Brønnøysundregistrene

ÅRSREGNSKAPET FOR REGNSKAPSÅRET 2024 - GENERELL INFORMASJON

Enheten

Organisasjonsnummer:	939 099 093
Organisasjonsform:	Aksjeselskap
Foretaksnavn:	EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES AS
Forretningsadresse:	Dyrskuevegen 3 2040 KLØFTA

Regnskapsår

Årsregnskapets periode:	01.04.2023 - 31.03.2024

Konsern

Morselskap i konsern:	Ja
Konsernregnskap lagt ved:	Ja

Regnskapsregler

Regler for små foretak benyttet:	Nei
Benyttet ved utarbeidelsen av årsregnskapet til selskapet:	Regnskapslovens alminnelige regler
Benyttet ved utarbeidelsen av årsregnskapet til konsernet:	-

Årsregnskapet fastsatt av kompetent organ

Bekreftet av representant for selskapet:	Christina Jahn
Dato for fastsettelse av årsregnskapet:	30.09.2024

Grunnlag for avgivelse

År 2024: Årsregnskapet er elektronisk innlevert
År 2023: Tall er hentet fra elektronisk innlevert årsregnskap fra 2024

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Brønnøysundregistrene, 04.11.2025

Resultatregnskap

Beløp i: NOK	Note	2024	2023
RESULTATREGNSKAP			
Inntekter			
Salgsinntekt	1	418 328 000	327 603 000
Annen driftsinntekt		2 830 000	1 820 000
Sum inntekter		**421 158 000**	**329 423 000**
Kostnader			
Varekostnad		312 744 000	244 266 000
Lønnskostnad	2	30 927 000	25 740 000
Avskrivning på varige driftsmidler og immaterielle eiendeler	3	239 000	259 000
Annen driftskostnad	2	63 987 000	52 127 000
Sum kostnader		**407 897 000**	**322 392 000**
Driftsresultat		**13 261 000**	**7 031 000**
Finansinntekter og finanskostnader			
Inntekt på andre investeringer	4	7 652 000	
Renteinntekt fra foretak i samme konsern	4	4 231 000	2 821 000
Annen renteinntekt	4	490 000	243 000
Annen finansinntekt	4	7 581 000	15 672 000
Sum finansinntekter		**19 954 000**	**18 736 000**
Rentekostnad til foretak i samme konsern	4	0	0
Annen rentekostnad	4	44 000	9 000
Annen finanskostnad	4	6 738 000	6 424 000
Sum finanskostnader		**6 782 000**	**6 433 000**
Netto finans		**13 172 000**	**12 303 000**
Resultat før skattekostnad		**26 433 000**	**19 334 000**
Skattekostnad		3 984 000	3 767 000
Årsresultat		**22 449 000**	**15 567 000**
Overføringer og disponeringer			
Ordinært utbytte		22 000 000	50 000 000

Resultatregnskap

Beløp i: NOK	Note	2024	2023
Overføringer til/fra annen egenkapital		448 000	-34 432 000
Sum overføringer og disponeringer		**22 448 000**	**15 568 000**

Balanse

Beløp i: NOK	Note	2024	2023
BALANSE - EIENDELER			
Anleggsmidler			
Immaterielle eiendeler			
Utsatt skattefordel	5	661 000	428 000
Sum immaterielle eiendeler		**661 000**	**428 000**
Varige driftsmidler			
Maskiner og anlegg	3	1 514 000	1 650 000
Sum varige driftsmidler		**1 514 000**	**1 650 000**
Finansielle anleggsmidler			
Investering i datterselskap	7	35 000 000	35 000 000
Investeringer i aksjer og andeler	8	88 000	98 000
Obligasjoner		63 000	63 000
Sum finansielle anleggsmidler		**35 151 000**	**35 161 000**
Sum anleggsmidler		**37 326 000**	**37 239 000**
Omløpsmidler			
Varer			
Varer	4,9	33 105 000	35 254 000
Sum varer		**33 105 000**	**35 254 000**
Fordringer			
Kundefordringer	4,10	69 243 000	44 009 000
Andre fordringer	10	989 000	961 000
Konsernfordringer	10	58 068 000	86 119 000
Sum fordringer		**128 300 000**	**131 089 000**
Bankinnskudd, kontanter og lignende			
Bankinnskudd, kontanter og lignende	11	16 126 000	8 710 000
Sum bankinnskudd, kontanter og lignende		**16 126 000**	**8 710 000**
Sum omløpsmidler		**177 531 000**	**175 053 000**
SUM EIENDELER		**214 857 000**	**212 292 000**

Balanse

Beløp i: NOK	Note	2024	2023
BALANSE - EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD			
Egenkapital			
Innskutt egenkapital			
Selskapskapital	6,12	10 694 000	10 694 000
Sum innskutt egenkapital		**10 694 000**	**10 694 000**
Opptjent egenkapital			
Annen egenkapital	6	92 828 000	92 380 000
Sum opptjent egenkapital		**92 828 000**	**92 380 000**
Sum egenkapital		**103 522 000**	**103 074 000**
Sum langsiktig gjeld		**0**	**0**
Kortsiktig gjeld			
Leverandørgjeld	10	5 888 000	7 722 000
Betalbar skatt	5	7 121 000	5 814 000
Skyldige offentlige avgifter		26 411 000	16 633 000
Utbytte	6	22 000 000	50 000 000
Kortsiktig konserngjeld		31 348 000	13 596 000
Annen kortsiktig gjeld	10	18 567 000	15 453 000
Sum kortsiktig gjeld		**111 335 000**	**109 218 000**
Sum gjeld		**111 335 000**	**109 218 000**
SUM EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD		**214 857 000**	**212 292 000**

ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES HOLDINGS, LLC

AND SUBSIDIARIES

Management's Discussion and Analysis

of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

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Audited Consolidated Financial Statements

for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion and analysis provide information which management believes is relevant to an assessment and understanding of the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial condition. This discussion should be read in conjunction with Consolidated Financial Statements for the Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2024.

Unless the context indicates otherwise, the "Company," "Exide," "we," "our," or "us" refers to Energy Technologies Holdings LLC and its subsidiaries.

Business

Exide (www.exidegroup.com) is a leading provider of innovative and sustainable battery storage solutions for automotive and industrial applications. With 135 years of experience, Exide has developed and globally marketed innovative batteries and systems, contributing to the energy transition, and driving a cleaner future. Exide's comprehensive range of lead-acid and lithium-ion solutions serves various applications, including 12V batteries for combustion and electric vehicles, traction batteries for material handling and robotics, stationary batteries for uninterruptible power supply, telecommunication, utility in front-of and behind-the-meter energy storage and propulsion batteries for submarines and more. The Company culture and strategy are centered around recycling, sustainability, and environmental responsibility, reflecting the commitment to being a responsible corporate citizen. The Company has 10 manufacturing and 3 recycling facilities across Europe, ensuring resilience and a low CO2 footprint with a local supply chain.

The Company reports its financial results through five principal business segments: **Automotive, Motion, Energy Solutions, Recycling and APAC**. The Company's five reportable segments are determined based upon the nature of the markets served. The Company's chief operating decision-maker monitors and manages the financial performance of these five business groups. Certain **corporate** costs are not allocated or charged to the business segments.

The **Automotive** Division is a leading developer and manufacturer of 12V automotive batteries that are designed to facilitate the transition of internal combustion vehicles to full electric powertrains. Batteries serve as 12V energy sources in a range of applications, including electric vehicles, hybrids, start-stop, and internal combustion powertrains.

The **Motion** Division is a renowned developer and manufacturer of top-quality traction batteries and chargers that facilitate the transition from combustion engines to fully electric vehicles, with a particular focus on optimizing energy efficiency for customers. Innovative battery technologies are built on both lead-acid and lithium-ion and are engineered to deliver the energy required for electric propulsion in material-handling vehicles like forklifts, as well as in robotics like automated guided vehicles, medical equipment, and cleaning.

Exide's **Energy Solutions** division is a leader in developing and manufacturing advanced stationary energy storage solutions that function as essential backup power or energy management systems and seamlessly integrate renewable energies. Its innovative battery technologies are based on both lead-acid and lithium-ion and are thoroughly engineered to provide tailor-made solutions for backup power and in-front-of- and behind-the-meter applications. Exide caters to a diverse range of industries, including UPS, telecommunication, utility production, datacenters, emergency, railway, medical and many more.

The Company operates three state-of-the-art lead-acid battery **recycling** centers. The company is committed to sustainability and ensures that all materials and components used in batteries are fully recycled and processed for reuse. All the lead recovered is reused to manufacture new batteries.

APAC division concentrates on sales and added-value services with a strong focus on Energy Solutions & Motion in the Asia Pacific region.

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Key elements of the Company's underlying business plans and strategies include:

- Drive profitable revenue growth by focusing on targeted segments and key customers where the Company can deliver differentiated value including continued growth in AGM and EFB products
- Capital investments focused on improvements in manufacturing processes, select capacity additions, cost reductions, quality enhancements and Environment, Health & Safety (EHS) projects.
- Continue to strengthen the Company's liquidity and operation cash flow by securing incremental credit facilities, working capital reduction plans and minimizing and/or eliminating the cash carrying costs related to legacy non-operating sites
- Continue to invest in research, development and engineering with the objective of developing enhanced lead-acid products as well as products utilizing alternative chemistries including lithium
- Focus on further increasing the software and electrical system engineering capabilities to support complete energy storage solution selling

Factors Which Affect the Company´s Financial Performance

Lead and other Raw Materials

Lead represented approximately 47.7% and 47.1% of the Company's cost of goods sold during the twelve months ended March 31, 2024, and 2023, respectively. The market price of lead fluctuates. The average price of lead as quoted on the London Metals Exchange ("LME") during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024, has decreased 3.3% to 1.956€ per metric ton as compared to 2.020€ per metric ton during the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023.

Lead represented approximately 40.1% and 50.9% of the Company's cost of goods sold during the three months ended March 31, 2024, and 2023, respectively. The average price of lead as quoted on the London Metals Exchange ("LME") during the three months period ended March 31, 2024, has decreased 4.3% to 1.913€ per metric ton as compared to 1.995€ per metric ton during the three months period ended March 31, 2023.

Generally, when lead prices decrease, customers may seek disproportionate price reductions from the Company, and when lead prices increase, customers may resist price increases. Either of these situations may cause customer demand for the Company´s products to be reduced and the Company´s net sales and gross margins to decline.

The Company's lead requirements are mainly fulfilled by third-party suppliers; however, a portion of its lead requirements is also obtained from recycling in Exide's own facilities. Because of the Company's exposure to the historically volatile lead market prices in Europe, the Company has implemented several measures to offset changes in lead prices, including selective pricing actions and lead price escalators. The Company has automatic lead price escalators with virtually all OEM customers. The company's recycling business also acts as a natural hedge for lead pricing volatility.

The Company expects that volatility in lead and other commodity costs, which affect all business segments, will continue to impact the Company's financial performance. However, as mentioned above, selective pricing actions, including lead price escalators in certain contracts, have been implemented to help mitigate these risks. The implementation of selective pricing actions and price escalators generally lag the rise in the market prices of lead and other commodities unfavorably impacting Company's results; at the same time in case of decreasing lead prices the lag in applying price escalators acts in Company's favor.

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While lead price escalators and other commodity surcharges, such as fuel surcharges, are defined by contracts and routinely enforced, additional pricing actions may not be accepted by our customers. Additionally, if the price of lead or other commodity not subject to an escalator or surcharge decreases, our customers may seek disproportionate price reductions. To the extent that lead, commodity or energy prices continue to be volatile, and the Company is unable to pass higher material costs on to the customers if prices were to rise or if customers seek disproportionate price reductions if prices of lead, commodity or energy decrease, the Company's financial performance will be adversely impacted.

Energy Costs

The Company relies on various sources of energy to support its manufacturing and distribution processes, principally natural gas for its recycling facilities, electricity at its battery manufacturing facilities, and diesel fuel for distribution of its products. The Company seeks to recoup increases in energy costs through price increases or surcharges. To the extent the Company is unable to pass on higher energy costs to its customers, its financial performance will be adversely impacted.

Exchange Rates

The majority of Company's sales are generated by the entities operating in the euro area ("eurozone"). The Company is, however, exposed to foreign currency risk in Poland, the United Kingdom ("U.K."), Sweden, the People's Republic of China ("China"), Australia, Norway and the United States of America. Fluctuations in exchange rates can result in variations in the euro value of non-eurozone net sales, expenses, assets, and liabilities. In some instances, gains in one currency may be offset by losses in another.

Markets

The global transportation and industrial energy battery markets are highly competitive. Competition has continued to intensify and has affected the Company's ability to pass along price increases to keep pace with rising production costs. In certain markets, the effects of local competition have been exacerbated by excess manufacturing capacity.

The Company is also subject to concentrations of customers and sales in a few geographic locations and is dependent on customers in certain industries, including the automotive, communications, data and material handling markets. Economic difficulties experienced in these markets and geographic locations impact the Company's financial results. OE volumes in the Automotive and Motion channels can be impacted by cyclical demand caused by changes in global economic conditions. In addition, dramatic changes in capital spending levels by major customers in our Energy Solutions' channels can also significantly impact sales levels.

Seasonality and Weather

The Company sells a disproportionate share of its transportation aftermarket batteries during the fall and early winter (the Company's third and a portion of its fourth fiscal quarters). Retailers and distributors buy automotive batteries during these periods so they will have sufficient inventory for cold weather periods. The impact of seasonality on sales has the effect of increasing the Company's working capital requirements and also makes the Company more sensitive to fluctuations in the availability of liquidity.

Unusually cold winters or hot summers may accelerate battery failure and increase demand for automotive aftermarket batteries. Mild winters and cool summers may have the opposite effect. As a result, if the Company's sales are reduced by an unusually warm winter or cool summer, it is not possible for the Company to recover these sales in later periods. Further, if the Company's sales are adversely affected by the weather, the Company cannot make offsetting costs reductions to protect its liquidity and operating profits in the short-term because a large portion of the Company's manufacturing and distribution costs are fixed.

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Results of Operations

Results of Operations versus prior year

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("Adjusted EBITDA") is a metric used by the Company as a key measure of its operational financial performance. In addition, Adjusted EBITDA is frequently used by the financial community to provide insight into an organization's operating trends as well as facilitating comparisons between peer companies, since interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization can differ greatly between organizations as a result of differing capital structures and tax strategies. Adjusted EBITDA may also provide a useful metric to allow investors to better compare the current period results of the Company to prior period results. Adjusted EBITDA can also be a useful measure of a company's ability to service debt and is one of the measures used for determining our debt covenant compliance. Adjusted EBITDA excludes certain items that are unusual in nature or not comparable from period to period. The Company's Adjusted EBITDA definition also adjusts earnings for the effect of restructuring and impairment charges, loss (gain) of asset sales or disposals, ARO accretion expense, non-operating other (income) expense, unrealized hedging losses (gains) until realized, certain noncash environmental remediation cost incurred until paid, non-controlling interests, discontinued operations and stock compensation expense. While the Company believes that Adjusted EBITDA is useful supplemental information, such adjusted results are not intended to replace the Company's GAAP financial results and should be read in conjunction with those GAAP results. Below are reconciliations of the Company's segment income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA.

Reconciliation of segment income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA for the three months period ended March 31, 2024 and comparable period of 2023 consisted of the following:

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31, 2024 (actuals)		March 31, 2023 (actuals)	
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Operating income	€	4,470	€	14,790
Restructuring and impairments, net		5,375		(1,178)
Depreciation/amortization		6,973		7,165
Environmental		—		200
ERP implementation costs		390		358
Mergers & Acquisition activity expenses		155		20
Other		1,466		439
Unrealized hedging		239		(502)
Discontinued operations [1]		9		49
Adjusted EBITDA	€	19,077	€	21,342

(1) The Company has shown the exit of certain non-strategic business as "discontinued operations". As these amounts do not meet the GAAP criteria to qualify as discontinued operations, the GAAP financials have not been restated to exclude the impact of discontinued operations. Therefore, the impact of discontinued operations has been treated as an addback for Adjusted EBITDA purposes.

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Adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended March 31, 2024 was €2.3 million lower than the corresponding period of previous year. The negative sales evolution impact is being partly offset by the favorable commodities and energy prices evolution as well as better sales and product mix, resulting in a Gross Profit margin increase compared to previous year from11.6% to 12.3% for the quarter.

