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

For the fiscal year ended: December 31, 2024

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

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### AYRO, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY

(Address of principal executive offices)

(512) 994-4917

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Title of each Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered			
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	AYRO	The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC			

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes 🗆 No 🗵

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Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer	$\times$	Smaller reporting company	$\boxtimes$
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The aggregate market value of voting stock held by nonaffiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2024, the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second quarter, was \$5,023,862 based on a closing price of \$0.78 on June 30, 2024. The registrant does not have non-voting common stock outstanding.

As of March 28, 2025, the registrant had 8,541,466 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, outstanding.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the definitive proxy statement of AYRO, Inc. relating to the 2025 annual meeting of stockholders to be filed within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, are incorporated into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K by reference.

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#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS; RISK FACTOR SUMMARY

This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of forward-looking terms such as "anticipates," "assumes," "believes," "can," "could," "estimates," "expects," "forecasts," "guides," "intends," "is confident that," "may," "plans," "seeks," "projects," "targets," "would," and "will" or the negative of such terms or other variations on such terms or comparable terminology. Such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, future financial and operating results, the company's plans, objectives, expectations and intentions, statements concerning the strategic review of our product development strategy, the development and launch of the AYRO Vanish (the "Vanish") and other statements that are not historical facts. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that could cause actual results to differ materially from our historical experience and our present expectations, or projections described under the sections in this Annual Report on Form 10-K and our other reports filed with the SEC titled "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

A summary of the principal risk factors that make investing in our securities risky and might cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements is set forth below. If any of the following risks occur, our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows, cash available for distribution, and ability to service our debt obligations and prospects could be materially and adversely affected:

- our consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis; we must raise additional capital to fund our operations in order to continue as a going concern;
- we may be acquired by a third party;
- we have a history of losses and have never been profitable, and we expect to incur additional losses in the future and may never be profitable;
- our failure to meet the continued listing requirements of the Nasdaq Capital Market ("Nasdaq") could result in a delisting of our common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share ("common stock");
- holders of our Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock, with a stated value of \$1,000 per share ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), are entitled to certain payments that may be paid in cash or in shares of common stock depending on the circumstances, if we make these payments in cash, we may be required to expend a substantial portion of our cash resources, and if we make these payments in common stock, it may result in substantial dilution to the holders of our common stock;
- the certificate of designations for the Series H-7 Preferred Stock (the "Certificate of Designations") and the warrants issued concurrently therewith ("Series H-7 Warrants") contain anti-dilution provisions and other adjustment provisions that have resulted in the reduction of the conversion price of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock and the exercise price of such Series H-7 Warrants and may do so again in the future. These features may increase the number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock or upon the exercise of the Series H-7 Warrants;
- under the Purchase Agreement (as defined herein) we are subject to certain restrictive covenants that may make it difficult to procure additional financing;
- a significant portion of our revenues has historically been derived from Club Car LLC ("Club Car") pursuant to the MPA (as defined herein). Following our termination of the MPA, our sales could decrease significantly, and we will need to identify new strategic channel partners to support the sales of our vehicles;
- we may experience delays in the development and introduction of new products;
- we are currently evaluating our product development strategy, which may result in significant changes and have a material impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition;
- our business is subject to general economic and market conditions, including trade wars and tariffs;
- if disruptions in our transportation network continue to occur or our shipping costs continue to increase, we may be unable to sell or timely deliver our products, and our gross margin could decrease;



