$10,000 contingent on IHT meeting certain earnings targets over the next three years. The contingent consideration recorded by the Company reflects the estimated fair value of the earnings target being met, as at the acquisition date. The cash portion of the consideration was initially funded through the Company's revolving term acquisition facility (Note 13) which was subsequently partially repaid through the proceeds of an exercise of 819,175 warrants at a price of \$4.94 per warrant (Note 15). The share portion of the consideration was funded through the issuance of 314,614 common shares to the vendors of IHT (Note 15).

The consolidated statement of profit includes revenue, gross profit, and profit of Capital I, Micon, Procore, and IHT from their acquisition dates. Had the acquisitions of Capital I, Micon, Procore, and IHT been effective from January 1, 2023, the Group would have recognized revenue, gross profit, and profit for the year ended December 31, 2023 as outlined in the table below.

		Reported for	Results for	
		Acquisitions	Acquisitions	
		from	from	
	Consolidated	Acquisition	January 1,	Consolidated
For the year ended December 31, 2023	Reported	Date	2023	Pro forma
Sales	\$ 134,881	\$ 19,684	\$ 36,763	\$ 151,960
Gross profit	52,763	9,155	18,698	62,306
Profit	8,333	2,943	7,439	12,829

In 2022, the Company acquired two businesses as described below. The consideration paid on these acquisitions is as follows:

	Marketing				
		Impact	ACR	Total	
Cash (net of cash acquired)	\$	8,633 \$	6,464 \$	15,097	
Common shares		1,000	719	1,719	
Contingent consideration		600	2,858	3,458	
	\$	10,233 \$	10,041 \$	20,274	

The allocation of the purchase prices, to the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed on these acquisitions is as follows:

	Marketing		
	Impact	ACR	Total
Accounts receivable	\$ 1,999 \$	947 \$	2,946
Prepaid expenses and deposits	66	1,338	1,404
Inventory	1,469	944	2,413
Property and equipment	1,689	813	2,502
Intangible assets	6,620	5,945	12,565
Goodwill	3,727	3,521	7,248
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(1,841)	(1,178)	(3,019)
Customer deposits	(416)	-	(416)
Lease obligation	(1,427)	(799)	(2,226)
Deferred income taxes	(1,653)	(1,490)	(3,143)
	\$ 10,233 \$	10,041 \$	20,274

The Company incurred acquisition-related costs of \$868 with respect to the 2022 acquisitions relating to legal fees, accounting fees, and due diligence costs. These costs are included in professional fees in the consolidated statement of profit and comprehensive income.

e) Marketing Impact

On April 14, 2022, the Company acquired all of the shares of Marketing Impact. Marketing Impact, which is in the Greater Toronto Area, designs, manufactures, and distributes a comprehensive range of merchandising products, systems and solutions for retail customers including grocery stores, convenience stores, and pharmacies. It also designs and manufactures displays for consumer-packaged goods customers for use within those same channels.

The Marketing Impact purchase agreement contains negotiated representations, warranties, indemnities and closing conditions. The purchase price included a payment of cash (which was subject to customary post-closing adjustments) and the issuance of common shares to the vendors, plus up to an additional \$1,500 contingent on Marketing Impact meeting certain earnings targets over the three years following the acquisition date. The contingent consideration recorded by the Company reflects the estimated fair value of the earnings target being met, as at the acquisition date. The cash portion of the consideration was funded through the Company's revolving term acquisition facility (Note 13), \$7,000 of which was subsequently moved to the Company's non-amortizing term loan (Note 13). The share portion of the consideration was funded through the issuance of 235,294 common shares to the vendors of Marketing Impact (Note 15).

f) ACR

On October 3, 2022, the Company acquired all the shares of ACR, located in Birmingham in the United Kingdom, manufactures Eco-design Ready woodburning, multifuel, and gas stoves and sells them primarily in the United Kingdom. It also manufactures electric stoves, electric fireplaces, and outdoor pizza ovens.

The ACR purchase agreement contains negotiated representations, warranties, indemnities and closing conditions. The purchase price included a payment of cash (which was subject to customary post-closing adjustments), and the issuance of common shares to the vendors, plus up to an additional £2.75 million contingent on ACR meeting certain earnings targets over the three years following the acquisition date. The contingent consideration recorded by the Company reflects the estimated fair value of the earnings target being met, as at the acquisition date. The cash portion of the consideration was funded through the net proceeds of an equity offering that closed on September 27, 2022 (Note 15). The share portion of the consideration was funded through the issuance of 166,790 common shares to the vendors of ACR (Note 15).

The consolidated statement of profit includes revenue, gross profit, and profit of Marketing Impact and ACR from their acquisition dates. Had the acquisitions of Marketing Impact and ACR been effective from January 1, 2022, the Group would have recognized revenue, gross profit, and profit for the year ended December 31, 2022 as outlined in the table below.

		Reported for	Results for	_
		Acquisitions	Acquisitions	
		from	from	
	Consolidated	Acquisition	January 1,	Consolidated
For the year ended December 31, 2022	Reported	Date	2022	Pro forma
Sales	\$ 98,587	\$ 17,113	\$ 28,416	\$ 109,890
Gross profit	32,853	5,185	8,921	36,589
Profit	4,084	1,348	2,870	5,606

5. Accounts Receivable

	2023	2022
Trade receivables	\$ 22,605	\$ 16,031
Expected credit losses	(177)	(114)
Sales tax and other receivables	219	463
	\$ 22,647	\$ 16,380

The Company's exposure to credit and currency risks, and impairment losses related to trade and other receivables is disclosed in note 22.