Reconciliation of segment income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA for the twelve months period ended March 31, 2024 and comparable period of 2023 consisted of the following:

	Twelve Months Ended			
	March 31, 2024 (actuals)		March 31, 2023 (actuals)	
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Operating income	€	5,555	€	13,406
Restructuring and impairments, net		6,401		8,761
Depreciation/amortization		28,194		27,373
Legal proceedings provision [1]		26,300		—
Environmental		83		200
ERP implementation costs		1,407		1,080
Mergers & Acquisition activity expenses		291		120
Other		3,713		3,822
Unrealized hedging		1,154		(648)
Discontinued operations [2]		90		218
Adjusted EBITDA	€	73,188	€	54,331

(1) €26.3 million represents provision that is the Company's current best estimate of the outcome of the proceedings regarding an investigation by the European Commission described in Note 14 to the Financial Statements. The impact of the legal proceedings provision has been treated as an addback for Adjusted EBITDA purposes.

(2) The Company has shown the exit of certain non-strategic business as "discontinued operations". As these amounts do not meet the GAAP criteria to qualify as discontinued operations, the GAAP financials have not been restated to exclude the impact of discontinued operations. Therefore, the impact of discontinued operations has been treated as an addback for Adjusted EBITDA purposes.

Adjusted EBITDA for the twelve months ended March 31, 2024 was €18.8 million higher than the previous year. Lower reported sales were offset by favorable commodities and energy prices' evolution as well as better product and customer mix (increased sales of premium products e.g. AGM in Automotive and Pure Power AGM in Energy Solutions) which resulted in a Gross Profit margin increase compared to the previous year from 9.7% to 12.1%.

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Operating Expenses

Selling and administrative expenses amounted to €40.8 million for the three months period ended March 31, 2024, compared to €35.1 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023. The increase of €5.7 million was primarily caused by employee bonus accrual and higher salary-related costs.

Restructuring charges for the three months period ended March 31, 2024 of €5.4 million represented primarily severance.

Selling and administrative expenses amounted to €173.3 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024, compared to €127.6 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023. The increase of €45.8 million was primarily caused by provision of €26.3 million that is the Company's best estimate of the outcome of the proceedings regarding an investigation by the European Commission described in Note 14 to the Financial Statements, as well as higher employee bonus accrual and salary-related costs.

Restructuring charges for the twelve months period ended March 31, 2024 of €6.4 million represented primarily severance.

Net Loss to EBITDA reconciliation

Reconciliation of Net Loss to EBITDA for the three months ended March 31, 2024, is presented in the table below.

		Three Months Ended March 31, 2024
		(In thousands)
Net Loss	€	(583)
Legal proceedings provision Add-Back		—
Other Add-Backs		2,259
Net Income – net of Add-Backs	€	1,675
Depreciation and amortization		6,973
Restructuring and impairment		5,375
Other income (expense)		(2,332)
Interest expense		5,469
Tax charges		1,916
Adjusted EBITDA	€	19,077

Main drivers impacting net result, outside of standard definition of EBITDA and normal course of business were EBITDA Addbacks amounting to €2.3 million. EBITDA Addbacks for three months period ended March 31, 2024, consist mainly of costs related to unrealized hedging of €0.2 million, ERP implementation cost of €0.4 million and other EBITDA Add-Backs amounting to €1.5 million (mainly legal fees, mergers & acquisitions costs, environmental reversal and discontinued operations).

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Reconciliation of Net Loss to EBITDA for the twelve months ended March 31, 2024, is presented in the table below.

		Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2024 (In thousands)
Net Loss	€	(25,474)
Legal proceedings provision Add-Back		26,300
Other Add-Backs		6,738
Net Income – net of Add-Backs	€	7,563
Depreciation and amortization		28,194
Restructuring and impairment		6,401
Other income (expense)		2,964
Interest expense		20,317
Tax charges		7,748
Adjusted EBITDA	€	73,188

Main drivers impacting net result, outside of standard definition of EBITDA and normal course of business were EBITDA Addbacks amounting to €33.0million. EBITDA Addbacks for twelve months period ended March 31, 2024, consist mainly of provision of €26.3 million that is the Company's best estimate of the outcome of the proceedings regarding an investigation by the European Commission as described in Note 14 to the Financial Statements as well as costs related to unrealized hedging of €1.2 million, ERP implementation cost of €1.4 million and other EBITDA Add-Backs amounting to €4.1 million (mainly legal fees, mergers & acquisition costs, environmental reversal and discontinued operations).

Results of Operations versus Budget

Net Sales

Net sales were €409.7 million for the three months period ended March 31, 2024, compared to budgeted €422.9 million for the same period. Net sales lower than Budget by €12.9 million, mainly driven by lower volumes sold, unfavorable mix and FX impact, partly offset by favorable pricing and lead escalator impact. The favorable pricing was less positive due to lower energy and commodity prices that increased pressure on price reductions.

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Net sales for the three months period by operating segment (actuals and budget) are presented below:

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31, 2024 (actuals)		March 31, 2024 (budget)	
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Sales				
Automotive	€	241,501	€	231,926
Motion		80,078		97,590
Energy Solutions		66,389		72,197
Recycling		6,667		663
APAC		15,330		20,561
Corporate		—		—
Total	€	409,965	€	422,936

Automotive net sales were €9.6 million (4.1%) above budget. This was driven by higher volumes and favorable lead escalator impact, partly offset by unfavorable pricing (mainly due to increased price pressure following energy and commodity prices evolution), unfavorable mix impact and FX.

Motion net sales were €17.5 million (17.9%) below budget due to lower volumes and FX. The result was partly offset by price recovery actions and favorable lead escalator impact.

Energy Solutions' net sales were €5.8 million (8.0%) below budget driven mainly by lower volumes, partly offset by favorable pricing actions and mix.

Recycling net sales were €6.0 million above budget as a result of higher volumes.

APAC net sales were below budget by €5.2 million (25.1%). This was driven by lower volumes and FX, partly offset by favorable mix impact.

Net sales for the twelve months period by operating segment (actuals and budget) are presented below:

	Twelve Months Ended			
	March 31, 2024 (actuals)		March 31, 2024 (budget)	
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Sales				
Automotive	€	866,698	€	902,697
Motion		307,580		348,183
Energy Solutions		276,693		285,711
Recycling		10,160		2,380
APAC		63,807		79,984
Corporate		—		—
Total	€	1,524,938	€	1,618,955

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(In thousands)

Automotive net sales were €36.0 million (4.0%) below budget. This was driven by lower volumes, unfavorable pricing (mainly due to increased price pressure following energy and commodity prices evolution) and FX, partly offset by favorable mix and lead escalator impact.

Motion net sales were €40.6 million (11.7%) below budget due to lower volumes, unfavorable mix and FX. The result was partly offset by favorable price recovery actions.

Energy Solutions' net sales were €9.0 million (3.2%) below budget driven mainly by lower volumes and FX, partly offset by favorable pricing and mix.

Recycling net sales were €7.8million above budget as a result of higher volumes.

APAC net sales were below budget by €16.2 million (20.2%). This was driven by lower volumes and unfavorable FX, partly offset by favorable mix and pricing impact.

Gross Profit

Gross profit was €50.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024, compared to budgeted €46.8 million for the same period. The increase of €3.8 million was mainly driven by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing results, lower volumes, FX, unfavorable mix partly offset by lower commodity costs, favorable pricing and favorable lead escalator impact. Gross profit margin increased to 12.3% of net sales in the current period from 11.1% budgeted. Refer to the operating income section below for further operating segment discussion.

Gross profit was €185.3 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024, compared to budgeted €171.9 million for the same period. The increase of €13.3 million was mainly driven by lower commodity costs, favorable lead escalator impact and favorable pricing impact partly offset by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, lower volumes, FX and unfavorable mix impact. Gross profit margin increased to 12.1% of net sales in the current period from 10.6% budgeted. Refer to the operating income section below for further operating segment discussion.

Operating Expenses

Selling and administrative expenses amounted to €40.8 million for the three months period ended March 31, 2024, compared to budgeted €36.1 million. The increase of €4.7 million was primarily caused by employee bonus accrual and higher salary related costs.

Restructuring charges for the three months period ended March 31, 2024 of €5.4 million represented primarily severance.

Selling and administrative expenses amounted to €173.3 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024, compared to budgeted €142.3 million. The increase of €31.0 million was primarily caused by provision of €26.3 million that is the Company's best estimate of the outcome of the proceedings regarding an investigation by the European Commission described in Note 14 to the Financial Statements.

Restructuring charges for the twelve months period ended March 31, 2024 of €6.4 million represented primarily severance.

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Operating Income (Loss)

Operating Income amounted to €4.5 million for the three months period ended March 31, 2024, compared to budgeted Operating Income amounting to €10.6 million. Operating income (loss) by segment (actuals and budget) is presented in the tables below:

	Three Months Ended	
	Marh 31, 2024 (actuals)	March 31, 2024 (budget)
	(In thousands)	(In thousands)
Operating income		
Automotive	€ 12,456	€ 4,944
Motion	(9,974)	(942)
Energy Solutions	5,114	5,616
Recycling	4,060	4,864
APAC	(1,449)	1,007
Corporate	(5,737)	(4,878)
Total	€ 4,470	€ 10,612

Automotive operating result was €7.5 million higher compared than budgeted, mainly driven by lower commodity costs, favorable lead escalator impact, favorable logistic and manufacturing result and higher volumes, partly offset by unfavorable mix and pricing impact, FX and higher SG&A.

Motion operating loss was below budget by €9.0 million due to unfavorable mix impact, lower volumes, unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, restructuring provision posted, higher SG&A and FX partly offset by favorable pricing impact, lower commodity costs and favorable lead escalator impact.

Energy Solutions operating income was below budget by €0.5 million, mainly driven by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, lower volumes, higher SG&A and FX, partly offset by favorable pricing and mix impact, lower commodity costs and favorable lead escalator.

Recycling operating income was unfavorable versus budget by €0.8 million, mainly driven by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, unfavorable mix impact, unfavorable lead escalator impact and higher SG&A partly offset by lower commodity costs and higher volumes.

APAC operating result was below budget by €2.5 million, mainly driven by unfavorable mix impact, lower volumes, higher SG&A and unfavorable logistic and manufacturing results partly offset by favorable pricing impact and lower commodity costs.

Corporate operating income was unfavorable versus budget by €0.9 million driven by higher SG&A costs.

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(In thousands)

Operating income for the twelve months period by operating segment (actuals and budget) are presented below:

	Twelve Months Ended	
	March 31, 2024 (actuals)	March 31, 2024 (budget)
	(In thousands)	(In thousands)
Operating income		
Automotive	€ 22,153	€ 16,494
Motion	(17,945)	(7,901)
Energy Solutions	23,590	22,266
Recycling	25,181	13,384
APAC	(1,643)	3,179
Corporate	(45,780)	(17,932)
Total	€ 5,555	€ 29,491

Automotive operating result was €5.7 million higher than budgeted, mainly driven by lower commodity costs, favorable lead escalator impact and lower SG&A partly offset by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, FX, unfavorable pricing impact (mainly due to increased price pressure following energy and commodity prices evolution), lower volumes and unfavorable mix impact.

Motion operating loss was below budget by €10.0 million due to unfavorable mix impact, lower volumes, unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, higher SG&A and FX partly offset by lower commodity costs, favorable pricing and favorable lead escalator impact.

Energy Solutions operating income was above budget by €1.3 million, driven by favorable pricing and mix impact, lower commodity costs and favorable lead escalator impact partly offset by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, lower volumes, higher SG&A and FX.

Recycling operating income was favorable versus budget by €11.8 million, mainly driven by lower commodity costs, favorable logistic and manufacturing result and higher volumes, partly offset by unfavorable mix impact and unfavorable lead escalator impact.

APAC operating result was below budget by €4.8 million, mainly driven by lower volumes, unfavorable mix impact, unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, higher SG&A and FX partly offset by lower commodity costs and favorable pricing impact.

Corporate operating income was unfavorable versus budget by €27.8 million driven by €26.3 million regarding provision that is the Company's current best estimate of the outcome of the proceedings regarding an investigation by the European Commission described in Note 14 to the Financial Statements.

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(In thousands)

Adjusted EBITDA

Reconciliation of segment income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA for the three months period ended March 31, 2024 (actuals and budget) consisted of the following:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2024 (actuals)	March 31, 2024 (budget)
	(In thousands)	(In thousands)
Operating income	€ 4,470	€ 10,612
Restructuring and impairments, net	5,375	54
Depreciation/amortization	6,973	7,151
Environmental	—	149
ERP implementation costs	390	305
Mergers & Acquisition activity expenses	155	55
Other	1,466	845
Unrealized hedging	239	—
Discontinued operations[1]	9	—
Adjusted EBITDA	€ 19,077	€ 19,171

(1) The Company has shown the exit of certain non-strategic business as "discontinued operations". As these amounts do not meet the GAAP criteria to qualify as discontinued operations, the GAAP financials have not been restated to exclude the impact of discontinued operations. Therefore, the impact of discontinued operations has been treated as an addback for Adjusted EBITDA purposes.

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(In thousands)

Reconciliation of segment income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA for the twelve months period ended March 31, 2024 (actuals and budget) consisted of the following:

	Twelve Months Ended			
	March 31, 2024 (actuals)		March 31, 2024 (budget)	
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Operating income	€	5,555	€	29,491
Restructuring and impairments, net		6,401		184
Depreciation/amortization		28,194		28,758
Legal proceedings provision[1]		26,300		—
Environmental		83		594
ERP implementation costs		1,407		1,228
Mergers & Acquisition activity expenses		291		221
Other		3,713		3,227
Unrealized hedging		1,154		—
Discontinued operations[2]		90		—
Adjusted EBITDA	€	73,188	€	63,703

(1) €26.3 million represents provision that is the Company's current best estimate of the outcome of the proceedings regarding an investigation by the European Commission described in Note 14 to the Financial Statements. The impact of the legal proceedings provision has been treated as an addback for Adjusted EBITDA purposes.

(2) The Company has shown the exit of certain non-strategic business as "discontinued operations". As these amounts do not meet the GAAP criteria to qualify as discontinued operations, the GAAP financials have not been restated to exclude the impact of discontinued operations. Therefore, the impact of discontinued operations has been treated as an addback for Adjusted EBITDA purposes.

Adjusted EBITDA by operating segment (actuals and budget) for the three-month period consisted of the following:

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31, 2024 (actuals)		March 31, 2024 (budget)	
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Adjusted EBITDA				
Automotive	€	16,571	€	8,728
Motion		(3,192)		1,164
Energy Solutions		6,305		6,465
Recycling		4,445		5,125
APAC		(1,363)		947
Corporate		(3,689)		(3,258)
Total	€	19,077	€	19,171

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(In thousands)

Automotive Adjusted EBITDA was €7.8 million above budget, driven by lower commodity costs, favorable lead escalator impact, favorable logistic and manufacturing result and higher volumes partly offset by FX and unfavorable mix and unfavorable pricing impact (mainly due to increased price pressure following energy and commodity prices evolution).

Motion Adjusted EBITDA was below budget by €4.4 million driven mainly by unfavorable mix impact and lower volumes partly offset by favorable pricing impact and lower commodity costs.

Energy Solutions Adjusted EBITDA was €0.2 million unfavorable versus budget driven by lower volumes, unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, and higher SG&A partly offset by favorable pricing and mix impact, lower commodity costs and favorable lead escalator impact.

Recycling Adjusted EBITDA was below budget by €0.7 million driven by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing results, unfavorable Mix impact partly offset by lower Commodity costs and higher volumes.

APAC Adjusted EBITDA was unfavorable versus budget by €2.3 million. Main drivers include unfavorable mix impact, lower volumes and higher SG&A partly offset by favorable pricing impact and lower commodity costs.

Adjusted EBITDA by operating segment (actuals and budget) for the twelve-month period consisted of the following:

	Twelve Months Ended			
	March 31, 20234 (actuals)		March 31, 2024 (budget)	
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Adjusted EBITDA				
Automotive	€	39,062	€	31,727
Motion		(4,373)		303
Energy Solutions		27,351		25,738
Recycling		26,325		14,404
APAC		(1,452)		2,915
Corporate		(13,725)		(11,383)
Total	€	73,188	€	63,703

Automotive Adjusted EBITDA was €7.3 million above budget driven by lower commodity costs and favorable lead escalator impact partly offset by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, FX, unfavorable pricing impact (mainly due to increased price pressure following energy and commodity prices evolution), lower volumes and unfavorable mix impact.

Motion Adjusted EBITDA was unfavorable versus budget by €4.7 million due to unfavorable mix impact, lower volumes, unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result and higher SG&A partly offset by lower commodity costs, favorable pricing impact and favorable lead escalator impact.

Energy Solutions Adjusted EBITDA was €1.6 million above budget as a result of favorable pricing and mix impact, lower commodity costs and favorable lead escalator impact partly offset by unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, lower volumes and higher SG&A.

