

**Aris Water Solutions, Inc. – Earnings Presentation** 

Third Quarter 2024

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#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In this presentation, we use certain non-GAAP financial measures to evaluate current and past performance and prospects for the future to supplement our GAAP financial information presented in accordance with GAAP. These non-GAAP financial measures are important factors in assessing our operating results and profitability. A reconciliation of non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable GAAP measures is contained in the appendix to this presentation.

Although we provide guidance for the non-GAAP measures Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel, and Capital Expenditures, we are not able to forecast the most directly comparable measures (net income, gross margin, and cash paid for property, plant and equipment) calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP, without unreasonable effort. Certain elements of the composition of forward-looking GAAP metrics are not predictable, making it impractical for us to forecast. Such elements include but are not limited to non-recurring gains or losses, unusual or non-recurring items, income tax benefit or expense, or one-time transaction costs and cost of revenue, which could have a significant impact on net income. As a result, no reconciliation of forecasted non-GAAP measures are provided.

# **Aris Provides Essential Water Sustainability Solutions**



We are a leading, growth-oriented water infrastructure and solutions company focused on unlocking value in complex wastewater streams

We provide full-cycle, sustainable water handling and recycling solutions that improve the environmental footprint of our customers

We are adapting and developing technologies to treat complex water for reuse in multiple industries and identifying high-value minerals in wastewater that can be commercially extracted



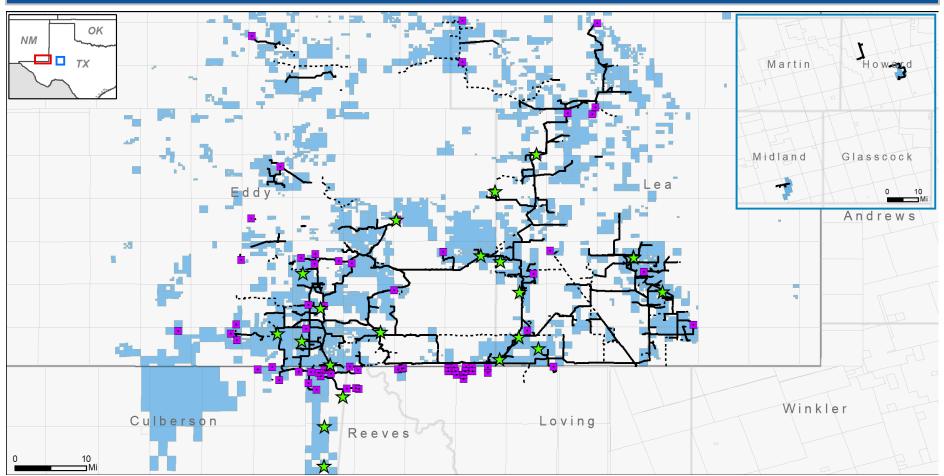




# **Overview of Aris's Water System**







Aris inirastructure
— Produced Water Pipeline
···· Right of Way
Water Handling Facility
★ Water Recycling Facility
Customer Acreage
Contracted

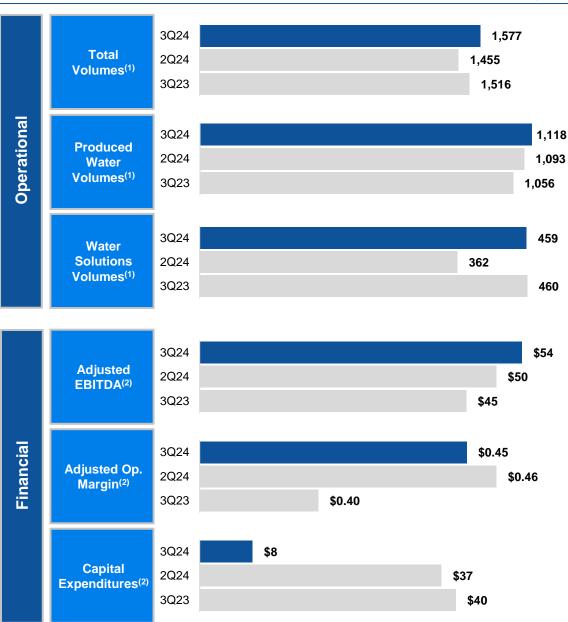
Asset Highlights as	of September 30, 2024
Miles of Pipeline	~775
Produced Water Handling Capacity	~1,800 kbwpd
Water Recycling Capacity	~1,500 kbwpd
Contracted Acres	~625,000

