



CHARLES & COLVARD[®]

Q3 FY 2023 Earnings

CONFERENCE CALL PRESENTATION

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Repurchases we consummate could increase the volatility of the price of our common stock and could have a negative impact on our available cash balance; in addition to the other risks and uncertainties described in more detail in our filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”), including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 and subsequent reports filed with the SEC. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. We undertake no obligation to update or revise such statements to reflect new circumstances or unanticipated events as they occur except as required by the federal securities laws, and you are urged to review and consider disclosures that we make in the reports that we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, that discuss other factors relevant to our business.



Agenda

- Q3 FY 2023 - CEO Overview
- Q3 FY 2023 - Financial Summary
- Wrap Up
- Q&A



Q3 FY 2023 - CEO Overview

Recent Industry Drivers

- Consumers remain highly educated and aware of practices and resources used to create fine jewelry.
- Lab-grown market continues to grow, estimated CAGR of 9.8% by 2031.
- ‘Surge of engagements’ in 2024/25 anticipated.
- Sustainability shift well underway towards more ‘sustainable purchase habits’ – not a fad anymore.
- Changes in consumer buying habits more towards experiential purchases on interactive shoppable commerce.
- For Charles & Colvard: owned properties (charlesandcolvard.com and moissaniteoutlet.com), virtual consultations, retail Signature Showroom, and development of a long-form shoppable streaming capability.





A Quarter of Continued Strategic Investment

- Q3 was one of continued strategic investment to resonate with broader segment of total achievable market.
- Investments are for setting up Charles & Colvard for long-term success by positioning the Company to enhance brand experience and meet consumer needs.
- Focus on long-term growth and stability of Company's product brands. Improving brand presence and DTC relationships.

Strategic Product Development



- Company offering a broad range of assorted fine jewelry to meet consumer demand, especially during Q3:
 - Launched 55 new designs of patented Signature Collection in engagement rings and wedding bands.
 - Continued to expand Caydia® lab-grown diamond Couture Collection to include additional ring, necklace, earring and bracelet styles.
 - Expanded Created Color line of products, featuring Caydia® lab-grown diamonds.
 - Finished fine jewelry products were featured in multiple local and national electronic and print publications, including *The Knot*®, *AC Magazine*, *Insider.com*, *Yahoo!*, *Byrdie.com*, and *Brides Magazine*.

Strategic Focus and Looking Ahead

- Company will continue to focus on: customer-centric initiatives, expansion of product offerings and leveraging unique brand position.
- Expand Caydia® lab grown diamond offerings, including larger carat total weights to respond to consumer demand;
- Shift Forever One™ moissanite assortment to bolster value propositions;
- Continue to evaluate competitive landscape and the value proposition between moissanite and lab grown diamonds and overall impact to our business and position the Company accordingly;
- Make calculated investments in our DTC web properties, video streaming and broadcast capabilities to better reach consumers;
- Seek to form new alliances and strategic partnerships as the industry consolidates.
- Online Channels segment representing 70% of revenue in Q3:23 and continues to present a long-term opportunity, and when near-term challenges subside, investments today will put company in a solid position to capture market share.