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(In thousands)

Recycling Adjusted EBITDA was above budget by €11.9 million, driven by lower commodity costs, favorable logistic and manufacturing result and higher volumes partly offset by unfavorable mix and unfavorable lead escalator impact.

APAC Adjusted EBITDA was unfavorable versus budget by €2.9 million. Main drivers include lower volumes, unfavorable mix impact, unfavorable logistic and manufacturing result, higher SG&A and FX partly offset by lower commodity costs and favorable pricing impact.

Corporate Adjusted EBITDA was unfavorable versus budget by €2.3 million driven by higher SG&A.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

On March 31, 2024, the Company had total liquidity of €123.0 million comprised of cash and cash equivalents of €72.1 million and availability under various European credit facilities of €50.8 million.

The company's liquidity requirements have been met historically through cash provided by operations, borrowed funds, and the proceeds of sales of accounts receivable in certain European subsidiaries.

The Company's liquidity needs arise primarily in the funding of working capital, obligations on indebtedness and capital expenditures. Because of the seasonality of the Company's business, more cash has typically been generated in the Company's third and fourth fiscal quarters than the first and second fiscal quarters. The greatest cash demands from operations have historically occurred during the months of April through October. Due to working capital needs already being high during this period, unexpected decreases in cash flows or unexpected increases in costs beyond predicted levels could adversely affect the Company's liquidity.

Going forward, the Company's principal sources of liquidity are expected to be cash on hand, cash from operations, borrowings under various European credit facilities.

Financial Instruments and Market Risk

From time to time, the Company has used financial instruments to economically hedge certain commodity price exposures, including lead. The financial instruments are entered into for periods consistent with the related underlying exposures and do not constitute positions independent of those exposures. The Company may increase the use of financial instruments, including fixed and variable rate debt as well as swaps, forwards and option contracts to hedge interest rate, foreign currency and certain commodity purchasing related risks in the future. The swaps, forwards, and option contracts would be entered into for periods consistent with the related underlying exposures and would not constitute positions independent of those exposures. The Company has not entered into, and does not intend to enter into, contracts for speculative purposes.

Accounts Receivable Nonrecourse Factoring Arrangements

The Company utilizes nonrecourse accounts receivable factoring arrangements in certain countries where programs of this type are typical. These arrangements do not contain recourse provisions against the Company for its customers' failure to pay. Under these arrangements, the Company may sell certain of its trade accounts receivable to financial institutions.

The Company sold approximately €142.3 million of accounts receivable without recourse that would be otherwise included in the balance sheet as of March 31, 2024. Changes in the level of receivables sold in the three months period ended March 31, 2024, are included in the change in current receivables and contract assets within cash flow from operations in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Directors of Energy Technologies Holdings LLC

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Energy Technologies Holdings LLC and its subsidiaries (the Company), which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive loss, equity and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Company and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the consolidated financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the consolidated financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Paris, France
June 18, 2024

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ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES HOLDINGS, LLC AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(In thousands)

		For the Fiscal Period Ended			
			March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023
Net sales		€	1,524,938	€	1,545,018
Cost of sales			1,339,661		1,395,283
Gross profit			185,277		149,735
Selling and administrative expenses			173,321		127,568
Restructuring and impairments, net	Note 15		6,401		8,761
Operating income			5,555		13,406
Other (income) expense, net	Note 16		2,964		4,525
Interest expense, net			20,317		19,344
Income (loss) before income taxes			(17,726)		(10,463)
Income tax provision	Note 13		7,748		4,813
Net loss			(25,474)		(15,276)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests			(55)		(5)
Net loss attributable to Energy Technologies Holdings LLC		€	(25,419)	€	(15,271)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

(In thousands)

	For the Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2024	For the Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2023
Net loss	€ (25,474)	€ (15,276)
Other comprehensive loss:		
Foreign currency translation adjustment	5,749	(13,018)
Change in defined-benefit liabilities, net of tax	(2,996)	10,906
Total comprehensive loss	€ (22,721)	€ (17,387)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES HOLDINGS, LLC AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

(In thousands)

		March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	Note 2	€ 72,079	€ 54,835
Current receivables and contract assets	Note 5	210,492	231,621
Inventories	Note 6	242,081	274,764
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		13,576	17,616
Total current assets		538,228	578,836
Property, plant, and equipment, net	Note 7	245,934	239,394
Other assets:			
Intangibles, net	Note 4	28,719	30,301
Deferred income taxes	Note 13	46,382	45,915
Other noncurrent assets	Note 8	51,769	49,914
Total other assets		126,870	126,130
Total assets		€ 911,032	€ 944,360
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Short-term borrowings	Note 9	€ 95,920	€ 88,205
Current maturities of long-term debt	Note 9	28,505	32,881
Accounts payable		208,037	242,301
Accrued expenses		158,701	139,238
Total current liabilities		491,163	502,625
Long-term debt			
Long-term debt - Preferred Units	Note 9	25,235	25,087
Long-term debt - Other	Note 9	54,983	78,299
Total Long-term debt	Note 9	80,218	103,386
Noncurrent retirement obligations	Note 10	89,008	89,298
Deferred income taxes	Note 13	2,011	3,213
Other noncurrent liabilities	Note 11	83,218	45,063
Total liabilities		745,618	743,585
EQUITY			
Members' Equity		210,573	210,447
Retained earnings		(50,570)	(11,230)
Accumulated other comprehensive income		3,062	315
Total equity attributable to Energy Technologies Holdings LLC		163,065	199,532
Noncontrolling interests		2,350	1,242
Total equity		165,415	200,774
Total liabilities and equity		€ 911,032	€ 944,360

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES HOLDINGS, LLC AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EQUITY

(In thousands)

	Members' capital	Retained earnings	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss): Defined benefit plans	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss): Cumulative translation adjustment	Non-controlling interest	Total equity
As of March 31, 2022	€ 59,277	€ 8,623	€ 9,083	€ (6,657)	€ 232	€ 70,558
Net loss	—	(15,271)	—	—	(5)	(15,276)
Defined-benefit plans, net of tax	—	—	10,906	—	—	10,906
Translation adjustment	—	—	—	(13,018)	—	(13,018)
Shares issued as part of Equity Incentive Plan	134	—	—	—	—	134
Minority interests change due to Equity Incentive Plan	—	—	—	—	1,015	1,015
Preferred Units reclassification	151,036	—	—	—	—	151,036
Preferred Return	—	(4,583)	—	—	—	(4,583)
As of March 31, 2023	€ 210,447	€ (11,230)	€ 19,990	€ (19,675)	€ 1,242	€ 200,774
Net loss	—	(25,420)	—	—	(55)	(25,475)
Defined benefit plans, net of tax	—	—	(2,996)	—	—	(2,996)
Translation adjustment	—	—	—	5,743	6	5,749
Shares issued as part of Equity Incentive Plan (1)	126	—	—	—		126
Minority interests change due to Equity Incentive Plan (2)	—	—	—	—	587	587
Minority interest change due to BE Power GmbH acquisition (3)	—	—	—	—	569	569
Preferred Return	—	(13,920)	—	—	—	(13,920)
As of March 31, 2024	€ 210,573	€ (50,570)	€ 16,994	€ (13,932)	€ 2,350	€ 165,415

(1) During the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023, the Company issued 88.64 common units to the beneficiaries of the US Equity Incentive Plan, that as of July 1, 2023, were held for more than 6 months, and as a result were reclassified from Liability to Equity. Please refer to Note 18 for further details

(2) Change related to shares vested under the EU Equity Incentive Plan (Tranche 3). Please refer to Note 18 for further details

(3) Change related to the acquisition of 74.9% of the shares in BE Power GmbH. Please refer to Note 19 for further details

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands)

		For the Fiscal Period Ended			
			March 31, 2024		**March 31, 2023**
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:					
Net loss		€	(25,474)	€	(15,276)
Adjustments to reconcile Net loss to cash provided by operating activities					
Depreciation and amortization	Note 4,7		28,194		27,373
(Gain) Loss on asset sales, impairments and ARO accretion			1,618		109
Deferred income taxes			(979)		3,677
Provision for doubtful accounts			586		(326)
Non-cash interest expense			1,060		6,849
Non-cash currency remeasurement gain (loss)			(2,653)		3,141
Changes in assets and liabilities:					
Current receivables and contract assets	Note 5		21,557		(41,549)
Inventories	Note 6		34,499		18,636
Other current assets			4,815		(4,591)
Accounts payable			(36,125)		7,815
Accrued expenses			19,194		(5,792)
Other noncurrent liabilities			37,131		(6,542)
Preferred return recorded as a reduction of Retained Earnings			(13,920)		(4,583)
Other, net			(260)		2,066
Net cash provided by operating activities			69,244		(8,993)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:					
Capital expenditures			(29,461)		(28,030)
Acquisition of BE Power GmbH net of Cash acquired			(573)		—
Earn-Out payment regarding acquisition of Customized Energy Solution (previously: ATEPS)			(850)		—
Proceeds from assets sales			42		—
Net cash used in investing activities			(30,842)		(28,030)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:					
Payments regarding PKO long term financing	Note 9		(6,667)		(6,667)
Proceeds from PKO overdraft	Note 9		1,522		7,622
Increase in short-term borrowings	Note 9		5,580		2,797
Increase (decrease) in other debt	Note 9		(21,671)		29,015
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities			(21,236)		32,768
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash			(90)		(1,130)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash			17,076		(5,385)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period			57,016		62,401
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	Note 2		74,092	€	57,016
Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information:					
Cash paid during the period:					
Interest		€	19,013	€	11,570
Income taxes (net of refunds)			3,804		8,722

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(In thousands)

(1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Energy Technologies Holdings LLC and all of its majority-owned subsidiaries (referred to as the "Company"). The Company was formed on June 12, 2020, as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Delaware, USA as "EIH Europe Acquisition LLC". On September 28, 2020, "EIH Europe Acquisition LLC" was renamed into "Energy Technologies Holdings LLC". The Company owns 100 percent controlling interest in Exide International Holdings GP, LLC ("Exide GP") together with 100 percent controlling interest in Exide International Holdings, LP ("Exide International"), both registered in the Cayman Islands.

As of March 31, 2024, the Company is owned by various institutional investors, all of which have non-controlling stakes in the Company. Members' Equity consists of 70,280.25 Common Units in the total principal value of $70.4 million (which translates to €59.7 million) and 155,945 Preferred Units in the total principal value of $155.95 million (which translates to €151.0 million). Please note that 93.05 units, amounting to €0.1 million, that were issued in connection with Equity Incentive Plan as of December 31, 2023, are presented in Liabilities. Furthermore, during the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023, the Company issued 88.64 common units to the beneficiaries of the US Plan, that as of July 1, 2023, were held for more than 6 months, and as a result were reclassified from Liability to Equity. Details of such classification are described in *Note 18 Stock Based Compensation.*

The Consolidated Financial Statements are presented in euros and prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP"). The Company has evaluated subsequent events from the balance sheet date through June 17, 2024, the date at which the Consolidated Financial Statements were available to be issued.

Unless otherwise indicated or unless the context otherwise requires, references to "fiscal year" refer to the period ended March 31, of that year (e.g., "fiscal year 2024" refers to the period beginning April 1, 2023, and ending March 31, 2024).

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Principles of Consolidation

The Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and all majority-owned subsidiaries in which the Company exercises control. All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated.

Nature of Operations

Exide Technologies (www.exidegroup.com), headquartered near Paris, in France, is a leading provider of advanced energy storage solutions for the automotive and industrial markets. It designs, manufactures and markets today's and next-generation batteries and technologies used across a wide range of applications, from automotive and off-road to material handling, stationary, medium to large energy storage over to rail and defense. Exide Technologies serves the global markets with top-notch lead-acid and lithium-ion based battery technologies, know-how& added-value services under many well-known brands.

As an original equipment manufacturer to leading automotive and industrial equipment manufacturers, Exide Technologies has been involved in many of the significant breakthrough energy-storage developments that are enabling innovation across the markets. With two R&D facilities, ten production plants and three recycling plants in Europe, Exide is committed to high quality engineering, manufacturing and recycling. It energizes the world with the most efficient energy solutions, helping customers maximize their productivity and performance.

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(In thousands)

Business combinations

The Company accounts for its business acquisitions under the acquisition method of accounting. The total value of the consideration paid for acquisitions is allocated to the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their respective estimated fair values and any remaining purchase price, if any, is recorded as goodwill. If the net acquisition date amounts of the identifiable net assets acquired exceeds the fair value of the consideration transferred (and the fair value of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree), a bargain purchase has occurred. This resulting gain is recognized in earnings on the acquisition date. The Company uses a number of valuation methods to determine the fair value of assets and liabilities acquired, including discounted cash flows, external market values, valuations on recent transactions or a combination thereof, relief from royalty and believes that it uses the most appropriate measure or a combination of measures to value each asset or liability. Although the estimates of fair value are based on assumptions believed to be reasonable, actual results may differ. The Company recognizes measurement-period adjustments, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, in the reporting period in which the adjustment amounts are determined.

Major Customers and Concentration of Credit

The Company has a number of major end-user customers that consist of retailers and OEMs. No single customer accounted for more than 10.0% of consolidated net sales during the fiscal period presented. As of March 31, 2024, no entity represented 10.0% or more of total accounts receivable balance.

Foreign Currency Translation

The functional currency of Energy Technologies Holdings LLC is the Euro. The functional currencies of the Company's foreign subsidiaries are primarily the respective local currencies. Assets and liabilities of the Company's foreign subsidiaries and affiliates are translated into euros at the year-end exchange rate, and revenue and expenses are translated at average monthly exchange rates. Translation gains and losses are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within equity. All other foreign currency gains and losses are included in other expense (income), net.

Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

Cash equivalents consist of highly liquid instruments with maturities at the time of acquisition of three months or less. Cash equivalents are stated at cost, which approximates fair value because of the short-term maturity of these instruments.

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash reported within the Consolidated Balance Sheet that sums to the total of the same amounts shown in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	(In thousands)			
Cash and cash equivalents	€	72,079	€	54,835
Restricted cash included in prepaid expenses and other current assets		386		376
Restricted cash included in other noncurrent assets		1,627		1,805
Total cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash shown in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows	€	74,092	€	57,016

Restricted cash represents amounts primarily required to be set aside by contractual agreements, including guarantees for certain customer business arrangements and payments for specific capital improvements. The restriction will lapse when the related arrangement is completed, and no further obligation exists.

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Accounts Receivable Factoring Arrangements

The Company utilizes nonrecourse accounts receivable factoring arrangements in certain countries where programs of this type are typical. These arrangements do not contain recourse provisions against the Company for its customers' failure to pay. Under these arrangements, the Company may sell certain of its trade accounts receivable to financial institutions. These transactions are accounted for in accordance with ASC 860, "Transfers and Servicing". ASC 860 allows for the ownership transfer of accounts receivable to qualify for sale treatment when the appropriate criteria are met, which permits the Company to exclude amounts sold under the program from Current receivables and contract assets on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Receivables are considered sold when (i) they are transferred beyond the reach of the Company and its creditors, (ii) the purchaser has the right to pledge or exchange the receivables, and (iii) the Company has no continuing involvement in the transferred receivables. In addition, the Company provides no other forms of continued financial support to the purchaser of the receivables once the receivables are sold.

The Company sold approximately €142.3 million and €126.2 million of accounts receivable without recourse that would be otherwise included in the balance sheet as at March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023, respectively. Changes in the level of receivables sold from year to year are included in the change in current receivables and contract assets within cash flows from operating activities in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company maintains allowances for doubtful accounts for estimated probable losses resulting from the inability of the Company's customers to make the required payments. The Company continues to assess the adequacy of the reserves for doubtful accounts based on the financial condition of the Company's customers and other external factors that may impact collectability. The majority of the Company's accounts receivable are due from trade customers. Credit is extended based on an evaluation of the Company's customers' financial condition and generally collateral is not required. Payment terms vary, and accounts receivable are stated in the Consolidated Financial Statements in amounts due from customers net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. The Company reviews its allowance for doubtful accounts monthly. The Company considers a number of factors in determining the allowance for doubtful accounts, including the length of time trade accounts receivable are past due, the customers' current ability to pay their obligations to the Company, the Company's previous loss history, and the condition of the general economy and the industry as a whole. The Company writes off accounts receivable when they are deemed uncollectible. The Company's accounts receivable balance on March 31, 2024, and 2023 reflects an allowance for doubtful accounts of €1.8 million and €1.1 million, respectively.

Inventories

Inventories, which consist of material, labor and overhead, are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value using the first-in, first-out ("FIFO") method.

Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The range of original estimated useful lives are generally: buildings and improvements, 25-40 years; machinery and equipment, 3-14 years. Cost and accumulated depreciation for property retired or disposed of is removed from the accounts and any gain or loss on disposal is credited or charged to earnings. Assets held under finance leases are stated at the present value of minimum lease payments and are amortized as depreciation expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term or estimated useful life of the asset. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred. Additions, improvements, and major renewals that extend the useful lives of the assets are capitalized.

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Deferred Financing Costs

Deferred financing costs are presented in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of the Company's debt and amortized to interest expense over the life of the related debt.

Long-Lived Assets

The Company's long-lived assets include property, plant, and equipment and identified intangible assets. Long-lived assets (other than indefinite lived intangible assets) are depreciated over their estimated useful lives and are reviewed for impairment whenever changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. The recoverability of asset groups to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of long-lived assets to future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by these asset groups. If the carrying amount of the long-lived asset or asset group is not recoverable on an undiscounted cash flow basis, an impairment is recognized in the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset group exceeds the fair value of the asset group. Assets held for sale are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less estimated costs of disposal and are no longer depreciated. Indefinite-lived intangible assets are reviewed for impairment on both an annual basis at March 31 and whenever changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. Fair value is based upon the Company's estimates of future cash flows and other factors, including discount rates to determine the fair value of the respective assets. If these long-lived assets or their related assumptions change in the future, the Company may be required to record impairment charges.

Sales Returns and Allowances

The Company provides an allowance for product returns and/or allowances. Based upon its manufacturing re-work process, the Company believes that the majority of its product returns are not the result of product defects. The Company recognizes the estimated cost of product returns as a reduction of sales in the period in which the related revenue is recognized. The product return estimates are based upon historical trends and claims experience and include an assessment of the anticipated lag between the date of sale and claim/return date.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes using the asset and liability method in accounting for deferred taxes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. If it is more likely than not that some portion, or all, of a deferred tax asset will not be realized, a valuation allowance is recognized. The Company recognizes the effect of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained. Recognized income tax positions are measured at the largest amount that is greater than 50% likely of being realized. Changes in recognition or measurement are reflected in the period in which the change in judgment occurs. The Company classifies interest and penalties as income tax expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations under the caption income tax provision (benefit).

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Revenue Recognition

ASC Topic 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, was adopted for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2021.

The Company determines revenue recognition by applying the following steps:

1. Identify the contract with a customer.
2. Identify the performance obligations in the contract.
3. Determine the transaction price.
4. Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations.
5. Recognize revenue as the performance obligations are satisfied.

The Company recognizes revenue when (or as) performance obligations are satisfied by transferring control of the performance obligation to a customer. Control of a performance obligation may transfer to the customer either at a point in time or over time depending on an evaluation of the specific facts and circumstances for each contract, including the terms and conditions of the contract as agreed with the customer, as well as the nature of the products or services to be provided. A performance obligation is considered distinct from other obligations in the contract when it (a) provides benefit to the customer either on its own or together with other resources that are readily available to the customer and (b) is separately identified in the contract.

The Company's primary performance obligation to its customers is the delivery of finished goods and products, pursuant to master service agreements and/or purchase orders. Control of the products sold typically transfers to its customers at the point in time when the goods are shipped as this is also when title generally passes to its customers under the terms and conditions of our customer arrangements.

Each customer purchase order sets forth the transaction price for the products and services purchased under that arrangement. Some customer arrangements include variable considerations, such as volume rebates, some of which depend upon the customers meeting specified performance criteria, such as a purchasing level over a period of time. The Company uses judgment to estimate the most likely amount of variable consideration at each reporting date. When estimating variable consideration, the Company also applies judgment when considering the probability of whether a reversal of revenue could occur and only recognizes revenue subject to this constraint.

Service revenue related to the work performed for the Company's customers by its maintenance technicians generally represents a separate and distinct performance obligation. Control of these services passes to the customer as the services are performed. Service revenue for the fiscal period ending March 31, 2024, and 2023 amounted to €13.6 million and €13.6 million, respectively.

A small portion of the Company's customer arrangements oblige the Company to create customized products for its customers that require the bundling of both products and services into a single performance obligation because the individual products and services that are required to fulfill the customer requirements do not meet the definitions for a distinct performance obligation. These customized products generally have no alternative use to the Company and the terms and conditions of these arrangements give the Company the enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date, including a reasonable profit margin. For these arrangements, control transfers over time and the Company measures progress towards completion by selecting the input or output method that best depicts the transfer of control of the underlying goods and services to the customer for each respective arrangement. Methods used by the Company to measure progress toward completion include labor hours, costs incurred and units of production. Revenue recognized over time for the fiscal period ending March 31, 2024, and 2023 amounted to €18.7 million and €8.5 million, respectively.

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With the sale of the batteries to certain customers, the customers might be obligated to return old core batteries previously sold to them by the Company. The return battery cores are included in the transaction price as noncash consideration measured at fair value.

The Company's sales arrangements do not contain any significant financing component for its customers.

Shipping and handling costs billed to customers are included in sales and the related costs are included in cost of sales when control transfers to the customer. The Company has utilized the practical expedient to account for it as a cost to fulfill.

Taxes assessed by a government authority that are both imposed on and concurrent with a specific revenue-producing transaction, that are collected by the Company from a customer, are excluded from revenue.

The Company generally provides customers with a product warranty that provides assurance that the products meet standard specifications and are free of defects. The Company maintains a reserve for claims incurred under standard product warranty programs, which are not separate performance obligations and outside the scope of ASC 606. Performance obligations related to service warranties are not material to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Any payments that are received from a customer in advance, prior to the satisfaction of a related performance obligation and billings in excess of revenue recognized, are deferred and treated as a contract liability. As of March 31, 2024, and 2023, contract liabilities were €17.1 million and €12.0 million, respectively and are reported as a component of Accrued Expenses in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company estimates that all the contract liabilities as of March 31, 2024 will be recognized as revenue in fiscal year 2025. Amounts representing work completed and not billed to customers are treated as contract assets and are reported as a component of Current receivables and contract assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Contract assets as of March 31, 2024 were €14.6 million, compared to €7.9 million as of March 31, 2023.

The following table presents the Company's revenue disaggregated by reporting segment during fiscal period ending March 31, 2024.

	Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2024 (In thousands)
Sales	
Automotive	€ 866,698
Motion	307,580
Energy Solution	276,693
Recycling	10,160
APAC	63,807
Corporate	—
Total	€ 1,524,938

Advertising

The Company expenses advertising costs as they are incurred.

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Fair Value

The Company determines fair value based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability in the principal or most advantageous market. When considering market participant assumptions in fair value measurements, the following fair value hierarchy distinguishes between observable and unobservable inputs, which are categorized in one of the following levels:

- Level 1 - Observable inputs, such as quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities
- Level 2 - Inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are observable either directly or indirectly
- Level 3 - Inputs from valuation techniques in which one or more key value drivers are not observable and must be based on the reporting entity's own assumptions.

Stock based compensation

The Company entered into an Equity Incentive Plan to grant restricted shares to certain members of the top management and phantom shares and profit interest units to certain Board Members. The Equity Incentive Plan directly covers beneficiaries based in the United States of America but also includes a sub-plan for beneficiaries based in the European Union. The Company recognizes compensation expenses from the Equity Incentive Plan in accordance with ASC Topic 718 Compensation – Stock Compensation. Liability classified awards are measured at the grant date fair value and are remeasured at each reporting date until settlement of the award or reclassified as equity classified awards. Compensation expenses related to Equity Incentive Plan for the fiscal period ending March 31, 2024 and 2023 amounted to €1.7 million and €2.2 million, respectively.

The plan includes repurchase features that allow the company, in the event of a termination, to buy back the awards that have been vested as of the termination date within 6 months of vesting based on a formula representative of fair value. Hence, for the restricted shares and the phantom shares the Company's obligations as at March 31, 2024 are classified as Liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet until the shares have been issued and held for 6 months, at which time they will be reclassified as equity. The profit interest units are cash settled and are not reclassified.

Leases

Effective April 1, 2022, the Company adopted the new standard (ASC Topic 842, *Leases)* under the modified retrospective approach, which resulted in no adjustment to the April 1, 2022, beginning Retained Earnings. The Company has elected the following optional practical expedients and policy elections:

- to adopt the optional transition method defined within ASU 2018-11 and not restate comparative prior periods but instead recognize a cumulative effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the period of adoption,
- to apply the package of three practical expedients addressing whether a contract contains a lease, lease classification and initial direct costs,
- to use land easements relief (ASU 2018-02),
- to use a risk-free rate as a discount rate base,
- to apply the short-term lease exception to leases that, at the commencement date, has a lease term of 12 months or less and does not include an option to purchase the underlying asset that the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise.

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The Company leases warehouses, office spaces, vehicles, forklifts and other equipment under non-cancellable leases with initial terms of more than 1 year. At contract inception, the Company reviews the terms of the arrangement to determine if the contract is or contains a lease. Guidance in Topic 842 is used to evaluate whether the contract has an identified asset; if the Company has the right to obtain substantially all economic benefits from the asset; and if it has the right to direct the use of the underlying asset. When determining if a contract has an identified asset, the Company considers both explicit and implicit assets, and whether the supplier has the right to substitute the asset. When determining if the Company has the right to obtain substantially all economic benefits from the asset, the Company considers the primary outputs of the identified asset throughout the period of use and determines if it receives greater than 90% of those benefits. When determining if it has the right to direct the use of an underlying asset, the Company considers if it has the right to direct how and for what purpose the asset is used throughout the period of use and if it controls the decision-making rights over the asset.

Lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease. The Company exercises its judgment to determine the term of those leases when extension or termination options are present and include such options in the calculation of the lease term when it is reasonably certain that the Company will exercise those options. The fixed portion of these payments are included in the calculation of the lease liability, while any variable portion would be recognized as variable lease expenses, when incurred. Variable payments made to third parties for these, or similar costs, such as utilities, are not included in the calculation of lease payments. Both finance and operating leases are reflected as liabilities on the commencement date of the lease based on the present value of the lease payments to be made over the lease term.

For operating leases, as most of the leases do not provide an implicit rate, the Company has elected to use risk-free rate based on the information available when the lease commences to determine the present value of future payments as allowed by practical expedient defined in ASU 2016-02 and ASU 2021-09. Right-of-use assets are valued at the initial measurement of the lease liability, plus any initial direct costs or rent prepayments and reduced by any lease incentives and any deferred lease payments.

Operating lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Finance lease expense includes depreciation, which is recognized on a straight-line basis over the expected life of the leased asset, and interest expense, which is recognized following an effective interest rate method.

Short-term leases with an initial term of 12 months or less are not presented on the balance sheet and expense is recognized as incurred, as allowed by practical expedient defined in ASU 2016-02. The current and non-current portion of operating lease liabilities are reflected in accrued expenses and other liabilities, respectively, on the consolidated balance sheets. The right-of use assets relating to operating and finance leases are reflected in other assets and property, plant and equipment, respectively, on the consolidated balance sheets.

The discount rates used to calculate the ROU assets and lease liabilities as of the effective date were based on the remaining lease terms as of the effective date. See Note *12 Leases* for additional disclosures.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Consolidated Financial Statements

The preparation of Consolidated 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 disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the Consolidated Financial Statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

Significant items subject to such estimates include pension valuations, derivative transactions, accruals created as well as assets and liabilities acquired as part of a business combination.

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Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Significant accounting policies applied by the Company in these consolidated financial statements are consistent with those explained in the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year 2023. Standards amendments and interpretations effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 April 2023 had no material effect on the consolidated financial statements and accounting policies applied by Exide.

(3) ACCOUNTING FOR DERIVATIVES

The Company uses derivative contracts to hedge the volatility arising from changes in the fair value of certain assets and liabilities that are subject to market risk, such as interest rates on debt instruments, foreign currency exchange rates, and certain commodities. The Company does not enter into derivative contracts for trading or speculative purposes.

The Company recognizes outstanding derivative instruments as assets or liabilities, based on measurements of their fair values. Certain derivatives are designated as either cash flow hedges or fair value hedges and qualify for hedge accounting treatment. If a derivative qualifies for hedge accounting, gains, or losses in its fair value that offset changes in the fair value of the asset or liability being hedged except for those derivatives that are designated as qualified cash flow hedges, which the Company recognizes at their settlement values ("effective" gains or losses) are either offset through earnings against the change in fair value of the hedged item attributable to the risk being hedged or recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), and subsequently recorded to earnings only as the related variability on the hedged transaction is recorded in earnings. If a derivative does not qualify for hedge accounting, changes in its fair value are reported in earnings immediately upon occurrence, and the classification of cash flows from these instruments is consistent with that of the transactions being hedged. Derivatives qualify for hedge accounting if they are designated as hedging instruments at their inception, and if they are highly effective in achieving changes in fair value or cash flows that offset the fair value / cash flow changes of the assets or liabilities being hedged. Regardless of a derivative's accounting designation, changes in its fair value or cash flows that are not offset by fair value / cash flow changes in the asset or liability being hedged are considered ineffective and are recognized in earnings immediately.

The following tables set forth information on the presentation of these derivative instruments in the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements:

	Balance Sheet	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
		(In thousands)	
Currency forwards	Prepaid expenses and other	€ 415	€ 339
Interest rate swap	Prepaid expenses and other	1040	1,933
Commodity swaps / forwards	Prepaid expenses and other / (Accrued expenses)	(506)	648
Interest rate swap	(Accrued expenses)	—	—

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	Statements of Operations	For the Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
		(In thousands)	
Currency forwards - (gain)/loss	Other (income) expense, net	€ (76)	€ 592
Commodity swaps / forwards – loss	Cost of sales	1,154	(648)
Interest rate swap – gain	Interest (income) expense, net	893	(1,458)

(4) INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible assets, net consisted of the following:

	Goodwill	Trademarks and Tradenames (subject to amortization)	Technology	Total
		(In thousands)		
As of March 31, 2024				
Gross amount	€ 5,875	€ 18,032	€ 15,455	€ 39,362
Accumulated amortization	(1,089)	(4,273)	(5,281)	(10,643)
Total	€ 4,786	€ 13,759	€ 10,174	€ 28,719
As of March 31, 2023				
Gross amount	€ 4,187	€ 18,032	€ 15,493	€ 37,712
Accumulated amortization	(628)	(3,023)	(3,760)	(7,411)
Total	€ 3,559	€ 15,009	€ 11,733	€ 30,301

Excluding goodwill, amortization of intangible assets amounted to €2.8 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024 and €2.8 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023.

Goodwill is amortized on a straight-line basis for 10 years, as allowed by the simplification alternative for private companies introduced in ASC 350 (ASU 2014-02). Amortization was €0.5 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024 and €0.4 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023.

Excluding the impact of future acquisitions, if any, the Company anticipates annual amortization of intangible assets for each of the next five years to be approximately €3.4 million. Weighted average amortization period is approximately 14 years and 5 months for Trademarks and Tradenames, 10 years for Technology and 10 years for Goodwill as indicated above.

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(5) CURRENT RECEIVABLES AND CONTRACT ASSETS

Current receivables and contract assets consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2024 (In thousands)		March 31, 2023 (In thousands)	
Accounts Receivable from 3rd parties – gross	€	182,575	€	202,271
Unbilled trade receivables [1]		17,129		7,853
Other receivables		12,541		22,646
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(1,752)		(1,149)
Total	€	210,492	€	231,621

(1) Unbilled trade receivables relate mainly to revenue recognized in accordance with Percentage of Completion method for long term contracts

The change of Current Receivables and Contract Assets in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows is presented net of increase of allowance for doubtful accounts of €0.6 million and offsetting foreign exchange effect of €1.1 million.

Trade receivables due after March 31, 2025, amount to €2.3 million and are presented in Other noncurrent assets as noncurrent trade receivables, please also refer to Note 8.

(6) INVENTORIES

Inventories, valued using the first in, first out method, consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2024 (In thousands)		March 31, 2023 (In thousands)	
Raw materials	€	57,354	€	73,239
Work-in-process		44,182		39,157
Finished goods		140,545		162,368
Total	€	242,081	€	274,764

The change of Inventories in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows is presented net of increase of provision for obsolete stock of €1.1 million offset by foreign exchange effect of €2.9 million.

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(7) PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET

Property, plant, and equipment, net consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2024 (In thousands)	March 31, 2023 (In thousands)
Land	€ 70,908	€ 70,521
Buildings and improvements	34,463	29,075
Machinery and equipment	202,237	167,842
Construction in progress	18,223	26,929
Total Gross Value	325,831	294,367
Accumulated depreciation	(79,897)	(54,974)
Property, plant and equipment, net	€ 245,934	€ 239,394

Depreciation expense was €24.4 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024, and €23.6 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023.