# **Third Quarter 2024 Highlights**





- ✓ Increased produced water volumes 2% sequentially and 6% year-over-year
- ✓ Increased Water Solutions volumes 27% sequentially
- ✓ Delivered \$54 million of Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(2)</sup>, up 9% sequentially and up 21% year-over-year
- ✓ Maintained strong Adjusted Operating Margins<sup>(2)</sup> of \$0.45 per barrel
- ✓ First-half weighted capital program substantially complete as planned; third quarter Capital Expenditures<sup>(2)</sup> of \$8 million

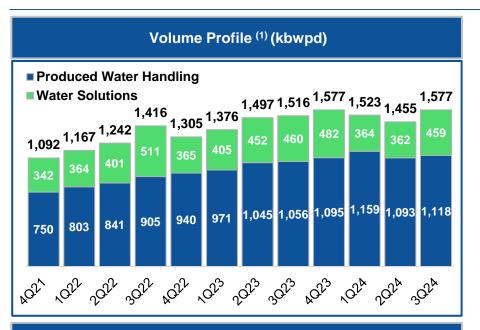


Represents thousands of barrels of water per day.

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# **Key Operating and Performance Metrics**





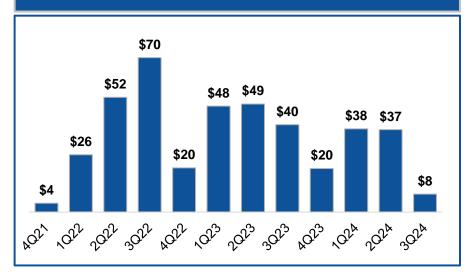




## Adjusted Operating Margin (2) (\$/bbl)



### Capital Expenditures (2) (\$ million)



<sup>(1)</sup> During 3Q23, Aris sold non-core assets in Martin County, Texas which were handling approximately 50 kbwpd of Produced Water Handling volumes.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents a non-GAAP measure. See definition and a reconciliation to the most directly comparable GAAP measure in the Appendix.

# **Further Increasing 2024 Adjusted EBITDA Range**



- Based on current customer forecasts, anticipating strong completion activity to drive increased water solutions volumes through year-end
- Further increasing 2024 Adjusted EBITDA (1) range to \$208 to \$212 million, a ~10% increase versus initial 2024 outlook
- First-half weighted capital expenditure program substantially complete; reaffirming full year 2024 capital expenditure guidance

	Fourth Quarter 2024									
Metric	Low End	High End								
Produced Water Handling Volumes (kbwpd)	1,080	1,110								
Water Solutions Volumes (kbwpd)	450	490								
Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel (1) (\$ / Total Volumes)	\$0.43	\$0.45								
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup> (\$ million)	\$51	\$55								
Capital Expenditures <sup>(1)</sup>	\$15	\$22								

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents a non-GAAP measure. See definition and a reconciliation to the most directly comparable GAAP measure in the Appendix.

# **Balanced Capital Allocation Strategy and Increasing Shareholder Returns**



## **Aris's Capital Allocation Framework**

### Continuing Commitment to Balance Sheet Strength and Flexibility

- 3Q24 leverage at ~2.04X <sup>(1)</sup> vs. target leverage of ~2.5X-3.5X
- \$292 million of available liquidity under our revolving credit facility

### Investing in High-Return Organic Growth

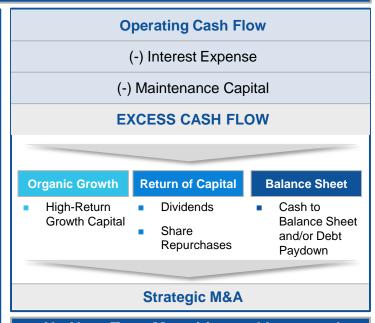
- Attractive capital investment opportunities to grow alongside existing customers
- Opportunity to selectively add new customers and projects

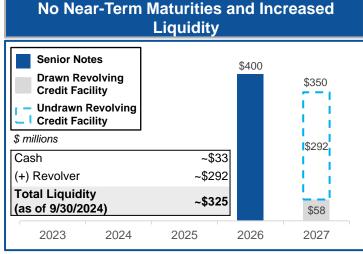
### Prudently Evaluating Opportunistic, Strategic Acquisitions