6. Inventory

	2023	2022
Raw materials	\$ 10,659 \$	7,133
Work in progress	3,437	2,352
Finished goods	10,531	5,914
Allowance for obsolescence	(276)	(459)
	\$ 24,351 \$	14,940

7. Property and Equipment

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		Automotive	Equipment		Equipment		Equipment	Improvement	S	Use Assets	Total
Cost	_			_		_			_		
Balance, January 1, 2022	\$	292 \$	8,557	\$		\$	1,091	\$ 514	\$	•	15,460
Additions		66	1,639		5		244	186		2,561	4,701
Acquired through business combination		15	180		48		33	-		2,226	2,502
Disposals		(4)	-		-		(25)	-		(101)	(130)
Effect of movements in exchange rates		5	48		1		21	7		142	224
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	374 \$	10,424	\$	242	\$	1,364	\$ 707	\$	9,646 \$	22,757
Additions		50	3,112		101		272	291		2,707	6,533
Acquired through business combination		56	5,196		37		54	684		3,446	9,473
Disposals		-	(195)		-		_	(25)	(1,673)	(1,893)
Effect of movements in exchange rates		(2)	(11)		(3)		(4)	(3)	18	(5)
Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	478 \$	18,526	\$	377	\$	1,686	\$ 1,654	\$	14,144 \$	36,865
Accumulated Depreciation											
Balance, January 1, 2022	\$	173 \$	4,077	\$	74	\$	718	\$ 393	\$	2,439 \$	7,874
Depreciation		49	1,059		30		148	83		1,261	2,630
Disposals		(3)	-		-		(16)	-		(101)	(120)
Effect of movements in exchange rates		4	22		2		15	3		28	74
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	223 \$	5,158	\$	106	\$	865	\$ 479	\$	3,627 \$	10,458
Depreciation		57	1,991		38		185	174		1,706	4,151
Disposals		-	(56)		_		-	(20)	(1,427)	(1,503)
Effect of movements in exchange rates		(2)	(1)		(2)		(1)	(1		(10)	(17)
Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	278 \$	7,092	\$	142	\$	1,049	\$ 632	\$	3,896 \$	13,089
Net Book Value											
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Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	151 \$	5,266	\$	136	\$	499	\$ 228	\$	6,019 \$	12,299

8. Intangible Assets

	N	1anufacturin		Customer		Distribution	De	evelopment	Contract		
		Technology	R	elationships	,	Agreements		Costs	Costs	Brand	Total
Cost											
Balance, January 1, 2022	\$	2,603	\$	9,890	\$	720	\$	429 \$	377 \$	1,703 \$	15,722
Acquired through business combination		310		10,699		700		-	246	610	12,565
Effect of movements in exchange rates		28		833		_		_	28	46	935
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	2,941	\$	21,422	\$	1,420	\$	429 \$	651 \$	2,359 \$	
Additions	·	, -	·	, -	·	, -		92	<u>-</u>	, . -	92
Acquired through business combination		1,490		11,755		20		-	477	1,217	14,959
Disposals		_		_		_		(76)	(200)	_	(276)
Effect of movements in								, ,	, ,		, ,
exchange rates	_	(10)	_	109	_		_	-	9	6	114
Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	4,421	\$	33,286	\$	1,440	\$	445 \$	937 \$	3,582 \$	44,111
Accumulated Amortization	Φ.	4 400	Φ.	0.004	Φ.	474	Φ	50 A	40F	rt.	- F F00
Balance, January 1, 2022	\$	1,403	Ъ	3,804	Ъ	171	Ъ	50 \$	165 \$	- \$,
Amortization Effect of movements in		285		1,476		147		25	360	-	2,293
exchange rates		16		140		-		-	6	-	162
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	1,704	\$	5,420	\$	318	\$	75 \$	531 \$	- \$	8,048
Amortization		370		2,704		175		-	495	-	3,744
Disposals		-		-		-		(76)	(200)	-	(276)
Effect of movements in		(7)		(55)					9		(53)
exchange rates Balance, December 31, 2023	•	2,067	¢	8,069		493	¢	(1) \$	835 \$		
Balance, December 31, 2023	Ψ	2,007	Ψ	0,003	Ψ	433	Ψ	(1) Ψ	υυυ ψ	- 4	11,403
Carrying amount											
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	1,237	\$	16,002	\$	1,102	\$	354 \$	120 \$	2,359 \$	21,174
Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	2,354	\$	25,217	\$	947	\$	446 \$	102 \$	3,582 \$	32,648
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9. Goodwill											
Balance, January 1, 2022										\$	18,699
Acquired through busines	s c	ombination	ıs								7,248
Effect of movements in ex											527
Balance, December 31, 202										\$	
Acquired through busines		ombination	1								17,155
Effect of movements in ex											67
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Balance, December 31, 2023

43,696

For the purpose of impairment testing for 2023 and 2022, goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives acquired through business combinations were allocated to the Group's CGUs as follows:

December 31, 2023	Brand	Goodwill	Total
Hearth (Blaze King and ACR)	\$ 1,187	\$ 5,652	\$ 6,839
Unicast	188	2,290	2,478
Slimline	670	1,326	1,996
Hawk	-	6,750	6,750
Northside	-	6,795	6,795
Marketing Impact	320	3,728	4,048
Capital I	230	2,472	2,702
Micon	87	1,354	1,441
Procore	145	1,882	2,027
<u>IHT</u>	 755	11,447	12,202
	\$ 3,582	\$ 43,696	\$ 47,278

