

# **Cansortium Reports Third Quarter 2024 Results**

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

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

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

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

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

#### Q3 2024 Financial Highlights (vs. Q3 2023)

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

#### **Recent Operational Highlights**

- In Florida, Cansortium currently operates 35 stores and anticipates opening 4 new stores by the end of 2025.
- The Ruskin, FL Facility is now operational and Cansortium completed its first harvest in June 2024, adding approximately 14,000 sq ft of cultivation canopy.
- The Rosa, FL Facility is under construction, and the Company anticipates it will complete its first harvest by Q2 2025, adding another 7,000 sq ft of canopy to Cansortium's Florida footprint.

- There was no major damage to the Company's facilities or retail locations as a result of the hurricane's which impacted Florida in 2024.
- Subsequent to quarter end, the Company completed a new senior secured credit agreement of up to \$96,500,000 with Chicago Atlantic Admin, LLC, refinancing its existing \$71,000,000 senior secured term loan that was set to mature May 29, 2025.

#### **RIV Transaction Update and Conference call**

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

#### **About Cansortium Inc.**

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

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

### Forward-Looking Information

Certain information in this news release may constitute forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation and may also contain statements that may constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In some cases, but not necessarily in all cases, forward-looking information can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "plans", "targets", "expects" or "does not expect", "is expected", "an opportunity exists", "is positioned", "estimates", "intends", "assumes", "anticipates" or "does not anticipate" or "believes", or variations of such words and phrases or state that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might", "will" or "will be taken", "occur" or "be achieved". In addition, any statements that refer to expectations, projections, or other characterizations of future events or circumstances contain forward-looking information. Statements containing forward-looking information are not historical facts but instead represent the Company's expectations, estimates, and projections regarding future events, plans or objectives, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and outside of the Company's control.

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

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# Consolidated Statements of Financial Position (unaudited) As of September 30, 2024, and December 31, 2023

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

			September 30, 2024		December 31, 2023
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash		\$	8,932	\$	10,521
Trade receivable			51		215
Inventory, net	Note 3		13,419		9,24
Biological assets	Note 4		2,951		33
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	Note 5		2,794		1,882
Total current assets			28,147		22,19
Property and equipment, net	Note 6		31,476		27,64
Intangible assets, net	Note 7		94,714		93,59
Right-of-use assets, net	Note 12		32,692		31,94
Goodwill	Note 8		1,525		1,52
Other assets			1,373		90
Total assets		\$	189,927	\$	177,80
Liabilities					
Current liabilities					
Trade payable		\$	8,035	\$	5,52
Accrued liabilities		*	5,425	•	9,77
Income taxes payable			3,337		22,00
Derivative liabilities	Note 10		817		9,10
Current portion of notes payable, net	Note 11		63,989		21
Current portion of lease liabilities	Note 12		3,178		2,87
Total current liabilities	71010 72		84,781		49,50
Notes payable, net	Note 11		7,414		61,18
Lease liabilities	Note 12		38,924		37,24
Deferred tax liability			22,303		17,39
Uncertain tax position			38,816		
Other long-term liabilities	Note 21		3,447		3,88
Total liabilities			195,685		169,21
Shareholders' equity					
Share capital	Note 13		183,690		183,69
Share-based compensation reserve			7,158		6,73
Equity conversion feature			6,914		6,67
Warrants	Notes 13		29,634		29,63
Accumulated deficit			(232,820)		(217,82
Foreign currency translation reserve			(334)		(33
Total shareholders' equity			(5,758)		8,58
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		\$	189,927	\$	177,80

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#### Statement of Operations (unaudited)