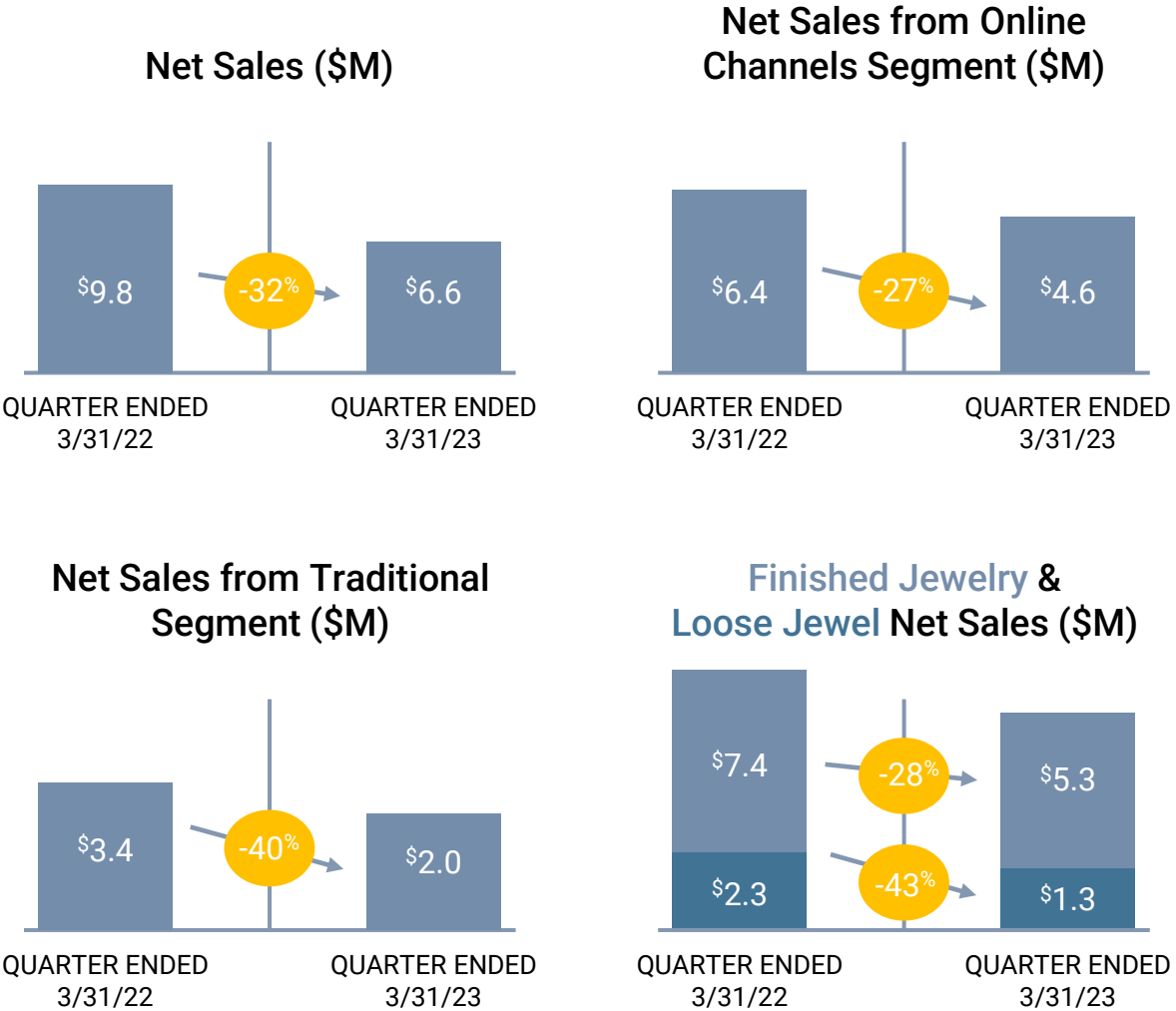
Q3 FY 2023 - Financial Summary

Clint J. Pete, CFO



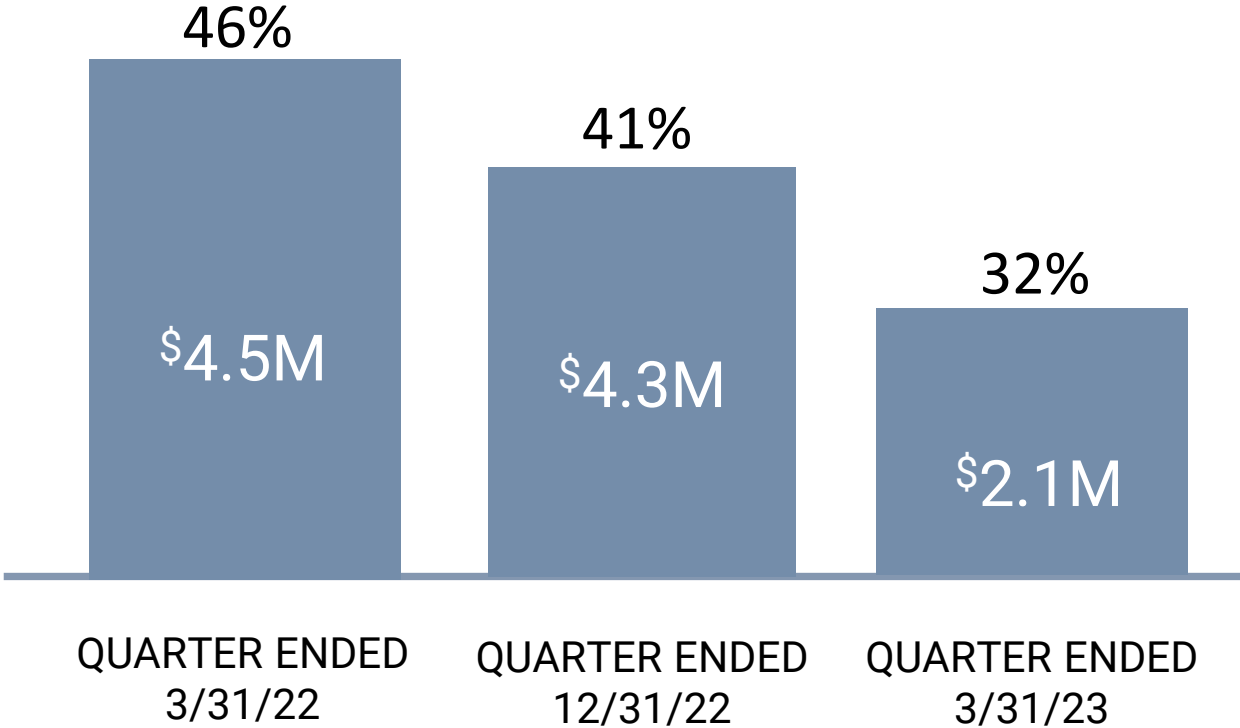
Net Sales Analysis

Q3 FY 2023 vs. Q3 FY 2022





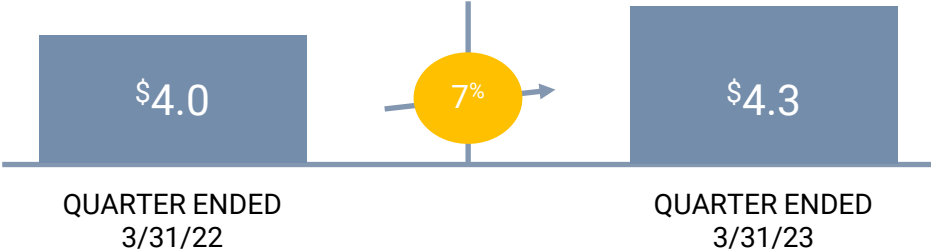
Gross Margin % and Gross Profit (\$ in Millions)