December 31, 2022	Brand	Goodwill	Total
Hearth (Blaze King and ACR)	\$ 1,176	\$ 5,529	\$ 6,705
Unicast	193	2,346	2,539
Slimline	670	1,326	1,996
Hawk	-	6,750	6,750
Northside	-	6,795	6,795
Marketing Impact	320	3,728	4,048
	\$ 2,359	\$ 26,474	\$ 28,833

The Company performed annual impairment tests of goodwill and indefinite life intangible assets as at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The value-in-use impairment tests performed were based on the Company's internal forecasts and represent management's best estimates at a specific point in time, and as a result are subject to measurement uncertainty. In arriving at its estimated future cash flows, the Company considered past experience, economic trends and industry trends. The Company projected revenue, gross profit and cash flows for a period of five years and applied perpetual long-term revenue growth rates of 0% to 2% (2022 - 1% to 2%) thereafter, depending on the CGU. The Company assumed pre-tax discount rates of 15% to 18% (2022 - 16% to 19%) depending on the CGU, in order to calculate the present value of its projected cash flows. Determination of the discount rates included separate analyses of the cost of equity and debt, and considered a risk premium based on an assessment of risks related to the projected cash flows of the Company in general and each specific CGU.

The December 31, 2023 and 2022 impairment tests performed did not result in any impairment write-downs.

The most sensitive inputs to the value-in-use models are the revenue growth rates, operating margins and discount rates. The sensitivities to those inputs, with respect to the December 31, 2023 impairment tests, were as follows: All else being equal, a 1% increase in the discount rate would have led to impairment losses of \$240 on the Hawk CGU and \$247 on the Slimline CGU. All else being equal, a 1% decrease in operating margins would have led to impairment losses of \$65 on the Hawk CGU and \$88 on the Slimline CGU. All else being equal, a 1% decrease in the revenue growth rates would have led to impairment losses of \$249 on the Hawk CGU and \$283 on the Slimline CGU. There was no material impact of the sensitivity analyses on the recoverable amounts of the Group's other CGUs.

10. Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

	2023	2022
Trade payables	\$ 7,494 \$	8,268
Accrued liabilities	3,962	3,515
Accrued contingent consideration on acquisitions	10,949	3,204
Wages and benefits payable	1,351	1,035
Income taxes payable	2,351	1,887
	\$ 26,107 \$	17,909

11. Warranty Provision

	2023	2022
Warranty provision - opening	\$ 579	\$ 496
Warranty charges incurred	(345)	(320)
Warranty provision included in cost of goods sold	466	403
	\$ 700	\$ 579

12. Lease Obligations

The Group's right of use assets and associated lease obligations are related to lease commitments for office and shop premises. The maturity dates of the lease obligations are between October 2024 and September 2033. As at December 31, 2023, minimum lease payments required over the next five years were as follows:

For the years ending December 31,	2023	2022
2023	\$ - \$	1,513
2024	2,162	1,502
2025	1,753	1,094
2026	1,620	855
2027	1,717	917
2028	1,423	780
thereafter	4,250	557
	12,925	7,218
Less: interest portion	(2,218)	(880)
Less: current portion	(1,693)	(1,279)
	\$ 9,014 \$	5,059

13. Long-term Debt

				December 31,	December 31,
	Interest	Maturity		2023	2022
	Rate	Date	Authorized	Outstanding	Outstanding
Revolving term operating facility	P+1.0%	Jun-26 \$	15,000	\$ 10,491	\$ 4,988
Revolving term acquisition facility	P+2.5%	Jun-26	25,000	6,600	-
Non-amortizing term loan	6.9%	Jun-26	28,000	28,000	28,000
Equipment loans	2.3%	Dec-25	415	415	
			68,415	45,506	32,988
Less: current portion				(224)	<u>-</u>
Long-term portion				45,282	32,988
Less: debt issuance costs				(245)	(319)
Total long-term debt				\$ 45,037	\$ 32,669

[&]quot;P" in the table above denotes prime rate

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, and before these financial statements were authorized, the Company entered into a new syndicated credit facility providing for a committed \$100,000 senior secured revolving term loan and a \$75,000 accordion, which the Company can request as an increase, in whole or in part, to the total amount available under the new syndicated credit facility. The syndicate lenders include National Bank of Canada, CWB Maxium Financial (a wholly owned division of Canadian Western Bank), Royal Bank of Canada and Fédération des caisses Desjardins du Québec, with National Bank of Canada acting as administrative agent on behalf of the syndicate.

The new syndicated credit facility replaced the credit agreement the Company had in place with Canadian Western Bank, the details of which are outlined in the table above. The new syndicated credit facility consists of a single senior secured revolving term loan, compared to the three separate loan tranches outlined in the table above. There are no required principal payments for the committed three-year term of the new syndicated credit facility, which also provides for annual extension provisions, and all drawn amounts will mature in March 2027.

Borrowings under the new syndicated credit facility may be made by way of Canadian prime rate, U.S. base rate, CORRA or SOFR advances. The new syndicated credit facility bears interest at the Canadian prime rate or U.S. base rate plus 0.75% to 2.25%, or at the Canadian overnight repo rate average ("CORRA") or the U.S. Federal reserve secured overnight financing rate ("SOFR") plus 2.00% to 3.50%. These interest rate ranges are dependent on certain financial ratios of the Company. In addition, standby fees ranging from 0.40% to 0.70% per annum are paid quarterly on the unused portion of the new syndicated credit facility depending on certain financial ratios of the Company. There are no fees paid on the accordion until amounts are made available. The effective interest rate under the new syndicated credit facility is consistent with the blended effective interest rate outlined in the table above.

