

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 8, 2023

MARATHON DIGITAL HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Nevada (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | 001-36555 (Commission File Number) | 01-0949984 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| 101 NE Third Avenue, Suite 1200 Fort Lauderdale, FL | | 33301 |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 804-1690

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|---------------------|-------------------|---|
| Common Stock | MARA | The Nasdaq Capital Market |

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 8-K and other reports filed by Registrant from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission (collectively, the "Filings") contain or may contain forward-looking statements and information that are based upon beliefs of, and information currently available to, Registrant's management as well as estimates and assumptions made by Registrant's management. When used in the Filings the words "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "future," "intend," "plan" or the negative of these terms and similar expressions as they relate to Registrant or Registrant's management identify forward-looking statements. Such statements reflect the current view of Registrant with respect to future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other factors relating to Registrant's industry, Registrant's operations and results of operations and any businesses that may be acquired by Registrant. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should the underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may differ significantly from those anticipated, believed, estimated, expected, intended or planned.

Although Registrant believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, Registrant cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. Except as required by applicable law, including the securities laws of the United States, Registrant does not intend to update any of the forward-looking statements to conform these statements to actual results.

ITEM 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 8, 2023, Marathon Digital Holdings, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2023. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be

expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

ITEM 9.01 Exhibits

99.1 [Press Release dated November 8, 2023](#)
104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 9, 2023

MARATHON DIGITAL HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Zabi Nowaid

Name: Zabi Nowaid

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Marathon Digital Holdings Reports Third Quarter 2023 Results

Fort Lauderdale, FL – November 8, 2023 – **Marathon Digital Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: MARA)** (“Marathon” or “Company”), a leader in supporting and securing the Bitcoin ecosystem, reported its financial and operational results for the quarter ended September 30, 2023.

Third Quarter 2023 Financial Results

The Company recorded net income of \$64.1 million, or \$0.35 per diluted share, during the three months ended September 30, 2023, compared to a net loss of \$72.5 million, or \$0.62 loss per share, in the same period last year.

Revenues were \$97.8 million for the quarter, significantly above third quarter 2022 revenues of \$12.7 million, as a 467% increase in bitcoin production was amplified by 32% higher average bitcoin prices during the current year period.

Gains on digital assets were \$31.7 million in the quarter as the Company sold 66% of the bitcoin produced in the quarter to fund operating costs. Realized gains were partially offset by higher impairment in the carrying value of digital assets, \$11.9 million versus \$1.4 million in the prior-year period. This quarter also uniquely benefited from a \$82.6 million gain from the extinguishment of debt while the year-ago period included a \$29.8 million gain on sale of equipment, a \$25.0 million legal reserve, and a \$39.0 million impairment due to vendor bankruptcy, all of which did not reoccur in 2023.

Adjusted EBITDA was \$43.7 million in the current year period compared with a loss of \$6.1 million in the prior year period. The year-over-year increase was primarily due to improving profitability as total margin, excluding depreciation and amortization, improved to \$38.2 million, up from a loss of \$1.1 million in the year-ago period. Reported adjusted EBITDA also benefited from \$19.8 million of bitcoin gains net of impairment losses versus a \$1.4 million impairment loss in the third quarter of 2022.

Third Quarter 2023 Production Highlights

| Metric ¹ | Year-over-Year Comparison | | | Quarter-on-Quarter Comparison | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|------|-------------------------------|-------|-----|
| | Q3-23 | Q3-22 | % Δ | Q3-23 | Q2-23 | % Δ |
| BTC Produced | 3,490 | 616 | 467% | 3,490 | 2,926 | 19% |
| Average Bitcoin Produced per Day | 37.9 | 6.7 | 467% | 37.9 | 32.2 | 18% |
| Share of available miner rewards | 4.0% | 0.7% | 457% | 4.0% | 3.3% | 24% |
| Energized Hash Rate (EH/s) | 19.1 | 3.8 | 403% | 19.1 | 17.7 | 8% |
| Avg Operational Hash Rate (EH/s) | 14.2 | NA | | 14.2 | 12.1 | 18% |
| Installed Hash Rate (EH/s) | 23.1 | 3.8 | 508% | 23.1 | 21.8 | 6% |

