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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2024

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File Number: 001-38937

**Aterian, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

350 Springfield Avenue, Suite 200  
Summit, NJ  
(Address of principal executive offices)

83-1739858  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

07901  
(Zip Code)

(347) 676-1681

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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, \$0.0001 par value per share	ATER	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to submit such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer   
Emerging growth company

Accelerated filer   
Smaller reporting 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.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

As of August 8, 2024, the registrant had 8,588,822 shares of common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share, outstanding.

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**CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

*This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). Many of these statements can be identified by the use of terminology such as "believes," "expects," "intends," "anticipates," "plans," "may," "will," "could," "would," "projects," "continues," "estimates," "potential," "opportunity" or the negative versions of these terms and other similar expressions. Our actual results or experience could differ significantly from the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to these differences include those discussed in "Risk Factors," in Part II, Item 1A of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as well as information provided elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on March 19, 2024. You should carefully consider that information before you make an investment decision.*

*You should not place undue reliance on these types of forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date that they were made. These forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs and assumptions of the Company's management based on information currently available to management and should be considered in connection with any written or oral forward-looking statements that the Company may issue in the future as well as other cautionary statements the Company has made and may make. Except as required by law, the Company does not undertake any obligation to release publicly any revisions to these forward-looking statements after completion of the filing of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to reflect later events or circumstances or the occurrence of unanticipated events.*

*The discussion of the Company's financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and the related Notes thereto included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.*

**PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION**
**Item 1. Financial Statements.**

**ATERIAN, INC.**  
**Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
**(Unaudited)**  
*(in thousands, except share and per share data)*

	<b>December 31, 2023</b>	<b>June 30, 2024</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 20,023	\$ 20,328
Accounts receivable, net	4,225	3,763
Inventory	20,390	18,378
Prepaid and other current assets	4,998	5,720
Total current assets	49,636	48,189
Property and equipment, net	775	730
Intangible assets, net	11,320	10,549
Other non-current assets	138	384
Total assets	<u>\$ 61,869</u>	<u>\$ 59,852</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Credit facility	\$ 11,098	\$ 9,590
Accounts payable	4,190	8,811
Seller notes	1,049	677
Accrued and other current liabilities	9,110	9,610
Total current liabilities	25,447	28,688
Other liabilities	391	277
Total liabilities	25,838	28,965
Commitments and contingencies (Note 10)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 500,000,000 shares authorized and 7,508,246 and 8,587,159 shares outstanding at December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024, respectively (*)	9	9
Additional paid-in capital	736,675	740,351
Accumulated deficit	(699,815)	(708,606)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(838)	(867)
Total stockholders' equity	36,031	30,887
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 61,869</u>	<u>\$ 59,852</u>

(\*) The number of shares and per share amounts have been retroactively restated to reflect the one for twelve (1 for 12) reverse stock split, which was effective on March 22, 2024.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

**ATERIAN, INC.**  
**Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations**  
(Unaudited)  
*(in thousands, except share and per share data)*

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Net revenue	\$ 35,264	\$ 27,984	\$ 70,143	\$ 48,199
Cost of goods sold	20,368	11,093	36,151	18,139
Gross profit	14,896	16,891	33,992	30,060
Operating expenses:				
Sales and distribution	20,557	15,162	40,783	28,376
Research and development	1,709	—	2,956	—
General and administrative	6,281	4,934	12,240	10,166
Impairment loss on intangibles	22,785	—	39,445	—
Total operating expenses	51,332	20,096	95,424	38,542
Operating loss	(36,436)	(3,205)	(61,432)	(8,482)
Interest expense, net	346	228	717	552
Change in fair value of warrant liability	(2,197)	(52)	(1,843)	(569)
Other expense, net	176	43	229	50
Loss before income taxes	(34,761)	(3,424)	(60,335)	(8,515)
Provision for income taxes	26	205	52	276
Net loss	\$ (34,787)	\$ (3,629)	\$ (60,587)	\$ (8,791)
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$ (5.37)	\$ (0.52)	\$ (9.41)	\$ (1.28)
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding, basic and diluted (*)	6,483,931	6,973,218	6,439,658	6,881,648

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ATERIAN, INC.  
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss  
(Unaudited)  
(in thousands)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Net loss	\$ (34,787)	\$ (3,629)	\$ (60,587)	\$ (8,791)
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Foreign currency translation adjustments	126	20	255	(29)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	126	20	255	(29)
Comprehensive loss	\$ (34,661)	\$ (3,609)	\$ (60,332)	\$ (8,820)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

**ATERIAN, INC.**  
**Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity**  
(Unaudited)  
*(in thousands, except share and per share data)*

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2023</b>					
	<b>Common Stock(*)</b>		<b>Additional Paid-in Capital(*)</b>	<b>Accumulated Deficit</b>	<b>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss</b>	<b>Total Stockholders' Equity</b>
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Amount</b>				
BALANCE—April 1, 2023	6,761,351	\$ 8	\$ 730,825	\$ (651,051)	\$ (1,015)	\$ 78,767
Net loss	—	—	—	(34,787)	—	(34,787)
Issuance of shares of restricted common stock	618,670	1	—	—	—	1
Forfeiture of shares of restricted common stock	(45,196)	—	—	—	—	—
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	3,053	—	—	3,053
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	126	126
<b>BALANCE—June 30, 2023</b>	<b>7,334,825</b>	<b>\$ 9</b>	<b>\$ 733,878</b>	<b>\$ (685,838)</b>	<b>\$ (889)</b>	<b>\$ 47,160</b>

(\*) The number of shares and per share amounts have been retroactively restated to reflect the one for twelve (1 for 12) reverse stock split, which was effective on March 22, 2024.

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2024</b>					
	<b>Common Stock</b>		<b>Additional Paid-in Capital(*)</b>	<b>Accumulated Deficit</b>	<b>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss</b>	<b>Total Stockholders' Equity</b>
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Amount</b>				
BALANCE—April 1, 2024	7,656,044	\$ 9	\$ 738,805	\$ (704,977)	\$ (887)	\$ 32,950
Net loss	—	—	—	(3,629)	—	(3,629)
Issuance of shares of restricted common stock	1,197,981	—	—	—	—	—
Forfeiture of shares of restricted common stock	(266,866)	—	—	—	—	—
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	1,546	—	—	1,546
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	20	20
<b>BALANCE—June 30, 2024</b>	<b>8,587,159</b>	<b>\$ 9</b>	<b>\$ 740,351</b>	<b>\$ (708,606)</b>	<b>\$ (867)</b>	<b>\$ 30,887</b>

ATERIAN, INC.  
**Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity**  
(Unaudited)  
*(in thousands, except share and per share data)*

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2023					
	Common Stock(*)		Additional Paid-in Capital(*)	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount				
BALANCE—January 1, 2023	6,729,533	\$ 8	\$ 728,339	\$ (625,251)	\$ (1,144)	\$ 101,952
Net loss	—	—	—	(60,587)	—	(60,587)
Issuance of shares of restricted common stock	674,348	1	—	—	—	1
Forfeiture of shares of restricted common stock	(94,056)	—	—	—	—	—
Issuance of common stock	25,000	—	290	—	—	290
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	5,249	—	—	5,249
Other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	—	255	255
BALANCE—June 30, 2023	<u>7,334,825</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>	<u>\$ 733,878</u>	<u>\$ (685,838)</u>	<u>\$ (889)</u>	<u>\$ 47,160</u>

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	Six Months Ended June 30, 2024					
	Common Stock(*)		Additional Paid-in Capital(*)	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount				
BALANCE—January 1, 2024	7,508,246	\$ 9	\$ 736,675	\$ (699,815)	\$ (838)	\$ 36,031
Net loss	—	—	—	(8,791)	—	(8,791)
Issuance of shares of restricted common stock	1,209,649	—	—	—	—	—
Forfeiture of shares of restricted common stock	(309,516)	—	—	—	—	—
Issuance of common stock	178,780	—	670	—	—	670
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	3,006	—	—	3,006
Other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	—	(29)	(29)
BALANCE—June 30, 2024	<u>8,587,159</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>	<u>\$ 740,351</u>	<u>\$ (708,606)</u>	<u>\$ (867)</u>	<u>\$ 30,887</u>

(\*) The number of shares and per share amounts have been retroactively restated to reflect the one for twelve (1 for 12) reverse stock split, which was effective on March 22, 2024.



**ATERIAN, INC.**  
**Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
(Unaudited)  
*(in thousands)*

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net loss	\$ (60,587)	\$ (8,791)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,964	858
Provision (recovery) for sales returns	(170)	87
Amortization of deferred financing cost and debt discounts	213	121
Stock-based compensation	5,539	4,588
Change in deferred tax balance	—	(5)
Change in inventory provisions	262	(1,301)
Gain in connection with the change in warrant fair value	(1,843)	(569)
Impairment loss on intangibles	39,445	—
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(267)	462
Inventory	6,721	3,313
Prepaid and other current assets	2,469	(656)
Accounts payable, accrued and other liabilities	(3,603)	4,789
Cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(8,857)	2,896
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchase of fixed assets	(66)	(42)
Purchase of Step and Go assets	(125)	—
Purchase of minority equity investment	—	(200)
Cash used in investing activities	(191)	(242)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Repayments on note payable to Smash	(501)	(383)
Borrowings from MidCap credit facilities	38,060	29,637
Repayments for MidCap credit facilities	(43,572)	(31,275)
Insurance obligation payments	(534)	(315)
Cash used in financing activities	(6,547)	(2,336)
Foreign currency effect on cash and restricted cash	255	(29)
Net change in cash and restricted cash for the year	(15,340)	289
Cash and restricted cash at beginning of year	46,629	22,195
Cash and restricted cash at end of year	\$ 31,289	\$ 22,484
<b>RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND RESTRICTED CASH:</b>		
Cash	28,867	20,328
Restricted Cash—Prepaid and other current assets	2,293	2,027
Restricted cash—Other non-current assets	129	129
<b>TOTAL CASH AND RESTRICTED CASH</b>	<b>\$ 31,289</b>	<b>\$ 22,484</b>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION</b>		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 1,038	\$ 660
Cash paid for taxes	\$ 80	\$ 151
<b>NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Non-cash consideration paid to contractors	\$ 321	\$ 620
Non-cash minority equity investment	\$ —	\$ 50

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

**Aterian, Inc.**  
**Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements**  
**For the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 and 2024 (Unaudited)**

**1. COMPANY OVERVIEW**

Aterian, Inc. (the "Company") is a technology-enabled consumer products company that predominantly operates through online retail channels such as Amazon and Walmart. The Company operates its owned brands, which were either incubated or purchased, selling products in multiple categories, including home and kitchen appliances, kitchenware, air quality appliances, health and beauty products and essential oils.

Our primary brands include Squatty Potty, hOmeLabs, Mueller Living, PurSteam, Healing Solutions, and Photo Paper Direct ("PPD"). We generate revenue primarily through the online sales of our various consumer products with substantially all of our sales being made through the Amazon U.S. marketplace.

Headquartered in New Jersey, the Company also maintains offices in China, the Philippines, and the United Kingdom.

**Liquidity and Going Concern**

As an emerging growth company in the early commercialization stage of its lifecycle, we are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties associated with the development of our enterprise. In this regard, substantially all of our efforts to date have been devoted to the development and sale of our products in the marketplace, which includes our investment in organic growth at the expense of short-term profitability, our investment in incremental growth through mergers & acquisitions ("M&A strategy"), our recruitment of management and technical staff, and raising capital to fund the development of our enterprise. As a result of these efforts, we have incurred significant losses and negative cash flows from operations since our inception and expect to continue to incur such losses, at a reduced level, and negative cash flows for the foreseeable future until such time that we reach a scale of profitability to sustain our operations. We have also experienced declining revenues due to macroeconomic factors, including increased interest rates and reduced consumer discretionary spending, and other factors, and we intend to focus our efforts on a more limited number of products. In addition, our recent financial performance has been adversely impacted by inflationary pressures and reduced consumer spending.

In order to execute our growth strategy, we have historically relied on outside capital through the issuance of equity, debt, and borrowings under financing arrangements (collectively "outside capital") to fund our cost structure, and we expect to continue to rely on outside capital for the foreseeable future, specifically for our M&A strategy. While we believe we will eventually reach a level of profitability to sustain our operations, there can be no assurance we will be able to achieve such profitability or do so in a manner that does not require our continued reliance on outside capital. Moreover, while we have historically been successful in raising outside capital, there can be no assurance we will be able to continue to obtain outside capital in the future or do so on terms that are acceptable to us.

As of the date the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements were issued (the "issuance date"), we evaluated the significance of the following adverse financial conditions in accordance with Accounting Standard Codification 205-40, Going Concern:

- Since our inception, we have incurred significant losses and used cash flows from operations to fund our enterprise. In this regard, during the six months ended June 30, 2024, we incurred a net loss of \$8.8 million and generated net cash flows from operations of \$2.9 million. In addition, as of June 30, 2024, we had unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of \$20.3 million available to fund our operations and an accumulated deficit of \$708.6 million.
- We are required to remain in compliance with certain financial covenants required by the MidCap Credit facility (See Note 7, Credit Facility, Term Loans and Warrants). We were in compliance with these financial covenants as of June 30, 2024, and expect to remain in compliance through at least June 30, 2025. During February 2024, the Company amended its terms with Midcap Credit Facility extending the term until December 2026 and amending certain financial covenants with favorable terms. We can provide no assurances that we will remain in compliance with our financial covenants. Further, absent of our ability to generate cash inflows from our operations or secure additional outside capital, we will be unable to remain in compliance with these financial covenants. In the event we are unable to remain in compliance with these financial covenants (or other non-financial covenants required by the MidCap Credit Facility), and we are unable to secure a waiver or forbearance, MidCap may, at its discretion, exercise any and all of its existing rights and remedies, which may include, among others, accelerating repayment of the outstanding borrowings and/or asserting its rights in the assets securing the loan.
- As of the issuance date, we have no firm commitments to secure additional outside capital from lenders or investors. While we expect to continue to explore raising additional outside capital, specifically to fund our M&A strategy, there can be no assurance we will be able to obtain capital or do so on terms that are acceptable to us. Accordingly, absent our ability to generate cash inflows from our operations and/or secure additional outside capital in the near term, we may be unable to meet our obligations as they become due over the next twelve months beyond the issuance date.
- The Company's plan is to continue to closely monitor our operating forecast, to pursue our M&A strategy, to pursue additional sources of outside capital on terms that are acceptable to us, and to secure a waiver or forbearance from MidCap if we are unable to remain in compliance with one or more of the covenants required by the MidCap Credit Facility. Further, the Company has enacted a strategy to reduce the number of SKUs it sells and will no longer be pursuing future sales of SKUs that are either not profitable or not core to the Company's strategy. If some or all of our plans prove unsuccessful, we may need to implement short-term changes to our operating plan, including but not limited to delaying expenditures, reducing investments in new products, or reducing our sale and distribution infrastructure. We may also need to seek long-term strategic alternatives, such as a significant curtailment of our operations, a sale of certain of our assets, a divestiture of certain product lines, a sale of the entire enterprise to strategic or financial investors, and/or allow our enterprise to become insolvent.

The Company has initiated two restructuring programs over the last 15 months to reduce operating costs and right size the workforce to align with the scale of our streamlined operations. In addition, we have reduced the SKU count to solely focus on profitable products that are core to the Company's strategy. During February 2024, we extended the term with Midcap Credit Facility until December 2026 (See Note 7, Credit Facility, Term Loans and Warrants) and amended key terms which will add more flexibility to liquidity and strengthen our balance sheet. In consideration of these factors, the Company will monitor profitability and cash flow over the next several quarters to evaluate our ability to continue as a going concern.

Although significant strides have been made in reducing our operating losses and strengthening our balance sheet, uncertainties persist in our business operations and the forecasting of our business. These uncertainties raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. The accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis that we will continue to operate as a going concern, which contemplates that we will be able to realize assets and settle liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements do not include any adjustments that may result from the outcome of these uncertainties.

**Nasdaq Listing** - On April 24, 2023, we received a letter from the Listing Qualifications Staff of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") indicating that, based upon the closing bid price of our common stock for the last 30 consecutive business days, the Company is currently in compliance with the requirement to maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market, as set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) (the "Bid Price Notice"). The Bid Price Notice provided a compliance period of 180 calendar days from the date of the Bid Price Notice, or until October 23, 2023, to regain compliance with the minimum closing bid requirement, pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A). Following a request we made on October 13, 2023, on October 24, 2023, we received a letter from Nasdaq granting the Company an additional 180 days, or until April 22, 2024, to regain compliance with the minimum closing bid requirement (the "Extension Notice").

Nasdaq notified the Company in the Compliance Notice that from March 22, 2024 to April 5, 2024 the closing bid price of the Company's common stock had been \$1.00 per share or greater and, accordingly, the Company had regained compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) and that the matter was now closed.

On August 11, 2023, Aterian's shareholders approved discretionary authority to our Board to (A) amend our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to effect one or more consolidations of the issued and outstanding shares of our common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, pursuant to which the shares of Common Stock would be combined and reclassified at ratios within the range from 1-for-2 up to 1-for-30 and (B) determine whether to arrange for the disposition of fractional interests by stockholders entitled thereto, to pay in cash the fair value of fractions of a share of Common Stock as of the time when those entitled to receive such fractions are determined, or to entitle stockholders to receive from our transfer agent, in lieu of any fractional share, the number of shares of Common Stock rounded up to the next whole number, and to amend our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation in connection therewith.

On March 20, 2024, the Company filed a Certificate of Amendment to its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company with the Secretary of State of Delaware (the "Certificate of Amendment") to affect a 1 - for - 12 reverse stock split (the "Reverse Stock Split") of the shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock"). The Certificate of Amendment did not decrease the number of authorized shares of Common Stock. No fractional shares were issued in connection with the Reverse Stock Split. Any fractional shares that would otherwise have resulted from the Reverse Stock Split were rounded up to the nearest whole number. The Reverse Stock Split impacted all holders of the Common Stock proportionally and did not impact any stockholder's percentage ownership of Common Stock (except to the extent the Reverse Stock Split results in any stockholder owning fractional shares).

The Common Stock began trading on a Reverse Stock Split-adjusted basis on the Nasdaq on March 22, 2024. All share and per share data has been retroactively adjusted to reflect the Reverse Stock Split.

**Restructuring** - On May 9, 2023, the Company announced a plan to reduce expenses by implementing a reduction in its current workforce impacting approximately 50 employees and 15 contractors, primarily in the Philippines. The Company recognized restructuring charges of \$1.6 million for the year-ended December 31, 2023.

On February 8, 2024, the Company committed to a fixed cost-cutting plan, including a reduction in workforce which resulted in the termination of approximately 17 employees and 26 contractors globally. The Company recognized restructuring charges of \$17 thousand and \$0.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, respectively.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Basis of Presentation**—The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and accompanying notes have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”).

**Unaudited Interim Financial Information**—The accompanying interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are unaudited and have been prepared on the same basis as the audited consolidated financial statements and, in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments necessary for the fair presentation of the Company’s financial position as of June 30, 2024 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the periods ended June 30, 2024 and 2023. The financial data and other information disclosed in these notes related to the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 are also unaudited. The results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the year ending December 31, 2024, any other interim periods or any future year or period.

The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2023, presented herein, has been derived from the Company’s audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal year then ended. These unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 as filed with the SEC on March 19, 2024 (“Annual Report”) and have been prepared on a consistent basis with the accounting policies described in Note 2 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report. Our accounting policies did not change during the six months ended June 30, 2024, other than with respect to the new accounting pronouncements adopted as described in Note 2, Recent Accounting Pronouncements.