The new syndicated credit facility is secured by a general security agreement, assignment of insurance, and unlimited corporate cross guarantees. Additionally, the Group has agreed to maintain the following ratios (as defined in the credit agreement) on a consolidated trailing twelve-month basis, otherwise outstanding facilities are due on demand:

- Maximum total debt to adjusted EBITDA of 3.25:1
- Minimum interest coverage ratio of 1.50:1

As at December 31, 2023, the Company was in compliance with these ratios.

As at December 31, 2023, principal payments required over the next four years on the Company's long-term debt were estimated as follows:

For the years ending December 31,	
2024	\$ 224
2025	191
2026	-
2027	45,091
	\$ 45,506

14. Income Tax

a) Rate reconciliation

Income tax expense differs from the amount that would result by applying the Company's combined Canadian federal and provincial income tax rate of 27% to earnings before income taxes. The Group's taxable income for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 was generated in the following jurisdictions with the following corporate income tax rates:

For the year ended December 31,	2023	2022
British Columbia	27.0%	27.0%
Alberta	23.0%	23.0%
Manitoba	27.0%	-
Ontario	25.0%	25.0%
Saskatchewan	25.0%	-
United States	21.0%	21.0%
United Kingdom	23.5%	19.0%

The impact of being subject to differing tax rates, as well as other differences, is included in the following reconciliation:

For the year ended December 31,	2023	2022
Profit before income taxes	\$ 11,750 \$	5,687
Combined Canadian federal and provincial income tax rates	27%	27%
Expected income tax expense	3,173	1,535
Items that cause an increase (decrease):		
Permanent differences	566	179
Differing tax rates in other jurisdictions	(207)	(170)
Change in unrecognized temporary differences	(198)	51
Change in foreign exchange rates	(4)	11
Adjustment to prior year provisions and other	87	(3)
Income tax expense	\$ 3,417 \$	1,603

For the year ended December 31,	2023			
Current income tax expense	\$ 4,274	\$	1,743	
Deferred income tax recovery	(857)		(140)	
Income tax expense	\$ 3,417	\$	1,603	

b) Deferred tax assets and liabilities

The composition of the Group's net deferred income tax liabilities at December 31, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	December 31,	December 31,
	2023	2022
Deferred income tax assets (liabilities):		
Property and equipment	\$ (2,082)	\$ (942)
Non-capital losses	-	39
Share issuance and other financing costs	273	31
Tax reserves deductible in the future	339	302
Intangible assets and other	(8,534)	(5,448)
Deferred income tax liability	\$ (10,004)	\$ (6,018)

c) Non-capital losses and unused tax credits

At December 31, 2023, the Company had deductible share issuance and other financing costs of \$1,255 (2022 - \$476) which may be used to reduce future taxable income in Canada. These non-capital losses and unused tax credits are included in the determination of the Group's net deferred income tax liabilities above.

15. Share Capital

a) Shares issued and outstanding

	Shares (000s)	Amount
Balance as at January 1, 2022	12,093	\$ 32,818
Shares issued under ESPP	71	264
Shares issued under DRIP	189	833
Exercise of stock options	300	1,363
Shares purchased and cancelled under NCIB	(15)	(62)
Shares issued to vendors on business acquisitions	402	1,719
Shares issued for cash proceeds	1,848	7,615
Share issuance costs		 (456)
Balance as at, December 31, 2022	14,888	\$ 44,094
Shares issued under ESPP	91	490
Shares issued under DRIP	333	2,224
Exercise of stock options	115	385
Exercise of warrants	938	5,108
Shares purchased and cancelled under NCIB	(2)	(16)
Shares issued to vendors on business acquisitions	583	4,162
Shares issued for cash proceeds	1,965	11,294
Share issuance costs	-	(1,130)
Balance as at, December 31, 2023	18,911	\$ 66,611

The Company had the following share capital transactions for the year ended December 31, 2023 and 2022:

(i) The Company issued 91,131 (2022 – 70,694) common shares pursuant to the employee share purchase plan (the "ESPP").

- (ii) The Company issued 333,028 (2022 188,787) common shares pursuant to the dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan (the "DRIP")
- (iii) The Company issued 114,701 (2022 299,754) common shares on the exercise of stock options.
- (iv) The Company purchased and cancelled 2,300 (2022 14,775) common shares pursuant to its normal course issuer bid (the "NCIB").
- (v) The Company issued 938,343 (2022 Nil) common shares on the exercise of warrants.
- (vi) As part of the consideration paid for the acquisitions of Capital I, Micon, and Procore described in Note 4, on April 5, 2023, the Company issued an aggregate 268,577 common shares to the vendors of Capital I, Micon, and Procore at a price of \$6.84 per share.
 - As part of the consideration paid for the acquisition of IHT described in Note 4, on July 19, 2023, the Company issued 314,614 common shares to the vendors of IHT at a price of \$7.39 per share
- (vii) On April 13, 2023, the Company closed a bought deal equity offering, with a syndicate of underwriters, of 1,964,488 common shares at a price of \$5.91 per share. In addition, for each common share subscribed for under the bought deal equity offering, the subscriber also received a one-half common share purchase warrant. Each whole common share purchase warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one common share at a price of \$7.09 for a period of 24 months following the closing of the bought deal equity offering. The aggregate \$316 fair value of the warrants issued was netted against the proceeds of the offering.
- (viii) As part of the consideration paid for the acquisition of Marketing Impact described in Note 4, on April 14, 2022, the Company issued 235,294 common shares to the vendors of Marketing Impact at a price of \$4.25 per share.
 - As part of the consideration paid for the acquisition of ACR described in Note 4, on October 3, 2022, the Company issued 166,790 common shares to the vendors of ACR at a price of \$4.31 per share.
- (ix) On September 27, 2022, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement of 1,848,364 common shares at a price of \$4.12 per share. In addition, for each common share subscribed for under the private placement, the subscriber also received a one-half common share purchase warrant entitling the holder thereof to purchase one common share at a price of \$4.94 for a period of 24 months following the closing of the private placement. The \$269 estimated fair value of the warrants issued is included in share issuance costs in the table above.