Management Commentary

“We made significant progress on our 2023 strategic priorities in the third quarter,” said Fred Thiel, Marathon’s chairman and CEO. “First, we grew our energized hash rate 8% quarter-over-quarter to 19.1 exahashes. In addition, our new facility in Garden City started energizing last week and is expected to be fully operational later this month. Second, we experienced significantly higher uptime as optimization efforts helped increase our U.S. average operational hash rate 18% from last quarter to 14.2 exahashes. Third, we energized our first joint venture and our first international location in the UAE. This initial success has helped open new opportunities, and we recently entered into a new joint venture in Paraguay powered by hydroelectricity.

“In preparation for next year’s halving, we took proactive measures to strengthen our financial position during the quarter. The \$417 million note exchange completed in September reduced our long-term debt by 56% and captured a total of approximately \$101 million in cash savings for our shareholders. For the first time in two years, our combined cash and bitcoin holdings exceeded our debt at the quarter’s end.

“Looking ahead, we should reach 26 exahash by year-end 2023, and we expect to grow our hash rate by approximately 30% in 2024. We expect to continue strengthening Marathon’s position as one of the largest and most energy-efficient Bitcoin mining operations globally.”

Q3 2023 Earnings Webcast and Conference Call

Marathon Digital Holdings will hold a webcast and conference call today, November 8, at 4:30 p.m. Eastern time to discuss its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2023.

To register to participate in the conference call, or to listen to the live audio webcast, please [use this link](#). The webcast will also be broadcast live and available for replay via the investor relations section of the Company’s [website](#).

Earnings Webcast and Conference Call Details

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Time: 4:30 p.m. Eastern time (1:30 p.m. Pacific time)

Registration link: [LINK](#)

If you have any difficulty connecting with the conference call, please contact Marathon’s investor relations team atjr@mara.com.

Investor Notice

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider the risks, uncertainties and forward-looking statements described under “Risk Factors” in Item 1A of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, filed with the SEC on March 16, 2023. If any of these risks were to occur, our business, financial condition or results of operations would likely suffer. In that event, the value of our securities could decline, and you could lose part or all of your investment. The risks and uncertainties we describe are not the only ones facing us. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business operations. In addition, our past financial performance may not be a reliable indicator of future performance, and historical trends should not be used to anticipate results in the future. Future changes in the network-wide mining difficulty rate or Bitcoin hash rate may also materially

affect the future performance of Marathon's production of bitcoin. Additionally, all discussions of financial metrics assume mining difficulty rates as of November 2023. See "Forward-Looking Statements" below.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements made in this press release include forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of words such as "may," "will," "plan," "should," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "continue," or comparable terminology. Such forward-looking statements are inherently subject to certain risks, trends and uncertainties, many of which the Company cannot predict with accuracy and some of which the Company might not even anticipate and involve factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected or suggested. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements and are advised to consider the factors listed above together with the additional factors under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Reports on Form 10-K, as may be supplemented or amended by the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. The Company assumes no obligation to update or supplement forward-looking statements that become untrue because of subsequent events, new information or otherwise.

About Marathon Digital Holdings

Marathon is a digital asset technology company that focuses on supporting and securing the Bitcoin ecosystem. The Company is currently in the process of becoming one of the largest and most sustainably powered Bitcoin mining operations in North America.