- Disciplined and rigorous evaluation of acquisitions
- Key focus on strategic fit, technology & expertise, financial returns and customer quality

### Sustainably Increasing Shareholder Returns

 Announced a dividend of \$0.105/share, Aris's thirteenth consecutive dividend





<sup>(1)</sup> Represents a non-GAAP measure. Defined as net debt as of 9/30/2024 divided by trailing twelve months Adjusted EBITDA. Net debt is calculated as the principal amount of total debt less cash and cash equivalents. See a reconciliation to the most directly comparable GAAP measure in the Appendix.

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# The Next Phase of Water Management: Beneficial Reuse & Mineral Extraction



### 3Q24 Update

### Beneficial Reuse

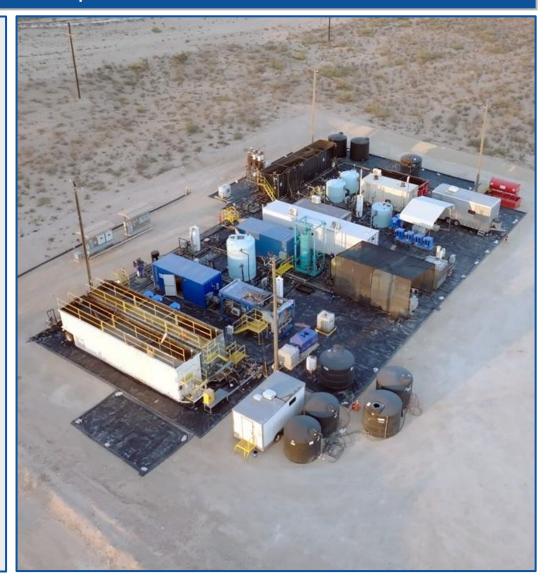
- Throughout the 3rd quarter, Aris operated a third desalination technology pilot for treatment of high salinity produced water
- This pilot demonstrated lower energy consumption than previously studied thermal distillation options
- In 2025, targeting substantial capacity scale-up of a chosen technology with Joint Industry Partners ConocoPhillips, ExxonMobil, Chevron, and Coterra

### Brine Mining

- lodine: Conducted engineering and site identification for initial iodine facility
- Magnesium: Initiated treatment separation study with UCLA for optimizing magnesium recovery
- Ammonia: Continued assessment of ammonia isolation options at pilot scale for cost and recovery optimization
- Lithium: Aris has been approached by lithium extraction companies for potential mining under a royalty model

### Industrial Water

 Evaluating opportunities to apply Aris's water treatment expertise to industrial water applications





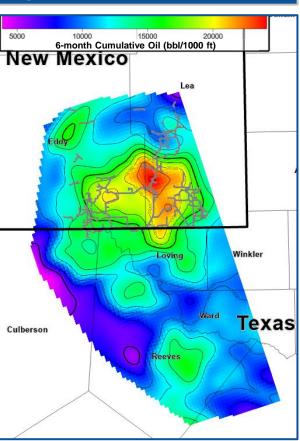


# Aris's Contracted Acreage Features Low Breakevens and Multidecade Inventory Life

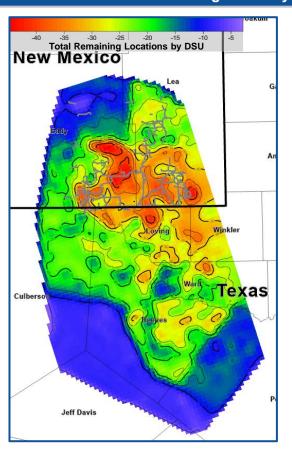


## Aris has Premier Contracted Acreage With Low Breakevens...

# 42 44 46 48 50 52 54 56 58 60 62 64 66 68 70 (WTI/NYMEX) BE 20:1 (\$/bbl) New Mexico Winkler Texa Culberson



### ... and Multidecade Remaining Inventory



Sources: Enverus.