Common shares that remained in escrow as at December 31, 2023 are as follows:

In (000s)	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
In relation to the acquisition of:		
Marketing Impact	157	235
ACR	111	167
Capital I	124	-
Micon	55	-
Procore	89	-
IHT	315	<u>-</u>
	851	402

b) Warrants

The Company had the following warrants outstanding and exercisable:

Warrants	Number of warrants (000s)	Weighted average exercise price (\$)	Weighted average grant date fair value (\$)	Weighted average years remaining
Outstanding and exercisable, January 1, 2022	-	\$ -	\$ -	-
Warrants issued	924	4.94	0.29	-
Outstanding and exercisable, December 31, 2022	924	\$ 4.94	\$ 0.29	1.75
Warrants issued	982	7.09	0.32	-
Warrants exercised	(938)	5.15	0.29	
Outstanding and exercisable, December 31, 2023	968	\$ 6.92	\$ 0.32	1.21

c) Equity Incentives

The Company has an equity incentive plan for the purpose of developing the interest of directors, officers and employees in the growth and development of the Company and its subsidiaries, by providing them with the opportunity, through equity awards, to obtain an increased effective interest in the Company.

The equity incentive plan enables the Company to grant deferred share units ("DSUs"), restricted share units ("RSUs") and stock options to the directors, officers, and employees of the Company or any of its affiliates. Under the plan, the aggregate of all stock option, DSU, and RSU grants cannot exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company.

The Company had granted stock options to various directors, officers, and employees of the Group as follows:

Stock Options	Number of options (000s)	Weighted average exercise price (\$)	Weighted average grant date fair value (\$)	Weighted average years remaining
Outstanding and exercisable, January 1, 2022	950	\$ 3.48	\$ 1.14	6.23
Options issued	120	4.12	0.75	-
Options exercised	(388)	3.09	1.56	-
Options expired	(22)	3.83	0.47	-
Outstanding and exercisable, December 31, 2022	660	\$ 3.81	\$ 0.84	6.49
Options issued	28	7.68	1.84	-
Options exercised	(273)	3.74	0.74	-
Options expired	(15)	3.72	0.66	-
Outstanding and exercisable, December 31, 2023	400	\$ 4.12	\$ 0.98	5.44

In the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recorded \$205 of share-based compensation expense related to stock options. This share-based compensation expense represents the estimated fair value of stock options granted, amortized over the options' vesting periods.

To value the options granted in 2023, the Company used the Black-Scholes option–pricing model with the following assumptions: dividend yields of 5.8% to 6.4%; expected volatility of 42% to 43%; risk-free interest rates of 2.7% to 3.7%; forfeiture rates of 0%; market prices of \$6.54 to \$8.28 and weighted average lives of five years.

To value the options granted in 2022, the Company used the Black-Scholes option–pricing model with the following assumptions: dividend yields of 7.4% to 8.4%; expected volatility of 40% to 41%; risk-free interest rates of 1.9% to 3.2%; forfeiture rates of 0%; market prices of \$4.06 to \$4.89 and weighted average lives of five years.

The Company had granted DSUs to directors of the Company as follows:

Deferred Share Units	Number of DSUs (000s)	Number of DSUs exercisable (000s)	Weighted average grant date fair value (\$)	Weighted average years remaining
Outstanding, January 1, 2022	-	-	\$ -	-
Outstanding, December 31, 2022	-	-	\$ -	-
DSUs issued	42	-	5.01	-
DSUs from reinvested dividends	2	-	5.01	
Outstanding, December 31, 2023	44	-	\$ 5.01	NA

In the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recorded \$223 of share-based compensation expense related to DSUs. This share-based compensation expense represents the estimated fair value of DSUs granted, amortized over the DSUs vesting periods.

The Company had granted RSUs to officers and employees of the Group as follows:

Restricted Share Units	Number of RSUs (000s)	Number of RSUs exercisable (000s)	Weighted average grant date fair value (\$)	Weighted average years remaining
Outstanding, January 1, 2022	-	-	\$ -	-
Outstanding, December 31, 2022	-	-	\$ -	-
RSUs issued	67	-	6.62	-
RSUs from reinvested dividends	3	-	6.62	
Outstanding, December 31, 2023	70	-	\$ 6.62	2.25

In the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recorded \$212 of share-based compensation expense related to RSUs. This share-based compensation expense represents the estimated fair value of RSUs granted, amortized over the RSUs vesting periods.