**Use of Estimates**—Preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period covered by the financial statements and accompanying notes. Management evaluates its estimates and assumptions on an ongoing basis using historical experience and other factors, including the current economic environment, and makes adjustments when facts and circumstances dictate. As future events and their effects cannot be determined with precision, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Principles of Consolidation**—The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

**Restricted Cash**—As of December 31, 2023, the Company has classified the following as restricted cash: \$0.1 million related to its Chinese subsidiary within “Other Non-current Assets” on the Consolidated Balance Sheets and \$2.0 million related to a letter of credit within “Prepaid and Other Current Assets” on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

As of June 30, 2024, the Company has classified the following as restricted cash: \$0.1 million related to its Chinese subsidiary within “Other Non-current Assets” on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets and \$2.0 million related to a letter of credit within “Prepaid and Other Current Assets” on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

**Inventory and Cost of Goods Sold**—The Company’s inventory consists almost entirely of finished goods. The Company currently records inventory on its balance sheet on a first-in first-out basis, or net realizable value, if it is below the Company’s recorded cost. The Company’s costs include the amounts it pays manufacturers for product, tariffs and duties associated with transporting product across national borders, and freight costs associated with transporting the product from its manufacturers to its warehouses, as applicable. The valuation of our inventory requires us to make judgments, based on available information such as historical data, about the likely method of disposition, such as through sales to individual customers or liquidations, and expected recoverable values of each disposition category. Changes to the relevant assumptions and projections would impact our consolidated financial results in periods subsequent to recording these estimates. If we anticipate a change in assumptions such as future demand or market conditions to be less favorable than our previous estimates, additional inventory write-downs may be required. Conversely, if we are able to sell inventories that had been written down to a level below the ultimate realized selling price in a previous period, sales would be recorded with a lower or no offsetting charge to cost of sales.

The “Cost of goods sold” line item in the consolidated statements of operations consists of the book value of inventory sold to customers during the reporting period. When circumstances dictate that the Company use net realizable value as the basis for recording inventory, it bases its estimates on expected future selling prices less expected disposal costs.

**Accounts Receivable**—Accounts receivable are stated at historical cost less allowance for credit losses. On a periodic basis, management evaluates its accounts receivable and determines whether to provide an allowance or if any accounts should be written off based on a past history of write-offs, collections and current credit conditions. A receivable is considered past due if the Company has not received payments based on agreed-upon terms. The Company generally does not require any security or collateral to support its receivables. The Company performs ongoing evaluations of its customers and maintains an allowance for credit losses. As of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024, the Company had an allowance for credit losses of \$0.1 million.

**Revenue Recognition**—The Company accounts for revenue in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standard Codification (“ASC”) Topic 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (“ASC Topic 606”). The Company derives its revenue from the sale of consumer products. The Company sells its products directly to consumers through online retail channels and through wholesale channels.

For direct-to-consumer sales, the Company considers customer order confirmations to be a contract with the customer. Customer confirmations are executed at the time an order is placed through third-party online channels. For wholesale sales, the Company considers the customer purchase order to be the contract.

For all of the Company's sales and distribution channels, revenue is recognized when control of the product is transferred to the customer (i.e., when the Company's performance obligation is satisfied), which typically occurs at shipment date. As a result, the Company has a present and unconditional right to payment and record the amount due from the customer in accounts receivable.

Revenue from consumer product sales is recorded at the net sales price (transaction price), which includes an estimate of future returns based on historical return rates. There is judgment in utilizing historical trends for estimating future returns. The Company's refund liability for sales returns was \$0.2 million at December 31, 2023 and \$0.3 million at June 30, 2024, which is included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet and represents the expected value of the refund that will be due to its customers.

The Company evaluated principal versus agent considerations to determine whether it is appropriate to record platform fees paid to Amazon as an expense or as a reduction of revenue. Platform fees are recorded as sales and distribution expenses and are not recorded as a reduction of revenue because the Company owns and controls all the goods before they are transferred to the customer. The Company can, at any time, direct Amazon, or similarly direct other third-party logistics providers ("Logistics Providers"), to return the Company's inventory to any location specified by the Company. It is the Company's responsibility to make customers whole following any returns made by customers directly to Logistic Providers and the Company retains the back-end inventory risk. Further, the Company is subject to credit risk (i.e., credit card charge backs), establishes prices of its products, can determine who fulfills the goods to the customer (Amazon or the Company) and can limit quantities or stop selling the goods at any time. Based on these considerations, the Company is the principal in this arrangement.

*Net Revenue by Category.* The following table sets forth the Company's net revenue disaggregated by sales channel and geographic region based on the billing addresses of its customers:

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2023</b>		
	(in thousands)		
	<b>Direct</b>	<b>Wholesale/Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
North America	\$ 33,175	\$ 796	\$ 33,971
Other	1,293	—	1,293
<b>Total net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 34,468</b>	<b>\$ 796</b>	<b>\$ 35,264</b>

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2024</b>		
	(in thousands)		
	<b>Direct</b>	<b>Wholesale/Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
North America	\$ 26,300	\$ 155	\$ 26,455
Other	1,529	—	1,529
<b>Total net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 27,829</b>	<b>\$ 155</b>	<b>\$ 27,984</b>

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2023</b>		
	(in thousands)		
	<b>Direct</b>	<b>Wholesale/Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
North America	\$ 65,137	\$ 2,312	\$ 67,449
Other	2,694	—	2,694
<b>Total net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 67,831</b>	<b>\$ 2,312</b>	<b>\$ 70,143</b>

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2024</b>		
	(in thousands)		
	<b>Direct</b>	<b>Wholesale/Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
North America	\$ 45,020	\$ 300	\$ 45,320
Other	2,879	—	2,879
<b>Total net revenue</b>	<b>\$ 47,899</b>	<b>\$ 300</b>	<b>\$ 48,199</b>

Net Revenue by Product Categories. The following table sets forth the Company's net revenue disaggregated by product categories for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024
	(in thousands)	
Heating, cooling and air quality	\$ 8,394	\$ 10,396
Kitchen appliances	6,277	2,111
Health and beauty	3,834	3,431
Cookware, kitchen tools and gadgets	2,287	1,294
Home office	2,627	2,310
Housewares	6,931	5,046
Essential oils and related accessories	4,263	3,236
Other	651	160
Total net revenue	\$ 35,264	\$ 27,984

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024
	(in thousands)	
Heating, cooling and air quality	\$ 13,742	\$ 13,600
Kitchen appliances	12,648	4,032
Health and beauty	8,691	6,744
Cookware, kitchen tools and gadgets	5,907	2,690
Home office	5,294	4,341
Housewares	13,140	9,932
Essential oils and related accessories	8,851	6,443
Other	1,870	417
Total net revenue	\$ 70,143	\$ 48,199

**Intangibles**—We review long-lived assets for impairment when performance expectations, events, or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset's carrying value may not be recoverable. The evaluation is performed at the lowest level of identifiable cash flows by comparing the carrying value of the asset group to the undiscounted cash flows. If the evaluation indicates that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable, any potential impairment is measured based upon the fair value of the related asset or asset group as determined by an appropriate market appraisal or other valuation technique.

On March 20, 2023, the Company made certain leadership changes in our essential oil business resulting in a change in strategy and outlook for the business resulting in a reduced portfolio offering. This reduction in the portfolio was impactful to our essential oil business's future revenues and profitability and as a result the Company made revisions to our internal forecasts. The Company concluded that this change was an interim triggering event for the three months ending March 31, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our essential oil business's long-lived assets including trademarks may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-live trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$16.7 million during the three months ending March 31, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the consolidated statement of operations.

During the three months ended June 30, 2023, the Company had a substantial decrease in its market capitalization, primarily relating to a decrease in share price. Further, the Company continued to see reduced net revenues across its portfolio due primarily to the then current macroeconomic environment reducing demand for consumer discretionary goods. Finally, during the three months ending June 30, 2023, the Company implemented a strategy of rationalizing certain less profitable products and reducing its product offering, specifically related to its kitchen appliance products. As a result of this rationalization, along with the reduced demand for its products, the Company made certain revisions to its internal forecasts for its Paper business and Kitchen appliance business. The Company concluded that these factors were an interim triggering event for the three months ending June 30, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our Paper and Kitchen appliance business's long-lived assets, including trademarks, may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-live trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$22.8 million for the Paper business and Kitchen appliance business during the three months ending June 30, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the consolidated statement of operations.

During the three months ended December 31, 2023, the Company continued to see reduced revenue in its paper business resulting in certain revisions to its internal forecasts. Due to these revisions in forecast due to reduced demand, the Company concluded this was an interim triggering event for the three months ending December 31, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our Paper business's long-lived assets, including trademarks, may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-live trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$0.3 million for the Paper business during the three months ending December 31, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the consolidated statement of operations.

These fair value measurements require significant judgements using Level 3 inputs, such as discounted projected future cash flows, which are not observable from the market, directly or indirectly. There is uncertainty in the projected future cash flows used in the Company's impairment analysis, which requires the use of estimates and assumptions. If actual performance does not achieve the projections, or if the assumptions used in the analysis change in the future, the Company may be required to recognize additional impairment charges in future periods. Key assumptions in the impairment models included a discount and royalty rate. The Company believes our procedures for determining fair value are reasonable and consistent with current market conditions as of June 30, 2024.

There were no triggering events to test intangibles for impairment loss during the six months ended June 30, 2024.

We will continue to closely monitor actual results versus expectations as well as whether and to what extent any significant changes in current events or conditions result in corresponding changes to our expectations about future estimated cash flows. If our adjusted expectations of the operating results do not materialize, we may be required to record intangible impairment charges, which may be material.

**Fair Value of Financial Instruments**—The Company’s financial instruments, including net accounts receivable, accounts payable, and accrued and other current liabilities are carried at historical cost. At June 30, 2024, the carrying amounts of these instruments approximated their fair values because of their short-term nature. The Company’s credit facility is carried at amortized cost at December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 and the carrying amount approximates fair value as the stated interest rate approximates market rates currently available to the Company. The Company considers the inputs utilized to determine the fair value of the borrowings to be Level 2 inputs.

The fair value of the stock purchase warrants issued in connection with the Company’s common stock offering on March 1, 2022 were measured using the Black-Scholes model. Inputs used to determine the estimated fair value of the warrant liabilities include the fair value of the underlying stock at the valuation date, the term of the warrants, and the expected volatility of the underlying stock. The significant unobservable input used in the fair value measurement of the warrant liabilities is the estimated term of the warrants. Upon the issuance of the stock purchase warrants, the Company evaluated the terms of each warrant to determine the appropriate accounting and classification pursuant to FASB ASC Topic 480, *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity* (“ASC 480”), and FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic 815, *Derivatives and Hedging* (“ASC 815”). Based on the Company’s evaluation and due to certain terms in the warrant agreements, it concluded the stock purchase warrants should be classified as liability with subsequent remeasurement as long as such warrants continue to be classified as liabilities.

Assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on a recurring basis in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets are categorized based upon the level of judgment associated with the inputs used to measure their fair values. Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or an exit price that would be paid to transfer a liability in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. Valuation techniques used to measure fair value must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The authoritative guidance on fair value measurements establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements as follows:

*Level 1*—Inputs are unadjusted, quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date;

*Level 2*—Inputs are observable, unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, unadjusted quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the related assets or liabilities; and

*Level 3*—Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market data for the related assets or liabilities.



The following table summarizes the fair value of the Company's financial assets that are measured at fair value as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 (in thousands):

	<b>December 31, 2023</b>		
	<b>Fair Value Measurement Category</b>		
	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Cash	\$ 20,023	\$ —	\$ —
Restricted Cash	2,172	—	—
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Fair value of warrant liability	—	—	1,033
<b>June 30, 2024</b>			
<b>Fair Value Measurement Category</b>			
	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Cash	\$ 20,328	\$ —	\$ —
Restricted cash	2,156	—	—
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Fair value of warrant liability	—	—	464

A summary of the activity of the Level 3 liabilities carried at fair value on a recurring basis for the year-ended December 31, 2023 and the six months ended June 30, 2024 is as follows (in thousands):

	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Warrants liability as of January 1, 2023	\$ 3,473
Change in fair value of warrants	(2,440)
Warrants liability as of December 31, 2023	\$ 1,033
<b>June 30, 2024</b>	
Warrants liability as of January 1, 2024	\$ 1,033
Change in fair value of warrants	(569)
Warrants liability as of June 30, 2024	\$ 464

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The JOBS Act permits an emerging growth company to take advantage of an extended transition period to comply with new or revised accounting standards applicable to public companies. We have elected to use this extended transition period until we are no longer an emerging growth company or until we affirmatively and irrevocably opt out of the extended transition period. As a result, our financial statements may not be comparable to companies that comply with new or revised accounting pronouncements as of public company effective dates.

In August 2023, the FASB finalized ASU 2023-09, Income Taxes (Topic 740). This ASU provides for certain updates to enhance the transparency about companies' exposure to changes in tax legislation and the global tax risk they may face. Under the guidance, companies will be required to provide a breakout of amounts paid for taxes between federal, state, and foreign taxing jurisdictions, rather than a lump sum amount. Further, the rate reconciliation will require disaggregation into eight specific categories, with these categories further disaggregated by jurisdiction and for amounts exceeding 5 percent of their domestic tax rate. The rate reconciliation will need to also disclose both dollar amounts and percentages. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024.

In November 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-07, Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures ("ASU 2023-07"), which requires a company to disclose additional, more detailed information about a reportable segment's significant expenses, even if there is one reportable segment, and is intended to improve the disclosures about a public entity's reportable segments. The ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and for interim periods beginning after December 15, 2024, with early adoption permitted. We are currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of ASU 2023-07 on our consolidated financial statements.

**3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Accounts receivable consisted of the following as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2023	June 30, 2024
Trade accounts receivable	\$ 4,356	\$ 3,910
Allowance for credit losses	(131)	(147)
Accounts receivable-net	<u>\$ 4,225</u>	<u>\$ 3,763</u>

**4. INVENTORY**

Inventory consisted of the following as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2023	June 30, 2024
Inventory on-hand	\$ 18,980	\$ 13,726
Inventory in-transit	1,410	4,652
Inventory	<u>\$ 20,390</u>	<u>\$ 18,378</u>

The Company's inventory on-hand is held either with Amazon or the Company's other third-party warehouses. The Company does not have any contractual right of returns with its contract manufacturers. The Company's inventory on-hand held by Amazon was approximately \$5.0 million and \$4.0 million as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024, respectively.

**5. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS**

Prepaid and other current assets consisted of the following as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2023	June 30, 2024
Prepaid inventory	\$ 619	\$ 919
Restricted cash	2,043	2,027
Prepaid insurance	1,355	1,245
Prepaid freight forwarder	100	540
Other	881	989
	<u>\$ 4,998</u>	<u>\$ 5,720</u>

**6. ACCRUED AND OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES**

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities consisted of the following as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2023	June 30, 2024
Accrued compensation costs	\$ 140	\$ 1,234
Accrued professional fees and consultants	310	74
Accrued logistics costs	149	197
Product related accruals	644	413
Sales tax payable	1,019	1,077
Sales return reserve	233	320
Accrued fulfillment expense	821	933
Accrued insurance	187	692
Federal payroll taxes payable	1,243	1,063
Accrued interest payable	146	71
Warrant liability	1,033	464
All other accruals	3,185	3,072
Accrued and current liabilities	<u>\$ 9,110</u>	<u>\$ 9,610</u>

The Company sponsors, through its professional employer organization provider, a 401(k) defined contribution plan covering all eligible US employees. Contributions to the 401(k) plan are discretionary. Currently, the Company does not match or make any contributions to the 401(k) plan.

**7. CREDIT FACILITY, TERM LOANS AND WARRANTS**

**MidCap Credit Facility**

On December 22, 2021, the Company entered into a Credit and Security Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") together with certain of its subsidiaries party thereto as borrowers, the entities party thereto as lenders, and Midcap Funding IV Trust, as administrative agent, pursuant to which, among other things, (i) the Lenders agreed to provide a three year revolving credit facility in a principal amount of up to \$40.0 million subject to a borrowing base consisting of, among other things, inventory and sales receivables (subject to certain reserves), and (ii) the Company agreed to issue to Midcap Funding XXVII Trust a warrant (the "Midcap Warrant") to purchase up to an aggregate of 16,667 shares of common stock of the Company, par value \$0.0001 per share, in exchange for the Lenders extending loans and other extensions of credit to the Company under the Credit Agreement.

The obligations under the Credit Agreement are a senior secured obligation of the Company and rank senior to all indebtedness of the Company. Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at a rate of Term Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("Term SOFR"), which is defined as SOFR plus 0.10%, plus 5.50%. The Company will also be required to pay a commitment fee of 0.50% in respect of the undrawn portion of the commitments, which is generally based on average daily usage of the facility during the immediately preceding fiscal quarter. The Credit Agreement does not require any amortization payments.

The Credit Agreement minimum liquidity covenant, which includes the Company's unrestricted U.S. cash plus the revolving loan availability, requires that Midcap shall not permit the credit party liquidity at any time to be less than (a) during the period commencing on February 1st through and including May 31st of each calendar year, \$12.5 million and (b) at all other times, \$15.0 million. The Credit Agreement includes events of default that are customary for these types of credit facilities, including the occurrence of a change of control.

The Midcap Warrant has an exercise price of \$56.40 per share, subject to adjustment for stock splits, reverse stock splits, stock dividends and similar transactions, is immediately exercisable, has a term of ten years from the date of issuance and is exercisable on a cash or cashless basis.

On February 23, 2024, the Company amended its asset backed credit facility with MidCap Financial Trust. The Credit Facility term was extended to December 2026 and gives the Company access to \$17 million in current commitments which can be increased, subject to certain conditions, to \$30.0 million. The Credit Facility extension reduced the minimum liquidity financial covenant from a peak of \$15.0 million to \$6.8 million of U.S. cash on hand and/or availability in the Credit Facility. The extension fee was less than \$0.1 million.

The Company is in compliance with the financial covenants contained within the Credit Agreement as of June 30, 2024.

The Company's credit facility consisted of the following as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 (in thousands):

	December 31, 2023	June 30, 2024
MidCap Credit Facility	\$ 11,515	\$ 9,970
Less: deferred debt issuance costs	(226)	(240)
Less: discount associated with issuance of warrants	(191)	(140)
Total MidCap Credit Facility	<u>\$ 11,098</u>	<u>\$ 9,590</u>

**Interest Expense, Net**

Interest expense, net consisted of the following for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2024 (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Interest expense	\$ 540	\$ 296	\$ 1,136	\$ 689
Interest income	(194)	(68)	(419)	(137)
Total interest expense, net	<u>\$ 346</u>	<u>\$ 228</u>	<u>\$ 717</u>	<u>\$ 552</u>

**Securities Purchase Agreement and Warrants**

On March 1, 2022, the Company entered into Securities Purchase Agreements (the "Purchase Agreements") with certain accredited investors identified on the signature pages to the Purchase Agreements (collectively, the "Purchasers") pursuant to which, among other things, the Company issued and sold to the Purchasers, in a private placement transaction (the "2022 Private Placement"), (i) 536,361 shares of the Company's common stock (the "Shares"), and accompanying warrants to purchase an aggregate of 402,271 shares of common stock, and (ii) prefunded warrants to purchase up to an aggregate of 251,155 shares of common stock (the "Prefunded Warrants") and accompanying warrants to purchase an aggregate of 188,366 shares of common stock. The accompanying warrants to purchase common stock are referred to herein collectively as the "Common Stock Warrants", and the Common Stock Warrants and the Prefunded Warrants are referred to herein collectively as the "Warrants". Under the Purchase Agreements, each Share and accompanying Common Stock Warrant were sold together at a combined price of \$34.92, and each Prefunded Warrant and accompanying Common Stock Warrant were sold together at a combined price of \$34.92, for gross proceeds of approximately \$27.5 million. In connection with the 2022 Private Placement, the Company entered into a registration rights agreement (the "Registration Rights Agreement") with the Purchasers, pursuant to which the Company agreed to register for resale the Shares, as well as the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants (the "Warrant Shares"). Under the Registration Rights Agreement, the Company agreed to file a registration statement covering the resale by the Purchasers of the Shares and Warrant Shares within 30 days following the agreement date. The Company filed such resale registration statement on March 28, 2022, and it was declared effective by the SEC on April 8, 2022.