Finance lease assets amounting to €13.9 million as of March 31, 2024 and €15.9 million as of March 31, 2023, are classified as finance lease right-of-use assets and presented as a part of property, plant and equipment. For further details please refer to Note 12 Leases.

(8) OTHER NONCURRENT ASSETS

Other noncurrent assets consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2024 (In thousands)	March 31, 2023 (In thousands)
Right-of-use assets (operating leases)	€ 30,160	€ 31,805
Capitalized software, net	8,879	4,236
Retirement plans	4,877	5,091
Deposits	3,013	3,799
NC trade receivables	2,340	2,208
NC restricted cash	1,627	1,805
Other	873	970
Total	€ 51,769	€ 49,914

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(9) DEBT

At March 31, 2024 and 2023 short-term borrowings of €95.9 million and €88.2 million, respectively, consisted of borrowings under various operating lines of credit and working capital facilities maintained by certain of the Company's European subsidiaries. Certain of these borrowings are collateralized by receivables, inventories and/or negative pledges. These borrowing facilities are typically for one-year renewable terms, while some have recently been renewed for two or three years, and generally bear interest at current local market rates. The weighted average interest rate on short-term borrowings was 5.8% as at March 31, 2024 and 5.02% as at March 31, 2023.

Total long-term debt consisted of the following:

		March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023
		(In thousands)		
Accrued preferred return	€	25,235	€	25,087
Term loans due at various maturities thru 2028 with weighted average interest rate at 3.8% [(1)]		31,555		49,752
European Financing with PKO		26,667		33,333
Capital leases due at various maturities thru 2038 with weighted average interest rate at 4.1%		25,563		28,501
Subtotal		109,020		136,673
Unamortized debt issuance costs / discounts		(297)		(406)
Current debt maturities		(28,505)		(32,881)
Total long-term debt	€	80,218	€	103,386

(1) These loans include mainly facilities utilized in Spain and Portugal with various banks and financial institutions.

Annual principal payments required under long-term debt obligations at March 31, 2024 are as follows (in thousands):

2025	€	28,505
2026		20,850
2027		15,909
2028		5,832
2029		2,929
Thereafter		34,996
Total	€	109,020

Total debt, including short-term borrowings, at March 31, 2024 and 2023 was €204.6 million and €224.5 million, respectively.

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European Financing with PKO

On December 3, 2021, the Company signed a 5-year, €80.0 million credit facility agreement with PKO Bank Polski based in Poland. The facility consists of a €40.0 million bank term loan (the "Term Loan"), a €35.0 million overdraft facility and a €5.0 million non-cash facility for letter of credits and guarantees. On June 29, 2023, the Company signed an amendment to the credit facility agreement, temporarily increasing the size of the €35.0 million overdraft facility to €55.9 million. On April 24, 2024 second amendment was signed that rendered the temporary increase a permanent one.

On January 5, 2022, the Company drew the funds from €40.0 million bank term loan facility (the "Term Loan") with a fixed rate of 2.67% p.a. The proceeds generated from this loan were used to redeem the 10.75% Super Priority Priming Lien Senior Secured Notes due October 26, 2024 (the "Bridge Note") issued as part of the Interim Financing facility supporting acquisition of Exide GP and Exide International, including their respective subsidiaries. On January 7, 2022, EGHN C.V. redeemed the Bridge Note at 100% of their principal amount, together with accrued and unpaid interest.

The PKO Term Loan is repaid in equal quarterly installments starting September 30, 2022 and shall be fully repaid on November 30, 2026. Proceeds and repayments from the overdraft facility as well as term loan with PKO are presented as separate line of financing activity in Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.

Preferred Units

The New International Notes, amounting to $150.0 million in aggregate principal amount, were fully cancelled on October 26, 2020, inclusive releasing all securities of the guarantors. In the context of the cancellation of the New International Notes, the Company issued 155,945 units of preferred equity in the total principal value of $155.95 million. This process did not generate any additional proceeds for the company.

The preferred return with respect to the preferred units is at a rate of 8% per annum on the basis of a 365-day year, compounding annually on the (a) preferred unreturned capital with respect to such preferred unit and (b) the preferred unpaid return with respect to such preferred unit for all prior periods.

Preferred Units were subject to mandatory redemption within 8th to 13th anniversary of the Effective Date, that was applicable for the units' principal value together with the unpaid Preferred Return. On November 23, 2022, Limited Liability Company Agreement (LLCA) was adjusted to remove the mandatory redemption feature from the Preferred Units. Therefore, until November 22, 2022, these units were presented as long-term debt together with accrued Preferred Return (as Interest expense), however starting from November 23, 2022, they are presented as Equity. Preferred Return accrued subsequent to removal of the mandatory redemption mechanism is presented as other liability and is recorded as a reduction of retained earnings. Please note that Preferred Return accrued before the change of LLCA mentioned above continues to be presented as long-term debt item.

(10) EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS AND POST-RETIREMENT HEALTHCARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

The Company maintains several defined-benefit plans that were historically offered to the employees. For defined-benefit plans, charges to expense are based upon underlying assumptions established by the Company in consultation with its actuaries. In most cases, the defined-benefit plans are not required to be funded. The Company also has defined-contribution plans with related expenses of €2.4 million in the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024, and €3.0 million in the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023.

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The following tables set forth the plans' funded status and the amounts recognized in the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements on March 31, 2024, and 2023, respectively:

Pension Benefits:		March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023
		(In thousands)		
Change in benefit obligation:				
Benefit obligation at beginning of period	€	185,898	€	251,402
Acquired benefit obligations		—		—
Service cost		593		727
Interest cost		7,407		3,815
Actuarial loss (gain)		(1,599)		(32,157)
Benefits paid		(13,104)		(12,137)
Changes in financial assumptions		2,907		(20,848)
Currency translation		2,628		(4,626)
Settlements and other		(371)		(279)
Benefit obligation at end of period	€	184,359	€	185,898
Change in plan assets:				
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of period	€	94,576	€	142,151
Acquired plan assets		—		—
Actual return on plan assets		2,717		(36,416)
Employer contributions		6,653		6,621
Benefits paid		(13,045)		(12,619)
Currency translation		2,628		(4,657)
Settlements and other		(345)		(504)
Fair value of plan assets at end of period	€	93,184	€	94,576
Reconciliation of funded status:				
Benefit obligation at end of period	€	184,359	€	185,917
Fair value of plan assets at end of period		93,184		94,576
Funded status over (under)	€	(91,175)	€	(91,341)
Amounts recognized in the Consolidated Balance Sheets:				
Other noncurrent assets	€	4,877	€	5,091
Accrued expenses		(7,044)		(7,137)
Noncurrent retirement obligations		(89,008)		(89,298)
Net amount recognized at end of period	€	(91,175)	€	(91,341)
Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income:				
Prior service cost (credit)	€	161	€	172
Net actuarial gain - cumulative		(23,068)		(27,120)
Net amount recognized at end of period before taxes		(22,907)		(26,948)
Tax impact		5,914		6,958
Net amount recognized at end of period	€	(16,994)	€	(19,990)

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	Pension Benefits	
Weighted-average assumptions at period end:	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Discount rate	4.1 %	3.9 %
Rate of compensation increase	2.7 %	2.7 %

	Pension Benefits/ Expense	
Weighted-average expense assumptions:	FY24	FY23
Discount rate	4.1 %	2.8 %
Expected return on plan assets	2.7 %	2.6 %
Rate of compensation increase	0.9 %	2.9 %

The Company evaluated input from third-party pension plan asset managers, including their review of asset class return expectations and long-term inflation assumptions in developing the expected weighted average return on plan assets.

The changes in plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) at March 31, 2024 are as follows:

	Pension Benefits	
Net gain arising during the period	€	4,093
Net prior service cost during the period		(11)
Exchange rate change during the period		(43)
Total	€	4,039

Net Periodic Benefit Cost

The following tables set forth the plans' expenses recognized in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations:

	Pension Benefits			
	For the Fiscal Period Ended			
	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	(In thousands)			
Components of net periodic benefit cost:				
Service cost	€	593	€	746
Interest cost		7,407		3,815
Expected return on plan assets		(3,529)		(1,581)
Amortization of:				
Prior service cost (credit)		11		—
Actuarial gain		(1,896)		(285)
Net periodic benefit cost	€	2,586	€	2,694

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The above excludes the impact of settlement and curtailment net loss (gain) of €101 thousand in the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024, and €57 thousand in the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023.

The projected benefit obligation and accumulated benefit obligation for the pension plans with accumulated benefit obligations in excess of plan assets as of March 31, 2024, and 2023 were €96.1 million and €96.4 million, respectively.

The accumulated benefit obligation for the Company's pension plans was €93.9 million as of March 31, 2024. Expected future benefit payments are as follows:

	Expected future benefit payments	Expected future benefit payments covered by Buy-In policy	Net expected future benefit payments
	(In thousands)		
Fiscal Year			
2025	€ 13,068	€ 5,999	€ 7,068
2026	13,483	6,128	7,355
2027	13,487	6,257	7,231
2028	13,600	6,385	7,215
2029	13,011	6,526	6,485
Thereafter	67,464	34,405	33,058

Pension Plan Investment Strategy

The Company's pension plans are invested in a diversified portfolio of investments consisting primarily of equity and fixed income securities. The target asset allocation for the plan portfolio is based on a combination of financial, demographic, and actuarial considerations, along with the advice of the Company's investment advisory firm. The plans' current target allocation is primarily fixed-income investments with a mix of government bonds and corporate bonds. The Company believes this target allocation will be effective in achieving the plans' long-term investment objectives of:

- protecting the plan's funded status from volatility
- optimizing the long-term return on plan assets sufficient to accommodate current and future pension obligations
- maintaining an acceptable level of risk for each asset category.

The Company utilizes investment managers, who are appointed by the trustees of those plans, to actively manage the assets of the pension plans. The investment strategies of the Company's plans are in some instances influenced by local laws and regulations. Based on its underlying risk parameters, the Company has established investment guidelines for each investment manager within which they have agreed to operate. These guidelines include criteria for identifying eligible and ineligible securities as well as diversification criteria. In addition, investment managers are required to seek approval prior to making investments in certain commodity contracts, illiquid investments, or futures or options strategies, and are prohibited from engaging in certain transactions, including the short selling of securities, borrowing money, or engaging in futures or options strategies for purposes of speculation or leverage.

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The following table summarizes the investments that comprise the assets of the Company's pension plans, all of which are measured at fair value on a recurring basis, and the basis for that measurement.

	Total Fair Value Measurement		Quoted Price in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
As of March 31, 2024:						
Cash and cash equivalents	€	5,176	€	5,176	€	—
Buy-in contract (1)		88,015		—		88,015
Total	€	93,192	€	5,176	€	88,015
As of March 31, 2023:						
Cash and cash equivalents	€	6,359	€	6,359	€	—
Buy-in contract (1)		89,182		—		89,182
Total	€	95,542	€	6,359	€	89,182

(1) In February 2020, a full UK Pension scheme buy-in contract was signed between Plan Trustees and an insurer (Aviva)

Level 1 assets include cash and cash equivalents, which consist primarily of excess cash balances in the plans' investment accounts. Level 3 assets include a buy-in contract between the Company and an insurer valued using significant unobservable inputs.

The asset allocation for the Company's pension plans by asset category is as follows:

	Percentage of Plan Assets at Period End	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Cash and cash equivalents	5.6%	6.7%
Buy-in contract	94.4%	93.3%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Plan Contributions

The estimated fiscal 2025 pension plan contributions are €7.1 million. Cash contributions to the Company's pension plans are generally made in accordance with minimum regulatory requirements and are accounted for on an accrual basis.

The Company expects that cumulative contributions to its pension plans will total approximately €33.0 million from fiscal 2025 through fiscal 2029.

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(11) OTHER NONCURRENT LIABILITIES

Other noncurrent liabilities consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2024 (In thousands)	March 31, 2023 (In thousands)
NC provisions for legal proceedings [1]	€ 26,300	€ —
NC operating lease liabilities	22,261	23,000
Accrued preferred return	18,440	4,493
Assets retirement obligation	6,504	6,044
NC long service bonus accrual	3,414	5,703
NC sales returns and allowances	3,319	3,430
Other	1,609	901
Uncertain tax positions	1,371	1,491
Total	€ 83,218	€ 45,063

(1) For more details, please refer to Note 14 Commitments and contingencies

(12) LEASES

The following table presents lease assets and liabilities:

	Classification	March 31, 2024 (In thousands)	March 31, 2023
Operating leases			
Right-of-use assets	Other noncurrent assets	€ 30,160	€ 31,805
Operating lease current liabilities	Accrued expenses	8,323	8,805
Operating lease non-current liabilities	Other noncurrent liabilities	22,261	23,000
Accretion expense	Cost of sales	424	—
Finance leases			
Right-of-use assets	Property, plant, and equipment, net	€ 13,869	€ 15,936
Finance lease current liabilities	Current maturities of long-term debt	3,458	3,748
Finance lease non-current liabilities	Long-term debt - Other	22,105	24,752

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The component of lease expense are as follows:

	Classification		For the Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023
			(In thousands)		
Operating leases					
Operating lease cost [1]	Operating expenses	€	13,947	€	13,046
Finance leases					
Depreciation	Operating expenses	€	2,860	€	2,901
Interest expense	Interest expense		1,595		801

(1) Total operating lease cost include €3.3 million regarding variable lease payments and short-term lease for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024

The following table presents the weighted average lease term and discount rates for leases:

	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Operating leases		
Weighted average remaining lease term (years)	7.5 years	7.5 years
Weighted average discount rate	2.9%	3.0%
Finance leases		
Weighted average remaining lease term (years)	7.6 years	7.9 years
Weighted average discount rate	4.1%	4.2%

The following table presents future payments due under operating leases reconciled to lease liabilities as of March 31, 2024:

Fiscal Period		Operating Leases
2025	€	9,072
2026		7,005
2027		5,102
2028		2,980
2029		1,924
Thereafter		7,630
Total discontinued lease payments		33,712
Present value discount		(3,128)
Total liability	€	30,584

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The following table presents future payments due under finance leases reconciled to lease liabilities as of March 31, 2024:

Fiscal Period		**Finance Leases**
2025	€	3,458
2026		3,329
2027		3,200
2028		2,887
2029		2,929
Thereafter		9,760
Total liability	€	25,563

The following table presents supplemental disclosures of cash flow information related to leases:

	March 31, 2024	**March 31, 2023**
	(In thousands)	
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liability		
Operating cash flows from finance leases	1,595	801
Operating cash flows from operating leases	10,642	13,046
Financing cash flow from finance leases	3,472	2,126
Supplemental non-cash information on lease liabilities arising from right-of-use assets:		
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new finance lease liabilities	537	—
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease liabilities	6,797	—

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(13) INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes includes foreign taxes currently payable and those deferred because of net operating losses and temporary differences between the Consolidated Financial Statements carrying amounts and tax bases of assets and liabilities. There are no U.S. taxes due from the current entity structure.

The components of Income before income taxes and the provision for income taxes are as follows:

	For the Fiscal Period Ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
	(In thousands)	
Income (loss) before income taxes:		
United States	€ (2,649)	€ (11,962)
Foreign	(15,077)	1,498
	€ (17,726)	€ (10,464)
Income tax provision (benefit):		
Current		
United States	€ —	€ —
Foreign	7,698	4,438
	€ 7,698	€ 4,438
Deferred		
United States	€ —	€ —
Foreign	50	375
Total income tax provision (benefit)	€ 7,748	€ 4,813

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Major differences between the United States federal statutory rate and the effective tax rate are as follows:

	For the Fiscal Period Ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
United States federal statutory rate	21.0%	21.0%
Local and provincial taxes	-8.8%	-2.7%
Legal provision	-37.1%	—
Rate differences on foreign subsidiaries	-1.0%	-42.0%
Disallowed Interest Expense	-7.3%	-8.0%
Nondeductible expenses	-4.2%	-8.8%
Tax-exempt income	1.1%	—
Tax credits	-2.8%	-1.7%
Permanent PTRs	-1.9%	-4.2%
Foreign exchange	3.6%	-10.8%
NOL and Capital Loss Carryover Adjustments	2.0%	57.0%
Change in valuation allowance	-8.3%	-61.0%
Change in Uncertain tax positions	-0.6%	6.4%
MAP settlement	—	3.6%
Other, net	0.6%	5.2%
Effective tax rate	-43.7%	-46.0%

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The following is a summary of the significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities:

	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	(In thousands)			
Deferred tax assets:				
Operating loss and tax credit carryforwards	€	159,148	€	155,097
Accrued Other Liabilities		2,733		1,233
Inventory		3,340		3,050
Compensation reserves		11,890		13,594
Environmental reserves		521		520
Sales returns		1,630		2,463
Property, plant, and equipment		—		1,116
Restructuring		499		336
Capitalized R&D		2,410		2,150
Other		5,428		3,240
Valuation allowance		(140,637)		(137,793)
Total	€	46,961	€	45,007
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Property, plant, and equipment		(962)		—
Intangible assets		(1,629)		(2,305)
Total	€	(2,591)	€	(2,305)
Net deferred tax assets	€	44,370	€	42,702

The net deferred income tax asset is classified in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows:

	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	(In thousands)			
Noncurrent asset	€	46,382	€	45,915
Noncurrent liability		(2,011)		(3,213)
Total	€	44,370	€	42,702

At March 31, 2024, the Company had tax effected net operating losses ("NOLs") for income tax purposes and tax credit carryovers of approximately €159.1 million. Some of these are indefinite lived and some expire at various dates between 2025 and 2032.

