

# **Cansortium Reports Third Quarter 2024 Results**

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- Q3 Revenue improves 3.5% Year-over-Year to \$26.1 million
- Delivers \$7.5 million in Adjusted EBITDA, representing 29% margin
- Generates \$9.6 million in Positive Cash Flow from Operations

TAMPA, fLA., Nov. 29, 2024 /PRNewswire/ - Cansortium Inc. (CSE: TIUM.U) (OTCQB: CNTMF) ("Cansortium" or the "Company"), a vertically-integrated, multi-state cannabis company operating under the FLUENT<sup>M</sup> brand, today announced its financial and operating results for the quarter ended September 30, 2024. Unless otherwise indicated, all financial results are presented in U.S. dollars.

"We completed the third quarter by delivering our 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive quarter of positive cash flow from operations as well as steady year over year revenue growth," said CEO Robert Beasley. "Our focus on continuous improvement and gaining efficiencies has continued to be a positive contributor to our solid performance."

Mr. Beasley added, "In Florida, we have increased our cultivation canopy to remain in balance with strong medical market demand and anticipate adding four new stores in 2025 while expanding our brand and product portfolio. Fortunately, our growth strategy did not depend on the outcome of Amendment 3 passing in Florida and we have made no financial commitments which depended on the adult use measure. FLUENT remains committed to the mission of serving the medical cannabis patients of Florida."

Mr. Beasley concluded, "Looking ahead, with our primary loan refinancing completed and our business combination with RIV Capital set to close by year end, our business is exceptionally well positioned heading into 2025. We have already commenced integration activities and are looking forward to leveraging the combined talent of both teams to scale our market share in the state of New York. Additionally, we also continue to seek out opportunities to drive revenue growth in both Pennsylvania and Texas."

# Q3 2024 Financial Highlights (vs. Q3 2023)

- Revenue increased 3.5% to \$26.1 million compared to \$25.3 million.
- Florida revenue increased 3.6% to \$22.0 million compared to \$21.3 million.
- Gross profit before fair value adjustments<sup>1</sup> was \$14.3 million or 54.6% of revenue, compared to \$13.7 million or 54.0% of revenue.
- Adjusted EBITDA was \$7.5 million compared to \$7.7 million, with the decrease primarily driven by higher general and administrative expenses.
- Cash flow from operations for the three months ending September 30, 2024, was \$9.6 million compared to \$7.1 million in the prior year primarily.
- On September 30, 2024, the Company had approximately \$8.9 million of cash and cash equivalents and \$74.1 million of total debt outstanding, with approximately 303 million shares outstanding.

# **Recent Operational Highlights**

- In Florida, Cansortium currently operates 35 stores and anticipates opening 4 new stores by the end of 2025.
- The Ruskin, FL Facility is now operational and Cansortium completed its first harvest in June 2024, adding approximately 14,000 sq ft of cultivation canopy.
- The Rosa, FL Facility is under construction, and the Company anticipates it will complete its first harvest by Q2 2025, adding another 7,000 sq ft of canopy to Cansortium's Florida footprint.
- There was no major damage to the Company's facilities or retail locations as a result of the hurricane's which impacted Florida in 2024.
- Subsequent to quarter end, the Company completed a new senior secured credit agreement of up to \$96,500,000 with Chicago Atlantic Admin, LLC, refinancing its existing \$71,000,000 senior secured term loan that was set to mature May 29, 2025.

# **RIV Transaction Update and Conference call**

The Company has continued its integration activities with RIV Capital Inc. ("RIV Capital") and, with all required regulatory approval obtained, expects to complete the business combination in early December 2024. In connection with the closing, the Company expects to host a conference call to discuss the proforma business as well as its financial and operating results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2024. Details will be announced upon completion of the RIV Capital transaction.

### About Cansortium Inc.

Cansortium is a vertically-integrated cannabis company with licenses and operations in Florida, Pennsylvania and Texas. The Company operates under the Fluent<sup>™</sup> brand and is dedicated to being one of the highest quality cannabis companies for the communities it serves. This is driven by Cansortium's unrelenting commitment to operational excellence in cultivation, production, distribution and retail. The Company is headquartered in Tampa, Florida.

Cansortium Inc.'s Common Shares trade on the CSE under the symbol "TIUM.U" and on the OTCQB Venture Market under the symbol "CNTMF". For more information about the Company, please visit <u>www.getFLUENT.com</u>.