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

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

			For the three months ended			For the nine months ended				
		5	September 30, 2024		September 30, 2023	Se	eptember 30, 2024	September 30, 2023		
Revenue, net of discounts		\$	26,147	\$	25,260	\$	78,643	\$	71,746	
Cost of goods sold			11,859		11,607		38,315		34,882	
Gross profit before fair value adjustments			14,288		13,653		40,328		36,864	
Fair value adjustments on inventory sold Unrealized gain (loss) on changes			(2,099)		4,492		(2,259)		9,044	
ccccin fair value of biological assets	Note 4		(611)		(3,627)		8,704		(11,719)	
Gross profit			11,578		14,518		46,773		34,189	
Expenses										
General and administrative	Note 14		3,913		2,705		12,483		7,588	
Sales and marketing	Note 14		5,846		5,354		17,298		14,928	
Depreciation and amortization			1,737		2,003		5,247		5,780	
Share-based compensation			228		228		419		643	
Total expenses			11,724		10,290		35,447		28,939	
Income from operations			(146)		4,228		11,326		5,250	
Other expense (income)										
Finance costs, net	Note 19		5,154		4,562		14,700		13,135	
Loss (gain) on change in fair value of ccccderivative liability	Notes 10		(898)		426		(8,292)		262	
Gain on debt settlement			-		(116)		-		(116)	
Loss on disposal of assets			-		-		212		70	
Loss from termination of a contract			-		2		5		6	
Other miscellaneous income			-		-		-		67	
Total other (income) expense			4,256		4,874		6,625		13,424	
Income (loss) before income taxes			(4,402)		(646)		4,701		(8,174)	
Income tax expense	Note 9		7,379		4,662		19,700		9,867	
Net comprehensive loss		\$	(11,781)	\$	(5,308)	\$	(14,999)	\$	(18,041)	
Net loss per share Basic and diluted - continuing operations		\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.06)	
Weighted average number of shares										
Basic number of shares			300,522,916		298,963,366		299,617,665		290,693,488	
Diluted number of shares			341,807,051		358,650,277		341,616,139		345,906,048	

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## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow (unaudited)

# For the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

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

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	Sep	tember 30, 2023
\$ (14,999)	\$	(18,041)
(8,704)		11,719
2,259		(9,044)
419		644
11,366		10,961
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Interest of equipment loan	_	37
Interest on cultivation facility loan	61	-
Interest on insurance financing	9	_
Interest on convertible promissory note	224	_
Loss on disposal of assets	212	70
Change in fair market value of derivative	(8,292)	262
Interest on lease liabilities	3,588	3,041
Deferred tax expense	4,835	(1,003)
Uncertain tax position	38,816	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Trade receivable	164	(20)
Inventory	10.944	11,339
Biological assets	(11,294)	(12,609)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	960	(497)
Right of Use Assets/Liabilities	(3,520)	455
Other assets	(466)	(66)
Trade payable	2,510	(3,275)
Accrued liabilities	(4,354)	(205)
Other long-term liabilities	(435)	2,531
Income taxes payable	(18,672)	10,872
Net cash provided by operating activities	16,429	17,105
Investing activities		
Purchases of property and equipment	(10,543)	(4,500)
Purchase of intangible assets	 (1,332)	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(11,875)	(4,500)
Financing activities		
Net proceeds from issuance of shares and warrants	-	2,993
Net proceeds from insurance financing	-	800
Net proceeds from convertible note	3,983	-
Payment of lease obligations	(2,126)	(4,800)
Net proceeds from auto and equipment loan	48	-
Principal repayments of notes payable	 (8,048)	(7,852)
Net cash used in financing activities	 (6,143)	(8,859)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(1,589)	3,746
Cash, beginning of period	 10,521	8,359
Cash, end of period	\$ 8,932 \$	12,105

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

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

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

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

_	Nine months ended						
_	Sep	tember 30, 2024	Se	eptember 30, 2023		Variance	
ВПОА	\$	30,675	\$	16,451	\$	14,224	
Change in fair value of biological assets		(6,445)		2,675		(9,120)	
Change in fair market value of derivative		(8,292)		262		(8,554)	
Loss on termination of contract		-		6		(6)	
Loss on debt settlement		-		(116)		116	
Professional fees <sup>(1)</sup>		4,170		-		4,170	
One-time employee costs <sup>(2)</sup>		776		-		776	
Share-based compensation		419		643		(224)	
Loss on disposal of assets		212		70		142	
Other non-recurring expense <sup>(3)</sup>		486		327		159	
Adjusted ⊞ITDA	\$	22,001	\$	20,318	\$	1,683	

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

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

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