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Valuation allowances have been recognized in certain tax jurisdictions to reduce the deferred tax assets for loss carryforwards and deductible temporary differences for which it is more likely than not that the tax benefits associated with those assets will not be realized. In other jurisdictions, the Company's net deferred tax assets include loss carryforwards and deductible temporary differences, which management believes are realizable through future taxable income. Each reporting period, the Company reviews the likelihood of the future realization of tax benefits of deductible temporary differences or loss and/or credit carryforwards reflected on its Consolidated Financial Statements and adjusts its valuation of those attributes accordingly. All available evidence is considered to determine whether a valuation allowance should be established against these future tax benefits or if previously established valuation allowances should be released. This review is performed on a jurisdiction by jurisdiction basis. As global market conditions and the Company's financial results in certain jurisdictions change, the continued release and establishment of related valuation allowances may occur. During fiscal period ending March 31, 2024, the Company performed an analysis related to the realizability of its worldwide tax assets. As a result, after considering all the positive and negative evidence, the Company determined that a valuation allowance is necessary on deferred tax assets in several jurisdictions. Accordingly, a €140.6 million valuation allowance is recognized as of the end of the period.

It is the Company's intention to reinvest undistributed earnings of its foreign subsidiaries and thereby indefinitely postpone their remittance. In the event it needed to repatriate funds, such repatriation would likely be subject to restrictions by local laws and/or tax consequences including foreign withholding taxes. It is not currently practicable to estimate the legal restrictions or tax liability that would arise from such repatriations.

The Company files income tax returns in various jurisdictions. With certain exceptions, the Company and its subsidiaries are no longer subject to income tax audits for years ended before March 31, 2018. The Company is currently undergoing tax audits that are in various phases in certain jurisdictions.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefit is as follows:

	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	(In thousands)			
Beginning of the fiscal period	€	15,652	€	17,381
Acquired unrecognized tax benefit		—		—
Increases (decreases) for income tax positions taken during current period		(43)		(1,636)
Increases (decreases) for income tax positions taken during prior period		(128)		—
Increases (decreases) for currency fluctuation on tax positions		10		35
Decreases for settlements with taxing authorities		—		(128)
Decreases for lapse of the applicable statute of limitations		—		—
End of the fiscal period	€	15,490	€	15,652

The amount of unrecognized tax benefit, if recognized, that would affect the Company's effective tax rate at March 31, 2024 and 2023 is €0.1 million and €2.0 million, effectively. The decrease in unrecognized tax benefits in the period ended March 31, 2023, was primarily driven by the settlement of uncertain tax positions in Italy, the end of pending processes from 1990 and 1992 in Portugal, risk expiration in Spain and due to tax rate decreased from 26.5% to 25% in France.

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The Company classifies interest and penalties on uncertain tax benefits as income tax expense. At March 31, 2024 and 2023, before any tax benefits, the Company had €21 thousand and €33 thousand, respectively, of accrued interest and penalties on unrecognized tax benefits.

(14) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Regulatory Matters

In December 2015, the national competition authorities in Spain commenced an investigation into suspected price fixing in the local Spanish market in relation to purchases of spent batteries. On January 26, 2017, the Company's Spanish subsidiary and an intermediate European holding company were advised that they were targets of the investigation. On July 18, 2018, Exide Technologies, S.L.U. was advised by the competition Council of the Spanish competition authority that it had been fined 2.0 million euros for violations of Spanish antitrust laws. The fine was conditionally paid in full subject to an appeal filed by Exide Technologies, S.L.U. on January 25, 2019. On May 9, 2024, the Court ruled in the Company's favor, cancelling the imposed fine of €2.0 million. The Company is currently awaiting for the ruling to become final after exhaustion of appeal possibilities by the Spanish competition authorities.

In 2018, one of the Company's French subsidiaries received notice of an investigation by the European Commission ("EC") of alleged historical anti-competitive behavior relating to automotive lead-acid batteries. Between 2018 and 2023, the same French subsidiary received and responded to several additional requests for information from the EC. On November 30, 2023, the EC issued a Statement of Objections ("SO") to certain subsidiaries of the Company, including the same French subsidiary, outlining the EC's preliminary views that certain subsidiaries of the Company had infringed competition. The investigation does not concern the current business activities of the Company, which are unaffected by it. The Company will maintain its constructive approach and regular contacts with the EC, and present its arguments to the EC. The Company submitted its response to the SO on April 15, 2024. To cover the risk, the Company decided to create a provision of 26.3m€ that is the Company's best current estimate of the outcome of the proceedings.

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Environmental Matters

As a result of its multinational manufacturing, distribution, and recycling operations, the Company is subject to numerous federal and local environmental, occupational health, and safety laws and regulations, as well as similar laws and regulations in other countries in which the Company operates (collectively, "EH&S laws").

The Company is exposed to liabilities under such EH&S laws arising from its past handling, release, storage, and disposal of materials now designated as hazardous substances and hazardous wastes.

The Company is also involved in the assessment and remediation of various other properties, including certain currently and formerly owned or operating facilities. Such assessment and remedial work are being conducted pursuant to applicable EH&S laws with varying degrees of involvement by appropriate regulatory authorities. In addition, certain environmental matters concerning the Company are pending in various courts or with certain environmental regulatory agencies with respect to these currently or formerly owned or operating locations. From time to time, the Company confronts claims under contracts (such as leases) or due to alleged releases of hazardous substances, which allegedly have caused damages, but any such claims at present (unless expressly discussed below) are not expected to be material.

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Environmental Liabilities

The Company has established liabilities for on-site and off-site environmental remediation costs where such costs are probable and reasonably estimable and believes that such liabilities are adequate. As of March 31, 2024, the amount of such liabilities on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets was approximately €2.0 million. Environmental costs are classified as an operating item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations under the caption cost of sales. Because environmental liabilities are not accrued until a liability is determined to be probable and reasonably estimable, not all potential future environmental liabilities have been included in the Company's environmental liabilities. Therefore, changes in estimates or future findings could have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations.

Asset Retirement Obligation

The Company provides a reserve for asset retirement obligations ("ARO") for legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets that result from the acquisition, construction, development, and/or normal operation of that asset (e.g., liabilities for decommissioning a plant, dismantlement, and restoration costs). The ARO includes environmental remediation liability that results from the normal operation of a long-lived asset and that is associated with the retirement of that asset. ARO accretion expense is classified as an operating item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations under the caption restructuring/impairment expense.

The following summarizes ARO activity:

	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
	(in thousands)	
Beginning of the fiscal period	€ 6,044	€ 5,958
Accretion expense	465	214
Payments	(13)	(112)
Change in currency translation	€ 8	€ (17)
End of the fiscal period	€ 6,504	€ 6,044

Other Litigation and Claims

The Company is involved in other litigation matters and is subject to claims that the Company does not believe will have a material adverse effect upon the Company's business, financial condition, or results of operations, although the Company can offer no assurance as to the ultimate outcome of any such matters.

Guarantees

Certain of the Company's subsidiaries have bank guarantees outstanding as collateral or financial assurance in connection with environmental obligations, income tax claims, and customer contract requirements. At March 31, 2024 and 2023, bank guarantees with an aggregate face value of €13.7 million and €9.7 million, respectively were outstanding.

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(15) RESTRUCTURING AND IMPAIRMENTS, NET

The Company continued to implement operational changes to streamline and rationalize its structure in an effort to simplify the organization and eliminate redundant and/or unnecessary costs. As part of these restructuring programs, the nature of the positions eliminated ranged from plant employees and clerical workers to operational, sales management and divisional leadership.

During fiscal period 2024 and 2023, the Company recorded restructuring and impairment charges of €6.4 million and €8.8 million, respectively. Restructuring charges for the fiscal period 2024 and 2023 of €5.9 million and of €8.5 million, respectively represented primarily severance. The impairment expense for fiscal period 2024 of €0.5 million included €0.1 million of Fixed assets impairment, €0.5 million of asset retirement obligation accretion expense and €0.1 million of gain on asset sales. The impairment expense for fiscal period 2023 of €0.3 million included €0.2 million of Fixed assets impairment, €0.2 million of asset retirement obligation accretion expense and €0.1 million of gain on asset sales.

The following summarizes restructuring reserve activity:

	Severance Costs	Closure Costs	Total Restructuring
		(In thousands)	
At March 31, 2022	€ 3,857	€ 375	€ 4,232
Expenses	8,347	79	8,427
Payments	(4,847)	(253)	(5,100)
Change in currency translation	(64)	28	(36)
At March 31, 2023	€ 7,292	€ 230	€ 7,522
Expenses	5,725	149	5,873
Payments	(6,812)	(197)	(7,009)
Change in currency translation	(134)	54	(80)
At March 31, 2024	€ 6,071	€ 235	€ 6,306

(16) OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE, NET

Other (income) expense, net consisted of the following

	For the Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2024	For the Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2023
	(In thousands)	
Net periodic benefit cost (credit) excluding the service cost component	€ 3,438	€ 2,637
(Gain) loss on derivatives transactions	(76)	592
Currency remeasurement (gain) loss	(188)	1,431
Other	€ (210)	€ (135)
Total	€ 2,964	€ 4,525

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(17) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Company used available market information and methodologies believed to be appropriate to estimate the fair value of its financial instruments. Considerable judgment is required in interpreting market data to develop these estimates. Accordingly, the estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that the Company could realize in a current market exchange. Certain of these financial instruments are with major financial institutions and expose the Company to market and credit risks and may at times be concentrated with certain counterparties or groups of counterparties. The creditworthiness of counterparties is continually reviewed, and full performance is currently anticipated.

The Company's cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, debt and short-term borrowings all have carrying amounts that are a reasonable estimate of their fair values. The carrying values and estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments are as follows:

	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
Asset (liability):				
Currency forwards [1]	€ 415	€ 415	€ 339	€ 339
Commodity swap / forward [1]	(506)	(506)	648	648
Interest rate swap [1]	1,040	1,040	1,933	1,933

(1) These financial instruments are required to be measured at fair value and are based on inputs as described in the three-tier hierarchy that prioritizes inputs used in measuring fair value as of the reported date.

The following table represents the Company's financial instruments that were measured at fair value on a recurring basis, and the basis for that measurement as an asset (liability):

	Total Fair Value Measurement	Quoted Price in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
	(In thousands)			
As of March 31, 2024:				
Currency forwards	€ 415	€ —	€ 415	€ —
Commodity swap/forward	(506)	—	(506)	—
Interest rate swap	1,040	—	1,040	—
As of March 31, 2023:				
Currency forwards	339	—	339	—
Commodity swap/forward	648	—	648	—
Interest rate swap	1,933	—	1,933	—

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The Company uses a market approach to determine the fair values of all of its derivative instruments subject to recurring fair value measurements. The fair value of each financial instrument was determined based upon observable forward prices for the related underlying financial index or commodity price, and each has been classified as Level 2 based on the nature of the underlying markets in which those derivatives are traded.

(18) STOCK BASED COMPENSATION

On August 11, 2021, the Company entered into an Equity Incentive Plan to grant restricted shares to certain members of the top management and phantom shares and profit interest units to certain Board Members. The Equity Incentive Plan directly covers beneficiaries based in the United States of America ("US Plan") but also includes sub-plan for beneficiaries based in the European Union ("EU 2021 Plan"). On February 20, 2023, the Company entered into a new sub-plan that covers beneficiaries based in the European Union ("EU 2023 Plan").

Under the Equity Incentive Plan phantom units are exchangeable into common units while the terms of the profit interest units granted provide for the beneficiaries to participate in the value of Energy Technology Holdings LLC (ETH LLC) in excess of its fair value at the date of grant. The fair value at the date of grant is known as the hurdle. Once the distribution hurdle is met the beneficiaries are entitled to distributions on the same basis as other member unit holders. Phantom shares are exchangeable into common units and represent a contractual right to receive a corresponding number of common units in ETH LLC when the phantom units vest and are settled.

Under the EU 2021 and EU 2023 Plan, European participants will receive restricted shares tied to the value of ETH LLC but granted per the sub plan with respect to equity in Exide Holding Europe SAS.

The Equity Incentive Plan authorized shares of Exide Holding Europe SAS and units of Energy Technologies Holdings LLC to be granted to the beneficiaries. Half of the shares and units will be granted based on fulfilling a performance condition; the rest of the shares and units will be granted based on fulfilling a presence condition. The presence condition will be met when the beneficiary remains an employee or a corporate officer of the Group throughout the duration of the relevant vesting period.

Sub-plan for beneficiaries based in the European Union ("EU 2021 Plan"):

The performance condition will be met if, on December 31, 2024, the Fair Market Value of ETH LLC meets the target set out in the plan. Shares and units granted based on a presence condition will vest ratably, in four tranches, from the grant date till December 31, 2024. Shares and units based on the performance condition will fully vest altogether on December 31, 2024.

Sub-plan for beneficiaries based in the European Union ("EU 2023 Plan"):

The performance condition will be met if, on December 31, 2025, the Fair Market Value of ETH LLC meets the target set out in the plan. Shares and units granted based on a presence condition will vest ratably, in two tranches, from the grant date till December 31, 2025. Shares and units based on the performance condition will fully vest altogether on December 31, 2025.

The awards are subject to a repurchase feature that allows the Company, in the event of a termination for any reason other than cause, to buy back the awards vested as of the termination date. The call is structured such that it could be exercised before the shares have been subject to the risks and rewards for 6 months based on fair value. The awards are classified as a liability under ASC 718. The restricted shares and phantom shares will be liability classified until the date the shares are issued and held for 6 months, at which time they are classified as equity. This does not apply to the profit interest units which are cash settled and not reclassified. Compensation cost was measured based on the fair value of the award at the grant date and remeasured each reporting period. The Company recognizes compensation expenses for the restricted shares and phantom shares using the straight-line method over the vesting periods of the awards, and graded vesting for the profit interest units.

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During the fiscal period ended March 31, 2023, Company issued 88.64 common units to the beneficiaries of the US Plan, that as of July 1, 2023, were held for more than 6 months, and as a result were reclassified from Liability to Equity.

During the current fiscal period 155.56 units were vested in regards of the US Plan. Since the beneficiaries decided to net settle, they effectively received 93.05 common units. These units, at the value of €115 thousand, are currently presented as liabilities and are planned to be reclassified to Equity after being held for more than 6 months.

During the current fiscal period 305,764 shares were vested in regards of the EU 2021Plan. Since the beneficiaries decided to net settle, they effectively received 245,047 shares.