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, and before these financial statements were authorized, the Company granted: 50,905 DSUs at a fair market value of \$8.25 per DSU; 81,713 RSUs at a fair market value of \$10.12 per RSU and 5,000 stock options at an exercise price of \$10.36 per stock option.

16. Dividends

The Company's Board of Directors regularly examines the dividends paid to shareholders. The following dividends were declared during the periods ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022:

		2023						2022			
	_			Dividend				Dividend			
		Per share		Amount		Per share		Amount			
Month		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)			
January	\$	0.030	\$	448	\$	0.025	\$	303			
February		0.030		450		0.025		304			
March		0.035		528		0.025		305			
April		0.035		608		0.030		377			
May		0.035		610		0.030		377			
June		0.035		611		0.030		378			
July		0.040		712		0.030		379			
August		0.040		746		0.030		379			
September		0.040		752		0.030		436			
October		0.040		755		0.030		441			
November		0.040		755		0.030		443			
December		0.040		757		0.030		447			
Total	\$	0.440	\$	7,732	\$	0.345	\$	4,569			

The above dividends were paid on or about the 15th of the month following their declaration. Of the dividends paid during the year ended December 31, 2023, \$5,219 (2022 - \$3,602) were settled in cash and \$2,203 (2022 - \$823) were reinvested in additional common shares of the Company, pursuant to the DRIP.

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, and before these financial statements were authorized, the Company undertook the following dividend actions:

- A dividend of \$0.04 per share was declared on January 15, 2024, for shareholders of record on January 31, 2024, which was paid on February 15, 2024.
- On February 15, 2024, the Company announced an increase in its monthly dividend to \$0.045 per share and declared a dividend of \$0.045 per share for shareholders of record on February 29, 2024, which was paid on March 15, 2024. The increased monthly dividend represents annualized dividends of \$0.54 per common share, up from the previous level set at \$0.48 per common share on an annualized basis.
- A dividend of \$0.045 per share was declared on March 15, 2024, for shareholders of record on March 29, 2024, which is payable on April 15, 2024.

17. Management of Capital

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders.

The capital structure of the Group currently consists of equity and debt. The Company manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in the light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may issue new shares, purchase shares for cancellation pursuant to normal course issuer bids, adjust the

amount of dividends paid to align the dividend policy with shareholder expectations, place new debt, refinance existing debt, or sell assets. Management reviews its capital management approach on a regular basis.

As noted in note 13, the Company's credit facilities impose certain external minimum capital requirements including, but not limited to, maximum debt to EBITDA ratios and minimum interest coverage ratios.

See note 22 for additional capital management disclosures with respect to liquidity risk.

For the years ended December 31, 2023, and 2022, there were no changes in the Company's capital management policy.

The capital of the Group is calculated by management, as follows:

]	December 31,	
		2023	2022
Equity	\$	57,751 \$	34,130
Long-term debt, excluding debt issuance costs		45,506	32,988
		103,257	67,118
Less: cash		(4,050)	(4,734)
	\$	99,207 \$	62,384

18. SalesThe following is a breakdown of sales by type of product:

For the year ended December 31,		2023	2022
Agricultural products	\$	11,880 \$	8,628
Hearth products	,	41,240	34,003
Industrial products		36,003	18,411
Machined products		16,515	12,920
Merchandising products		14,600	12,674
Wear-part products		16,929	12,188
Inter-segment eliminations		(2,286)	(237)
	\$	134,881 \$	98,587

The following is the geographic breakdown of revenue based on the location of the customer:

For the year ended December 31,	2023	2022
Canada	\$ 53,180	\$ 46,984
United States	64,392	47,406
Other	17,309	4,197
	\$ 134,881	\$ 98,587

19. Manufacturing Costs

Details of the items included in manufacturing costs are as follows:

For the year and od December 24	2022	2022
For the year ended December 31,	2023	2022
Labour and materials	\$ 72,993	\$ 57,811
Freight and shipping	5,881	5,923
Depreciation	2,750	1,575
Inventory write-downs and obsolescence allowance	28	22
Warranty	466	403
	\$ 82,118	\$ 65,734

20. Financing Costs

Details of the items included in financing costs are as follows:

For the year ended December 31,	2023	2022
Interest and bank charges	\$ 398	\$ 403
Interest on lease obligations	308	167
Interest on long-term debt	3,089	1,954
	\$ 3,795	\$ 2,524

21. Supplemental Cash Flow Information

The changes in non-cash operating working capital items are as follows:

For the year ended December 31,	2023	2022
Accounts receivable	\$ (307)	\$ (2,017)
Inventory	(2,553)	(1,791)
Prepaid expenses and deposits	1,856	154
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(4,126)	812
Customer deposits	892	(433)
Warranty provision	121	83
	\$ (4,117)	\$ (3,192)

22. Financial Instruments and Risk Management

The Group's financial instruments consist of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, dividends payable, and long-term debt.

a) Fair value measurement and disclosure of financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities recorded or disclosed at fair value in the consolidated statements of financial position are categorized based on the level of judgment associated with the inputs used to measure their fair value. The following fair value hierarchy reflects the significance of inputs of valuation techniques used in making fair value measurements and/or disclosures.

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3 Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (supported by little or no market activity).

The Group's financial assets and financial liabilities, including long-term debt, are measured and/or disclosed at fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy described above. Assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The Group's policy is to recognize transfers in and out of the fair value hierarchy as of the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. There were no such transfers during the year.

b) Fair value disclosures

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, the carrying amounts of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and dividends payable, approximate their fair value due to their short-term nature.