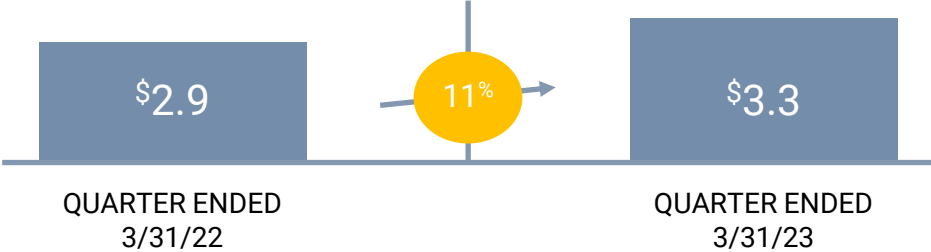


Operating Expenses

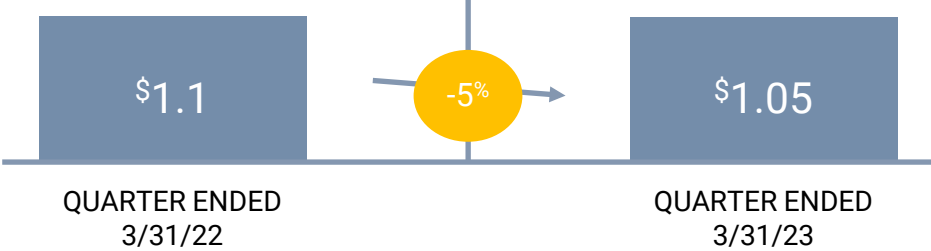
Total Operating Expenses (\$M)



Sales & Marketing Expenses (\$M)



General & Administrative Expenses (\$M)

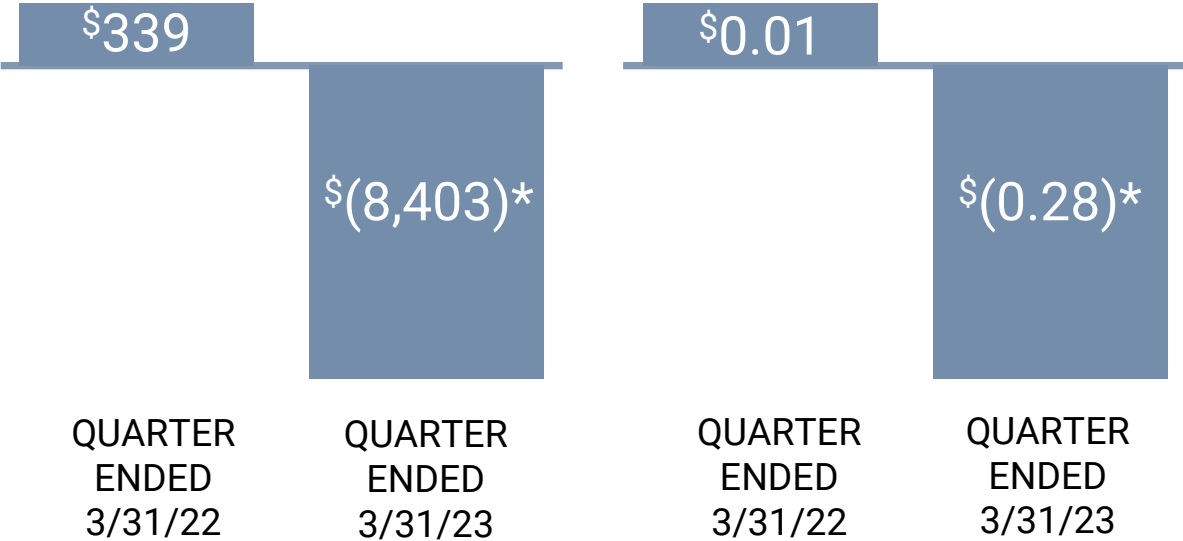




Net Income (Loss) and Earnings (Loss) Per Share

Net Income (Loss)
(\$thousands)

Net Earnings (Loss)
Per Diluted Share



Note: Income tax expense of \$6,300,000 for the quarter ended 3/31/23 vs income tax expense of \$78,480 for the quarter ended 3/31/22. Increase in income tax expense for the current quarter is due to the establishment of the deferred tax valuation allowance in 3Q 2023 for \$6.3 million.



Balance Sheet Summary

Q3 FY 2023

	12/31/22	3/31/23
TOTAL CASH ¹	\$17.0	\$16.0
INVENTORY	\$35.0	\$33.3
TOTAL ASSETS ²	\$66.9	\$56.4
DEBT	\$0	\$0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$9.6	\$7.4
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$57.3	\$49.0
SHARES OUTSTANDING	30.5	30.5
BOOK VALUE PER SHARE	\$1.87	\$1.60

¹ Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash

² 3/31/2023 lower to 12/31/2023 due to the establishment of a deferred tax asset valuation allowance on our net deferred tax assets of \$6.3 million in Q3 2023

(in millions, except per share)



Q&A