- our limited operating history makes evaluating our business and future prospects difficult and may increase the risk of any investment in our securities;
- if we are unable to effectively implement or manage our growth strategy, our operating results and financial condition could be materially and adversely affected;
- developments in alternative technologies or improvements in the internal combustion engine may have a materially adverse effect on the demand for our electric vehicles;
- the markets in which we operate are highly competitive, and we may not be successful in competing in these industries;
- our future growth depends on customers' willingness to adopt electric vehicles;
- we may experience lower-than-anticipated market acceptance of our current models and the vehicles in development;
- if we are unable to manage our growth and expand our operations successfully, our business and operating results will be harmed, and our reputation may be damaged;
- if we fail to include key feature sets relative to the target markets for our electric vehicles, our business will be harmed;
- unanticipated changes in industry standards could render our vehicles incompatible with such standards and adversely affect our business;
- our future success depends on our ability to identify additional market opportunities and develop and successfully introduce new and enhanced products that address such markets and meet the needs of customers in such markets;
- unforeseen or recurring operational problems at our facilities, or a catastrophic loss of our manufacturing facilities, may cause significant lost or delayed production and adversely affect our results of operations;
- we may become subject to product liability claims, which could harm our financial condition and liquidity if we are not able to successfully defend or insure against such claims;
- if our vehicles fail to perform as expected due to defects, our ability to develop, market and sell our electric vehicles could be seriously harmed;
- we depend on key personnel to operate our business, and the loss of one or more members of our management team, or our failure to attract, integrate and retain other highly qualified personnel in the future, could harm our business;
- transitioning from an offshoring to an onshoring business model carries risks;
- we currently have limited electric vehicles marketing and sales experience, and if we are unable to establish sales and marketing capabilities or enter into dealer agreements to market and sell our vehicles, we may be unable to generate any revenue;
- failure to maintain the strength and value of our brand could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations;
- the range of our electric vehicles on a single charge declines over time, which may negatively influence potential customers' decisions whether to purchase our vehicles;
- an unexpected change in failure rates of our products could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and operating results;
- increases in costs, disruption of supply or shortage of raw materials, in particular lithium-ion battery cells, chipsets and displays, could harm our business;
- customer financing and insuring our vehicles may prove difficult because retail lenders are unfamiliar with our vehicles and our vehicles have a limited loss history determining residual values within the insurance industry;
- our electric vehicles make use of lithium-ion battery cells, which, if not appropriately managed and controlled, have occasionally been observed to catch fire or vent smoke and flames;



- our business may be adversely affected by labor and union activities;
- we rely on our dealers for the service of our vehicles and have limited experience servicing our vehicles, and if we are unable to address the service requirements of our future customers, our business will be materially and adversely affected;
- if we fail to deliver vehicles and accessories to market as scheduled, our business will be harmed;
- failure in our information technology and storage systems could significantly disrupt the operation of our business;
- we may be required to raise additional capital to fund our operations, and such capital raising may be costly or difficult to obtain, and could dilute our stockholders' ownership interests;
- our long-term capital requirements are subject to numerous risks;
- we may invest in or acquire other businesses, and our business may suffer if we are unable to successfully integrate acquired businesses into our company or otherwise manage the growth associated with multiple acquisitions;
- increased safety, emissions, fuel economy or other regulations may result in higher costs, cash expenditures, and/or sales restrictions;
- our vehicles are subject to multi-jurisdictional motor vehicle standards;
- we may fail to comply with evolving environmental and safety laws and regulations;
- changes in regulations could render our vehicles incompatible with federal, state or local regulations, or use cases;
- unusual or significant litigation, governmental investigations or adverse publicity arising out of alleged defects in our vehicles, or otherwise, may derail our business;
- we are required to comply with state-specific regulations regarding the sale of vehicles by a manufacturer;
- we have identified a material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting, and if we are unable to remediate the material weakness, or if we experience additional material weaknesses in the future, our business may be harmed;
- if we are unable to adequately protect our proprietary designs and intellectual property rights, our competitive position could be harmed;
- we may need to obtain rights to intellectual property from third parties in the future, and if we fail to obtain licenses or fail to comply with our obligations in existing agreements under which we have licensed intellectual property and other rights from third parties, we could lose our ability to manufacture our vehicles;
- many of our proprietary designs are in digital form, and a breach of our computer systems could result in these designs being stolen;
- our proprietary designs are susceptible to reverse engineering by our competitors;
- if we are unable to protect the confidentiality of our trade secrets or know-how, such proprietary information may be used by others to compete against us;
- legal proceedings or third-party claims of intellectual property infringement and other challenges may require us to spend substantial time and money and could harm our business;
- we are generally obligated to indemnify our sales channel partners, customers, suppliers and contractors for certain expenses and liabilities resulting from intellectual property infringement claims regarding our products, which could force us to incur substantial costs;
- we are subject to exposure from changes in the exchange rates of local currencies; and
- we are subject to governmental export and import controls that could impair our ability to compete in international markets due to licensing requirements and subject us to liability if we are not in compliance with applicable laws.