The Group's long-term debt (note 13) was measured and recognized in the consolidated statement of financial position at fair value as a level 2 financial instrument. Management determined that the fair values of the Group's long-term debt was not materially different than their carrying amounts as they are based on market interest rates.

c) Financial risk management

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks. The Group examines the various financial risks to which it is exposed and assesses the impact and likelihood of occurrence. These risks may include liquidity risk, credit risk, currency risk, and interest rate risk. The Company's risk management program strives to evaluate the unpredictability of financial and commodity markets and its objective is to minimize the potential adverse effects of such risks on the Group's financial performance, where financially feasible to do so.

When deemed material, these risks may be monitored by the Group's corporate finance group and they are regularly discussed with the Board of Directors or one of its committees.

(i) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will not be able to meet its financial obligations when they become due. To mitigate this risk, the Group has a planning and budgeting process in place to determine the funds required to support its ongoing operations and capital expenditures.

The contractual maturities of financial instruments are as follows:

December 31, 2023	Carrying value	Total contractual cash flows	Within one year	Two to five years	More than five years
Accounts payable \$	26,107	\$ 26,107	\$ 19,586	\$ 6,521	\$ -
Dividends	756	756	756	-	-
Long-term debt	45,261	54,097	3,664	50,433	-
Lease obligations	10,707	12,924	2,162	6,512	4,250
\$	82,831	\$ 93,884	\$ 26,168	\$ 63,466	\$ 4,250

	Carrying	Total contractual	Within one	Two to five	Mo	ore than five
December 31, 2022	value	cash flows	year	years		years
Accounts payable \$	17,909	\$ 17,909	\$ 14,451	\$ 3,458	\$	-
Dividends payable	447	447	447	-		-
Long-term debt	32,669	39,186	2,254	36,932		-
Lease obligations	6,338	7,218	1,513	4,367		1,338
\$	57,363	\$ 64,760	\$ 18,665	\$ 44,757	\$	1,338

Liquidity risk management involves maintaining sufficient cash or cash equivalents and availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities. The Group's cash is held in business accounts which are available on demand for the Group's programs. The Company also attempts to maintain flexibility in funding by securing committed and available credit facilities. The Company has a credit facility in place with its senior lenders that provides the Group access to a revolving term loan and an available accordion facility (note 13). The Group continues to manage its financial position in accordance with its capital management objectives and in light of its current operating environment.

(ii) Credit risk

Counterparty credit risk is the risk that the financial benefits of contracts with a specific counterparty will be lost if a counterparty defaults on its obligations under the contract. This includes any cash amounts owed to the Group by those counterparties, less any amounts owed to the counterparty by the Group where a legal right of set-off exists and also includes the fair values of contracts with individual counterparties which are recorded in the consolidated financial statements.

The Group's credit risk is predominantly limited to cash balances held in financial institutions, and the recovery of the Group's accounts receivable. The maximum exposure to the credit risk is equal to the carrying value of such financial assets. At December 31, 2023, the Group expects to recover the full amount of such assets, less any expected credit losses.

Cash and cash equivalents are only deposited with or held by major financial institutions where the Group conducts its business.

As at December 31, the Company had the following trade accounts receivable and expected credit losses:

	December 3	December 31, 2022			
Not yet due	\$ 13,127	58%	\$ 12,657	79%	
31-60 days overdue	5,497	24%	2,900	18%	
61-90 days overdue	1,951	9%	332	2%	
>90 days overdue	2,030	9%	142	1%	
Trade accounts receivable	22,605	100%	16,031	100%	
Less: expected credit losses	(177)		(114)		
Net trade accounts receivable	\$ 22,428		\$ 15,917		

Subsequent to December 31, 2023, and before these financial statements were authorized, the Group collected 62% of the amounts over 90 days overdue. The objective of managing counterparty credit risk is to minimize potential losses in financial assets. The Group assesses the quality of its counterparties, taking into account their creditworthiness and reputation, past performance and other factors.

(iii) Currency risk

The functional currency for Blaze King USA and Unicast is the United States dollar ("USD"), the functional currency for ACR is the British pound sterling ("GBP"), while all other entities in the Group have a Canadian dollar ("CAD") functional currency. The Company's reporting currency is the Canadian dollar; therefore, the Group's profit or loss and total comprehensive income are in part impacted by fluctuations in the value of each foreign currency ("FC") in which it transacts in relation to the CAD.

The table below summarizes the quantitative data about the Group's exposure to currency risk:

			tities with a CAD ctional currency			Entities with functional co		Entities with functional c			
As at December 31, 2023		CAD		USD		CAD	USD	CAD	GBP	Total	
Cash	\$	1,990	\$	1,841	\$	(486) \$	189 \$	- \$	516 \$	4,050	
Accounts receivable		12,174		6,921		668	2,020	-	864	22,647	
Accounts payable		(22,628)		(525)		(130)	(591)	-	(2,233)	(26,107)	
Dividend payable		(756)		-		-	-	-	-	(756)	
Inter-company amounts		2,747		-		(5,558)	1,621	1,190	-	-	
Long-term debt		(44,930)		(331)		-	-	-	-	(45,261)	
Net exposure		(51,403)		7,906		(5,506)	3,239	1,190	(853)	(45,427)	
Effect of 5% strengthening	of F	C versus	СА	.D:							
Profit (loss)		-		395		275	-	(59)	-	611	
OCI	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- \$	(162) \$	- \$	43 \$	(119)	