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MARATHON DIGITAL HOLDINGS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (unaudited)
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

| | Three months ended Sept 30, | | Nine months ended Sept 30, | |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 (restated) | 2023 | 2022 (restated) |
| Total revenues | \$ 97,849 | \$ 12,690 | \$ 230,740 | \$ 89,336 |
| Costs and expenses | | | | |
| Cost of revenues | | | | |
| Energy, hosting and other costs | \$ (59,628) | \$ (13,773) | \$ (148,227) | \$ (42,981) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (53,548) | (26,295) | (108,556) | (64,882) |
| Total cost of revenues | (113,176) | (40,068) | (256,783) | (107,863) |
| Operating expenses: | | | | |
| General and administrative expenses | (20,141) | (12,144) | (55,977) | (38,127) |
| Impairment of digital assets | (11,885) | (1,375) | (26,399) | (156,500) |
| Gains on digital assets and gains (losses) on digital asset loan receivable | 31,720 | - | 72,689 | (14,460) |
| Losses on digital assets held within investment fund | - | - | - | (85,017) |
| Gain on sale of equipment, net of disposals | - | 29,819 | - | 83,879 |
| Legal reserves | - | (24,960) | - | (24,960) |
| Impairment of deposits due to vendor bankruptcy filing | - | (7,987) | - | (7,987) |
| Impairment of patents | - | - | - | (919) |
| Total operating expenses | (306) | (16,647) | (9,687) | (244,091) |
| Operating loss | (15,633) | (44,025) | (35,730) | (262,618) |
| Net gain from extinguishment of debt | 82,600 | - | 82,267 | - |
| Equity in net earnings of unconsolidated affiliate | (647) | - | (647) | - |
| Impairment of loan and investment due to vendor bankruptcy filing | - | (31,013) | - | (31,013) |
| Interest expense | (2,536) | (3,752) | (9,136) | (10,314) |
| Other non-operating income | 426 | 238 | 1,366 | 620 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 64,210 | (78,552) | 38,120 | (303,325) |
| Income tax (expense) benefit | (73) | 6,090 | (351) | 901 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 64,137 | \$ (72,462) | \$ 37,769 | \$ (302,424) |
| Deemed dividend on Series A Preferred Stock | - | - | (2,121) | - |
| Net income (loss) attributable to common shareholders | \$ 64,137 | \$ (72,462) | \$ 35,648 | \$ (302,424) |
| Net income (loss) per share, basic: | \$ 0.36 | \$ (0.62) | \$ 0.21 | \$ (2.76) |
| Net income (loss) per share, diluted: | 0.35 | (0.62) | 0.21 | (2.76) |
| Weighted average shares outstanding, basic: | 179,602,722 | 116,533,816 | 169,162,821 | 109,492,865 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding, diluted: | 189,506,521 | 116,533,816 | 169,162,821 | 109,492,865 |

Supplemental Information:

(in thousands unless otherwise indicated)

Operating Metrics:

| | Three months ended Sept 30, | | Nine months ended Sept 30, | |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 (restated) | 2023 | 2022 (restated) |
| Bitcoin production during the period (in bitcoin) | 3,490 | 616 | 8,610 | 2,582 |

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|--|----|----------------|----|-----------------|----|----------------|----|------------------|
| Average bitcoin production per day | | 37.9 | | 6.7 | | 31.5 | | 9.5 |
| Total margin (revenues less total costs of revenues) | \$ | (15,327) | \$ | (27,378) | \$ | (26,043) | \$ | (18,527) |
| Total margin excluding depreciation and amortization | | 38,221 | | (1,083) | | 82,513 | | 46,355 |
| General and administrative expenses excluding stock-based compensation | | (14,630) | | (8,721) | | (42,070) | | (19,251) |
| Installed Hash Rate (EH/s) at end of period ¹ | | 23.1 | | 3.8 | | | | |
| Energized Hash Rate (EH/s) at end of period ¹ | | 19.1 | | 3.8 | | | | |
| Adjusted EBITDA² | | | | | | | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | 64,137 | \$ | (72,462) | \$ | 37,769 | \$ | (302,424) |
| Exclude: Interest expense | | 2,536 | | 3,752 | | 9,136 | | 10,314 |
| Exclude: Income tax expense (benefit) | | 73 | | (6,090) | | 351 | | (901) |
| EBIT | | <u>66,746</u> | | <u>(74,800)</u> | | <u>47,256</u> | | <u>(293,011)</u> |
| Exclude: Depreciation and Amortization | | 54,032 | | 26,295 | | 109,040 | | 64,882 |
| EBITDA | | <u>120,778</u> | | <u>(48,505)</u> | | <u>156,296</u> | | <u>(228,129)</u> |
| Adjustments for non-cash and non-recurring items: | | | | | | | | |
| Stock compensation expense, net of withholding tax | | 5,511 | | 3,423 | | 13,907 | | 18,876 |
| Net gain on extinguishment of debt | | (82,600) | | - | | (82,267) | | - |
| Impairment of loan and investment due to vendor bankruptcy filing | | - | | 31,013 | | - | | 31,013 |
| Impairment of deposits due to vendor bankruptcy filing | | - | | 7,987 | | - | | 7,987 |
| Impairment of patents | | - | | - | | - | | 919 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ | <u>43,689</u> | \$ | <u>(6,082)</u> | \$ | <u>87,936</u> | \$ | <u>(169,334)</u> |