For a more detailed discussion of these and other factors that may affect our business and that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements, see the risk factors and uncertainties set forth in Part I, Item 1A of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Any one or more of these uncertainties, risks and other influences could materially affect our results of operations and whether forward-looking statements made by us ultimately prove to be accurate. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether from new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

#### PART I

#### **ITEM 1. BUSINESS.**

In this Annual Report on Form 10-K, unless the context otherwise requires, references to "we," "us," "our," "our company," "AYRO" and "Company" refer to AYRO, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

#### Overview

We design and manufacture compact, sustainable electric vehicles for closed campus mobility, low speed urban and community transport, local on-demand and last mile delivery and government use. Our four-wheeled purpose-built electric vehicles are geared toward commercial customers, including universities, business and medical campuses, last mile delivery services and food service providers.

#### Strategic Review

For the past several years, AYRO's primary supplier for the AYRO 411x has been Cenntro Automotive Group, Ltd. ("Cenntro"), which operates a large electric vehicle factory in the automotive district in Hangzhou, China. As a result of rising shipping costs, quality issues with certain components and persistent delays, the Company ceased production of the AYRO 411x from Cenntro in September 2022 in order to focus its resources on the development and launch of the new 411 fleet vehicle model year 2023 refresh, the Vanish (the "Vanish").

The Company began the design and development of the Vanish in December 2021, including updates to its supply chain, the offshoring/onshoring mix, and its manufacturing strategy. The Company commenced low-rate initial production of the Vanish in the second quarter of 2023 and commenced initial sales and delivery of the Vanish in the third quarter of 2023.

On January 31, 2024, the Company began to implement an internal restructuring to achieve greater efficiency in pursuit of its strategic goals. As part of the restructuring, the Company eliminated a substantial number of positions and re-evaluated its sales, marketing, and manufacturing functions. Additionally, in connection with its internal restructuring, the Company appointed Gilbert Villarreal as President of its subsidiary, Ayro Operating Company, Inc. on August 21, 2024, and has been leading the review of the Vanish, working closely with vendors and third-party consultants to achieve the Company's objectives of lowering the bill of materials ("BOM") and overall manufacturing expenses. These efforts aim to lower the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price ("MSRP") of the Vanish, with additional updates expected in the near term.

In December 2024, the Company entered into a partnership with GLV Ventures ("GLV") for the engineering and manufacturing of the Company's electric vehicle, the Vanish. The relationship will launch the re-engineering and manufacturing of the Vanish in the United States using its original specifications.

In December 2024, the Company was named a tier one supplier for General Motors (GM) through its partnership with GLV and has secured its first purchase order from one of the top three automotive manufacturers in the United States. The Company and GLV intend to supply GM as part of an increase in scope of their previously announced low-cost manufacturing and engineering efforts.

In February 2025, the Company announced the launch of its new robotics division, which will be focused on AI-driven, automated manufacturing of EVs and accompanying accessories.

#### Nasdaq Deficiency

On July 18, 2024, the Company received a letter from the Listing Qualifications Department of the Nasdaq Stock Market indicating that, based upon the closing bid price of the Company's common stock for the 30 consecutive business days between June 3, 2024, to July 17, 2024, the Company did not meet the minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share required for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2). The letter also indicated that the Company will be provided with a compliance period of 180 calendar days, or until January 14, 2025, in which to regain compliance pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A).

On January 15, 2025, the Company received notice from the Staff granting the Company's request for a 180-day extension to regain compliance with the Rule, or until July 14, 2025 (the "Compliance Period"). In order to regain compliance with Nasdaq's minimum bid price requirement, the Company's common stock must maintain a minimum closing bid price of \$1.00 for at least ten consecutive business days during the Compliance Period. However, if it appears to Nasdaq that the Company will be unable to cure the deficiency Nasdaq will provide notice that the Company's common stock will be subject to delisting. There can be no assurance that the Nasdaq staff would grant the Company's request for continued listing subsequent to any delisting notification. In the event of such a notification, the Company may appeal the Nasdaq staff's determination to delist its securities.

There is no assurance that we will maintain compliance with such minimum listing requirements. If Nasdaq delists our common stock from trading on its exchange for failure to meet the listing standards, an investor would likely find it significantly more difficult to dispose of or obtain our shares, and our ability raise future capital through the sale of our shares could be severely limited. Delisting could also have other negative results, including the potential loss of confidence by employees, the loss of institutional investor interest and fewer business development opportunities.