Upon the issuance of the Prefunded Warrants and stock purchase warrants, the Company evaluated the terms of each Warrant to determine the appropriate accounting and classification pursuant to ASC 480 and ASC 815. Based on the Company's evaluation and due to certain terms in the warrant agreements, it concluded the Prefunded Warrant and the stock purchase warrants should be classified as liabilities with subsequent remeasurement at each quarter so long as such warrants remain to be classified as liabilities. The Company recorded an initial liability on issuance of \$19.0 million from this conclusion. As of June 30, 2024, the Company has \$0.5 million as the liability related to the Warrants.

## 8. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The Company has three equity plans:

### 2014 Amended and Restated Equity Incentive Plan

The board of directors of Aterian Group, Inc., a subsidiary of the Company (“AGI”), adopted, and AGI’s stockholders approved, the Aterian Group, Inc. 2014 Equity Incentive Plan on June 11, 2014. On March 1, 2017, AGI’s board of directors adopted, and AGI’s stockholders approved, an amendment and restatement of the 2014 Equity Incentive Plan (as amended, the “Aterian 2014 Plan”). As of June 30, 2024, there were no shares reserved for future issuance under the Aterian 2014 Plan.

### 2018 Equity Incentive Plan

The Company’s board of directors (the “Board”) adopted the Aterian, Inc. 2018 Equity Incentive Plan (the “2018 Plan”) on October 11, 2018. The 2018 Plan was approved by its stockholders on May 24, 2019. As of June 30, 2024, 614,733 shares were reserved for awards available for future issuance under the 2018 Plan.

Options granted to date under the Aterian 2014 Plan and the 2018 Plan generally vest either: (i) over a four-year period with 25% of the shares underlying the options vesting on the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date with the remaining 75% of the shares vesting on a pro-rata basis over the succeeding thirty-six months, subject to continued service with the Company through each vesting date, or (ii) over a three-year period with 33 1/3% of the shares underlying the options vesting on the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date with the remaining 66 2/3% of the shares vesting on a pro-rata basis over the succeeding twenty-four months, subject to continued service with the Company through each vesting date. Options granted are generally exercisable for up to 10 years subject to continued service with the Company.

### Inducement Equity Incentive Plan

On May 27, 2022, the Compensation Committee of the Board (the “Compensation Committee”) adopted the Aterian, Inc. 2022 Inducement Equity Incentive Plan (the “Inducement Plan”). The Inducement Plan will serve to advance the interests of the Company by providing a material inducement for the best available individuals to join the Company as employees by affording such individuals an opportunity to acquire a proprietary interest in the Company.

The Inducement Plan provides for the grant of equity-based awards in the form of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance units and performance shares solely to prospective employees of the Company or an affiliate of the Company provided that certain criteria are met. Awards under the Inducement Plan may only be granted to an individual, as a material inducement to such individual to enter into employment with the Company or an affiliate of the Company, who (i) has not previously been an employee or director of the Company or (ii) is rehired following a bona fide period of non-employment with the Company. The maximum number of shares available for grant under the Inducement Plan is 225,000 shares of the Company’s common stock (subject to adjustment for recapitalizations, stock splits, reorganizations and similar transactions). The Inducement Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee and expires ten years from the date of effectiveness. As of June 30, 2024, 193,476 shares were reserved for future issuance under the Inducement Plan.

The Inducement Plan has not been and will not be approved by the Company’s stockholders. Awards under the Inducement Plan will be made pursuant to the exemption from Nasdaq stockholder approval requirements for equity compensation provided by Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(c)(4), which permits Nasdaq listed companies to make inducement equity awards to new employees without first obtaining stockholder approval of the award.

### Reverse Stock Split

On March 20, 2024, the Company filed a Certificate of Amendment to its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company with the Secretary of State of Delaware (the “Certificate of Amendment”) to affect a 1 - for- 12 reverse stock split (the “Reverse Stock Split”) of the shares of the Company’s common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the “Common Stock”). The Certificate of Amendment did not decrease the number of authorized shares of Common Stock. No fractional shares were issued in connection with the Reverse Stock Split. Any fractional shares that would otherwise have resulted from the Reverse Stock Split were rounded up to the nearest whole number. The Reverse Stock Split impacted all holders of the Common Stock proportionally and did not impact any stockholder’s percentage ownership of Common Stock (except to the extent the Reverse Stock Split results in any stockholder owning fractional shares).

The reverse stock split is deemed an equity restructuring pursuant to ASC 718, Compensation - Stock Compensation. The Company’s equity plans incorporate anti-dilutive provisions for existing equity awards, including restricted stock and stock options, to maintain the value of all awards post-reverse stock split. Consequently, there were no change in the fair value of the awards attributable to the reverse stock split, and no impact on stock-based compensation for the three and six months ending June 30, 2024.

The Common Stock began trading on a Reverse Stock Split-adjusted basis on the Nasdaq on March 22, 2024. All share and per share data has been retroactively adjusted to reflect the Reverse Stock Split.

The following is a summary of stock option activity during the six months ended June 30, 2024:

	Options Outstanding		
	Number of Options (*)	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life (years)
Balance—January 1, 2024	16,365	\$ 110.51	5.00
Options granted	—	\$ —	—
Options exercised	—	\$ —	—
Options canceled	(1,068)	\$ 108.50	—
Balance—June 30, 2024	15,297	\$ 110.65	3.88
Exercisable as of June 30, 2024	15,297	\$ 110.65	3.88
Vested and expected to vest as of June 30, 2024	15,297	\$ 110.65	3.88

(\*) The number of options and exercise price per share have been retroactively restated to reflect the one for twelve (1 for 12) reverse stock split, which was effective on March 22, 2024.

As of June 30, 2024, all options have been fully expensed.

A summary of restricted stock award activity within the Company's equity plans and changes for the six months ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Restricted Stock Awards	Shares (*)	Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Nonvested at January 1, 2024	840,815	\$ 9.73
Granted	1,209,649	\$ 2.40
Vested	(294,641)	\$ 10.09
Forfeited	(309,516)	\$ 4.72
Nonvested at June 30, 2024	1,446,307	\$ 4.60

(\*) The number of shares and grant date fair value per share have been retroactively restated to reflect the one for twelve (1 for 12) reverse stock split, which was effective on March 22, 2024.

As of June 30, 2024, the total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested shares of restricted common stock was \$5.8 million, which the Company expects to recognize over an estimated weighted-average period of 2.5 years.

Stock-based compensation expense is allocated based on the cost center to which the award holder belongs. The following table summarizes the total stock-based compensation expense by function, including expense related to consultants, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2024 (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(in thousands)		(in thousands)	
Sales and distribution expenses	\$ 1,091	\$ 946	\$ 1,761	\$ 1,245
Research and development expenses	423	—	857	—
General and administrative expenses	1,709	1,975	2,921	3,343
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 3,223	\$ 2,921	\$ 5,539	\$ 4,588

## 9. NET LOSS PER SHARE

Basic net loss per share is determined by dividing net loss by the weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted net loss per share is determined by dividing net loss by diluted weighted-average shares outstanding. Diluted weighted-average shares reflect the dilutive effect, if any, of potentially dilutive shares of common stock, such as options to purchase common stock calculated using the treasury stock method and convertible notes using the "if-converted" method. In periods with reported net operating losses, all options to purchase common stock are deemed anti-dilutive such that basic net loss per share and diluted net loss per share are equal.

The Company's shares of restricted common stock are entitled to receive dividends and hold voting rights applicable to the Company's common stock, irrespective of any vesting requirement. Accordingly, although the vesting commences upon the elimination of the contingency, the shares of restricted common stock are considered a participating security and the Company is required to apply the two-class method to consider the impact of the shares of restricted common stock on the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share. The Company is currently in a net loss position and is therefore not required to present the two-class method; however, in the event the Company is in a net income position, the two-class method must be applied by allocating all earnings during the period to shares of common stock and shares of restricted common stock.

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net loss per share (in thousands, except share and per share data):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Net loss	\$ (34,787)	\$ (3,629)	\$ (60,587)	\$ (8,791)
Weighted-average number of shares used in computing net loss per share, basic and diluted (*)	6,483,931	6,973,218	6,439,658	6,881,648
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$ (5.37)	\$ (0.52)	\$ (9.41)	\$ (1.28)
Anti-dilutive shares excluded from computation of net loss per share (in shares)(*)	1,925,388	2,350,812	1,946,983	2,047,993

(\*) The number of shares and per share amounts have been retroactively restated to reflect the one for twelve (1 for 12) reverse stock split, which was effective on March 22, 2024.

## 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

**Sales or Other Similar Taxes**—Based on the location of the Company's current operations, the majority of sales tax is collected and remitted either by the Company or on its behalf by e-commerce marketplaces in most states within the U.S. To date, the Company has had no actual or threatened sales and use tax claims from any state where it does not already claim nexus or any state where it sold products prior to claiming nexus. However, the Company believes that the likelihood of incurring a liability as a result of sales tax nexus being asserted by certain states where it sold products prior to claiming nexus is probable. As of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024, the Company estimates that the potential liability, including current sales tax payable is approximately \$1.0 million and \$1.1 million, which has been recorded in accrued and other current liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company believes this is the best estimate of an amount due to taxing agencies, given that such a potential loss is an unasserted liability that would be contested and subject to negotiation between the Company and the state, or decided by a court.

**Legal Proceedings**—The Company is party to various actions and claims arising in the normal course of business. The Company does not believe that the final outcome of these matters will have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position or results of operations. In addition, the Company maintains what it believes is adequate insurance coverage to further mitigate risk. However, no assurance can be given that the final outcome of such proceedings will not materially impact the Company's financial condition or results of operations. Further, no assurance can be given that the amount or scope of existing insurance coverage will be sufficient to cover losses arising from such matters.

**Settlement Agreement**—On May 2, 2021, the Company entered into a settlement agreement with one of the Company's suppliers who agreed to pay the amount of \$3.0 million to the Company in three installments of \$1.0 million each, with the first payment to be paid on or before May 31, 2021, the second payment to be paid on or before September 30, 2021, and the third payment to be paid on or before November 30, 2021. Further, the supplier agreed to deliver certain goods as part of this settlement by September 30, 2021. Through the date of the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, the supplier has not paid in full its required first payment of \$1.0 million nor has it delivered the required quantity of goods. The Company fully reserved \$4.1 million within prepaid and other current assets on its Consolidated Financial Statements during the year-ended December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023. The Company has commenced legal action against the supplier and certain other parties to the matter. One of the parties to the matter has filed for bankruptcy and such legal action is being stayed until the resolution of such bankruptcy. The Company continues to reserve its legal options and rights on this matter as of June 30, 2024.

**Mueller Action**—In October 2021, the Company received a class action notification and pre-lawsuit demand letter demanding corrective action with respect to the marketing, advertising and labeling of certain products under the Mueller brand (the "Mueller Action"). In April 2022, the parties reached an agreement in principle to resolve this potential action for \$0.5 million in cash and \$0.3 million worth of coupons, which the Company accrued \$0.8 million in the three months ended March 31, 2022, subject to court approval. The court preliminarily approved the settlement on August 3, 2023 and final approval was granted May 8, 2024.

**Earn-out Payment Dispute**—On February 24, 2022, the Company received a notice disputing the Company's calculation of the earn-out payment to be paid to Josef Eitan and Ran Nir pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement (the "PPD Stock Purchase Agreement"), dated as of May 5, 2021, by and among the Company, Truwo, LLC, Photo Paper Direct Ltd, Josef Eitan and Ran Nir. The Company is in discussions with representatives of Mr. Eitan and Mr. Nir, who believe they are entitled to the full earn-out amount (£6,902,816 or approximately \$8.8 million) under the terms of the PPD Stock Purchase Agreement, whereas the Company believes they are not. Mr. Eitan and Mr. Nir filed a motion to compel arbitration in the Southern District of New York on September 14, 2022, which was granted on May 18, 2023. The parties engaged an independent accountant to resolve the dispute, as required by the PPD Stock Purchase Agreement and the Southern District of New York. In February 2024, the independent accountant ruled in favor of the Company and determined that the Company owes no earn-out. Therefore, the Company believes it has no liability to the sellers.

## 11. INTANGIBLES

The following tables summarize the changes in the Company's intangible assets as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 (in thousands):

	January 1, 2023	Year-Ended December 31, 2023		December 31, 2023	December 31, 2023
	Gross Carrying Amount	Additions	Impairments (1)	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
Trademarks	\$ 62,202	—	\$ (39,728)	\$ (15,335)	\$ 7,140
Non-competition agreement	11	—	—	(11)	—
Transition services agreement	12	—	—	(12)	—
Customer relationships	5,700	—	—	(1,520)	4,180
Other	700	—	—	(700)	—
<b>Total intangibles</b>	<b>\$ 68,625</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ (39,728)</b>	<b>\$ (17,578)</b>	<b>\$ 11,320</b>

	January 1, 2024	Six Months Ended June 30, 2024		June 30, 2024	June 30, 2024
	Gross Carrying Amount	Additions	Impairments	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
Trademarks	\$ 21,285	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (14,666)	\$ 6,619
Non-competition agreement	11	—	—	(11)	—
Transition services agreement	12	—	—	(12)	—
Customer relationships	5,700	—	—	(1,805)	3,895
Software	—	38	—	(3)	35
Other	700	—	—	(700)	—
<b>Total intangibles</b>	<b>\$ 27,708</b>	<b>\$ 38</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ (17,197)</b>	<b>\$ 10,549</b>

- (1) On March 20, 2023, the Company made certain leadership changes in our essential oil business resulting in a change in strategy and outlook for the business which will result in a reduced portfolio offering. This reduction in the portfolio will be impactful to our essential oil business's future revenues and profitability and as a result the Company made revisions to our internal forecasts. The Company concluded that this change was an interim triggering event for the three months ending March 31, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our essential oil business's long-lived assets including trademarks may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-life trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$16.7 million in the three months ending March 31, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

During the three months ended June 30, 2023, the Company had a substantial decrease in its market capitalization, primarily relating to a decrease in share price. Further, the Company continues to see reduced net revenues across its portfolio primarily due to the current macroeconomic environment reducing demand for consumer goods. Finally, during the three months ending June 30, 2023, the Company implemented a strategy of rationalizing certain less profitable products and reducing its product offering, specifically related to its kitchen appliance products. As a result of this rationalization, along with the reduced demand for its products, the Company has made certain revisions to its internal forecasts for its Paper business and Kitchen appliance business. The Company concluded that these factors were an interim triggering event for the three months ending June 30, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our Paper and Kitchen appliance business's long-lived assets, including trademarks, may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-life trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$22.8 million for the Paper business and Kitchen appliance business during the three months ending June 30, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

During the three months ended December 31, 2023, the Company continued to see reduced revenue in its paper business resulting in certain revisions to its internal forecasts. Due to these revisions in forecast due to reduced demand, the Company concluded this was an interim triggering event for the three months ending December 31, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our Paper business's long-lived assets, including trademarks, may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-life trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$0.3 million for the Paper business during the three months ending December 31, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the consolidated statement of operations.

The following table sets forth the estimated aggregate amortization of the Company's intangible assets for the next five years and thereafter (amounts in thousands):

Remainder of 2024	\$	792
2025		1,564
2026		1,564
2027		1,554
2028		1,551
2029		1,551
Thereafter		1,973
Total	\$	<u>10,549</u>



## 12. RESTRUCTURING

On May 9, 2023, the Company announced a plan to reduce expenses and re-align the organization's structure by implementing a reduction in its current workforce impacting approximately 50 employees and 15 contractors, primarily in the Philippines. The headcount reduction is part of the Company's cost-saving initiatives to navigate challenges in the industry and to better position itself for future growth opportunities. The Company incurred \$1.6 million of restructuring charges during the year-ended December 31, 2023.

On February 8, 2024, the Company committed to a fixed cost-cutting plan, including a reduction in workforce which resulted in the termination of approximately 17 employees and 26 contractors globally. The Company recognized restructuring charges of \$17 thousand and \$0.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, respectively.

The accounting for the restructuring costs follows the provisions of ASC 420, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities," which requires the recognition of a liability once the restructuring plan is communicated to affected employees and meets the criteria of being probable and reasonably estimable. The Company recognizes a liability for employee severance, other benefits, and involuntary terminations on the communication date.

The following table provides a summary of the restructuring costs incurred:

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2023</b>		<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2024</b>	
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Employee severance	\$	520	\$	132
Retention bonus settled		411		—
Other restructuring costs <sup>(1)</sup>		285		(115)
Total restructuring costs	\$	<u>1,216</u>	\$	<u>17</u>

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2023</b>		<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2024</b>	
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Employee severance	\$	520	\$	683
Retention bonus settled		411		—
Other restructuring costs <sup>(1)</sup>		285		(108)
Total restructuring costs	\$	<u>1,216</u>	\$	<u>575</u>

(1) Includes reversal of costs associated with a contract settlement during the three and six months ended June 30, 2024.

The following table provides a summary of the Company's total restructuring reserve:

	<b>Employee Severance</b>	<b>Contract Termination Costs</b>		<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance – December 31, 2023	\$ —	\$ 193		\$ —	\$ 193
Charges	683	—		10	693
Usage-cash	(526)	(75)		(9)	(610)
Usage-non-cash	—	(118)		—	(118)
Balance – June 30, 2024	\$ 157	\$ —		\$ 1	\$ 158

As of June 30, 2024, the Company has a liability of \$0.2 million for restructuring costs which are included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. As of June 30, 2023, the Company has a liability of \$0.6 million for restructuring costs, of which \$0.5 million is included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities and \$0.1 million is included in other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet.

As of December 31, 2023, the Company had a liability of \$0.2 million for restructuring costs, of which \$0.1 million was included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities and \$0.1 million was included in other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet.

The Company will continue to assess the restructuring plan's progress and provide updates as required in future financial statements if there are material changes to the initial estimates or additional significant restructuring activities.

## 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

None.

## Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and with our audited financial statements and related notes thereto for the year ended December 31, 2023 included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 19, 2024. As discussed in the section titled "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements", the following discussion and analysis contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, as well as assumptions that, if they never materialize or prove incorrect, could cause our results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to these differences include, but are not limited to, those identified in the section titled "Special Note Regarding Forward Looking Statements" and those discussed in the section titled "Risk Factors" under Part II, Item 1A in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms "Aterian," the "Company," "we," "us" and "our" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q refer to Aterian, Inc. and our consolidated subsidiaries, including Aterian Group, Inc.

### Overview

We are a technology-enabled consumer products company that predominantly operates through online retail channels such as Amazon and Walmart. The Company operates its owned brands, which were either incubated or purchased, selling products in multiple categories, including home and kitchen appliances, kitchenware, air quality appliances, health and beauty products and essential oils.