# **Sustainability Highlights**



# 2023 Sustainability Report



Aris published its third annual Sustainability Report on key Environmental, Social, and Governance metrics in 3Q 2024

## **Sustainability Highlights & Recognition**



Selected as one of four finalists for the Water Reuse Project of the Year as recognized by Global Water Intelligence's Global Water Awards



Reduced groundwater withdrawal by more than 270 million barrels in the past 3 years, significantly enhancing water sustainability in the areas in which we operate



Recipient of Hart Energy's 2023 ESG Award for Public Midstream Companies

# Sustainability Key Metrics (1)

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Environmental	Social	Governance <sup>(2)</sup>											
<ul><li>Scope 1 intensity decreased 13%</li><li>Increased renewably sourced</li></ul>	<ul> <li>9% decrease in Total Recordable Incident Rate (TRIR) for employees</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Our board of directors is made up of 44% of women and/or minorities</li> </ul>											
power by 45%	<ul> <li>Minorities and/or women comprise 73% of all</li> </ul>	<ul><li>67% of board is independent</li></ul>											
<ul> <li>Volume of water recycled increased 8%</li> </ul>	employees												
	<ul> <li>Minorities and/or women comprise 20% of our executive team</li> </ul>												

<sup>(1)</sup> Statistics are annual for 2023 unless percentage change, which is the year 2023 vs. 2022. Personnel statistics as of 12/31/2023.

<sup>(2)</sup> Statistics for Board of Directors are as of 12/31/2023.

# Aris Water is the Pioneer of Cost-Effective, Full-Cycle Water Management



## **Full-Cycle Water Management**

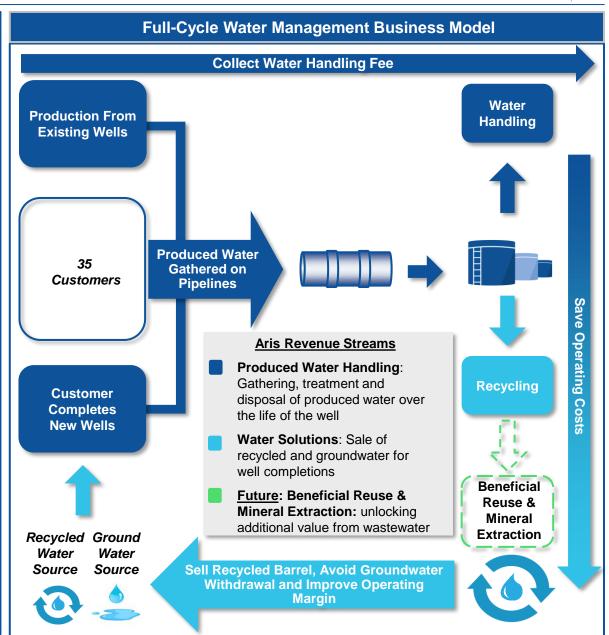
- Diverse revenue streams provide a reliable base business with significant upside potential
- Permian Basin completion activity and production growth drives demand for our services
- Customers increasingly depend on our expansive network to achieve their sustainability goals

## **Commercial Advantages**

- Significant contracted volumes of produced water gathered on our systems ensures reliable supply of recycled produced water
- Contracted Water Solutions relationships with our key customers provides visibility to growth

## **Operational Advantages**

- Significant inventory of pipeline right of way, produced water handling and water recycling permits
- Prior capital investment on the gathering system enables water recycling and acts as a barrier to entry for potential competitors



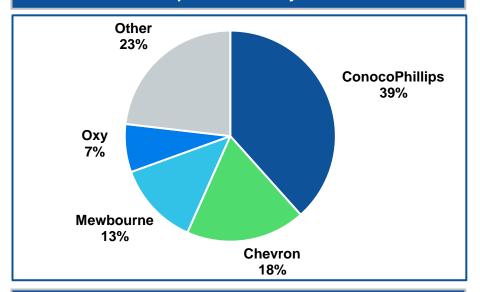
# Aris Has a Premier, Long-Term Contracted Customer Base