#### **Products**

Our vehicles provide the end-user an environmentally friendly alternative to internal combustion engine vehicles (cars powered by gasoline or diesel oil), for light duty uses, including low-speed logistics, maintenance services, cargo services, and personal/group transport in a quiet, zero emissions vehicle with a lower total cost of ownership.

#### **Product Development and Future Strategy**

As part of our ongoing evaluation of our business and product development strategy, we have written down our inventory to a carrying value of \$0. This decision reflects the fact that we are actively reengineering the Vanish. While we remain committed to bringing the Vanish to market, we do not yet have an established customer base, and the reengineering process is still ongoing. Given that the final design, pricing and the timing of commercialization of the reengineered Vanish are still being determined, and there can be no assurances when any of the foregoing stages will be consummated, the usage of our inventory is currently uncertain. As a result, we have written down the inventory at this stage. However, we remain committed to bringing the Vanish to market and are committed to the reengineering process and progress toward commercialization.

#### Manufacturing Agreements

On July 28, 2022, we partnered with Linamar Corporation ("Linamar"), a Canadian manufacturer, in a manufacturing agreement (the "Linamar MLA") to provide certain sub assembly and assembly parts, including the cabin frame and skate for the Vanish (collectively, the "Products"). During the term of the Linamar MLA, Linamar has the exclusive right to supply the Products to the Company, subject to certain exceptions. The Linamar MLA had an initial term of three years, with automatic renewal for successive two-year terms unless either party has given at least 12 months' written notice of nonrenewal. On June 21, 2024, the Company notified Linamar of its intention not to renew the Linamar MLA. As a result, the Linamar MLA was effectively terminated in accordance with its terms on December 17, 2024. On January 13, 2025, the Company received \$401,675 in cash as part of the final settlement of the Company's obligations against funds advanced to Linamar, under the Linamar MLA.

On August 27, 2024, the Company partnered with Lithion Battery Inc. ("Lithion"), a manufacturer of certain iron phosphate and lithium-ion battery cells, modules and battery packs, and entered into a purchase agreement with Lithion, pursuant to which, the Company agreed to purchase batteries from Lithion for an aggregate of \$1,211,150 through 2025. As of December 31, 2024, the Company expensed \$669,990 in prepaid inventory, with \$541,160 under the purchase agreement remained outstanding.

#### Supply Chain Agreements

On December 21, 2023, we entered into a supply agreement with Athena Manufacturing, LP ("Athena"), a provider of customizable sophisticated metal products. As part of the agreement, we were able to submit devices, component, component assembly, material part, or piece that is custom to AYRO. On August 30, 2024, we terminated the supply agreement with Athena, and in full settlement, we paid an amount of \$289,205 for materials purchased.

#### **Business Strategy**

Our goal is to continue to develop and commercialize automotive-grade, sustainable electric transportation solutions for the markets and use cases that we believe can be well served by our purpose-built, street legal low speed electric vehicles. Our business strategy includes the following:

Continuously evaluate operations. The Company is evaluating its operations to align with anticipated market conditions for electric vehicles.

- Identify defined markets and use cases which are currently under-served but represent sizable market opportunity sub-sets of the electric vehicle market and focus development efforts on purpose-built electric vehicles to address such markets. We are currently developing a new series of modular, highly reconfigurable payload systems affording operators the maximum flexibility in the use of their fleet for a plurality of payloads. We intend to direct resources to advance the development of such reconfigurable payload solutions which we believe will afford customers the option of sharing transportation assets or configuring those assets differently for differing time of day or time of season use cases.
- Invest in research and development and qualification of sensors, cameras, software and mobility services, seeking to enhance the value of using our electric vehicles and to derive incremental potential revenue streams for us and our partner ecosystem. We intend to offer a web-based application to accompany every vehicle sold or leased beginning with the AYRO Vanish Fleet to enhance the use cases for those vehicles and optimize driver routing, user scheduling, and customer communication. We intend for onboard sensors to collect vehicle health, location data, route data, payload data and environmental data to provide us, the customer and fleet operators the ability to do post-hoc analysis of forecast versus observed delivery efficiency. A subscription service could later be offered even to delivery operators operating vehicles other than ours, creating the potential for an additional revenue stream.