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<sup>1</sup> Gross profit before fair value adjustments is a non-IFRS financial measure that does not have any standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS and may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. The Company calculates gross profit before fair value adjustments from gross profit plus (minus) the changes in fair value of biological assets, as presented in the consolidated statement of operations.

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Consolidated Statements of Financial Position (unaudited)

As of September 30, 2024, and December 31, 2023 (Amounts expressed in thousands of United States Dollars unless otherwise stated)

			September 30, 2024		December 31, 2023
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash		\$	8,932	\$	10,521
Trade receivable			51		215
Inventory, net	Note 3		13,419		9,244
Biological assets	Note 4		2,951		331
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	Note 5		2,794		1,882
Total current assets			28,147		22,193
Property and equipment, net	Note 6		31,476		27,642
Intangible assets, net	Note 7		94,714		93,593
Right-of-use assets, net	Note 12		32,692		31,943
Goodwill	Note 8		1,525		1,525
Other assets			1,373		907
Total assets		\$	189,927	\$	177,803
Liabilities					
Current liabilities					
Trade payable		\$	8,035	\$	5,525
Accrued liabilities		Ŷ	5,425	Ŷ	9,779
Income taxes payable			3,337		22,009
Derivative liabilities	Note 10		817		9,109
Current portion of notes payable, net	Note 11		63,989		213
Current portion of lease liabilities	Note 12		3,178		2,872
Total current liabilities			84,781		49,507
Notes payable, net	Note 11		7,414		61,189
Lease liabilities	Note 12		38,924		37,242
Deferred tax liability			22,303		17,398
Uncertain tax position			38,816		-
Other long-term liabilities	Note 21		3,447		3,882
Total liabilities			195,685		169,218
Shareholders' equity					
Share capital	Note 13		183,690		183,690
Share-based compensation reserve	11010 13		7,158		6,739
Equity conversion feature			6,914		6,677
Warrants	Notes 13		29,634		29,634
Accumulated deficit	110100 10		(232,820)		(217,821)
Foreign currency translation reserve			(334)		(334)
Total shareholders' equity			(5,758)		8,585
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		\$	189,927	\$	177,803

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Statement of Operations (unaudited)

For the three- and nine-months ending September 30, 2024 and 2023

(Amounts expressed in thousands of United States Dollars unless otherwise stated)

For the three	months ended		
		For the nine n	nonths ended
September 30,	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,
2024	2023	2024	2023

Revenue, net of discounts		\$ 26,147	\$ 25,260	\$ 78,643	\$ 71,746
Cost of goods sold		11,859	11,607	 38,315	 34,882
Gross profit before fair value adjustments		14,288	13,653	40,328	36,864
Fair value adjustments on inventory sold		(2,099)	4,492	(2,259)	9,044
Unrealized gain (loss) on changes					
ccccin fair value of biological assets	Note 4	(611)	(3,627)	 8,704	(11,719)
Gross profit		11,578	14,518	46,773	34,189
Expenses					
General and administrative	Note 14	3,913	2,705	12,483	7,588
Sales and marketing	Note 14	5,846	5,354	17,298	14,928
Depreciation and amortization		1,737	2,003	5,247	5,780
Share-based compensation		228	228	 419	643
Total expenses		11,724	10,290	 35,447	28,939
Income from operations		(146)	4,228	11,326	5,250
Other expense (income)					
Finance costs, net	Note 19	5,154	4,562	14,700	13,135
Loss (gain) on change in fair value of ccccderivative liability	Notes 10	(898)	426	(8,292)	262
Gain on debt settlement		-	(116)	-	(116)
Loss on disposal of assets		-	-	212	70
Loss from termination of a contract		-	2	5	6
Other miscellaneous income		-	<u> </u>	 -	67
Total other (income) expense		4,256	4,874	 6,625	13,424
Income (loss) before income taxes		(4,402)	(646)	4,701	(8,174)
Income tax expense	Note 9	7,379	4,662	19,700	9,867
Net comprehensive loss		\$ (11,781)	\$ (5,308)	\$ (14,999)	\$ (18,041)
Net loss per share					
Basic and diluted - continuing operations		\$ (0.04)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.05)	\$ (0.06)
Weighted average number of shares					
Basic number of shares		300,522,916	298,963,366	299,617,665	290,693,488
Diluted number of shares		341,807,051	358,650,277	 341,616,139	345,906,048