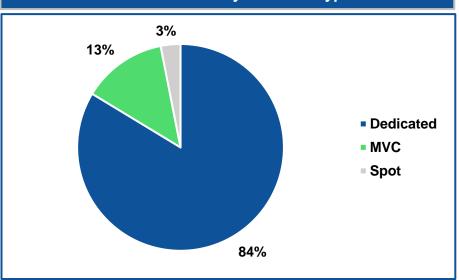
### **Contractual Underpinning**

- Provider of choice for leading, blue-chip E&P operators who have been consolidating the basin
  - Strong track record of repeat business
  - 35 long-term customers
- ~97% of 3Q 2024 Produced Water Handling volume under long-term, fee-based contracts
  - Spot volume capacity allows for incremental system utilization and pricing
- Long-term Contract quality provides visibility
  - ~7.0 years average remaining contract life (1)
  - ~625,000 contracted acres
  - ~110 kbwpd of Minimum Volume Commitments ("MVC")
- Continuing to grow volumes under our existing contracts while evaluating new commercial opportunities with a focus on strong incremental returns

### 3Q 2024 Top Customers by Revenue (2)



## 3Q 2024 Volumes by Contract Type (3)



<sup>(1)</sup> Represents produced water handling contracts on contracted acreage

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes skim oil revenue.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents produced water handling volumes.

# **Appendix: Non-GAAP Financial Measures**



We have included certain financial measures that are not calculated in accordance with GAAP in this presentation including Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted Operating Margin, Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel, Capital Expenditures, net debt and leverage ratio. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures provide information useful to investors in assessing our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity, as well as providing investors with a means to compare our performance via an enhanced perspective of the operating performance of our assets and the cash our business is generating. However, these measures are not prescribed by GAAP and should not be considered as alternatives to GAAP net income (loss), cash paid for property, plant, and equipment, net cash provided by (used in) operating activities or any other measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. Non-GAAP financial measures have important limitations as analytical tools and should not be viewed in isolation. These measures may be defined differently by other companies in our industry and should be considered in conjunction with net income (loss) and other measures prepared in accordance with GAAP, such as operating margin, operating income, cash paid for property, plant, and equipment, or cash flows from operating activities.

We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) plus: interest expense; income taxes; depreciation, amortization and accretion expense; abandoned well costs, asset impairment and abandoned project charges; losses on the sale of assets; transaction costs; research and development expense; change in payables related to the Tax Receivable Agreement liability as a result of state tax rate changes; loss on debt modification; stock-based compensation expense; and other non-recurring or unusual expenses or charges (such as litigation expenses, severance costs and amortization expense related to the implementation costs of our new enterprise resource planning system), less any gains on the sale of assets.

The following table sets forth a reconciliation of net income as determined in accordance with GAAP to Adjusted EBITDA for the periods indicated (\$ in thousands):

	4Q 2021	1Q 20	22	2Q 2022	3Q 2022		4Q 2022		Q 2023	2Q 2023		3Q 2023	4Q 2023	1Q 2024	2Q 202	ı ;	3Q 2024
Net income (loss)	\$ 6,358	\$ (6,	617)	\$ 4,039	\$	1,956	\$ 5,419	\$	7,708	\$ 10	431	\$ 12,242	\$ 13,031	\$ 16,830	\$ 13,1°	2 \$	16,431
Interest expense, net	7,618	7,	785	7,315		6,763	7,322	!	7,661	7	,971	7,955	9,266	8,438	8,8	3	9,382
Income tax expense (benefit)	379	(	340)	472		287	605	,	1,327	1	,559	2,032	2,576	2,589	1,99	94	2,499
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	15,217	16,	579	16,203	1	6,942	17,800	)	18,606	19	,086	19,445	19,495	19,421	19,70	)7	19,974
Abandoned well costs	1,103		-	5,415		9,222	1,134		-		-	1,214	89	335	(2	25)	8
Abandoned projects	12		2	64		-	6	i	-		128	-	88	729		6	78
Impairment of long-lived asset	-	15,	597	-		-	-		-		-	-	-	-	-		-
Loss (gain) on disposal of asset, net	50		554	24		(97)	(3	5)	(13)		70	(2,631)	(32	) (54	) 10	8	(30)
Loss on Debt Modification	-		-	-		-	-		-		-	-	107	-	-		-
IPO transaction bonus	3,367		-	-		-	-		-		-	-	-	-	-		-
Transaction costs	5		508	425		336	251		45		100	528	129	7		39	(36)
Stock-based compensation	1,586	2,	337	3,202		3,595	2,900	)	2,468	3	117	3,360	2,624	3,521	4,69	93	5,275
Research & development expense	-		19	81		430	161		408		650	809	1,253	1,065	1,12	28	408
Change in Payables related to Tax Receivable Agreement	-		-	-		-	-		-		-	-	413	-	-		-
Severance and other	-		-	-		(105)	483		(104)		(490)	(18)	269	227	30	00	318
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 35,695	\$ 35,	924	\$ 37,240	\$ 3	39,329	\$ 36,078	\$	38,106	\$ 42	,622	\$ 44,936	\$ 49,308	\$ 53,108	\$ 49,99	5 \$	54,307