Our primary brands include Squatty Potty, hOmeLabs, Mueller Living, PurSteam, Healing Solutions, and Photo Paper Direct ("PPD"). We generate revenue primarily through the online sales of our various consumer products with substantially all of our sales being made through the Amazon U.S. marketplace.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company enacted a strategy to reduce the number of SKUs it sells and is no longer pursuing future sales of SKUs that are either not profitable or not core to the Company's strategy.

### Seasonality of Business and Product Mix

Our individual product categories are typically affected by seasonal sales trends primarily resulting from the timing of the summer season for certain of our environmental appliance products and the fall and holiday season for our small kitchen appliances and accessories. With our current mix of environmental appliances, the sales of those products tend to be significantly higher in the summer season. Further, our essential oils, small kitchen appliances and accessories tend to have higher sales during the fourth quarter, which includes Thanksgiving and the December holiday season. As a result, our operational results, cash flows, cash and inventory positions may fluctuate materially in any quarterly period depending on, among other things, adverse weather conditions, shifts in the timing of certain holidays and changes in our product mix.

Product mix can affect our gross profit and the variable portion of our sales and distribution expenses. We rely heavily on a global supply chain in which the cost, lead times, and delays, as well as global and geopolitical events can ultimately have a direct impact to our margins. Further, impacts on our supply chain may force us to hold more inventory, which not only affects working capital but also requires us to increase our storage capacity, through our warehouse network, which of itself has a capital impact.

### Financial Operations Overview

**Net Revenue**—We derive our revenue from the sale of consumer products, primarily in the U.S. We sell products directly to consumers through online retail channels and through wholesale channels. Direct-to-consumer sales (i.e., direct net revenue), which is currently the majority of our revenue, is done through various online retail channels. We sell on Amazon.com, Walmart.com, and our own websites, with substantially all of our sales made through Amazon.com. For all of our sales and distribution channels, revenue is recognized when control of the product is transferred to the customer (i.e., when our performance obligation is satisfied), which typically occurs at the shipment date.

**Cost of Goods Sold**—Cost of goods sold consists of the book value of inventory sold to customers during the reporting period. Book value of inventory includes the amounts we pay manufacturers for product, tariffs and duties associated with transporting product across national borders, and freight costs associated with transporting the product from our manufacturers to our warehouses, as applicable. Shrinkage costs are also recognized within the cost of goods sold. When circumstances dictate that we use net realizable value as the basis for recording inventory, we base our estimates on expected future selling prices, less expected disposal costs.

*Expenses:*

**Research and Development Expenses**—Research and development expenses include compensation and employee benefits for technology development employees, travel-related costs and fees paid to outside consultants related to the development of our intellectual property. During the six months ending June 30, 2024, the Company shifted its technology platform away from a fully internally developed model to an integrated third party model. Therefore, beginning with the three months ending March 31, 2024, technology and employee related costs have been presented in general and administrative costs on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

**Sales and Distribution Expenses**—Sales and distribution expenses consist of online advertising costs, marketing and promotional costs, sales and ecommerce platform commissions, fulfillment, including shipping and handling, and warehouse costs (i.e., sales and distribution variable expenses). Sales and distribution expenses also include employee compensation and benefits and other related fixed costs. Shipping and handling expenses are included in our consolidated statements of operations in sales and distribution expenses. This includes inbound, pick and pack costs and outbound transportation costs to ship goods to customers performed by e-commerce platforms or incurred directly by us, through our own direct fulfillment platform, which leverages our technology platform and third-party logistics partners. Our sales and distribution expenses, specifically our logistics expenses and online advertising, will vary quarter to quarter as they are dependent on our sales volume, our product mix and whether we fulfill products ourselves, i.e., fulfillment by merchant (“FBM”), or through e-commerce platform service providers, i.e., fulfillment by Amazon (“FBA”) or fulfilled by Walmart (“WFS”). Products with less expensive fulfillment costs as a percentage of net revenue may allow for a lower gross margin, while still maintaining their targeted profitability level. Conversely, products with higher fulfillment costs will need to achieve a higher gross margin to maintain their targeted level of profitability. We are FBM One Day and Two Day Prime certified, allowing us to deliver our sales through Amazon to most customers within one or two days. We periodically review the locations and capacity of our third-party warehouses to ensure we have the appropriate geographic reach, which helps to reduce the average last mile shipping zones to the end customer and as such our speed of delivery improves while our shipping costs to customers decrease, prior to the impacts on shipping providers’ rates.

**General and Administrative Expenses**—General and administrative expenses include compensation and employee benefits for executive management, finance administration, legal, and human resources, facility costs, insurance, travel, professional service fees and other general overhead costs, including the costs of being a public company. Beginning with the three months ending March 31, 2024, technology and employee related costs have been presented in general and administrative costs.

**Interest Expense, Net**—Interest expense, net includes the interest cost from our credit facility and term loans, and includes amortization of deferred finance costs and debt discounts from our credit facility (the “Credit Facility”) with MidCap Funding IV Trust (“MidCap”).

**Results of Operations**
**Comparison of the Three Months Ended June 30, 2023 and 2024**

The following table sets forth the components of our results of operations as a percentage of net revenue:

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30,</b>		<b>Change</b>	
	<b>2023(1)</b>	<b>2024(1)</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>%</b>
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Net revenue	\$ 35,264	\$ 27,984	\$ (7,280)	(20.6)%
Cost of good sold	20,368	11,093	(9,275)	(45.5)%
Gross profit	14,896	16,891	1,995	13.4%
Operating expenses:				
Sales and distribution	20,557	15,162	(5,395)	(26.2)%
Research and development	1,709	—	(1,709)	(100.0)%
General and administrative	6,281	4,934	(1,347)	(21.4)%
Impairment loss on intangibles	22,785	—	(22,785)	(100.0)%
Total operating expenses	51,332	20,096	(31,236)	(60.9)%
Operating loss	(36,436)	(3,205)	33,231	91.2%
Interest expense, net	346	228	(118)	(34.1)%
Change in fair value of warrant liability	(2,197)	(52)	2,145	97.6%
Other income, net	176	43	(133)	(75.6)%
Loss before income taxes	(34,761)	(3,424)	31,337	90.1%
Provision for income taxes	26	205	179	688.5%
Net loss	\$ (34,787)	\$ (3,629)	\$ 31,158	89.6%

(1) Amounts include stock-based compensation expense as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30,</b>		<b>Change</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>%</b>
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Sales and distribution expenses	\$ 1,091	\$ 946	\$ (145)	(13.3)%
Research and development expenses	423	—	(423)	(100.0)%
General and administrative expenses	1,709	1,975	266	15.6%
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 3,223	\$ 2,921	\$ (302)	(9.4)%

The following table sets forth the components of our results of operations as a percentage of net revenue:

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
Net revenue	100.0%	100.0%
Cost of good sold	57.8	39.6
Gross profit	42.2	60.4
Operating expenses:		
Sales and distribution	58.3	54.2
Research and development	4.8	0.0
General and administrative	17.8	17.6
Impairment loss on intangibles	64.6	—
Total operating expenses	145.5	71.8
Operating loss	(103.3)	(11.5)
Interest expense, net	1.0	0.8
Change in fair value of warrant liability	(6.2)	(0.2)
Other income, net	0.5	0.2
Loss before income taxes	(98.6)	(12.3)
Provision for income taxes	0.1	0.7
Net loss	(98.7)%	(13.0)%

**Net Revenue**
**Revenue by Product Categories:**

The following tables sets forth our net revenue disaggregated by product categories:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Direct	\$ 34,468	\$ 27,829	\$ (6,639)	(19.3)%
Wholesale	796	155	(641)	(80.5)%
Net revenue	\$ 35,264	\$ 27,984	\$ (7,280)	(20.6)%

Net revenue decreased \$7.3 million, or 20.6%, during the three months ended June 30, 2024 to \$28.0 million, compared to \$35.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. The decrease in net revenue was primarily attributable to a decrease in direct net revenue of \$6.6 million, or 19.3%, which was primarily relating to a reduction in our product offering due to our SKU rationalization.

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024
	(in thousands)	
Heating, cooling and air quality	\$ 8,394	\$ 10,396
Kitchen appliances	6,277	2,111
Health and beauty	3,834	3,431
Cookware, kitchen tools and gadgets	2,287	1,294
Home office	2,627	2,310
Housewares	6,931	5,046
Essential oils and related accessories	4,263	3,236
Other	651	160
Total net revenue	\$ 35,264	\$ 27,984

Our Heating cooling and air quality business increased to \$10.4 million during the three months ending June 30, 2024 compared to \$8.4 million during the three months ending June 30, 2023 due to an enhanced marketing program for our air quality products during the quarter ending June 30, 2024, resulting in an increase in units sold. Every other category of business had a reduction in sales compared to the prior year primarily relating to the SKU rationalization that took place during the year-ended December 31, 2023 and softness in consumer demand due the macroeconomic environment. In addition, there were competitive pricing pressures coupled with certain key products losing their prominent positioning on Amazon due to competition, specifically in kitchen appliance businesses. These factors resulted in a reduction of units sold and a reduction in certain retail sales prices.

**Cost of Goods Sold and Gross Profit**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Cost of goods sold	\$ 20,368	\$ 11,093	\$ (9,275)	(45.5)%
Gross profit	\$ 14,896	\$ 16,891	\$ 1,995	13.4%

Cost of goods sold decreased by \$9.3 million, from \$20.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023 to \$11.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 primarily from reduced sales volumes. The decrease in cost of goods sold was primarily attributable to a decrease of \$6.9 million in cost of goods sold from our direct businesses and a decrease of \$2.4 million in cost of goods sold from our wholesale businesses.

Gross profit increased from 42.2% for the three months ended June 30, 2023 to 60.4% for the three months ended June 30, 2024. The increase in gross profit was due primarily to a change of product mix and a reduction in liquidation of high priced excess inventory at reduced prices compared to the prior year.

**Sales and Distribution Expenses**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Sales and distribution expenses	\$ 20,557	\$ 15,162	\$ (5,395)	(26.2)%

Sales and distribution expenses, which included e-commerce platform commissions, online advertising and logistics expenses (i.e., variable sales and distribution expense), decreased to \$15.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024, from \$20.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. This decrease is primarily attributable to the decrease in the volume of products sold in the three months ended June 30, 2024, as our e-commerce platform commissions, online advertising, selling and logistics expenses decreased to \$12.0 million in the three months ended June 30, 2024 as compared to \$16.2 million in the prior year period.

Our sales and distribution fixed costs (e.g., salary and office expenses) including stock-based compensation decreased to \$3.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024, from \$4.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. This decrease is primarily attributable to a decrease in headcount expense of \$0.8 million, a decrease in restructuring costs of \$0.7 million and a decrease in stock compensation expense of \$0.1 million, partially offset by an increase in other miscellaneous costs of \$0.3 million.

As a percentage of net revenue, sales and distribution expenses decreased to 54.2% for the three months ended June 30, 2024, from 58.3% for the three months ended June 30, 2023. E-commerce platform commissions, online advertising, selling and logistics expenses included within sales and distribution expenses, as a percentage of net revenue, were 43.0% for the three months ended June 30, 2024 as compared to 45.8% for the three months ended June 30, 2023. This decrease in sales and distribution expenses as a percentage of revenue is primarily due to product mix, with a higher proportion of heating, cooling and air quality sales during the three months ending June 30, 2024, compared to the previous quarter. These products incur lower last-mile costs as a percentage of revenue.

**Research and Development Expenses**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Research and development expenses	\$ 1,709	\$ —	\$ (1,709)	(100.0)%

During the three months ending March 31, 2024, the Company shifted its technology platform away from a fully internally developed model to an integrated third party model. Therefore, beginning with the three months ending March 31, 2024, technology and employee related costs have been presented in general and administrative costs on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

**General and Administrative Expenses**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
General and administrative expenses	\$ 6,281	\$ 4,934	\$ (1,347)	(21.4)%

The decrease in general and administrative expenses was primarily the result of a decrease of \$0.9 million in depreciation and amortization, a decrease of \$0.4 in headcount expenses, and a decrease of \$0.4 in other miscellaneous expenses, partially offset by an increase in stock-compensation expense of \$0.3 million and an increase in restructuring costs of \$0.1 million.

**Impairment loss on intangibles**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Impairment loss on intangibles	\$ 22,785	\$ —	\$ (22,785)	(100.0)%

Certain asset groups experienced a significant decrease in sales and contribution margin through June 30, 2023. This was considered an interim triggering event for the three months ended June 30, 2023. Based on the analysis of comparing the undiscounted cash flow to the carrying value of the asset group, one group tested indicated that the assets may not be recoverable. For this asset group, we compared the fair value to the carrying amount of the asset group and recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$22.8 million in the three months ended June 30, 2023. There was no impairment loss on intangibles during the three months ended June 30, 2024.

**Interest expense, net**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Interest expense, net	\$ 346	\$ 228	\$ (118)	(34.1)%

The decrease in interest expense, net of \$0.1 million is primarily relating to a decrease in interest expense of \$0.2 million and an increase in interest income of \$0.1 million compared to the prior period due to lower average borrowings.

**Change in fair market value of warrant liability**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Change in fair market value of warrant liability	\$ (2,197)	\$ (52)	\$ 2,145	(97.6)%

The 2023 and 2024 activity is related to the change in fair market value of the warrant liabilities from the common stock warrants from our March 2022 equity raise of capital. The change in fair value of warrant liabilities during the three months ending June 30, 2024 primarily relates to the reduced share price compared to the prior period.

**Comparison of the Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 and 2024**

The following table sets forth the components of our results of operations as a percentage of net revenue:

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023(1)	2024(1)	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Net revenue	\$ 70,143	\$ 48,199	\$ (21,944)	(31.3)%
Cost of good sold	36,151	18,139	(18,012)	(49.8)%
Gross profit	33,992	30,060	(3,932)	(11.6)%
Operating expenses:				
Sales and distribution	40,783	28,376	(12,407)	(30.4)%
Research and development	2,956	—	(2,956)	(100.0)%
General and administrative	12,240	10,166	(2,074)	(16.9)%
Impairment loss on intangibles	39,445	—	(39,445)	(100.0)%
Total operating expenses	95,424	38,542	(56,882)	(59.6)%
Operating loss	(61,432)	(8,482)	52,950	86.2%
Interest expense, net	717	552	(165)	(23.0)%
Change in fair value of warrant liability	(1,843)	(569)	1,274	69.1%
Other income (expense), net	229	50	(179)	78.2%
Loss before income taxes	(60,535)	(8,515)	52,020	85.9%
Provision for income taxes	52	276	224	(430.8)%
Net loss	\$ (60,587)	\$ (8,791)	\$ 51,796	85.5%

(1) Amounts include stock-based compensation expense as follows:

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Sales and distribution expenses	\$ 1,761	\$ 1,245	\$ (516)	(29.3)%
Research and development expenses	857	—	(857)	(100.0)%
General and administrative expenses	2,921	3,343	422	14.4%
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 5,539	\$ 4,588	\$ (951)	(17.2)%

The following table sets forth the components of our results of operations as a percentage of net revenue:

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024
Net revenue	100.0%	100.0%
Cost of good sold	51.5	37.6
Gross profit	48.5	62.4
Operating expenses:		
Sales and distribution	58.1	58.9
Research and development	4.2	0.0
General and administrative	17.5	21.1
Impairment loss on intangibles	56.2	—
Total operating expenses	136.0	80.0
Operating loss	(87.6)	(17.6)
Interest expense, net	1.0	1.1
Change in fair value of warrant liability	(2.6)	(1.2)
Other income, net	0.3	0.1
Loss before income taxes	(86.3)	(17.6)
Provision for income taxes	0.1	0.6
Net loss	(86.4)%	(18.2)%

**Net Revenue**
**Revenue by Product Categories:**

The following tables sets forth our net revenue disaggregated by product categories:

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>		<b>Change</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>%</b>
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Direct	\$ 67,831	\$ 47,899	\$ (19,932)	(29.4)%
Wholesale	2,312	300	(2,012)	(87.0)%
Net revenue	\$ 70,143	\$ 48,199	\$ (21,944)	(31.3)%

Net revenue decreased \$21.9 million, or 31.3%, during the six months ended June 30, 2024 to \$48.2 million, compared to \$70.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. The decrease in net revenue was primarily attributable to a decrease in direct net revenue of \$19.9 million, or 29.4%, which was primarily relating to a reduction in our product offering due to our SKU rationalization, competitive pricing pressure and other competitive dynamics on marketplaces.

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
	(in thousands)	
Heating, cooling and air quality	\$ 13,742	\$ 13,600
Kitchen appliances	12,648	4,032
Health and beauty	8,691	6,744
Cookware, kitchen tools and gadgets	5,907	2,690
Home office	5,294	4,341
Housewares	13,140	9,932
Essential oils and related accessories	8,851	6,443
Other	1,870	417
Total net revenue	\$ 70,143	\$ 48,199

Every category of business had a reduction in sales compared to the prior year primarily relating to the SKU rationalization that took place during the year-ended December 31, 2023 and softness in consumer demand due the macroeconomic environment. In addition, there were competitive pricing pressures coupled with certain key products losing their prominent positioning on Amazon due to competition, specifically in the kitchen appliance businesses. These factors resulted in a reduction of units sold and a reduction in certain retail sales prices.

**Cost of Goods Sold and Gross Profit**

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>		<b>Change</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>%</b>
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Cost of goods sold	\$ 36,151	\$ 18,139	\$ (18,012)	(49.8)%
Gross profit	\$ 33,992	\$ 30,060	\$ (3,932)	(11.6)%

Cost of goods sold decreased by \$18.0 million, from \$36.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023 to \$18.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 primarily from reduced sales volumes. The decrease in cost of goods sold was primarily attributable to a decrease of \$13.2 million in cost of goods sold from our direct businesses and a decrease of \$4.8 million in cost of goods sold from our wholesale businesses.

Gross profit increased from 48.5% for the six months ended June 30, 2023 to 62.4% for the six months ended June 30, 2024. The increase in gross profit was due primarily to a change of product mix and a reduction in liquidation of high priced excess inventory at reduced prices compared to the prior year.



**Sales and Distribution Expenses**

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Sales and distribution expenses	\$ 40,783	\$ 28,376	\$ (12,407)	(30.4)%

Sales and distribution expenses, which included e-commerce platform commissions, online advertising and logistics expenses (i.e., variable sales and distribution expense), decreased to \$28.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024, from \$40.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. This decrease is primarily attributable to the decrease in the volume of products sold in the six months ended June 30, 2024, as our e-commerce platform commissions, online advertising, selling and logistics expenses decreased to \$22.3 million in the six months ended June 30, 2024 as compared to \$33.2 million in the prior year period.

Our sales and distribution fixed costs (e.g., salary and office expenses) including stock-based compensation decreased to \$6.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024, from \$7.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. This decrease is primarily attributable to a decrease in headcount expense of \$1.3 million, a decrease in stock-compensation expense of \$0.5 million and a decrease in restructuring costs of \$0.4 million, partially offset by an increase in other miscellaneous costs costs of \$0.6 million.

As a percentage of net revenue, sales and distribution expenses increased to 58.9% for the six months ended June 30, 2024, from 58.1% for the six months ended June 30, 2023. E-commerce platform commissions, online advertising, selling and logistics expenses included within sales and distribution expenses, as a percentage of net revenue, were 46.4% for the six months ended June 30, 2024 as compared to 47.3% for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

**Research and Development Expenses**

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Research and development expenses	\$ 2,956	\$ —	\$ (2,956)	(100.0)%

During the six months ending June 30, 2024, the Company shifted its technology platform away from a fully internally developed model to an integrated third party model. Therefore, beginning with the six months ending June 30, 2024, technology and employee related costs have been presented in general and administrative costs on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

**General and Administrative Expenses**

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
General and administrative expenses	\$ 12,240	\$ 10,166	\$ (2,074)	(16.9)%

The decrease in general and administrative expenses was primarily the result of a decrease of \$2.2 million in depreciation and amortization, a decrease of \$0.3 million in headcount expense, and a decrease of \$0.3 in other miscellaneous costs, partially offset by an increase in stock-compensation expense of \$0.4 million and an increase in restructuring costs of \$0.3 million.