(1) The Company defines the Share of Available Miner Rewards as the total amount of block rewards including transaction fees that Marathon earned during the period divided by the total amount of block rewards and transaction fees awarded by the Bitcoin network during the period. The company defines Energized Hash Rate as the total hash rate that could theoretically be generated if all mining rigs that have been operational / energized are currently in operation and running at 100% of the manufacturers' specifications (includes mining servers that are offline for maintenance or similar reasons). The Company uses this metric as an indicator of progress in bringing rigs on-line. The Company defines Avg. Operational Hash Rate as the average hash rate that was actually generated during the period from all operational miners. The Company uses this metric as an indicator of its operational progress. The Company defines Installed Hash Rate as the sum of Energized Hash Rate and hash rate that has been installed but is not yet operational (e.g. mining rigs that have been installed, but are not yet energized and in operation). The Company uses this metric as an indicator of progress in deploying mining rigs at its production sites. Hash rates are estimates based on the manufacturers' specifications. All figures are estimates and rounded.

The Company believes that these metrics are useful as an indicator of potential bitcoin production. However, these metrics cannot be tied directly to any production level expected to be actually achieved as (a) there may be delays in the energization of Installed Hash Rate (b) the Company cannot predict when installed and energized rigs may be offline for any reason, including curtailment or machine failure and (c) the Company cannot predict Global Hash Rate (and therefore the Company's share of the Global Hash Rate), which has significant impact on the Company's ability to generate bitcoin in any given period.

(2) Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to our results determined in accordance with GAAP, the Company also provides adjusted EBITDA and total margin excluding depreciation and amortization, which are non-GAAP measures. The Company provides investors with reconciliations from net loss to adjusted EBITDA and total margin to total margin excluding depreciation and amortization as components of Management's Discussion and Analysis. The Company defines adjusted EBITDA as (a) GAAP net income (loss) plus (b) adjustments to add back the impacts of (1) depreciation and amortization, (2) interest expense, (3) income tax expense (benefit) and (4) adjustments for non-cash and non-recurring items which currently include (i) stock compensation expense, (ii) impairments of patents and (iii) gains and losses from extinguishment of debt. The Company defines total margin excluding depreciation and amortization as (a) GAAP total margin less (b) depreciation and amortization.

Adjusted EBITDA and total margin excluding depreciation and amortization are not financial measures of performance under GAAP and, as a result, these measures may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Non-GAAP financial measures are subject to material limitations as they are not in accordance with, or a substitute for, measurements prepared in accordance with GAAP. These non-GAAP measures are not meant to be considered in isolation and should be read only in conjunction with our Interim Reports on Form 10-Q and our Annual Reports on Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Management uses adjusted EBITDA, total margin excluding depreciation and amortization, and the supplemental information provided herein as a means of understanding, managing, and evaluating business performance and to help inform operating decision making. The Company relies primarily on our condensed consolidated financial statements to understand, manage, and evaluate our financial performance and use the non-GAAP financial measures only supplementally.