# **Appendix: Non-GAAP Financial Measures (cont'd)**



### Adjusted Operating Margin and Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel

We define Adjusted Operating Margin as Gross Margin plus depreciation, amortization and accretion. We define Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel as Adjusted Operating Margin divided by total volumes handled, sold or transferred.

The following table sets forth a reconciliation of gross margin as determined in accordance with GAAP to Adjusted Operating Margin and Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel for the periods indicated (\$ in thousands):

	4	Q 2021	1	Q 2022	20	Q 2022	3	3Q 2022		4Q 2022		Q 2023	2	Q 2023	3	Q 2023	4	Q 2023	10	Q 2024	2	Q 2024	3	Q 2024
Gross Margin (1)	\$	27,551	\$	27,719	\$	29,402	\$	29,949	\$	26,927	\$	29,120	\$	33,101	\$	35,657	\$	39,635	\$	44,339	\$	41,216	\$	45,785
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		15,217		16,579		16,203		16,942		17,800		18,606		19,086		19,445		19,495		19,421		19,707		19,974
Adjusted Operating Margin		42,768		44,298		45,605		46,891		44,727		47,726		52,187		55,102		59,130		63,760		60,923		65,759
Total Volumes (mmbw)		101		105		113		130		120		124		136		139		145		139		132		145
Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel	\$	0.43	\$	0.42	\$	0.41	\$	0.36	\$	0.37	\$	0.39	\$	0.38	\$	0.40	\$	0.41	\$	0.46	\$	0.46	\$	0.45

<sup>(1)</sup> Gross Margin is calculated in accordance with GAAP as Total Revenue less Cost of Revenue for the applicable period.

# **Appendix: Non-GAAP Financial Measures (cont'd)**



### Net Debt and Leverage Ratio

We define Net Debt as principal amount of total debt less cash and cash equivalents. We define leverage ratio as Net Debt divided by trailing twelve months ("TTM") Adjusted EBITDA.

The following tables set forth a reconciliation of total debt (including unamortized debt issuance costs) as determined in accordance with GAAP to Net Debt and Leverage Ratio as of and for the periods indicated (\$ in thousands).

As of September 30, 2024

	As of September 30, 2024
Principal Amount of Debt	\$ 455,000
Less: Cash	(32,760)
Net Debt	\$ 422,240

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Net Debt	\$	422,240
Divided by: Trailing Twelve Months Adjusted EBITDA	÷ \$	206,718
Current Leverage Ratio as of September 30, 2024:		2.04X

# **Appendix: Non-GAAP Financial Measures (cont'd)**



### Capital Expenditures

We define Capital Expenditures as cash capital expenditures for property, plant, and equipment additions less changes in accrued capital costs.

The following table sets forth a reconciliation of cash paid for property, plant, and equipment as determined in accordance with GAAP to Capital Expenditures as of and for the periods indicated (\$ in thousands).

	4	Q 2021	1	1Q 2022		2Q 2022		3Q 2022		4Q 2022		1Q 2023		2Q 2023		Q 2023	4Q 2023		1Q 2024		2Q 2024		3Q 2024	
Cash Paid for Property, Plant and Equipment	\$	11,936	\$	9,810	\$	38,508	\$	48,673	\$	49,534	\$	35,315	\$	42,666	\$	53,893	\$	37,862	\$	19,582	\$	37,297	\$	30,322
Change in Capital Related Accruals		(7,830)		16,301		13,148		21,303		(29,876)		12,659		6,422		(14,328)		(18,095)		18,134		49		(22,144)
Capital Expenditures	\$	4,106	\$	26,111	\$	51,656	\$	69,976	\$	19,658	\$	47,974	\$	49,088	\$	39,565	\$	19,767	\$	37,716	\$	37,346	\$	8,178