		Entities w				Entities with a USD functional currency			Entities v			
As at December 31, 2022		CAD		USD		CAD		USD	CAD		USD	Total
Cash	\$	267	\$	980	\$	468	\$	153 \$	-	\$	2,866	4,734
Accounts receivable		8,534		4,202		545		2,106	-		993	16,380
Accounts payable		(14,288)		(1,278)		(180)		(872)	-		(1,291)	(17,909)
Dividend payable		(447)		-		-		-	-		-	(447)
Inter-company amounts		5,486		-		(8,462)		2,976	-		-	-
Long-term debt		(32,669)		-		-		-	-		-	(32,669)
Net exposure		(33,117)		3,904		(7,629)		4,363	-		2,568	(29,911)
Effect of 5% strengthening	of F	C versus (CAE	D:								
Profit (loss)		-		195		381		-	-		-	576
OCI	\$	- ;	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(218) \$	-	\$	(128) \$	(346)

(iv) Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk on its long-term debt (note 13) due to the interest rate on certain of its credit facilities being variable. Of the Group's interest-bearing debt at December 31, 2023, 38% was variable rate (2022 - 15%). The Group does not enter into derivative contracts to manage this risk.

The table below summarizes the quantitative data about the Group's exposure to interest rate risk:

Interest rate risk	Dec	cember 31, 2023	De	cember 31, 2022
Floating instruments	\$	17,091	\$	4,988
Average balance Impact on profit (loss) of a change in interest rates:		12,052		7,699
-1%		121		77
+1%	\$	(121)	\$	(77)

23. Related Party Transactions

The Group's related parties consist of directors, officers and key management or companies associated with them. Key management, including directors and officers of the Company, are those personnel having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling the Company.

Salaries and benefits, director fees and share-based compensation are included in salaries, wages and benefits expense.

Key management compensation for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 includes:

	2023	2022
Salaries, benefits and director fees	\$ 1,858 \$	1,586
Share-based compensation	529	62
	\$ 2,387 \$	1,648

In 2023, the Company granted 41,948 DSUs to directors of the Company and 39,880 RSUs to officers of the Company. In 2022, the Company granted 70,000 stock options to directors and officers of the Company. Share-based compensation expense recorded in the consolidated statement of profit and comprehensive income with respect to these grants, as well as unvested grants from previous years, is outlined in the table above.

24. Segmented Information

The Group's reporting is prepared on a consolidated basis as determined by the requirements of the Chief Executive Officer as the chief operating decision maker for the Group. The Company's reportable segments, as determined by management, sell similar product types to similar types of customers and share similar processes and distribution methods. The reportable segments are as follows:

- The finished product segment, which manufactures and sells products that are purchased and used by end customers as designed. Within the finished product segment are five separate businesses: ACR, Blaze King, Capital I, Marketing Impact and Slimline.
- The component manufacturing segment, which manufactures and sells products based on specifications determined by its customers for use in its customers' processes. Within the component manufacturing segment are five separate businesses: Hawk, Micon, Northside, Procore and Unicast.
- In addition, the Canadian public company parent ("Head Office") is considered a third and separate segment, as its function is as an investment holding and management company. Inter-segment eliminations of sales and manufacturing costs are also reported within this segment.

The Group's reporting of segment performance for the year ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 is as follows:

For the year ended December 31, 2023	Finished Product	Component nufacturing	Head Office	Total
Sales	\$ 82,470	\$ 54,698	\$ (2,287)	\$ 134,881
Manufacturing costs	48,130	36,275	(2,287)	82,118
Gross profit	34,340	18,423	-	52,763
Profit (loss) before taxes	13,169	7,883	(9,302)	11,750
Income tax expense (recovery)	2,315	1,347	(245)	3,417
Profit (loss)	10,854	6,536	(9,057)	8,333
Total comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 11,084	\$ 6,459	\$ (9,057)	\$ 8,486

For the year ended December 31, 2022	Finished Product	М	Component lanufacturing	Head Office	Total
Sales	\$ 57,478	\$	41,346	\$ (237)	\$ 98,587
Manufacturing costs	35,087		30,884	(237)	65,734
Gross profit	22,391		10,462	-	32,853
Profit (loss) before taxes	8,984		2,938	(6,235)	5,687
Income tax expense	1,205		235	163	1,603
Profit (loss)	7,779		2,703	(6,398)	4,084
Total comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 9,118	\$	2,735	\$ (6,398)	\$ 5,455

The Group's reporting of segment financial condition as at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022 is as follows:

December 31, 2023	Finished Product	Component nufacturing	Head Office	Total
Total current assets	\$ 36,266	\$ 15,992	\$ 189	\$ 52,447
Total current liabilities	10,344	7,779	12,638	30,761
Total assets	101,880	50,112	575	152,567
Total liabilities	\$ 25,729	\$ 11,631	\$ 57,456	\$ 94,816

December 31, 2022	Finished Product	М	Component anufacturing	Head Office	Total
Total current assets	\$ 25,183	\$	11,996	\$ 1,308	\$ 38,487
Total current liabilities	10,036		5,846	4,676	20,558
Total assets	47,349		38,516	12,569	98,434
Total liabilities	\$ 17,732	\$	9,061	\$ 37,511	\$ 64,304

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Group's largest customer accounted for 12% of sales (2022 - 10% of sales). Sales from this customer are included in the component manufacturing segment. Other than this customer, the Group was not dependent on any other customer for more than 10% of its sales.