**Impairment loss on intangibles**

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Impairment loss on intangibles	\$ 39,445	\$ —	\$ (39,445)	(100.0)%

Certain asset groups experienced a significant decrease in sales and contribution margin through June 30, 2023. This was considered an interim triggering event for the six months ended June 30, 2023. Based on the analysis of comparing the undiscounted cash flow to the carrying value of the asset group, one group tested indicated that the assets may not be recoverable. There was no impairment loss on intangibles during the six months ended June 30, 2024.

**Interest expense, net**

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Interest expense, net	\$ 717	\$ 552	\$ (165)	(23.0)%

The decrease in interest expense, net of \$0.2 million is primarily relating to a decrease in interest expense of \$0.5 million and an increase in interest income of \$0.3 million compared to the prior period.

**Change in fair market value of warrant liability**

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2023	2024	Amount	%
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Change in fair market value of warrant liability	\$ (1,843)	\$ (569)	\$ 1,274	(69.1)%

The 2023 and 2024 activity is related to the change in fair market value of the warrant liabilities from the common stock warrants from our March 2022 equity raise of capital. The change in fair value of warrant liabilities during the six months ending June 30, 2024 primarily relates to the reduced share price compared to the prior period.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources****Cash Flows for the Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 and 2024**

The following table provides information regarding our cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2024:

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
	(in thousands)	
Cash (used in) provided by operating activities	\$ (8,857)	\$ 2,896
Cash used in investing activities	(191)	(242)
Cash used in financing activities	(6,547)	(2,336)
Effect of exchange rate on cash	255	(29)
Net change in cash and restricted cash for the period	<u>\$ (15,340)</u>	<u>\$ 289</u>

**Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Operating Activities**

Net cash used in operating activities was \$8.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023, resulting primarily from our net cash losses from operations of \$14.2 million, impacts from working capital of \$5.3 million from changes in accounts receivable, purchases of inventory and payments of accounts payable. The reduction of gross inventory of \$6.7 million from December 31, 2022 to June 30, 2023 primarily relates to the liquidation of high priced excess inventory and a reduction of purchases for the period.

Net cash generated by operating activities was \$2.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024, resulting primarily from our net cash losses from operations of \$5.0 million, inflow from working capital of \$7.9 million from changes in accounts receivable, purchases of inventory and payments of accounts payable. The working capital benefit primarily relates to the timing of payments for our seasonal air quality products.

**Net Cash Used in Investing Activities**

For the six months ended June 30, 2023, net cash used in investing activities was \$0.2 million primarily related to the remaining payment for the purchase of Step and Go assets which was acquired during the three months ending December 31, 2022.

For the six months ended June 30, 2024, net cash used in investing activities was \$0.2 million primarily related to the purchase of a minority equity investment in 4th and Heart during the six months ending June 30, 2024.

**Net Cash Used in Financing Activities**

For the six months ended June 30, 2023, cash used by financing activities of \$6.5 million primarily from the net repayments for our MidCap credit facility of \$5.5 million, repayment of note payable to Smash of \$0.5 million and payment of insurance obligations of \$0.5 million.

For the six months ended June 30, 2024, cash used by financing activities of \$2.3 million primarily from the net repayments for our MidCap credit facility of \$1.6 million, repayment of note payable to Smash of \$0.4 million and payment of insurance obligations of \$0.3 million.

### **Liquidity and Going Concern**

As an emerging growth company in the early commercialization stage of its lifecycle, we are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties associated with the development of our enterprise. In this regard, substantially all of our efforts to date have been devoted to the development and sale of our products in the marketplace, which includes our investment in organic growth at the expense of short-term profitability, our investment in incremental growth through mergers & acquisitions (“M&A strategy”), our recruitment of management and technical staff, and raising capital to fund the development of our enterprise. As a result of these efforts, we have incurred significant losses and negative cash flows from operations since our inception and expect to continue to incur such losses, at a reduced level, and negative cash flows for the foreseeable future until such time that we reach a scale of profitability to sustain our operations. We have also experienced declining revenues due to macroeconomic factors, including increased interest rates and reduced consumer discretionary spending, and other factors, and we intend to focus our efforts on a more limited number of products. In addition, our recent financial performance has been adversely impacted by inflationary pressures and reduced consumer spending.

In order to execute our growth strategy, we have historically relied on outside capital through the issuance of equity, debt, and borrowings under financing arrangements (collectively “outside capital”) to fund our cost structure, and we expect to continue to rely on outside capital for the foreseeable future, specifically for our M&A strategy. While we believe we will eventually reach a level of profitability to sustain our operations, there can be no assurance we will be able to achieve such profitability or do so in a manner that does not require our continued reliance on outside capital. Moreover, while we have historically been successful in raising outside capital, there can be no assurance we will be able to continue to obtain outside capital in the future or do so on terms that are acceptable to us.

As of the date the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements were issued (the “issuance date”), we evaluated the significance of the following adverse financial conditions in accordance with Accounting Standard Codification 205-40, Going Concern:

- Since our inception, we have incurred significant losses and used cash flows from operations to fund our enterprise. In this regard, during the six months ended June 30, 2024, we incurred a net loss of \$8.8 million and generated net cash flows from operations of \$2.9 million. In addition, as of June 30, 2024, we had unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of \$20.3 million available to fund our operations and an accumulated deficit of \$708.6 million.
- We are required to remain in compliance with certain financial covenants required by the MidCap Credit facility (See Note 7, Credit Facility, Term Loans and Warrants). We were in compliance with these financial covenants as of June 30, 2024, and expect to remain in compliance through at least June 30, 2025. During February 2024, the Company amended its terms with Midcap Credit Facility extending the term until December 2026 and amending certain financial covenants with favorable terms. We can provide no assurances that we will remain in compliance with our financial covenants. Further, absent of our ability to generate cash inflows from our operations or secure additional outside capital, we will be unable to remain in compliance with these financial covenants. In the event we are unable to remain in compliance with these financial covenants (or other non-financial covenants required by the MidCap Credit Facility), and we are unable to secure a waiver or forbearance, MidCap may, at its discretion, exercise any and all of its existing rights and remedies, which may include, among others, accelerating repayment of the outstanding borrowings and/or asserting its rights in the assets securing the loan.
- As of the issuance date, we have no firm commitments to secure additional outside capital from lenders or investors. While we expect to continue to explore raising additional outside capital, specifically to fund our M&A strategy, there can be no assurance we will be able to obtain capital or do so on terms that are acceptable to us. Accordingly, absent our ability to generate cash inflows from our operations and/or secure additional outside capital in the near term, we may be unable to meet our obligations as they become due over the next twelve months beyond the issuance date.
- The Company's plan is to continue to closely monitor our operating forecast, to pursue our M&A strategy, to pursue additional sources of outside capital on terms that are acceptable to us, and to secure a waiver or forbearance from MidCap if we are unable to remain in compliance with one or more of the covenants required by the MidCap Credit Facility. Further, the Company has enacted a strategy to reduce the number of SKUs it sells and will no longer be pursuing future sales of SKUs that are either not profitable or not core to the Company's strategy. If some or all of our plans prove unsuccessful, we may need to implement short-term changes to our operating plan, including but not limited to delaying expenditures, reducing investments in new products, or reducing our sale and distribution infrastructure. We may also need to seek long-term strategic alternatives, such as a significant curtailment of our operations, a sale of certain of our assets, a divestiture of certain product lines, a sale of the entire enterprise to strategic or financial investors, and/or allow our enterprise to become insolvent.

The Company has initiated two restructuring programs over the last 15 months to reduce operating costs and right size the workforce to align with the scale of our streamlined operations. In addition, we have reduced the SKU count to solely focus on profitable products that are core to the Company's strategy. During the six months ending June 30, 2024, we extended the term with Midcap Credit Facility until December 2026 (See Note 7, Credit Facility, Term Loans and Warrants) and amended key terms which will add more flexibility to liquidity and strengthen our balance sheet. In consideration of these factors, the Company will monitor profitability and cash flow over the next several quarters to evaluate our ability to continue as a going concern.

Although significant strides have been made in reducing our operating losses and strengthening our balance sheet, uncertainties persist in our business operations and the forecasting of our business. These uncertainties raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. The accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis that we will continue to operate as a going concern, which contemplates that we will be able to realize assets and settle liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements do not include any adjustments that may result from the outcome of these uncertainties.

**Nasdaq Listing** - On April 24, 2023, we received a letter from the Listing Qualifications Staff of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“Nasdaq”) indicating that, based upon the closing bid price of our common stock for the last 30 consecutive business days, the Company is currently in compliance with the requirement to maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market, as set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) (the “Bid Price Notice”). The Bid Price Notice provided a compliance period of 180 calendar days from the date of the Bid Price Notice, or until October 23, 2023, to regain compliance with the minimum closing bid requirement, pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A). Following a request we made on October 13, 2023, on October 24, 2023, we received a letter from Nasdaq granting the Company an additional 180 days, or until April 22, 2024, to regain compliance with the minimum closing bid requirement (the “Extension Notice”).

Nasdaq notified the Company in the Compliance Notice that from March 22, 2024 to April 5, 2024 the closing bid price of the Company's common stock had been \$1.00 per share or greater and, accordingly, the Company had regained compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) and that the matter was now closed.

On August 11, 2023, Aterian's shareholders approved discretionary authority to our Board to (A) amend our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to effect one or more consolidations of the issued and outstanding shares of our common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, pursuant to which the shares of Common Stock would be combined and reclassified at ratios within the range from 1-for-2 up to 1-for-30 and (B) determine whether to arrange for the disposition of fractional interests by stockholders entitled thereto, to pay in cash the fair value of fractions of a share of Common Stock as of the time when those entitled to receive such fractions are determined, or to entitle stockholders to receive from our transfer agent, in lieu of any fractional share, the number of shares of Common Stock rounded up to the next whole number, and to amend our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation in connection therewith.

On March 20, 2024, the Company filed a Certificate of Amendment to its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company with the Secretary of State of Delaware (the “Certificate of Amendment”) to affect a 1-for-12 reverse stock split (the “Reverse Stock Split”) of the shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the “Common Stock”). The Certificate of Amendment did not decrease the number of authorized shares of Common Stock. No fractional shares were issued in connection with the Reverse Stock Split. Any fractional shares that would otherwise have resulted from the Reverse Stock Split were rounded up to the nearest whole number. The Reverse Stock Split impacted all holders of the Common Stock proportionally and did not impact any stockholder's percentage ownership of Common Stock (except to the extent the Reverse Stock Split results in any stockholder owning fractional shares).

The Common Stock began trading on a Reverse Stock Split-adjusted basis on the Nasdaq on March 22, 2024. All share and per share data has been retroactively adjusted to reflect the Reverse Stock Split.

**Restructuring** - On May 9, 2023, the Company announced a plan to reduce expenses by implementing a reduction in its current workforce impacting approximately 50 employees and 15 contractors, primarily in the Philippines. The Company recognized restructuring charges of \$1.6 million for the year-ended December 31, 2023, respectively.

On February 8, 2024, the Company committed to a fixed cost-cutting plan, including a reduction in workforce which resulted in the termination of approximately 17 employees and 26 contractors globally. The Company recognized restructuring charges of \$17 thousand and \$0.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024, respectively.

As of June 30, 2024, the Company has a liability of \$0.2 million for restructuring costs included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. As of June 30, 2023, the Company has a liability of \$0.6 million for restructuring costs, of which \$0.5 million is included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities and \$0.1 million is included in other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet.

**MidCap Credit Facility** —On December 22, 2021, we entered into a Credit Facility with MidCap, pursuant to which, among other things, (i) the lenders party thereto as lenders (the “Lenders”) agreed to provide a revolving credit facility in a principal amount of up to \$40.0 million subject to a borrowing base consisting of, among other things, inventory and sales receivables (subject to certain reserves), and (ii) we agreed to issue to MidCap Funding XXVII Trust a warrant to purchase up to an aggregate of 16,667 shares of our common stock, in exchange for the Lenders extending loans and other extensions of credit to us under the Credit Facility.

Prior to the February 2024 amendment, The Credit Facility contained a financial covenant that required us to maintain a minimum unrestricted cash balance of (a) \$12.5 million during the period from February 1st through and including May 31st of each calendar year, and (b) \$15.0 million at all other times.

On February 23, 2024, the Company amended its asset backed credit facility with MidCap Financial Trust. The Credit Facility term has been extended to December 2026 and gives Aterian access to \$17 million in current commitments which can be increased, subject to certain conditions, to \$30.0 million. The Credit Facility extension reduces the minimum liquidity financial covenant from a peak of \$15.0 million to \$6.8 million of cash on hand and/or availability in the Credit Facility. The extension fee was less than \$0.1 million. At our election, we may elect to comply with an alternative financial covenant that would require us to maintain a minimum borrowing availability under the credit facility of \$5.0 million at all times. We currently do not anticipate electing the alternative financial covenant over the next twelve months and are in compliance with the minimum liquidity covenant as of the date these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements were issued.

The outstanding balance on the MidCap credit facility as of December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024 was \$11.1 million and \$9.6 million, respectively. The Company had \$1.1 million available on the Midcap credit facility as of June 30, 2024. We are in compliance with the financial covenants contained within the Credit Agreement as of June 30, 2024.

## Non-GAAP Financial Measures

We believe that our financial statements and the other financial data included in this Quarterly Report have been prepared in a manner that complies, in all material respects, with generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. ("GAAP"). However, for the reasons discussed below, we have presented certain non-GAAP measures herein.

We have presented the following non-GAAP measures to assist investors in understanding our core net operating results on an on-going basis: (i) Contribution margin; (ii) Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue; (iii) EBITDA (iv) Adjusted EBITDA; and (v) Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue. These non-GAAP financial measures may also assist investors in making comparisons of our core operating results with those of other companies.

As used herein, Contribution margin represents gross profit less e-commerce platform commissions, online advertising, selling and logistics expenses (included in sales and distribution expenses). As used herein, Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue represents Contribution margin divided by net revenue. As used herein, EBITDA represents net loss plus depreciation and amortization, interest expense, net provision for income taxes. As used herein, Adjusted EBITDA represents EBITDA plus stock-based compensation expense, changes in fair-market value of warrant liability, impairment on intangibles, restructuring expenses, and other expenses, net. As used herein, Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue represents Adjusted EBITDA divided by net revenue. Contribution margin, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA do not represent and should not be considered as alternatives to loss from operations or net loss, as determined under GAAP.

We present Contribution margin and Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue, as we believe each of these measures provides an additional metric to evaluate our operations and, when considered with both our GAAP results and the reconciliation to gross profit, provides useful supplemental information for investors. Specifically, Contribution margin and Contribution margin as a Non-GAAP Financial Measure percentage of net revenue are two of our key metrics in running our business. All product decisions made by us, from the approval of launching a new product and to the liquidation of a product at the end of its life cycle, are measured primarily from Contribution margin and/or Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue. Further, we believe these measures provide improved transparency to our stockholders to determine the performance of our products prior to fixed costs as opposed to referencing gross profit alone.

In the reconciliation to calculate contribution margin, we add e-commerce platform commissions, online advertising, selling and logistics expenses ("sales and distribution variable expense") to gross profit to inform users of our financial statements of what our product profitability is at each period prior to fixed costs (such as sales and distribution expenses such as salaries as well as research and development expenses and general administrative expenses). By excluding these fixed costs, we believe this allows users of our financial statements to understand our products performance and allows them to measure our products performance over time.

We present EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue because we believe each of these measures provides an additional metric to evaluate our operations and, when considered with both our GAAP results and the reconciliation to net loss, provide useful supplemental information for investors. We use these measures with financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP, such as sales and gross margins, to assess our historical and prospective operating performance, to provide meaningful comparisons of operating performance across periods, to enhance our understanding of our operating performance and to compare our performance to that of our peers and competitors. We believe EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue are useful to investors in assessing the operating performance of our business without the effect of non-cash items.

Contribution margin, Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue, EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue should not be considered in isolation or as alternatives to net loss, loss from operations or any other measure of financial performance calculated and prescribed in accordance with GAAP. Neither EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA or Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue should be considered a measure of discretionary cash available to us to invest in the growth of our business. Our Contribution margin, Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue, EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue may not be comparable to similar titled measures in other organizations because other organizations may not calculate Contribution margin, Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue, EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA or Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue in the same manner as we do. Our presentation of Contribution margin and Adjusted EBITDA should not be construed as an inference that our future results will be unaffected by the expenses that are excluded from such terms or by unusual or non-recurring items.

We recognize that EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue, have limitations as analytical financial measures. For example, neither EBITDA nor Adjusted EBITDA reflects:

- our capital expenditures or future requirements for capital expenditures or mergers and acquisitions;
- the interest expense or the cash requirements necessary to service interest expense or principal payments, associated with indebtedness;
- depreciation and amortization, which are non-cash charges, although the assets being depreciated and amortized will likely have to be replaced in the future, or any cash requirements for the replacement of assets;
- changes in cash requirements for our working capital needs; or
- changes warrant liabilities

Additionally, Adjusted EBITDA excludes non-cash stock-based compensation expense, which is and is expected to remain a key element of our overall long-term incentive compensation package.

We also recognize that Contribution margin and Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue have limitations as analytical financial measures. For example, Contribution margin does not reflect:

- general and administrative expense necessary to operate our business; research and development expenses necessary for the development, operation and support of our software platform;
- the fixed costs portion of our sales and distribution expenses including stock-based compensation expense; or
- warrant liabilities

### Contribution Margin

The following table provides a reconciliation of Contribution margin to gross profit and Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue to gross profit as a percentage of net revenue, which are the most directly comparable financial measures presented in accordance with GAAP:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Gross Profit	\$ 14,896	\$ 16,891	\$ 33,992	\$ 30,060
Less:				
E-commerce platform commissions, online advertising, selling and logistics expenses	(16,164)	(12,024)	(33,193)	(22,345)
Contribution margin	\$ (1,268)	\$ 4,867	\$ 799	\$ 7,715
Gross Profit as a percentage of net revenue	42.2%	60.4%	48.5%	62.4%
Contribution margin as a percentage of net revenue	(3.6)%	17.4%	1.1%	16.0%

### Adjusted EBITDA

The following table provides a reconciliation of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA to net loss, which is the most directly comparable financial measure presented in accordance with GAAP:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Net loss	\$ (34,787)	\$ (3,629)	\$ (60,587)	\$ (8,791)
Add:				
Provision for income taxes	26	205	52	276
Interest expense, net	346	228	717	552
Depreciation and amortization	1,202	430	2,964	858
EBITDA	(33,213)	(2,766)	(56,854)	(7,105)
Other expense, net	176	43	229	50
Impairment loss on intangibles	22,785	—	39,445	—
Change in fair market value of warrant liability	(2,197)	(52)	(1,843)	(569)
Restructuring expense <sup>(1)</sup>	1,216	17	1,216	575
Stock-based compensation expense	3,223	2,921	5,539	4,588
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ (8,010)	\$ 163	\$ (12,268)	\$ (2,461)
Net loss as a percentage of net revenue	(98.6)%	(13.0)%	(86.4)%	(18.2)%
Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue	(22.7)%	0.6%	(17.5)%	(5.1)%

(1) Restructuring expenses include non-recurring employee severance costs relating to the Company reorganization executed during the three and six months ending June 30, 2023 and 2024.