		For the nine n	nontl	hs ended
-	September 30, 2024		September 30, 2023	
Operating activities				
Net loss from continuing operations	\$	(14,999)	\$	(18,041)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Unrealized loss (gain) on changes in fair value of biological assets		(8,704)		11,719
Realized loss (gain) on changes in fair value of biological assets		2,259		(9,044)
Share-based compensation		419		644
Depreciation and amortization		11,366		10,961
Accretion and interest of convertible debentures		426		400
Accretion and interest of term loan		10,372		9,534
Interest of equipment loan		-		37
Interest on cultivation facility loan		61		-
Interest on insurance financing		9		-
Interest on convertible promissory note		224		-
Loss on disposal of assets		212		70
Change in fair market value of derivative		(8,292)		262
Interest on lease liabilities		3,588		3,041
Deferred tax expense		4,835		(1,003)
Uncertain tax position		38,816		-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Trade receivable		164		(20)
Inventory		10,944		11,339
Biological assets		(11,294)		(12,609)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		960		(497)
Right of Use Assets/Liabilities		(3,520)		455
Other assets		(466)		(66)

Cansortium Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow (unaudited) For the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 (Amounts expressed in thousands of United States Dollars unless otherwise stated)

Trade payable	2,510	(3,275)
Accrued liabilities	(4,354)	(205)
Other long-term liabilities	(435)	2,531
Income taxes payable	(18,672)	10,872
Net cash provided by operating activities	16,429	17,105
Investing activities		
Purchases of property and equipment	(10,543)	(4,500)
Purchase of intangible assets	(1,332)	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(11,875)	(4,500)
Financing activities		
Net proceeds from issuance of shares and warrants	-	2,993
Net proceeds from insurance financing	-	800
Net proceeds from convertible note	3,983	-
Payment of lease obligations	(2,126)	(4,800)
Net proceeds from auto and equipment loan	48	-
Principal repayments of notes payable	(8,048)	(7,852)
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,143)	(8,859)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(1,589)	3,746
Cash, beginning of period	10,521	8,359
Cash, end of period	\$ 8,932 \$	12,105

Cansortium Inc. Adjusted EBITDA Calculation (unaudited) (Amounts expressed in thousands of United States Dollars unless otherwise stated)

		Three months ended						
	September 30, 2024		September 30, 2023			Variance		
Net loss	\$	(11,781)	\$	(5,308)	\$	(6,473)		
Finance costs, net		5,154		4,562		592		
Income taxes		7,379		4,662		2,717		
Depreciation and amortization		3,801		3,829		(28)		
EBITDA	\$	4,553	\$	7,745	\$	(3,192)		

	Three months ended						
		September 30, 2024		September 30, 2023		Variance	
EBITDA	\$	4,553	\$	7,745	\$	6 (3,192)	
Change in fair value of biological assets		2,710		(865)		3,575	
Change in fair market value of derivative		(898)		426		(1,324)	
Professional fees <sup>(1)</sup>		529		-		529	
One-time employee costs <sup>(2)</sup>		162		-		162	
Loss on debt settlement		-		(116)		116	
Share-based compensation		228		228		-	
Other non-recurring expense <sup>(3)</sup>		243		263		(20)	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	7,527	\$	7,681	\$	(154)	

	Nine months ended						
	Sep	otember 30, 2024	Se	otember 30, 2023		Variance	
Net loss	\$	(14,999)	\$	(18,041)	\$	3,042	
Finance costs, net		14,700		13,135		1,565	
Income taxes		19,700		9,867		9,833	
Depreciation and amortization		11,274		11,490		(216)	
EBITDA	\$	30,675	\$	16,451	\$	14,224	

	Nine months ended						
	Sep	tember 30, 2024	S	eptember 30, 2023		Variance	
EBITDA	\$	30,675	\$	16,451	\$	14,224	
Change in fair value of biological assets		(6,445)		2,675		(9,120)	
Change in fair market value of derivative		(8,292)		262		(8,554)	
Loss on termination of contract		-		6		(6)	
Loss on debt settlement		-		(116)		116	
Professional fees <sup>(1)</sup>		4,170		-		4,170	
One-time employee costs <sup>(2)</sup>		776		-		776	
Share-based compensation		419		643		(224)	

Loss on disposal of assets	212	70	142
Other non-recurring expense <sup>(3)</sup>	486	327	159
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 22,001 \$	20,318 \$	1,683

<sup>(1)</sup> Legal and professional fees associated with potential transactions and professional fees associated with prior periods.

<sup>(2)</sup> Severance and relocation costs.

<sup>(3)</sup> One-time costs incurred during the period related.

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