The following tables summarizes the Company's vested and non-vested awards as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

	Number of shares			
	"EU 2021 Plan" Restricted Shares granted on Presence condition	"EU 2021 Plan" Restricted Shares granted on Presence & Performance condition	"EU 2023 Plan" Restricted Shares granted on Presence condition	"EU 2023 Plan" Restricted Shares granted on Presence & Performance condition
	(In thousands)			
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2022	1,352,785	1,352,785	—	—
Granted	8,950	12,203	—	—
Vested	423,472	—	—	—
Forfeitures – net settlement	109,184	—	—	—
Forfeitures – change in a beneficiary's structure	216,446	216,446	—	—
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2023	612,633	1,148,543	—	—
Granted	29,415	55,147	249,753	265,136
Vested	(245,047)	—	—	—
Forfeitures – net settlement	(60,717)	—	—	—
Forfeitures – other	(23,981)	(32,698)	—	—
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2024	312,303	1,170,991	249,753	265,136

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	Number of shares	
	"US Plan" Common Units granted on Presence condition	"US Plan" Profit Interest Units granted on Presence & Performance condition
	(In thousands)	
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2022	467	583
Vested	89	—
Forfeitures – net settlement	67	—
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2023	311	583
Vested	(93)	—
Forfeitures – net settlement	(63)	—
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2024	156	583

	Weighted average fair value of the awards			
	"EU 2021 Plan" Restricted Shares granted on Presence condition	"EU 2021 Plan" Restricted Shares granted on Presence & Performance condition	"EU 2023 Plan" Restricted Shares granted on Presence condition	"EU 2023 Plan" Restricted Shares granted on Presence & Performance condition
	(In thousands)			
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2022	€ 2.6	€ 2.6	€ —	€ —
Granted	2.5	2.5	—	—
Vested	2.8	—	—	—
Forfeitures – net settlement	2.8	—	—	—
Forfeitures – change in a beneficiary's structure	3.1	3.1	—	—
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2023	2.5	2.5	—	—
Granted	2.04	2.04	2.3	2.5
Vested	2.03	—	—	—
Forfeitures – net settlement	2.03	—	—	—
Forfeitures – other	2.5	2.5	—	—
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2024	2.04	2.04	2.04	2.04

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	Weighted average fair value of the awards	
	"US Plan" Common Units granted on Presence condition	**"US Plan" Profit Interest Units granted on Presence & Performance condition**
	(In thousands)	
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2022	€ 1,046.4	€ 956.6
Vested	1,451.1	—
Forfeitures – net settlement	1,451.1	—
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2023	1,438.9	1,438.9
Vested	1,241.1	—
Forfeitures – net settlement	1,241.1	—
Non-vested awards as of March 31, 2024	1,241.1	1,241.1

For the purpose of the accrual calculation, the Formulaic Value was used as a proxy for fair value as defined by the Equity Incentive Plan agreement. In cases where value derived from such calculation is deemed to differ significantly from Fair Value of the Company the Plan president may elect to use an appraiser to estimate the fair value of the awards granted. Such election was made for each of the vesting that occurred to date: as of December 31, 2021, as of August 11, 2022 as of December 31, 2022 and as of December 31, 2023. For the purpose of the accrual calculation, the last valuation performed by the appraiser was utilized.

Compensation expense of €1.7 million for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024, related to Equity Incentive Plans was recorded. Non-cash compensation expenses are presented in lines: "Accrued Expenses" in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows. There was €0.1 million cash-flow impact in the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024 related to social security and net settlement payment.

(19) ACQUISITIONS

On January 10, 2024 Exide Stationary Systems Holding B.V. acquired 74.9 percent of the shares of BE Power GmbH (referred to as "BE Power"). BE Power is a Lithium Ion based systems provider with its own BMS development. As a result of the acquisition, Exide will increase its footprint in the battery energy storage systems' market based on Lithium-Ion technology. The remaining 25.1 percent of shares will be purchased in 6 months from the first closing date as outlined in the Share Purchase Agreement.

The goodwill of €1.7 million gross arising from the acquisition consists largely of the synergies and economies of scale expected from combining the operations of Exide and BE Power.

The following table summarizes the consideration paid for BE Power and the amounts of the assets acquired, and liabilities assumed recognized at the acquisition date.

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	January 10, 2024 (In thousands)
Consideration	
Purchase price [1]	1,575
Contingent consideration payments [2]	500
Additional considerations [3]	193
Fair value of consideration transferred	1,698
Fair value of non-controlling interest	569
Recognized identifiable assets acquired, and liabilities assumed at fair value	
Cash and cash equivalents	127
Current receivables and contract assets [4]	425
Inventories [5]	909
Property, plant and equipment, net	86
Prepaid expenses	20
Accounts payable	(316)
Accrued expenses	(238)
Other liabilities	(139)
Short-term borrowings	(250)
Total identifiable net assets	580
Goodwill	**€ 1,688**

(1) €700 thousand was paid at closing, hence it is part of the current Consolidated Cash Flow Statement. €475 thousand will be paid 6-month post-closing and €400 thousand 24-months post-closing

(2) Contingent consideration arrangements consist of earn-out payment subject to conditions that the management believes are probable to be achieved, hence it is not part of current Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

(3) Additional considerations relate to the obligation of continuance of employment of certain employees after closing date

(4) Current receivables and contract assets are presented at fair value

(5) The fair value of inventory is presented net of expected obsolescence

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BE Power generated €1.3 million revenue and incurred a €6 thousand net loss for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024.

The Company incurred acquisition related costs of €20 thousand that are included in the consolidated statement of operations for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024.

The acquisition of BE Power GmbH net of cash acquired line in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for fiscal period ended March 31, 2024, that amounts to €0.6 million consists of consideration paid in cash of €0.7 million, offset by cash available in acquired company of €0.1 million.

(20) RELATED PARTIES TRANSACTIONS

Energy Technologies Holdings LLC is the Parent Company of the group. During the fiscal period ended March 31, 2024 no related party transactions occurred that would not have been eliminated on a consolidated level. For the intercompany transactions every effort is made to approximate an arm's length fee for services provided or goods sold, however because of the relationship between the subsidiaries and the Parent Company, it is possible that the terms and costs of the services provided are not the same as those that would result from transactions among wholly unrelated parties.

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Til generalforsamlingen i Exide Technologies AS

Uavhengig revisors beretning

Konklusjon

Vi har revidert årsregnskapet for Exide Technologies AS som består av balanse per 31. mars 2024, resultatregnskap og kontantstrømoppstilling for regnskapsåret avsluttet per denne datoen og noter til årsregnskapet, herunder et sammendrag av viktige regnskapsprinsipper.

Etter vår mening

- oppfyller årsregnskapet gjeldende lovkrav, og
- gir årsregnskapet et rettvisende bilde av selskapets finansielle stilling per 31. mars 2024, og av dets resultater og kontantstrømmer for regnskapsåret avsluttet per denne datoen i samsvar med regnskapslovens regler og god regnskapsskikk i Norge.

Grunnlag for konklusjonen

Vi har gjennomført revisjonen i samsvar med International Standards on Auditing (ISA-ene). Våre oppgaver og plikter i henhold til disse standardene er beskrevet nedenfor under *Revisors oppgaver og plikter ved revisjonen av årsregnskapet*. Vi er uavhengige av selskapet i samsvar med kravene i relevante lover og forskrifter i Norge og International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (inkludert internasjonale uavhengighetsstandarder) utstedt av International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (IESBA-reglene), og vi har overholdt våre øvrige etiske forpliktelser i samsvar med disse kravene. Innhentet revisjonsbevis er etter vår vurdering tilstrekkelig og hensiktsmessig som grunnlag for vår konklusjon.

Øvrig informasjon

Styret og daglig leder (ledelsen) er ansvarlige for informasjonen i årsberetningen. Øvrig informasjon omfatter informasjon i årsrapporten bortsett fra årsregnskapet og den tilhørende revisjonsberetningen. Vår konklusjon om årsregnskapet ovenfor dekker ikke informasjonen i årsberetningen.

I forbindelse med revisjonen av årsregnskapet er det vår oppgave å lese årsberetningen. Formålet er å vurdere hvorvidt det foreligger vesentlig inkonsistens mellom årsberetningen og årsregnskapet og den kunnskap vi har opparbeidet oss under revisjonen av årsregnskapet, eller hvorvidt informasjon i årsberetningen ellers fremstår som vesentlig feil. Vi har plikt til å rapportere dersom årsberetningen fremstår som vesentlig feil. Vi har ingenting å rapportere i så henseende.

Basert på kunnskapen vi har opparbeidet oss i revisjonen, mener vi at årsberetningen

- er konsistent med årsregnskapet og
- inneholder de opplysninger som skal gis i henhold til gjeldende lovkrav.

Ledelsens ansvar for årsregnskapet

Ledelsen er ansvarlig for å utarbeide årsregnskapet og for at det gir et rettvisende bilde i samsvar med regnskapslovens regler og god regnskapsskikk i Norge. Ledelsen er også ansvarlig for slik internkontroll som den finner nødvendig for å kunne utarbeide et årsregnskap som ikke inneholder

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vesentlig feilinformasjon, verken som følge av misligheter eller utilsiktede feil.

Ved utarbeidelsen av årsregnskapet må ledelsen ta standpunkt til selskapets evne til fortsatt drift og opplyse om forhold av betydning for fortsatt drift. Forutsetningen om fortsatt drift skal legges til grunn for årsregnskapet så lenge det ikke er sannsynlig at virksomheten vil bli avviklet.

Revisors oppgaver og plikter ved revisjonen av årsregnskapet

Vårt mål er å oppnå betryggende sikkerhet for at årsregnskapet som helhet ikke inneholder vesentlig feilinformasjon, verken som følge av misligheter eller utilsiktede feil, og å avgi en revisjonsberetning som inneholder vår konklusjon. Betryggende sikkerhet er en høy grad av sikkerhet, men ingen garanti for at en revisjon utført i samsvar med ISA-ene, alltid vil avdekke vesentlig feilinformasjon. Feilinformasjon kan oppstå som følge av misligheter eller utilsiktede feil. Feilinformasjon er å anse som vesentlig dersom den enkeltvis eller samlet med rimelighet kan forventes å påvirke de økonomiske beslutningene som brukerne foretar på grunnlag av årsregnskapet.

Som del av en revisjon i samsvar med ISA-ene, utøver vi profesjonelt skjønn og utviser profesjonell skepsis gjennom hele revisjonen. I tillegg:

- identifiserer og vurderer vi risikoen for vesentlig feilinformasjon i regnskapet, enten det skyldes misligheter eller utilsiktede feil. Vi utformer og gjennomfører revisjonshandlinger for å håndtere slike risikoer, og innhenter revisjonsbevis som er tilstrekkelig og hensiktsmessig som grunnlag for vår konklusjon. Risikoen for at vesentlig feilinformasjon som følge av misligheter ikke blir avdekket, er høyere enn for feilinformasjon som skyldes utilsiktede feil, siden misligheter kan innebære samarbeid, forfalskning, bevisste utelatelser, uriktige fremstillinger eller overstyring av internkontroll.

- opparbeider vi oss en forståelse av intern kontroll som er relevant for revisjonen, for å utforme revisjonshandlinger som er hensiktsmessige etter omstendighetene, men ikke for å gi uttrykk for en mening om effektiviteten av selskapets interne kontroll.

- evaluerer vi om de anvendte regnskapsprinsippene er hensiktsmessige og om regnskapsestimatene og tilhørende noteopplysninger utarbeidet av ledelsen er rimelige.

- konkluderer vi på om ledelsens bruk av fortsatt drift-forutsetningen er hensiktsmessig, og, basert på innhentede revisjonsbevis, hvorvidt det foreligger vesentlig usikkerhet knyttet til hendelser eller forhold som kan skape tvil av betydning om selskapets evne til fortsatt drift. Dersom vi konkluderer med at det eksisterer vesentlig usikkerhet, kreves det at vi i revisjonsberetningen henleder oppmerksomheten på tilleggsopplysningene i årsregnskapet, eller, dersom slike tilleggsopplysninger ikke er tilstrekkelige, at vi modifiserer vår konklusjon. Våre konklusjoner er basert på revisjonsbevis innhentet frem til datoen for revisjonsberetningen. Etterfølgende hendelser eller forhold kan imidlertid medføre at selskapet ikke kan fortsette driften.

- evaluerer vi den samlede presentasjonen, strukturen og innholdet i årsregnskapet, inkludert tilleggsopplysningene, og hvorvidt årsregnskapet gir uttrykk for de underliggende transaksjonene og hendelsene på en måte som gir et rettvisende bilde.

Vi kommuniserer med styret blant annet om det planlagte innholdet i og tidspunkt for revisjonsarbeidet og eventuelle vesentlige funn i revisjonen, herunder vesentlige svakheter i intern kontroll som vi avdekker gjennom revisjonen.

Oslo, 4. oktober 2024

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Øivind Karlsen
Statsautorisert revisor
(elektronisk signert)

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ÅRSBERETNING FOR REGNSKAPSÅRET 2023

01.04.23 – 31.03.24

VIRKSOMHETENS ART

Exide Technologies AS markedsfører start- og industribatterier i Norge.

Exide Technologies AS inngår i Exide-gruppen, som benytter avvikende regnskapsår. Årets regnskap omfatter 12 måneders perioden fra 1.4.2023 – 31.3.2024. Denne perioden utgjør regnskapsåret 2024.

FORTSATT DRIFT

Årsoppgjøret er avlagt under forutsetning om fortsatt drift. Til grunn for antagelsen ligger budsjett for regnskapsåret 2025 og langsiktige prognoser for årene fremover.

UTVIKLINGEN I LØPET AV ÅRET

Salgsinntekter for Exide Technologies ble 418.3 mill. kroner. Salget var høyere i alle produktsegmenter, hvor en sterk vinter var en medvirkende årsak. Høyere omsetning bidro til høyere driftsresultat.

Totalkapitalen for Exide Technologies var ved utgangen av året 214,9 mill. kroner, sammenlignet med 212,3 mill kroner året før. Egenkapitalandelen pr. 31.03.2024 er 48,2% sammenlignet med 48,6% pr. 31.03.2023.

Kontantstrøm fra driften er positiv hovedsakelig på grunn av høyere driftsresultat.

HENDELSER ETTER BALANSEDAGEN

Det har ikke vært hendelser etter regnskapsårets slutt som har påvirket virksomheten vesentlig.

FREMTIDIG UTVIKLING

Forventningene på salgs– og driftsresultat for budsjettåret 2025 ligger omtrent på samme nivå som det avsluttede regnskapsår, med forbehold om at vi hadde en veldig sterk vinter på slutten av regnskapsåret. Eiertilknytningen til Exide-gruppen vil fortsatt gi god produkttilgang til konkurransedyktige priser fra Exides fabrikker i Europa.

Konsernets kredittrisiko anses lav, da det historisk sett har vært lite tap på fordringer. Konsernet har en viss valutarisiko, da merparten av alt varekjøp i Exide Technologies AS er i EUR.

ARBEIDSMILJØ OG PERSONALE

Bedriften har et godt arbeidsmiljø og lavt sykefravær. I regnskapsåret 2024 utgjorde sykefraværet totalt 613,0 dager, hvilket tilsvarer 6,66% av total arbeidstid.

Samarbeidet med de ansattes organisasjoner har vært konstruktivt og bidratt positivt til driften.

MILJØRAPPORTERING

Bedriften arbeider kontinuerlig med forbedringer innen miljøarbeidet, så vel eksternt som internt.

LIKESTILLING

Bedriften har som mål å være en arbeidsplass hvor det er likestilling mellom kvinner og menn. Bedriften har en overvekt av mannlige ansatte. Dette er naturlig ut fra bransjen. Kvinner og menn har like muligheter for å kvalifisere seg til alle typer oppgaver og karrieremulighetene er de samme. Lønnssystemet reflekterer den enkeltes ansvarsområde og kvalifikasjoner. Bedriften har ikke ufrivillig bruk av deltidsarbeid.

Av bedriftens 34 ansatte er 5 kvinner.

Videre har bedriften en rekrutterings- og personalpolicy som skal sikre like muligheter og rettigheter og hindre diskriminering på grunn av etnisitet, nasjonal opprinnelse, avstamning, hudfarge, språk, religion og livssyn. Bedriften gjennomfører periodiske medarbeiderundersøkelser som belyser alle aspekter av arbeidsmiljøet, inkludert diskriminering som etterfølges av ledelse og ansatte og med aktiviteter.

Basert på det daglige arbeidet forankret bl.a. i Exide Technologies sine verdier, etiske policy og rekrutterings policy, sikrer bedriften at arbeidstakere og arbeidssøkere får like muligheter som beskrevet i § 26 i likestillings- og diskrimineringsloven.

ÅPENHETSLOVEN

Bedriften er omfattet av åpenhetsloven og bedriftens redegjørelse iht. denne er tilgjengelig her:
Hvem er vi -> Leverandørinformasjon
(https://www.exidegroup.com/no/nb/node/51066)

FORSKNING OG UTVIKLING

Selskapet har i 2024 ikke hatt noen form for forskning- og utviklingsaktiviteter.

HELSE MILJØ OG SIKKERHET

Det har i løpet av året ikke forekommet eller blitt rapportert personskader.

ANSVARSFORSIKRING

Det er tegnet forsikring for styremedlemmer og ledere som dekker alle juridiske enheter i konsernet, for deres mulige erstatningsansvar overfor foretaket og tredjepersoner. Forsikringen dekker det rettslige erstatningsansvar styret eller styremedlemmet kan pådra seg under utøvelsen av styreverv, samt ansvaret som daglig leder kan pådra seg i rollen som daglig leder.