**Critical Accounting Policies and Use of Estimates**

As discussed in our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, the discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("US GAAP"). The preparation of these consolidated financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses reported in those consolidated financial statements. These judgments can be subjective and complex, and consequently, actual results could differ from those estimates. Our most critical accounting policies and estimates relate to revenue recognition; leases; impairment of intangible assets; impairment of long-lived assets; and income taxes (including uncertain tax positions). There have been no significant changes to the Company's accounting policies subsequent to December 31, 2023.

**Intangible asset valuation**—We review long-lived assets for impairment when performance expectations, events, or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset's carrying value may not be recoverable. The evaluation is performed at the lowest level of identifiable cash flows by comparing the carrying value of the asset group to the undiscounted cash flows. If the evaluation indicates that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable, any potential impairment is measured based upon the fair value of the related asset or asset group as determined by an appropriate market appraisal or other valuation technique.

On March 20, 2023, the Company made certain leadership changes in our essential oil business resulting in a change in strategy and outlook for the business which will result in a reduced portfolio offering. This reduction in the portfolio will be impactful to our essential oil business's future revenues and profitability and as a result the Company made revisions to our internal forecasts. The Company concluded that this change was an interim triggering event for the three months ending March 31, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our essential oil business's long-lived assets including trademarks may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-life trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$16.7 million in the three months ending March 31, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

During the three months ended June 30, 2023, the Company had a substantial decrease in its market capitalization, primarily relating to a decrease in share price. Further, the Company continues to see reduced net revenues across its portfolio due to the current macroeconomic environment reducing demand for consumer goods. Finally, during the three months ending June 30, 2023, the Company implemented a strategy of rationalizing certain less profitable products and reducing its product offering, specifically related to its kitchen appliance products. As a result of this rationalization, along with the reduced demand for its products, the Company has made certain revisions to its internal forecasts for its Paper business and Kitchen appliance business. The Company concluded that these factors were an interim triggering event for the three months ending June 30, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our Paper and Kitchen appliance business's long-lived assets, including trademarks, may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-life trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$22.8 million for the Paper business and Kitchen appliance business during the three months ending June 30, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

During the three months ended December 31, 2023, the Company continued to see reduced revenue in its Paper business resulting in certain revisions to its internal forecasts. Due to these revisions in forecast due to reduced demand, the Company concluded this was an interim triggering event for the three months ending December 31, 2023 indicating the carrying value of our Paper business's long-lived assets, including trademarks, may not be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company performed an interim impairment test of the trademark and assessed the recoverability of the related intangible assets by using Level 3 inputs and comparing the carrying value of an asset group to the net undiscounted cash flow expected to be generated. The recoverability test indicated that certain definite-life trademark intangible assets were impaired. The Company concluded the carrying value of the trademark exceeded its estimated fair value which was determined utilizing the relief-from-royalty method to determine discounted projected future cash flows which resulted in an impairment charge. The Company recorded an intangible impairment charge of \$0.3 million for the Paper business during the three months ending December 31, 2023 within impairment loss on intangibles on the consolidated statement of operations.

There were no triggering events to test intangibles for impairment loss during the six months ended June 30, 2024.

We will continue to closely monitor actual results versus expectations as well as whether and to what extent any significant changes in current events or conditions result in corresponding changes to our expectations about future estimated cash flows. If our adjusted expectations of the operating results do not materialize, we may be required to record intangible impairment charges, which may be material.

While we believe our conclusions regarding the estimates of recoverability of our asset groupings are appropriate, these estimates are subject to uncertainty and by nature include judgments and estimates regarding various factors. These factors include the rate and extent of growth in the markets that our asset groups serve, the realization of future sales price and volume increases, fluctuations in exchange rates, fluctuations in price and availability of key raw materials, fluctuations in discount rate, and future operating efficiencies.

**Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

Not applicable.



**Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

**Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Based on the evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of June 30, 2024, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of June 30, 2024.

**Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

**Dismissal of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

On June 26, 2024, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Aterian, Inc. (the "Company") approved the dismissal of Deloitte & Touche LLP ("Deloitte") as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm and engaged UHY LLP ("UHY") as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm.

Deloitte's report on the Company's consolidated financial statements for the two most recent fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles except for Deloitte's unqualified opinion on the financial statements that included an explanatory paragraph regarding substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. During the Company's two most recent fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, and subsequent interim periods through the date of this report, there were no disagreements with Deloitte on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure which, if not resolved to the satisfaction of Deloitte, would have caused Deloitte to make reference to the matter in connection with its report. There were no reportable events of the type listed in paragraphs (A) through (D) of Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K that occurred within the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, and subsequent interim periods through the date of this report.

The Company provided Deloitte with a copy of the disclosures it is making in this report and requested that Deloitte furnish a letter addressed to the SEC stating whether Deloitte agrees with the statements made herein and, if it does not agree, the respects in which it does not agree, in accordance with Item 304(a)(3) of Regulation S-K. A copy of Deloitte's letter, dated June 27, 2024, is filed as Exhibit 16.1 to this Form 10-Q.

**Appointment of New Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.**

As noted above, as a result of the Audit Committee's assessment and review of several accounting firms, also effective June 26, 2024, the Company completed the appointment of UHY LLP ("UHY") as its independent registered public accounting firm. During the Company's two most recent fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the subsequent interim periods through the date of this report, neither the Company nor anyone acting on its behalf has consulted with UHY regarding (i) the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed, or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the Company's consolidated financial statements, and either a written report was provided to the Company by UHY, or oral advice was provided that UHY concluded was an important factor considered by the Company in reaching a decision as to the accounting, auditing or financial reporting issue; or (ii) any matter that was either the subject of a "disagreement" (as defined in paragraph 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K and the related instructions) or a "reportable event" (as described in paragraph 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

There were no other changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the six months ended June 30, 2024, that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

**Limitations on Effectiveness of Controls and Procedures**

In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives. In addition, the design of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints and that management is required to apply judgment in evaluating the benefits of possible controls and procedures relative to their costs.

**PART II—OTHER INFORMATION****Item 1. Legal Proceedings.**

The information set forth under the headings “Shareholder Derivative Actions Related to the Securities Class Action”, “Earn-out Payment Dispute” and “Mueller Action” in Note 10 of our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q is incorporated herein by reference.

We are party to various actions and claims arising in the normal course of business. We do not believe that the final outcome of these matters will have a material adverse effect on our financial position or results of operations. In addition, we maintain what we believe is adequate insurance coverage to further mitigate risk. However, no assurance can be given that the final outcome of such proceedings will not materially impact our financial condition or results of operations. Further, no assurance can be given that the amount or scope of existing insurance coverage will be sufficient to cover losses arising from such matters.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors.**

You should carefully consider the factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A. “Risk Factors” in our Annual Report and this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, which could materially affect our business, financial condition, cash flows or future results. The risks described in our Annual Report and this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are not the only risks facing our company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or future results. Except as presented below, there have been no material changes from the risk factors associated with our business previously disclosed in our Annual Report.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors.****Risks Relating to Our Business**

*We have historically operated at a loss and we may never achieve or sustain continuous profitability or positive cash flows. Further we and our independent registered public accounting firm have expressed substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.*

We have experienced significant after tax losses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. In addition, our costs have increased historically and may increase further in future periods, which could negatively affect our future operating results and ability to achieve and sustain long-term ongoing profitability. For example, we may need to continue to expend substantial financial and other resources on the ideation, sourcing and development of products, our technology infrastructure, research and development, sales and marketing, international expansion and general administration, including expenses related to being a public company. We have had to rely on a combination of cash flow from operations and new capital in order to sustain our business. Despite the fact that we have raised significant capital, there can be no assurance that we will ever achieve long-term continuous profitability. Even if we do, there can be no assurance that we will be able to maintain or increase profitability on a quarterly or annual basis. Failure to achieve or sustain profitability could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our growth strategy has resulted in operating losses and negative cash flows from operations that raised substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. Our former independent registered public accounting firm included an explanatory paragraph in its report on our financial statements as of and for the year-ended December 31, 2023, that raised substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. If we are unable to continue as a going concern or maintain our financial covenants with our lenders, we may have to make significant changes to our operating plan, such as delay expenditures, reduce investments in new products, reduce our sale and distribution infrastructure, or significantly reduce our business. Further, if we are unable to continue as a going concern, we may be forced to liquidate our assets and the values we receive for our assets in liquidation or dissolution could be significantly lower than the values reflected in our financial statements.

*A significant majority of our revenue results from sales of products on Amazon’s U.S. Marketplace and any change, limitation, or restriction on our ability to operate on Amazon’s platform could have a material adverse impact on our business, operating results, financial condition, and cash flows.*

A substantial percentage of our revenue is from sales of products on Amazon’s U.S. marketplace and we are subject to Amazon’s terms of service (“ToS”) and various other Amazon seller policies. Amazon has the right to terminate or suspend our ability to sell on its platform at any time and for any reason. Amazon may also take other actions against us such as suspending or terminating our seller accounts or product listings and withholding payments owed to us indefinitely. From time to time in the past, we have experienced such adverse actions for products we have launched and products we have acquired and we can provide no assurance that we will be able to comply with Amazon’s ToS. Further, in the event any of our seller accounts or product listings are suspended, or our product listings are required to be changed, for noncompliance or any other reason, including UPC brand mismatches, our reinstatement efforts may take significant time and attention or could fail, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, financial condition, and cash flows. In addition, Amazon has made, and we expect will continue to make, changes to its platform that could require us to change the manner in which we operate, limit our ability to successfully market existing products and to launch new products or increase our costs to operate. Such changes and the efforts required to maintain compliance therewith could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results, financial condition, and cash flows. Examples of past changes from Amazon have included platform fee increases (i.e., storage, advertising, fulfillment and selling commissions), inventory warehouse limitations, restrictions on certain marketing activities and changes to listing requirements that limit the variations of products that can be included in a single listing. Any change, limitation or restriction on our ability to sell on Amazon’s platform, even if temporary, could have a material impact on our business, operating results, financial condition, and cash flows. We also rely on services provided by Amazon’s fulfillment platform, including its Prime badge program, in which Amazon guarantees expedited shipping of products we sell to the consumer, an important factor in the consumer’s buying decision. Further, Amazon allows us to fulfill from our own third-party warehouses directly to customers under the same Prime badge guarantee. Amazon may at any time decide to discontinue allowing us to fulfill sales of our products directly from our warehouse network or limit our ability to advertise on our product listings that such products will receive expedited shipping under its Prime badge program. Any such inability or limitation, could have a material impact on our business, results of operations, financial condition, and cash flows. We have historically experienced Amazon’s removal of the Prime badge guarantee from certain of our seller accounts and in those cases we have had limited success having the Prime badge guarantee reinstated in a timely manner or at all. We are currently experiencing such loss of Prime badge on one of our seller accounts and may not be able to recover such badge on a timely manner or at all.

***Our efforts to grow our business through new products, marketplace and geographic expansion may not be successful and may place a significant strain on our management and operational, financial and other resources.***

Our long-term success depends on our ability to develop and commercialize a continuing stream of new products, to expand both to new marketplaces and geographies and to leverage new technologies we may incorporate into our business. We have entered and expect to continue to enter new product categories and both new marketplaces and geographies for which we have limited or no experience. In part we rely on Amazon's global reviews program for success in our international expansion. If that program were to be limited, reduced or discontinued, our international expansion could be negatively affected. We also in part rely on our ability to include new products as variations to existing listings on Amazon. If that strategy were no longer possible for whatever reason, our ability to launch new products could be materially affected. Our efforts to grow our business place significant strain on our management, personnel, operations, systems, financial resources, and internal financial control and reporting functions, among other things. We have limited personnel and resources and have reduced headcount significantly in recent years. In order to accomplish our growth goals, our team is required to focus on such growth ventures and reallocate their time and other resources, creating risk in all aspects of our business. We face the risk that we will be unable to disrupt incumbents and that our competitors will introduce new and better products that compete with us. There are numerous uncertainties inherent in successfully developing and commercializing new products on a continuing basis and new product launches may not deliver expected growth in sales or operating results. Any new product that we develop and market may not be introduced in a timely or cost-effective manner, may contain defects, errors, quality or other issues, or may not achieve the market acceptance necessary to generate sufficient revenue or may never become profitable. If we are unable to develop and introduce a continuing stream of competitive new products, it may have an adverse effect on our business, operating results, financial condition, and cash flows. Our failure to successfully execute on our growth initiatives can negatively impact our financial results, financial condition, and cash flows.

***We may be unsuccessful in making investments, unable to make or unsuccessful in integrating acquisitions or in maintaining or growing the financial performance of any investees or acquired businesses which may adversely affect our business and operating results and could impact the price of our common stock and result in dilution to shareholders.***

Acquisitions and investments are an important aspect of our growth strategy and we expect to continue to pursue brand and other strategic acquisitions and investments. We have acquired a number of companies, and we may in the future acquire or invest in or enter into joint ventures with additional companies. Such acquisitions have in the past required, and in the future may require, the attention of management in integrating those businesses including increased attention to managing the supply chain of certain acquisitions. In addition, we have been required to in the past, and may be required to in the future, make significant impairment charges relating to the goodwill and intangible assets of such acquired businesses. The market for acquisitions has historically been highly competitive. Our growth strategy may be adversely affected if we face increased competition for or fail to identify suitable targets. In addition, pursuing or completing any such acquisitions or investments could divert management's attention, and otherwise disrupt our operations and adversely affect our operating results, financial condition, and cash flows. Any acquisition or investment, if not favorably received by consumers, shareholders, analysts, and others in the investment community, could have a material adverse effect on the price of our common stock. In addition, any acquisition involves numerous risks, including: failing to identify problems during due diligence, liabilities or other shortcomings or challenges that could cause a target to under-perform post-closing; difficulties in the assimilation of the operations, technologies, products, and personnel associated with the acquisition and unanticipated expenses related to such integration; challenges in integrating distribution channels; diversion of management's attention from other business concerns; difficulties in transitioning and preserving customer, contractor, supplier, and other important third-party relationships; challenges realizing anticipated cost savings, synergies and other benefits; the potential impairment of tangible and intangible assets and goodwill; risks of entering markets in which we have no or limited experience; risks associated with subsequent losses including potential unknown liabilities associated with a company we acquire; and problems retaining key personnel. We provide no assurances that we will be able to complete any acquisitions or that any acquired businesses will experience the same or better level of financial performance as prior to the acquisition.

In order to complete any future acquisitions, we may need to use our cash on hand, raise additional equity or incur or assume debt, any of which could harm our business. Given the Company's current market capitalization, certain of these options may not be available or only be available on unfavorable terms and could result in significant additional dilution to our stockholders.

***We may be limited by our ability to raise the funding we need to support our growth, including through acquisitions, or to maintain our existing business. Also, such funding may be available only by diluting existing stockholders.***

The success of our business depends in part on our ability to invest significant resources in various aspects of our business including acquisitions and other strategic investments. Our success also depends on our ability to grow through acquisitions. To support our business growth, we will likely require additional funds to maintain and grow our business and to respond to business challenges. Accordingly, from time to time we may need to engage in equity or debt financings to secure additional funds. If we raise additional funds through issuances of equity or convertible debt securities, that would result in significant dilution to our existing stockholders, and any new equity securities we issue could have rights, preferences and privileges superior to those of holders of our common stock. Any debt we may incur may negatively impact our business, financial condition and operating results. We have in the past and may in the future incur debt that allows us to repay such debt using our common stock, which could result in significant dilution. Further, we may not be able to obtain additional financing on terms favorable to us, or at all, whether due to issues related to the Company or unrelated to the Company including but not limited to bank failures. If we are unable to obtain adequate financing or financing on terms satisfactory to us, when we require it, our ability to grow or to respond to business challenges would be significantly limited, and our business could fail or our operating results, financial condition, and cash flows could be adversely affected.

Any debt financing secured by us in the future could involve restrictive covenants relating to our capital-raising activities and other financial and operational matters, which may make it more difficult for us to obtain additional capital and to pursue business opportunities. In addition, we may not be able to continue to acquire the financing needed in order to pursue future acquisitions or similar transactions or we may not be able to raise sufficient equity or equity-like capital without first seeking stockholder approval, which could limit our ability to complete such financing, or to complete any related transaction on a timely basis or at all.

**Risks Relating to the Ownership of our Common Stock**

*There is no guarantee of a continuing public market for you to resell our common stock.*

There is no guarantee that we will continue to meet all requirements for continued listing on the Nasdaq Capital Market. We must continue to satisfy Nasdaq's continued listing requirements, including, among other things, a minimum closing bid price requirement of \$1.00 per share

On April 24, 2023, we received a letter from the Listing Qualifications Staff of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") indicating that, based upon the closing bid price of our common stock for the last 30 consecutive business days, the Company was not in compliance with the requirement to maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market (the "Bid Price Notice"). The Bid Price Notice provided a compliance period of 180 calendar days from the date of the Bid Price Notice, or until October 23, 2023, to regain compliance with the minimum closing bid requirement, pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A). Following a request we made on October 13, 2023, on October 24, 2023, we received a letter from Nasdaq granting the Company an additional 180 days, or until April 22, 2024, to regain compliance with the minimum closing bid requirement. On April 8, 2024, Aterian, Inc. (the "Company") received written notice (the "Compliance Notice") from Nasdaq informing the Company that it has regained compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) which requires that companies listed on Nasdaq maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share. Nasdaq notified the Company in the Compliance Notice that from March 22, 2024 to April 5, 2024 the closing bid price of the Company's common stock had been \$1.00 per share or greater and, accordingly, the Company had regained compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) and that the matter was now closed.

In the future, if our Common Stock falls below the continued listing standard of \$1.00 per share or otherwise fails to satisfy any of the Nasdaq continued listing requirements, and if we are unable to cure such deficiency during any subsequent cure period, our Common Stock could be delisted from the Nasdaq. If our Common Stock ultimately were to be delisted for any reason, we could face significant material adverse consequences, including:

- limited availability of market quotations for our Common Stock;
- a limited amount of news and analyst coverage for us;
- a decreased ability for us to issue additional securities or obtain additional financing in the future;
- limited liquidity for our stockholders due to thin trading; and
- the potential loss of confidence by investors and employees.

**Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.**

None.

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.**

None.

**Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.**

Not applicable.

**Item 5. Other Information.**

Rule 10b-5(1) Trading Plans. During the three months ended June 30, 2024, no director or officer of the Company adopted or terminated a "Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement" or "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement," as each term is defined in Item 408(a) of Regulation S-K.

**6. Exhibits.**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Incorporated by Reference</b>			
		<b>Form</b>	<b>File Number</b>	<b>Filing Date</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>
10.1*	<a href="#">Employment Agreement dated March 30, 2022, by and between Aterian Group, Inc. and Joshua Feldman</a>				
10.2*	<a href="#">Amendment to Joshua Feldman Employment Agreement</a>				
10.3*	<a href="#">Amendment to Arturo Rodriguez Employment Agreement</a>				
10.4*	<a href="#">Consulting Agreement dated June 26, 2024, by and between Aterian Group, Inc. and Joseph Risico</a>				
16.1	<a href="#">Letter from Deloitte to the Securities and Exchange Commission dated June 27, 2024.</a>				
31.1*	<a href="#">Certifications of the Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.</a>				
31.2*	<a href="#">Certifications of the Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.</a>				
32.1**	<a href="#">Certifications of the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</a>				
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document				
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document				
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document				
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document				
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document				
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document				
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL)				

\* Filed herewith.

\*\* Furnished herewith.

# Indicates management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**ATERIAN, INC.**

Date: August 9, 2024

By: /s/ Arturo Rodriguez  
Arturo Rodriguez  
Chief Executive Officer  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*

Date: August 9, 2024

By: /s/ Joshua Feldman  
Joshua Feldman  
Chief Financial Officer  
*(Principal Financial Officer)*

**CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO  
RULE 13a-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Arturo Rodriguez, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Aterian, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 9, 2024

/s/ Arturo Rodriguez  
Arturo Rodriguez  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

**CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT  
TO RULE 13a-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Joshua Feldman, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Aterian, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 9, 2024

/s/ Joshua Feldman  
Joshua Feldman  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)



**CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Aterian, Inc. (the "Company") for the period ended June 30, 2024 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to their knowledge that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Arturo Rodriguez  
Arturo Rodriguez  
*Chief Executive Officer*  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*  
August 9, 2024

/s / Joshua Feldman  
Joshua Feldman  
*Chief Financial Officer*  
*(Principal Financial Officer)*  
August 9, 2024

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

This certification accompanies the Report, is not deemed 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, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act (whether made before or after the date of the Report), irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.



June 26, 2024

Joshua Feldman  
(via email only to joshua.feldman@aterian.io)

Re: Amendments to your Employment Agreement

Dear Josh,

This will amend your employment arrangements with Aterian, Inc. (the "Company") as set forth in that letter agreement dated March 30, 2022 between you and the Company (, as amended from time to time, collectively, the "Employment Agreement").

We agree that, beginning June 26, 2024, your annual salary will be \$310,000.

We also agree to the following:

- You will be granted 61,333 shares of restricted common stock of the Company, vesting one-third on the approximate one-year anniversary of the date of grant and thereafter in eight equal quarterly installments

All other terms of the Employment Agreement, including bonus target shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Sincerely,

Aterian, Inc.

By: /s/ Christopher Porcelli  
Christopher Porcelli, General Counsel and Head of People

Agreed and Accepted:

/s/ Joshua Feldman  
Joshua Feldman



June 26, 2024

Arturo Rodriguez  
(via email only to arturo@aterian.io)

Re: Amendments to your Employment Agreement

Dear Arty,

This will amend your employment arrangements with Aterian, Inc. (the "Company") as set forth in that letter agreement dated September 18, 2017 between you and the Company (as amended from time to time, collectively, the "Employment Agreement").

We agree that, beginning June 26, 2024, your annual salary will be \$360,000.

We also agree to the following:

- You will be granted 176,000 shares of restricted common stock of the Company, vesting one-third on the approximate one-year anniversary of the date of grant and thereafter in eight equal quarterly installments
- You are eligible to receive an annual cash or stock performance bonus at a target rate of 75% of your base salary for fiscal 2024

All other terms of the Employment Agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Sincerely,

Aterian, Inc.

By: /s/ Christopher Porcelli  
Christopher Porcelli, General Counsel and Head of People

Agreed and Accepted:

/s/ Arturo Rodriguez  
Arturo Rodriguez



Aterian, Inc.

37 E. 18th St, 7th Fl New York, NY 10003

March 30, 2022

Dear Joshua,

Aterian, Inc (the "Company"), is super excited to offer you employment with the Company. We're always looking for 10x'ers and think you have what it takes to be an Aterianite.

**Position, Salary and Bonus Target.** I am pleased to offer you the position listed below. You will receive an annual salary listed below, which will be paid semi-monthly and subject to periodic review. You are eligible to participate in the Company bonus program; your annual bonus target will be the below percentage. If at any point in your employment, your position / level changes, your annual bonus target may change. Bonuses under the Company bonus program are discretionary. The actual bonus amount could be larger or smaller than this amount, based on your performance and the performance of the Company. Whether a bonus will be awarded in a particular bonus period, and in what amount, is within Aterian's sole discretion. Please note that both your salary and bonus eligibility are subject to periodic review and may be modified in Aterian's discretion.

**Title: SVP of Finance Salary: \$270,000**

**Annual Bonus Target: 20%**

By signing this letter, you confirm with the Company that you are under no contractual or other legal obligations that would prohibit you from performing your duties with the Company. As a regular employee of the Company you will be eligible to participate in a number of Company-sponsored benefits, which are described in the employee benefit summary that I have enclosed with this letter.

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**Equity Award.** Subject to the approval of the Company's Board of Directors, you will be granted **100,000** shares of restricted common stock or restricted stock units of the Company (the "**Award**"), at the sole and absolute discretion of the Company's Board of Directors. The Award will be subject to the terms and conditions applicable to awards granted under the Company's Amended and Restated 2018 Equity Incentive Plan or an inducement equity plan adopted or to be adopted by the Company (either as may be amended or restated from time to time, the "**Plan**"), as described in the Plan and an applicable restricted stock or restricted stock unit award agreement for use under the Plan, which you will be required to sign. You will vest in 33.3% of the shares on the 12-month anniversary of your vesting commencement date and 1/24th of the total shares will vest in monthly installments thereafter during continuous service, as described in the applicable restricted stock or restricted stock unit award agreement. You should consult with your own tax advisor concerning the tax risks associated with accepting the award described in this paragraph. By signing this offer letter, you acknowledge and agree that the offer of the award described in this paragraph is an inducement material to your entering into employment with the Company.

In the event of a Change of Control (as defined below), if: (1) you are terminated without Cause (as defined in the Plan) by the Company or the successor corporation or a parent or subsidiary of such successor corporation of the Company (the "Successor Corporation") within the ninety (90) day period prior to the consummation of the Change of Control transaction or within twelve (12) months following consummation of the Change of Control transaction; or (2) you terminate your employment with the Company or the Successor Corporation, each as applicable, for good reason within the ninety (90) day period prior to the consummation of the Change of Control transaction or within twelve (12) months following consummation of the transaction, then the Award shall become fully accelerated and fully vested immediately prior to the effective date of termination. As used herein, "Change of Control" shall mean a sale of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or any stock sale, merger, or consolidation of the Company with or into another corporation or business entity other than a stock sale, merger, or consolidation in which the holders of more than fifty percent (50%) of the shares of capital stock of the Company outstanding immediately prior to such transaction continue to hold (either by the voting securities remaining outstanding or by their being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity) more than fifty percent (50%) of the total voting power represented by the voting securities of the Company, or such surviving entity, outstanding immediately after such transaction; provided, however, that a bona fide equity financing by the Company will not be deemed to be a Change of Control.

**Proprietary Information and Inventions Agreement.** Like all Company employees, you will be required, as a condition of your employment with the Company, to sign the Company's enclosed standard Proprietary Information and Inventions Agreement.

**Employment Relationship.** Employment with the Company is for no specific period of time. Your employment with the Company will be "at will," meaning that either you or the Company may terminate your employment at any time and for any reason, with or without cause. Any contrary representations which may have been made to you are superseded by this offer. This is the full and complete agreement between you and the Company on this term. Although your job duties, title, compensation and benefits, as well as the Company's personnel policies and procedures, may change from time to time, the "at will" nature of your employment may only be changed in an express written agreement signed by you and the Company's Chief Executive Officer.

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**Severance.** If company terminates your employment pursuant to a termination without cause, outside a change of control you shall be entitled to receive severance pay in the amount of (3) three months of your base salary. If involuntarily terminated within one year after a change of control without cause, total severance amount will be (6) six months of base salary.

**Outside Activities.** While you render services to the Company, you agree that you will not engage in any other employment, consulting or other business activity, including selling on Amazon, eBay, or other ecommerce platforms, without the written consent of the Company. In addition, while you render services to the Company, you will not assist any person or entity in competing with the Company, in preparing to compete with the Company or in hiring any employees or consultants of the Company.

**No Conflicts.** It is the policy of the Company that employees neither disclose nor use any confidential information from prior employment while employed by the Company. If you have entered into specific non-disclosure agreements, non-compete agreements, non-solicitation agreements, or any other agreements with any previous employer that might affect your eligibility to be employed by us, restrict your freedom to lawfully recruit others to join our team, or otherwise limit the manner in which you may be employed, please provide us with a copy so that we can ensure that both you and the Company will be able to abide by the terms thereof if you are employed by the Company. It is the Company's understanding that any such agreements will not prevent you from performing the duties of your position and you represent that such is the case. This offer is expressly contingent upon your providing us with these agreements prior to accepting this offer, or the Company waiving this contingency, in its sole discretion.

**Withholding Taxes.** All forms of compensation referred to in this letter are subject to applicable withholding and payroll taxes.


**Entire Agreement.** This letter supersedes and replaces any prior understandings or agreements, whether oral, written or implied, between you and the Company regarding the matters described in this letter.

*[Signature Page Follows]*

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If you wish to accept this offer, please sign and date both the enclosed duplicate original of this letter and the enclosed Proprietary Information and Inventions Agreement and return them to me. As required, by law, your employment with the Company is also contingent upon your providing legal proof of your identity and authorization to work in the United States. We look forward to having you join the team!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yaniv Sarig', is written over a rectangular box. The signature is somewhat stylized and overlaps the top and right edges of the box.

Yaniv Sarig, CEO Aterian, Inc.

**ACCEPTED AND AGREED :**

Josh Feldman  
NAME

3/30/2022  
Date:

***Anticipated Start Date: May 9, 2022***

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**ATTACHMENT A**

**PROPRIETARY INFORMATION AND INVENTIONS AGREEMENT**

**PROPRIETARY INFORMATION AND INVENTIONS AGREEMENT**

In consideration of my employment or consulting (including independent contracting) relationship with **Aterian, Inc.**, a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), the training, contacts and experience that I may receive in connection with such relationship, the compensation paid to me by the Company, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I agree as follows:

**Section 1. Definitions**

The following terms have the following specified meanings:

"**Competing Business**" means any business who offers products or services that are directly or indirectly competitive with the products or services of the Company. A Competing Business includes any business pursuing research and development and/or offering products or services in competition with products or services which are, during and at the end of the Term, either (a) produced, marketed, distributed, sourced or otherwise commercially exploited by the Company or (b) in actual or demonstrably anticipated research or development by the Company.

"**Confidential Information**" means any information related to the business or other affairs of the Company or its affiliates that is not generally available to the public, and that: (a) is conceived, compiled, developed, or discovered by me whether solely or jointly with others, during the Term or (b) is or has been received or otherwise becomes known to me in connection with my employment or consulting relationship. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Confidential Information includes information, both written and oral, relating to Inventions and Works, trade secrets and other proprietary information, technical data, products, services, finances, business plans, marketing plans, legal affairs, suppliers, clients, potential clients, prospects, opportunities, contracts or assets of the Company or its affiliates. Confidential Information also includes any information that has been made available to the Company by its clients or other third parties and which the Company is obligated to keep confidential.

"**Inventions and Works**" means any composition, work of authorship, computer program, product, device, technique, know-how, algorithm, method, design, process, procedure, improvement, discovery or invention, whether or not patentable or copyrightable and whether or not reduced to practice, that is (a) within the scope of the Company's business, research or investigations, or results from or is suggested by any work performed by me for the Company, and (b) created, conceived, reduced to practice, developed, discovered, invented or made by me during the Term, whether solely or jointly with others, and whether or not while employed by, or in a consulting relationship with, the Company.

"**Materials**" means any product, prototype, sample, model, document, diskette, tape, picture, drawing, design, recording, report, proposal, paper, note, writing or other tangible item which in whole or in part contains, embodies or manifests, whether in printed, handwritten, coded, magnetic or other form, any Confidential Information or Inventions and Works.

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"Person" means any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust, association, governmental authority, educational institution, individual or other entity.

"Proprietary Right" means any patent, copyright, trade secret, trademark, trade name, service mark or other protected intellectual property right in any Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, or Material.

"Restricted Period" means the period commencing at the beginning of the Term and ending one (1) year after expiration of the Term.

"Term" means the period from the beginning of my employment or consulting relationship with the Company, whether on a full-time, part-time or consulting basis, through the last day of such employment or consulting relationship.

## Section 2. Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, and Materials

**2.1 Ownership.** As between the Company and me, the Company is and will be the sole owner of all Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, Materials and Proprietary Rights. To the extent eligible for such treatment, all Inventions and Works will constitute "works made for hire" under applicable copyright laws.

**2.2 Assignment.** I hereby irrevocably assign and transfer to the Company all right, title and interest that I may now or hereafter have in the Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, Materials and Proprietary Rights, subject to the limitations set forth in the notice below. This assignment and transfer is independent of any obligation or commitment made to me by the Company. Further, I hereby waive any moral rights that I may have in or to any Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, Materials and Proprietary Rights. I will take such action (including, but not limited to, the execution, acknowledgment, delivery and assistance in preparation of documents or the giving of testimony) as may be requested by the Company to evidence, transfer, vest or confirm the Company's right, title and interest in the Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, Materials and Proprietary Rights, and the license rights described in Section 2.6 below. I agree to keep and maintain adequate and current written records of all Inventions and Proprietary Rights during the Term. The records will be in the form of notes, sketches, drawings, and any other format that may be specified by the Company. The records will be available to and remain the sole property of the Company at all times. I will not contest the validity of any Proprietary Rights or aid or encourage any third party to contest the validity of any Proprietary Right of the Company. If I have any question as to whether any information, an invention, a work, a material or a right qualifies, respectively, as Confidential Information, an Invention, a Work, a Material or a Proprietary Right, I will inform the Company of the nature of such information, invention, work, material or right for the Company's determination as to whether such information, invention, work, material or right is, respectively, Confidential Information, an Invention, a Work, a Material or a Proprietary Right.

**NOTICE:** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, this Agreement does not obligate me to assign or offer to assign to the Company any of my rights in an invention for which no equipment, supplies, facilities or trade secret information of the Company was used and which was developed entirely on my own time, unless (a) the invention relates (i) directly to the business of the Company or (ii) to the Company's actual or demonstrably anticipated research or development, or (b) the invention results from any work performed by me for the Company. This satisfies the written notice and other requirements of California Labor Code Section 2870 or any other similar state statute that may be applicable in my case.

**2.3 Company Authority.** If the Company is unable for any reason to secure my signature to fulfill the intent of the foregoing paragraph or to apply for or to pursue any application for any United States or foreign patents or copyright registrations covering Inventions and Works assigned to the Company above, then I irrevocably appoint the Company and its authorized agents as my agent and attorney in fact, to transfer, vest or confirm the Company's rights and to execute and file any such applications and to do all other lawful acts to further the prosecution and issuance of letters patent or copyright registrations with the same legal force as if done by me.

**2.4 Use Restrictions.** Except as required for performance of my work for the Company or as authorized in writing by the Company, I will not (a) use, disclose, publish or distribute any Confidential Information, Inventions and Works or Materials or (b) remove any Materials from the Company's premises. I will hold all Materials in trust for the Company and I will deliver them to the Company upon request and in any event at the end of the Term. I will take all action necessary to protect the confidentiality of the Confidential Information, Inventions and Works or Materials including, without limitation, implementing and enforcing operating procedures to minimize the possibility of unauthorized use or copying thereof.

**2.5 Disclosure Obligations.** I will promptly disclose to the Company all Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, and Materials, as well as any business opportunity that comes to my attention during the Term and which relates to the business of the Company or which arises as a result of my employment or consulting relationship with the Company. I will not take advantage of or divert any such opportunity for the benefit of myself or anyone else either during or after the Term without the prior written consent of the Company. I agree that at the end of the Term I will deliver to the Company (and will not keep in my possession, recreate or deliver to anyone else) any and all Inventions and Works, Materials and other property belonging to the Company, its successors or assigns.

**2.6 Prior Inventions.** I have attached as Exhibit A a list describing all inventions, original works of authorship, developments, improvements, and trade secrets which were made by me prior to the Term (collectively referred to as "Prior Inventions"), which belong to me or in which I have an interest, which relate to the Company's current or proposed business, products or research and development, and which are not assigned to the Company. I represent and warrant that this list is complete and accurate. If no such Prior Inventions exist, then I have written "none" on Exhibit A or left it blank. If Exhibit A is left blank or reads "none," then I represent that there are no Prior Inventions. Notwithstanding the notice in Section 2.2, if, during the Term, I use any Prior Inventions with or incorporate any Prior Invention in any Confidential Information, Inventions and Works or Materials into a Company product, process or machine, I hereby irrevocably grant to the Company, to the full extent of my rights in and to the same, a fully paid-up, perpetual, worldwide right and license to sublicense, disclose, offer, copy, distribute, import, make, have made, make derivative works of, use and otherwise exploit any trade secrets, copyrights, patents or other proprietary rights to the Prior Inventions belonging to me or a third party with such Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, or Materials.

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### Section 3. Nonsolicitation, Noncompetition, Etc.

**3.1 No Solicitation.** During the Restricted Period, I will not induce, or attempt to induce, any employee or consultant of the Company to leave such employment or relationship to engage in, be employed by, perform services for, participate in or otherwise be connected with, either directly or indirectly, me or any enterprise with which I am in any way associated.

**3.2 No Breaches.** My execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the performance of my other obligations and duties to the Company will not cause any breach, default or violation of any other employment, nondisclosure, confidentiality, consulting or other agreement to which I am a party or

by which I may be bound. Attached as Exhibit B is a list of all prior agreements now in effect under which I have agreed to keep information confidential or not to compete or solicit employees of any Person. I will not use in performance of my work for the Company or disclose to the Company any trade secret, confidential or proprietary information of any prior employer or other person or entity if and to the extent that such use or disclosure may cause any breach, default or violation of any obligation or duty that I owe to such other person or entity (e.g., under any agreement or applicable law). My compliance with this Section 3.2 will not prohibit, restrict or impair the performance of my work, obligations and duties to the Company.

**3.3 Nondisparagement.** During the Restricted Period, I will not (a) make any false, misleading or disparaging representations or statements with regard to the Company or the products or services of the Company to any third party or (b) make any statement to any third party that may impair or otherwise adversely affect the goodwill or reputation of the Company.

**3.4 Noncompetition.** During the Restricted Period, I will not engage in, be employed by, perform services for, participate in the non-passive ownership, management, control or operation of, or otherwise be connected with or participate in any Competing Business or activity that is in any way competitive with the business or proposed business of the Company, including but not limited to businesses that engage in the development, design, manufacturing, and/or sale of functionally similar products and technologies to those of the Company. I agree that this restriction is reasonable for my employment with the Company, but further agree that should a court exercising jurisdiction with respect to this Agreement find any such restriction invalid or unenforceable due to unreasonableness, either in period of time, geographical area, or otherwise, then in that event, such restriction is to be interpreted and enforced to the maximum extent which such court deems reasonable. The Company, in its sole discretion, may determine to waive the noncompetition provisions of this Section 3.4. Any such waiver shall not constitute a waiver of any noncompetition or forfeiture provisions of any other agreement between the Company and me.

**3.5 Diversion of Company Business.** During the Restricted Period, I will not divert or attempt to divert from the Company any business the Company enjoyed or solicited from its customers during the twelve (12) months prior to the end of the Term, nor will I solicit or attempt to induce any customer, supplier, partner or other person or entity with whom the Company has, or is attempting to establish, a commercial relationship to cease or refrain from doing business with the Company or to alter its relationship with the Company in any way adverse to the Company.