RESULTAT OG DISPONERINGER

Styret foreslår følgende disponering av årsresultatet på kr. 22.447.903 i Exide Technologies AS:

Utbytte	kr. 22.000.000
Fra annen EK	kr. 447.903
Totalt disponert	kr. 22 447 903

Oslo 30. september 2024

Stefan Stübing
Styrets leder

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EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES AS
RESULTATREGNSKAP

(NOK 1.000)	***Note***	***2023-2024***	***2022-2023***
		1.4.23-31.3.24	1.4.22-31.3.23
DRIFTSINNTEKTER			
Salgsinntekt	1	418 328	327 603
Andre driftsinntekter		2 830	1 820
Sum driftsinntekter		**421 158**	**329 424**
Varekostnad		312 744	244 266
Lønnskostnad	2	30 927	25 740
Avskrivninger	3	239	259
Andre driftskostnader	2	63 987	52 127
Sum driftskostnader		**407 898**	**322 392**
DRIFTSRESULTAT		**13 260**	**7 031**
FINANSINNTEKTER OG FINANSKOSTNADER			
Finansinntekter	4	19 954	18 737
Finanskostnader	4	6 783	6 433
Netto finansposter		**13 172**	**12 304**
ORDINÆRT RESULTAT FØR SKATTEKOSTNAD		**26 432**	**19 335**
Skattekostnad på ordinært resultat	5	3 984	3 767
ÅRSRESULTAT		**22 448**	**15 568**
Opplysninger om avsetninger til:			
Foreslått utbytte		22 000	50 000
Annen EK		448	-34 432
Sum disponeringer	6	**22 448**	**15 568**

EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES AS
EIENDELER

(NOK 1.000)	*Note*	*2024-03-31*	*2023-03-31*
ANLEGGSMIDLER			
Immaterielle eiendeler			
Utsatt skattefordel	5	661	428
Sum immaterielle eiendeler		**661**	**428**
Varige driftsmidler			
Maskiner og inventar	3	1 411	1 650
Anlegg under utførelse	3	103	
Sum varige driftsmidler		**1 514**	**1 650**
Finansielle anleggsmidler			
Investeringer i datterselskap	7	35 000	35 000
Andre aksjer	8	88	98
Obligasjoner og andre langsiktige fordringer		63	63
Sum finansielle anleggsmidler		**35 151**	**35 161**
Sum anleggsmidler		**37 326**	**37 239**
Varer	4, 9	33 105	35 254
Kundefordringer	4, 10	69 431	44 016
Andre fordringer	10	58 870	87 073
Kontanter, bankinnskudd	11	16 126	8 710
Sum omløpsmidler		**177 532**	**175 053**
SUM EIENDELER		**214 858**	**212 292**

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EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD

(NOK 1.000)	*Note*	*2024-03-31*	*2023-03-31*
EGENKAPITAL			
Innskutt egenkapital			
Aksjekapital	6,12	10 694	10 694
Opptjent egenkapital			
Annen egenkapital	6	92 828	92 380
Sum egenkapital		**103 522**	**103 074**
GJELD			
Kortsiktig gjeld			
Leverandørgjeld	10	37 236	21 318
Betalbar skatt	5	7 121	5 814
Skyldig offentlige avgifter		26 411	16 633
Skyldig utbytte	6	22 000	50 000
Annen kortsiktig gjeld	10	18 567	15 453
Sum kortsiktig gjeld		**111 335**	**109 217**
Sum gjeld		**111 335**	**109 217**
SUM EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD		**214 858**	**212 292**

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KONTANTSTRØMOPPSTILLING

(NOK 1.000)	*note:*	*2023-2024*	*2022-2023*
Likvider tilført / brukt på virksomheten:			
Resultat før skatt		26 432	19 335
Ordinære avskrivninger	3	239	259
Periodens betalte skatter		-2 910	513
Endring i varer, kundefordringer og leverandørgjeld		-7 348	7 861
Endring i andre tidsavgrensningsposter		12 848	-6 272
Netto likviditetsendring fra virksomheten		29 261	21 696
Likvider tilført / brukt på investeringer:			
Investeringer i varige driftsmidler	3	-103	0
Salg av varige driftsmidler (salgssum)			
Endring kortsiktigt lån		28 248	-10 911
Endring i andre investeringer		10	
Netto likviditetsendring fra investeringer		28 155	-10 911
Likvider tilført / brukt på finansiering:			
Opptak av ny gjeld		0	0
Utbetaling av utbytte		-50 000	-8 664
Netto likviditetsendring fra finansiering		-50 000	-8 664
Netto endring i likvider i året		7 416	2 121
Kontanter og bankinnskudd pr 01.04.23		**8 709**	**6 588**
Kontanter og bankinnskudd pr 31.03.24		**16 125**	**8 709**

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Regnskapsprinsipper

Årsregnskapet er satt opp i samsvar med regnskapsloven av 1998 og god regnskapsskikk.

Salgsinntekter
Inntektsføring ved salg av varer skjer på leveringstidspunktet.
Varene blir levert til kunden fra vårt sentrallager i Oslo eller fra våre lokale lager og leveringslager.
Noe volum selges kontant på våre lokale lager.

Klassifisering og vurdering av balanseposter
Omløpsmidler og kortsiktig gjeld omfatter poster som forfaller til betaling innen et år etter anskaffelsestidspunktet, samt poster som knytter seg til varekretsløpet. Øvrige poster er klassifisert som anleggsmidler/langsiktig gjeld.

Omløpsmidler vurderes til laveste av anskaffelseskost og virkelig verdi. Kortsiktig gjeld balanseføres til nominelt beløp på opptakstidspunktet.

Anleggsmidler vurderes til anskaffelseskost, men nedskrives til virkelig verdi dersom verdifallet ikke forventes å være forbigående. Langsiktig gjeld balanseføres til nominelt beløp på etableringstidspunktet.

Fordringer
Kundefordringer og Andre fordringer er oppført i balansen til pålydende etter fradrag for avsetning til forventet tap. Avsetningen til tap gjøres på grunnlag av individuelle vurderinger av de enkelte fordringene.

Valuta
Pengeposter i utenlandsk valuta er vurdert etter kursen ved regnskapsårets slutt.

Varebeholdninger
Lager av innkjøpte varer er verdsatt til laveste av anskaffelseskost etter FIFO- prinsippet og virkelig verdi.
Varer under tilvirkning er vurdert til full tilvirkningskost. Det foretas nedskrivning for påregnelig ukurans.

Varige driftsmidler
Varige driftsmidler balanseføres og avskrives lineært over driftsmidlenes forventede levetid dersom de har antatt levetid over 3 år og har en kostpris som overstiger kr 15.000. Direkte vedlikehold av driftsmidler kostnadsføres løpende under driftskostnader, mens påkostninger eller forbedringer tillegges driftsmidlets kostpris og avskrives i takt med driftsmidlet.

Skatt
Skattekostnaden i resultatregnskapet omfatter både periodens betalbare skatt og endring i utsatt skatt. Utsatt skatt er beregnet med 22% på grunnlag av de midlertidige forskjeller som eksisterer mellom regnskaps- og skattemessige verdier, samt eventuelt ligningsmessig underskudd til fremføring ved utgangen av regnskapsåret. Skatteøkende og skattereduserende midlertidige forskjeller som reverserer eller kan reversere i samme periode er utlignet. Utsatt skatt og skattefordel som kan balanseføres er oppført netto i balansen.

Pensjoner
Innskuddsplaner periodiseres etter sammenstillingsprinsippet: Årets innskudd til pensjonsordningen

Kontantstrømoppstilling
Kontantstrømoppstillingen er utarbeidet etter den indirekte metoden. Kontanter og kontantekvivalenter omfatter kontanter, bankinnskudd og andre kortsiktige, likvide plasseringer som umiddelbart og med uvesentlig kursrisiko kan konverteres til kjente kontantbeløp og med forfallsdato kortere enn tre måneder fra anskaffelsesdato.

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Note 1 Salgsinntekter (NOK 1000)

Inntektene er fordelt på følgende geografiske segmenter:	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Norge	407 080	306 603
Andre nordiske land	11 180	20 324
Andre europeiske land	69	676
Andre geografiske land	0	0
Sum	418 328	327 603

Salgsinntektene refererer til batterier til ulike bruksområder med tilhørende tilbehør og installasjoner

Note 2 Lønnskostnader, antall ansatte, godtgjørelser, lån til ansatte mm. (NOK 1000)

Lønnskostnader	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Lønninger og feriepenger	24 378	20 356
Arbeidsgiveravgift	3 935	3 564
Pensjonskostnader	2 205	1 459
Andre ytelser	409	361
Sum	30 927	25 740

Administrerende direktør blir lønnet av konsernselskapet i Sverige. Det er ikke utbetalt honorar til styremedlemmer.
Gjennomsnittlig antall ansatte i løpet av regnskapsåret har vært 34.

Pension
Foretaket er pliktig til å ha tjenestepensjonsordning etter lov om obligatorisk tjenestepensjon, og har pensjonsordning som tilfredsstiller kravene i denne loven. Foretakets innskuddsordning er organisert i henhold til lov om innskuddspensjon.

Revisjonshonorar	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Lovpålagt revisjon	250	240
Skattebistand	10	30
Andre attestasjonstjenester		
Annen bistand	0	0
Sum	260	270

Note 3 Varige driftsmidler (NOK 1000)

	Maskiner og inventar	Anlegg under utførelse	Sum Varige driftsmidler
Anskaffelseskost pr 31.03.23	2 409		2 409
Tilgang kjøpte driftsmidler		103	103
Utrangering av driftsmidler			0
Anskaffelseskost pr 31.03.24	2 409	103	2 512
Akkumulerte avskrivninger pr 31.03.24	-998		-998
Akkumulerte nedskrivninger pr 31.03.24			0
Utrangering av driftsmidler pr 31.03.24			0
Balanseført verdi pr 31.03.24	1 411	103	1 514
Årets avskrivninger	239		239
Årets nedskrivninger	0		0

Det benyttes lineære avskrivninger for alle varige driftsmidler. Den økonomiske levetiden for driftsmidlene er beregnet til:
* Maskiner og inventar 4 – 10 år
* Oppussing av leide lokaler avskrives over leieperioden

Årlig leie for lokaler utgjør kkr. 6 150. Gjenværende leieperioder er fra 0 til 10 år.

Biler leases normalt for 4 år, gjenstående leietid er fra 0 til 4 år. Årlig leie utgjør kkr 608.

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Note 4 Poster som er slått sammen i regnskapet (NOK 1000)

Finansinntekter	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Renteinntekter fra foretak i samme konsern	4 231	2 821
Utbytte fra konsernselskap	7 652	0
Annen renteinntekt	490	243
Annen finansinntekt	7 581	15 672
Sum finansinntekter	19 954	18 737

Finanskostnader	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Annen rentekostnad	44	9
Rentekostnader til foretak i samme konsern	0	0
Nedskrivning av aksjer	0	0
Annen finanskostnad	6 738	6 424
Sum finanskostnader	6 783	6 433

Garantiforpliktelser:	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Husleie	2 094	2 094
Billån ansatte	0	0
Ferdigstillelse garanti kunder	0	0
Totale garantiforpliktelser	2 094	2 094

Garantiene er sikret ved pant.

Bokført verdi av pantsatte eiendeler:	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Kundefordringer	69 415	44 016
Varelager	33 105	35 254

Note5 Skatter (NOK 1000)

Beregning av utsatt skatt/utsatt skattefordel

Midlertidige forskjeller	Endring	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Fordringer	-72	-192	-120
Varer	-565	-1 132	-567
Tilvirkningskontrakter	0	0	0
Varige driftsmidler	-254	41	295
Garantiavsetning og andre avsetninger	-117	-1 933	-1 816
Pensjoner	0	0	0
Gevinst- og tapskonto	-52	209	261
Netto midlertidige forskjeller	-1 060	-3 007	-1 947
Underskudd til fremføring	0	0	0
Grunnlag for utsatt skatt/skattefordel	**-1 060**	**-3 007**	**-1 947**
22% Utsatt skatt / utsatt skattefordel (-)	-233	-661	-428
Herav ikke balanseført utsatt skattefordel			
Utsatt skatt/utsatt skattefordel (-) i balansen	-233	-661	-428

Grunnlag for skattekostnad, endring i utsatt skatt og betalbar skatt

	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Resultat før skattekostnad	26 432	19 335
Permanente forskjeller	-8 322	117
Grunnlag for årets skattekostnad	18 110	19 452
Endring i midlertidige resultatforskjeller	706	-1 508
Bruk av underskudd til fremføring	0	0
Grunnlag for betalbar skatt i resultatregnskapet	18 816	17 944
Avsatt konsernbidrag	0	0
Skattepliktig inntekt (grunnlag for betalbar skatt i balansen)	**18 816**	**17 944**

Betalbar skatt i balansen

Betalbar skatt (22 % av grunnlag for betalbar skatt i resultatregnskapet)	4 139	3 948
Betalbar skatt fra tidligere år	2 982	1 867
Betalbar skatt i balansen	7 122	5 815

Fordeling av skattekostnaden

Betalbar skatt (22 % av grunnlag for betalbar skatt i resultatregnskapet)	4 139	3 948
Sum betalbar skatt	4 139	3 948
Endring i utsatt skatt	-233	332
For lite/mye avsatt tidligere år	78	
Skattekostnad (22 % av grunnlag for årets skattekostnad)	3 984	4 279

Avstemming effektiv skattesats

Resultat før skatt	26 432	19 335
Skatt beregnet med nominell sats (22 %)	5 815	4 254
Effekt av permanente forskjeller	-1 831	26
Effekt av ändrad skattesats		
Reduktion av skatt från tidigare år		-513
Sum skattekostnad	3 984	3 767
Effektiv skattesats	15,1%	19,5%

Note 6 Egenkapital (NOK 1000)

Årets endring i egenkapital	**Aksje-kapital**	**Annen EK**	**Sum**
Egenkapital pr 31.03.23	10 694	92 380	103 074
Årets resultat		22 448	22 448
Avsatt utbytte		-22 000	-22 000
Avsatt konsernbidrag etter skatt			0
Egenkapital pr 31.03.24	10 694	92 828	103 522

Note 7 Datterselskap (NOK 1000)

Selskapet har 100 % av aksjene i Exide Technlogies OY, Takkatie 21, 00370 Helsinki, Finland. Stemmeandelen utgjør 100 %.
Investeringene i datterselskap regnskapsføres etter kostmetoden.
Det er utarbeidet konsernregnskap på konsernnivå, Energy Technologies Holdings LLC

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Note 8 Andre aksjer (NOK 1000)

Selskapet har følgende mindre aksjeposter med tilhørende kostpris:	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Vestfold Flyplassinvest AS	80	80
Batteriretur AS	8	8
Rebatt AS	0	10
Sum	88	98

Note 9 Varer (NOK 1000)

	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Lager av råvarer	-	-
Lager av varer under tilvirkning	-	-
Lager av innkjøpte ferdigvarer	34 237	35 821
Nedskrivning for ukurans	-1 132	-567
Sum	33 105	35 254

Note 10 Mellomværende med selskap i samme konsern og tilknyttede selskap (NOK 1000)

Fordringer	2024-03-31	2023-03-31
Kundefordringer konsern	188	7
Kundefordringer øvrig	69 243	44 009
Sum Kundefordringer	69 431	44 016
Andre fordringer konsern	57 880	86 112
Andre fordringer øvrig	989	961
Sum Andre fordringer	58 870	87 073
Gjeld		
Leverandørgjeld konsern	31 348	13 596
Leverandørgjeld øvrig	5 888	7 722
Sum Leverandørgjeld	37 236	21 318
Annen kortsiktig gjeld konsern	0	0
Annen kortsiktig gjeld øvrig	18 567	15 453
Sum Annen kortsiktig gjeld	18 567	15 453
Langsiktig gjeld konsern	0	0
Varekjöp fra konsernselskap	255 214	227 558
Management fee	23 861	17 189

Note 11 Bank (NOK 1000)

Betalingsmidler avsatt til betaling av skattetrekk utgjør tnok 590.
Selskapet er knyttet til kredittfasiliteten som eies av Exide Technologies AB. Enhver bruk av denne vil bli rapportert som en konserngjeld.
For denne faciliteten har selskapet stilt pant i kundefordringer (14 millioner kroner) og varelager (14 millioner kroner)
Benyttet kassekreditt ved utgangen av regnskapsåret utgjør 0 kkr.

Note 12 Aksjekapital og aksjonærinformasjon (NOK 1000)

	Antall	Pålydende	Bokført
Aksjekapitalen består av:	10 694	1 000	10 694

Exide Technologies AS har en aksjonær pr 31.03.24. Alle aksjer gir samme rett i selskapet. Eneaksjonær er Exide Technologies BV., Nederland.