### Section 4. Termination of Relationship

**4.1 Return of Company Property.** I hereby authorize and specifically agree to allow the Company to deduct from my wages or other payments due me, the value of any property (including equipment, goods, or other items provided to me by the Company during my employment or consulting relationship) which I fail to return when requested to do so by the Company, provided that such deduction (a) does not exceed the cost of the item, (b) does not reduce my wages below minimum wage or overtime compensation below time and a half, (c) is not made for normal wear and tear on or non willful loss or breakage of the provided item(s), and (d) is accompanied with a list of all items for which deductions are being made. I agree that at the end of the Term I will deliver to the Company (and will not keep in my possession, re-create or deliver to anyone else) any and all Materials and other property belonging to the Company, its successors or assigns. I agree to sign and deliver a certificate to the Company as to my compliance with this paragraph.

**4.2 New Employer Information.** At the end of the Term or at any time within six (6) months thereafter, if requested by the Company, I agree to provide the name of my new employer, if any, and I consent to notification by the Company to my new employer about my rights and obligations under this Agreement.

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**Section 5. General Provisions**

**5.1 At-Will Employment.** This Agreement is not a contract of employment and no rights of employment are hereby created. Unless otherwise set forth in a written agreement signed by me and the Company, my employment with the Company (if I am an employee) is "at will" and may be terminated at any time, with or without cause, by me or the Company.

**5.2 Survival.** The following provisions will survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement: Sections 1, 2, 3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5 and 5.

**5.3 Specific Performance.** In the event of any breach of or default under this Agreement by me, the Company may suffer irreparable harm and damages may not be an adequate remedy. In the event of any such breach or default, or any threat of such breach or default, the Company will be entitled to injunctive relief and specific performance. Further, in any legal action or other proceeding in connection with this Agreement (e.g., to recover damages or other relief), the prevailing party will be entitled to recover, in addition to any other relief to which it may be entitled, its reasonable attorneys' fees and other costs incurred in that action or proceeding. The rights and remedies of the Company under this Section 5.3 are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other right or remedy afforded to the Company under any other provision of this Agreement, by law or otherwise.

**5.4 Severability.** This Agreement will be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law. If for any reason any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable to any extent, then (a) such provision will be interpreted, construed or reformed to the extent reasonably required to render the same valid, enforceable and consistent with the original intent underlying such provision and (b) such invalidity or unenforceability will not affect any other provision of this Agreement or any other agreement between the Company and me. If the invalidity or unenforceability is due to the unreasonableness of the scope or duration of the provision, the provision will remain effective for such scope and duration as may be determined to be reasonable.

**5.5 No Waiver.** The failure of the Company to insist upon or enforce strict performance of any other provisions of this Agreement or to exercise any of its rights or remedies under this Agreement will not be construed as a waiver or a relinquishment to any extent of the Company's rights to assert or rely on any such provision, right or remedy in that or any instance; rather, the same will be and remain in full force and effect.

**5.6 Entire Agreement.** This Agreement shall be effective as of the date I execute the Agreement and shall be binding upon me, my heirs, executors, assigns and administrators. This Agreement sets forth the entire Agreement, and supersedes any and all prior agreements, between me and the Company with regard to the Confidential Information, Inventions and Works, Materials and Proprietary Rights of the Company. This Agreement is independent of any other written agreements between me and the Company regarding other aspects of my employment. This Agreement may not be amended, except in a writing signed by me and an authorized representative of the Company.

**5.7 Governing Law and Venue.** This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of New York without regard to its choice of law principles to the contrary. I irrevocably consent to the jurisdiction and venue of the state and federal courts located in New York County, New York, in connection with any action relating to this Agreement. Further, I will not bring any action relating to this Agreement in any other court.

**5.8 Acknowledgement.** I have carefully read all of the provisions of this Agreement and agree that

(a) the same are necessary for the reasonable and proper protection of the Company's business, (b) the Company has been induced to enter into and continue its relationship with me in reliance upon my compliance with the provisions of this Agreement, (c) every provision of this Agreement is reasonable with respect to its scope and duration and (d) I have received a copy of this Agreement.

**This Agreement shall be effective as of DATE.**

NAME

DocuSigned by:  
  
442FDBFC25E43D  
Signature

3/30/2022  
Date:

ACCEPTED:

ATERIAN, INC.



Yaniv Sarig, CEO Aterian, Inc.

**EXHIBIT A**

**PRIOR INVENTIONS**

**Title**  
NA

**Date**

**Identifying Number or Brief Descript**

No inventions or improvements

Additional Sheets Attached

Signature of Employee:  442FD8FEC25E43D

Print Name of Employee: Josh Feldman

Date: 3/30/2022

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**EXHIBIT B**

The following is a list of all prior agreements with former employers or others to which I am a party in which I agreed to maintain the confidentiality of the information of, or not to compete with or solicit the employees or customers of a third party.

- No Agreements
- See below
- Additional sheets attached



Signature of Employee:

Print Name of Employee: Josh Feldman

Date: 3/30/2022



June 26, 2024

Joseph Risico Delivered by e-mail

Dear Joe:

This letter agreement (this "Agreement") confirms the understanding that you and Aterian, Inc. (the "Company") have reached concerning you transitioning from a full-time employee and officer of the Company to a part-time consultant with such consultancy to end no later than three (3) months after the Employment Termination Date (as defined below).

1. Cessation of Employment. You resigned from your employment with the Company on June 25, 2024 ("Employment Termination Date").

(a) Execution and Effectiveness. For this Agreement to become effective, you must deliver a signed copy of this Agreement to Arturo Rodriguez, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer (the "CEO"), no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 26, 2024. You may deliver the signed copy to the CEO by overnight delivery or by e-mail. This Agreement shall become effective as of the date you deliver a signed copy to the CEO.

(b) Termination as Employee, Officer, Member of the Board, and all Other Positions of Directors. By signing this Agreement, you acknowledge and agree that you ceased to be, and resigned as, an officer, director, or any other position that you held with the Company and its affiliates as of the Employment Termination Date. You have informed the Company that your resignation from the Board and as an employee of the Company is not due to any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices. Notwithstanding the foregoing, you agree to promptly sign and deliver any documentation reasonably requested by the Company to evidence or effectuate such resignations.

(c) Employee Benefits. Your participation in all employee benefit plans, arrangements, perquisites or payments of the Company will cease as of the Employment Termination Date, after which you may be able to continue coverage under group health plans to the extent permitted under the federal Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 and similar state laws, other than with respect to any equity awards that you hold, which will continue to vest during your consultancy pursuant to Section 2 below, and you agree that any other equity awards that remain vested as of the Expiration Date (as defined below), will terminate without compensation therefor.

(d) No Additional Claim for Compensation or Benefits. You acknowledge and agree that you have received all compensation, including but not limited to base salary, severance, salary continuation, change in control benefits, paid time off and incentive compensation, and employee benefits due to you for services rendered before and as of the Employment Termination Date. You represent that you have no unsubmitted business expenses and, nor for any employment benefits, with respect to the period of your employment with the Company or any of its affiliates on, before, or after the Employment Termination Date.

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2. **Post-Termination Consulting Services.** In consideration for your execution of this Agreement, the Company is entering into the consulting arrangement described below effective as of the Employment Termination Date and you acknowledge and agree that:

(a) You will provide to the Company and its affiliates consulting services after your Employment Termination Date with respect to such projects as requested by the CEO, in his sole discretion (such services, the "**Consulting Services**"), consistent with your prior role with the Company (but including, such services as may be necessary to transition your prior duties and responsibilities) and you shall not perform any services for the Company that were not approved by the CEO.

(b) The Consulting Services are being provided by you as an independent contractor and not as an employee of the Company or any of its affiliates; you are not and will not be an agent of the Company or its affiliates; and, as of the Employment Termination Date, you have no authority to make any representation, contract, or commitment on behalf of the Company or its affiliates or otherwise bind the Company or any of its affiliates and will not attempt to do so.

(c) You will have exclusive control over the means, manner, and methods by which the Consulting Services are performed, and you will provide all equipment, supplies, and materials at your own expense in performing the Consulting Services; provided, however, the Company shall reimburse you for reasonable third party documented out of pocket costs directly associated with your performance of the Consulting Services to the extent approved by the Chief Executive Officer in advance. Furthermore, you shall be permitted to retain your Company issued laptop computer, subject to you making the laptop available upon the termination of Consulting Services (or earlier if the Company so requests) for customary IT procedures (such as, for example, a remote clean-up).

(d) You agree that you will perform the Consulting Services to the best of your ability in a professional manner consistent with the highest industry standards and the undivided duty of loyalty you owe to the Company and its affiliates; in accordance with the highest standard of care with regard to such Consulting Services; and in accordance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations which relate to or govern the activities contemplated by this Agreement.

(e) Your exclusive compensation for the Consulting Services shall consist of the following: (i) a monthly fee of \$43,333.33, payable on each of the first three monthly anniversaries of the Employment Termination Date (with such fee prorated for any partial months of service), (ii) if you validly elect to continue your medical benefits under applicable (COBRA) and provide written notice to the Company of such election within 5 business days of making the election, the Company will directly pay your COBRA payments for up to 6 months or, if earlier, the date you become eligible for medical benefits from a subsequent employer (you agree to notify the Company upon you becoming eligible for medical benefits from a subsequent employer), (iii) continued vesting of your outstanding equity compensation (Company restricted stock) for the period of your consultancy (34,636 shares assuming your consultancy continues through September 13, 2024, with 8,360 of those shares vesting on September 11, 2024 and 26,276 of those shares vesting on September 13, 2024), and (iv) subject to your continued performance of Consulting Services through September 24, 2024, your continued compliance with your obligations to the Company, and subject to your second re-execution of this Agreement as described in Section 3(e) below, effective no earlier than December 25, 2024 and no later than

December 31, 2024, an additional 30,364 unvested shares of the Company's common stock, representing 8,361 shares that would have vested on December 11, 2024, 6,569 shares that would have vested on December 13, 2024, 6,420 shares that would have vested on March 11, 2025, 8,510 shares that would have vested on March 13, 2025 and 504 shares that would have vested on June 11, 2025 had you continued to provide service to the Company through such dates (subject to adjustment for stock splits and other changes in capitalization as described in Section 9(a) of the Company's Amended and Restated 2018 Equity Incentive Plan) that are subject to your outstanding restricted stock awards will vest.

(f) You understand and agree that, for the period you provide Consulting Services, the Company is not classifying you as its employee and, therefore, you will not be entitled to any of the benefits or rights that the Company or its affiliates provides to individuals they classify as employees, including such things as seniority, vacations, paid holidays, bonuses, retirement benefits, health benefits or equity-related benefits. The Company has not offered you any such benefits or rights as an employee with respect to your Consulting Services, and you agree that the consulting fee is based on the understanding that you will not receive any benefits from the Company or its affiliates and that you would be unjustly enriched, were you to receive any such benefits. You therefore agree not to assert any claim against the Company or any of its affiliates or entity for or with respect to such benefits.

(g) The date on which the Consulting Services expire or are otherwise terminated is referred to as the "**Expiration Date**." This Consulting Services shall automatically terminate on September 24, 2024, unless you and the Company agree in writing prior to such date to extend the Consulting Services under the terms of this Agreement prior to such date in which case the new expiration date shall thereafter be referred to as the Expiration Date. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, you may terminate the Consulting Services at any time upon written notice to the Company, and the Company may terminate the Consulting Services at any time but only for Cause (as defined in your May 14, 2018 offer letter, as amended on September 13, 2023).

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3. **Release of Claims.**

(a) **Waiver and Release.** In consideration of the Company entering into this Agreement and agreeing to the terms of the consultancy described above, you, for yourself personally and your representatives, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, fully, irrevocably and unconditionally release all known and unknown claims, promises, causes of action, or similar rights of any type that you may have ("Claims") with respect to the Company, all current and former parents, subsidiaries, related companies, partnerships, or joint ventures, and, with respect to each of them, their predecessors and successors; and, with respect to each such entity, all of its past, present, and future employees, officers, directors, stockholders, owners, representatives, assigns, attorneys, agents, insurers, employee benefit programs (and the trustees, administrators, fiduciaries, and insurers of such programs), and any other persons acting by, through, under or in concert with any of the persons or entities listed in this subsection, and their successors (the "Released Parties"). You understand that Claims released under this Release may arise under many different foreign, domestic, national, state, or local laws (including statutes, regulations, other administrative guidance, and common law doctrines). For example, you are releasing all common law contract, tort, or other claims that you might have, as well as all claims you might

have under the Worker Adjustment & Retraining Notification Act (WARN Act), the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Sections 1981 and 1983 of the Civil Rights Act of 1866, the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and any similar domestic or foreign laws, such as the New York State and City Human Rights Laws and the New York Labor Law. However, and notwithstanding the foregoing, you are not releasing claims (i) for unemployment or workers' compensation benefits, (ii) for vested rights to benefits under ERISA-covered employee benefit plans as applicable on the Employment Termination Date that (other than already-denied benefits),

(iii) that may arise after the Employment Termination Date, (iv) for any right you have to be indemnified by the Company or its affiliates, (v) pursuant to the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), (vi) arising pursuant to this Agreement, or (vii) that you cannot release pursuant to applicable law.

(b) **Waiver of Unknown Claims.** You intend to fully waive and release all Claims against the Released Parties, and therefore, you expressly understand and hereby agree that the release is intended to cover, and does cover, not only all known injuries, losses or damages, but any injuries, losses or damages that you do not now know about or anticipate, but that might later develop or be discovered, including the effects and consequences of those injuries, losses or damages.

(c) **No Actions.** You affirm and warrant that you have not filed, initiated or caused to be filed or initiated any charge, suit, complaint, grievance, action or cause of action against the Company or any of the other Released Parties.

(d) **No Assignment of Claims.** You affirm and warrant that you have made no assignment of any right or interest in any Claim that you may have against any of the Released Parties.

(e) **Second Re-Execution Following Expiration Date.** Provided that you render Consulting Services through September 24, 2024, you agree to execute this Agreement a second time after the termination of the Consulting Services but no earlier than December 25, 2024 and no later than December 31, 2024, pursuant to which Claims waived pursuant to Section 3(a) will also include any Claims through the date of re-execution and, notwithstanding clause (vi) of Section 3(a), any Claims with respect to compensation payable for the Consulting Services (other than the acceleration of vesting described in Section 2(e)(ii)).

4. **Taxes.** The compensation for the Consulting Service (i.e., the cash compensation paid, and the portion of any equity vesting properly attributable to you providing the Consulting Services) will not be subject to withholding by the Company for the payment of any taxes and the Company will report amounts paid to you for the Consulting Services on a Form 1099-NEC. You shall have full responsibility for applicable taxes for all compensation paid to you pursuant to this Agreement for the Consulting Services. To the extent any equity vesting is properly attributable to your prior employment, such amounts will be reported on your 2024 Form W-2 and you agree to make arrangements satisfactory to the Company to satisfy applicable withholding.

5. **Proprietary Information.** You acknowledge and agree that you remain subject to your obligations under your existing Proprietary Information and Inventions Assignment Agreement, effective as of May 14, 2018 (the "Employee Confidentiality Agreement") with

respect to the Company's confidential information and intellectual property, as well as the restrictive covenants set forth therein, and that the Term, as specified therein, includes the period during which you are providing the Consulting Services.

6. **Non-Disparagement.** You, in addition to any other similar obligations to the Company that you have, shall not disparage or defame the Company, its affiliates and their respective affiliates, directors, officers, agents, partners, shareholders, or employees, either publicly or privately. The Company shall not, in any authorized corporate communication, disparage or defame you. Notwithstanding anything in this Section to the contrary, in no event shall you or the Company be prohibited from providing truthful testimony in connection with a legal proceeding or governmental investigation. In addition, nothing in this Agreement shall prohibit you or the Company from reporting a suspected violation of law to the appropriate governmental agency or authority.

7. **Non-Admission.** You understand and agree that this Agreement, and the consideration for the Consulting Services set forth in Section 2, does not constitute an admission by the Company of any wrongdoing, including, but not limited to, a violation of statute, law, or regulation, or breach of an express or implied contract.

8. **Notices and Representations.** You represent and agree that you have read this Agreement and you knowingly and voluntarily enter into this Agreement. Furthermore, you have been informed by the Company and understand and agree as follows:

(a) You understand the terms of this Agreement, you are signing voluntarily and with the full understanding of its consequences, and you have not been forced or coerced in any way.

(b) The Company would not have agreed to pay you payments or benefits in connection with this Agreement but for the representations and covenants you made by signing it.

(c) You have not suffered any job-related wrongs or injuries, such as any type of discrimination and you have no occupational diseases. You have been paid all compensation, benefits, and other amounts that the Company or any of its affiliates owed you. You have submitted a request for reimbursement for all amounts that you are entitled to receive reimbursement from the Company and its affiliates. You understand that the Company in the future may improve employee benefits or pay. You understand that your former job may be refilled.

(d) If initially you did not think any representation made in this Agreement was true or if initially you felt uncomfortable in making it, you have resolved all your doubts and concerns before signing this Agreement. You have carefully read this Agreement, you fully understand what it means, you are entering into it knowingly and voluntarily, and all your representations in it are true.

(e) You acknowledge that: (i) you have been advised to consult with an attorney regarding this Agreement, including, without limitation, the release of Claims in Section 3; (ii) you have carefully read and understand all of the provisions the Agreement; and (iii) you are knowingly and voluntarily waiving the Claims described in Section 3 in consideration of the right to receive the compensation for Consulting Services to be provided pursuant to Section 2.

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9. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement sets forth the entire agreement between you and the Company relating to the subject matter and supersedes any and all prior agreements, representations, or understandings of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof to the extent any such agreement, representation, or understanding would result in any liability or obligation of the Company or any of its affiliates, except that all of your obligations under the Employee Confidentiality Agreement shall also continue to apply. You acknowledge that you have not relied on any representations, promises or agreements of any kind in connection with your decision to accept this Agreement. This Agreement may only be modified in a writing signed by both you and the Company. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be binding unless in writing and signed by the waiving party.

10. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. The exchange of copies of this Agreement and signature pages by facsimile transmission, by electronic mail in portable document format ("pdf"), or by any other electronic means intended to preserve the original graphic and pictorial appearance of a document, or by combination of such means, shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this Agreement as to the parties and may be used in lieu of the original Agreement for all purposes.

11. **Severability.** If any of the provisions, or portions thereof, of this Agreement are held to be unenforceable or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or portions thereof, shall not be affected. If such clause or provision cannot be so enforced, such provision shall be stricken from this Agreement, and the remainder of this Agreement shall be enforced as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable clause or provision had (to the extent not enforceable) never been contained in this Agreement.

12. **No Assignment; Successors.** The Company may assign this Agreement to any successor to all or part of its assets or business without your consent. Except as specifically provided in this Agreement, no party may assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of each party's successors, permitted assignees, heirs, executors, administrators, and legal representatives.

13. **Further Assurances.** The parties agree to execute such further documents and instruments and to take such further actions as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

14. **Headings.** The headings in this Agreement are solely for the convenience of reference and shall not affect its meaning or interpretation.

15. **Governing Law/Interpretation; Venue.** This Agreement shall be deemed to have been made within the State of New York, and, to the extent federal law does not apply, shall be interpreted and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws (and not the conflicts of law rules) of such State and before the state or federal courts of competent jurisdiction in such State. The parties expressly consent to personal jurisdiction and venue in the state and federal

courts for New York County, New York, for any lawsuit filed there against one party against the other arising from or related to this Agreement.

16. **Survivability.** The provisions of Sections 3 through 16 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

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Sincerely, Aterian, Inc.

By: Arturo Rodriguez  
Arturo Rodriguez

Its: Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer

Your signature below acknowledges that you knowingly and voluntarily agree to all of the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement.

**FIRST EXECUTION**

Joseph Risico

Joseph Risico

Date: 6/26/2024

**SECOND EXECUTION**

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Joseph Risico

Date: \_\_\_\_\_