#### Trends Driving the Need for Electric Vehicles

The U.S. electric vehicle market is forecasted to grow substantially in the years ahead, driven by factors such as the country's increasingly urbanized population, escalating gas prices and increased desirability of non-emissive transportation alternatives.

A segment of the electric vehicle market, low speed electric vehicles ("LSEVs")—which are LSVs but cannot be powered by gas or diesel fuel—are growing increasingly popular as eco-friendly options for consumers and commercial entities. LSEVs run on electric motors fueled by a variety of different batteries, such as lithium ion, molten salt, zinc-air and various nickel-based designs.

Trends such as increasingly stringent government regulations aimed toward reducing vehicle emissions, growing urban populations and social pressure to adopt sustainable lifestyles all create a demand for more ecologically and economically sustainable methods of transportation. This demand continues to spur technological advancements and LSEV market growth.

Expanding rules and regulations governing vehicle emissions have contributed to growth in the LSEV market. In particular, the U.S., Germany, France, and China have implemented stringent laws and regulations governing vehicular emissions, requiring automobile manufacturers to use advanced technologies to combat high-emission levels in vehicles. To incentivize clean-energy use, many governments are increasingly instituting substantial incentives for consumers to purchase electric vehicles, such as:

- tax credits, rebates, and exemptions;
- reduced utility rates; and
- parking incentives.

Further, governments are establishing infrastructure benchmarks to support the growth of the electric vehicle industry.

#### **Competition and Market Opportunities**

The worldwide automotive market, particularly for economy and alternative fuel vehicles, exhibits a high competitive intensity, especially amongst tier 1 competitors. The relatively modest LSEV market, being smaller in overall size, engenders a more modest competitive intensity. A few notable companies in the global LSEV market include HDK Electric Vehicles, Bradshaw Electric Vehicles, Textron Inc., Polaris Industries, Yamaha Motors Co. Ltd., Ingersoll Rand, Inc., Speedway Electric, AGT Electric Cars, Bintelli Electric Vehicles and Ligier Group.

When compared to internal combustion engine vehicle costs, our vehicles are significantly more attractive based on tax, title and license fees. Compared to a standard Ford F150 (gasoline) pickup truck (2.7 liter), the AYRO Vanish Fleet is expected to provide an approximate 49% reduction in operating expenses and an approximate 100% reduction in CO2 emissions (if renewed energy is used to charge the AYRO vehicles, an increasing trend for most higher education campuses and government facilities).

Our closest competitor in the LSEV industry is the WAEV, Inc. (formerly Polaris) Gem ("Gem"). WAEV offers multiple passenger vehicle models and multiple utility vehicle models under the WAEV and Taylor-Dunn brands.

We expect competition in our industry to intensify over time. Factors affecting competition include product quality and features, innovation and development time, pricing, reliability, safety, customer service and financing terms. Increased competition may lead to lower vehicle unit sales and increased inventory, which may result in downward price pressure and may adversely affect our business, financial condition, operating results and prospects. Our ability to successfully compete in our industry will be fundamental to our future success in both existing and new markets and our market share. There can be no assurances that we will be able to compete successfully in our markets. If our competitors introduce new cars or services that compete with or surpass the quality, price or performance of our vehicles or services, we may be unable to satisfy existing customers or attract new customers at the prices and levels that would allow us to generate attractive rates of return on our investment. Increased competition could result in price reductions and revenue shortfalls, loss of customers and loss of market share, which could harm our business, prospects, financial condition and operating results.

Factors that are anticipated to boost the demand of LSV markets in North America include: rising elderly population, commuters, students and government fleets seeking mobility solutions beyond automobiles, and projections of lower vehicle miles and greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S.

#### Target Markets

Our target market segment straddles the range of a converted golf cart to a small pickup truck. This "hybrid" market allows for cannibalization of both adjacent markets by AYRO. The multipurpose applications and clean energy use of LSEVs make them popular across a wide array of industries and customers, including college and university campuses, resorts and hotels, corporate parks, hospitals, warehouses, individual consumers, last mile delivery service providers, municipalities, and the food service industry. A number of these market segments, and our competitive position within them, are discussed in greater detail below.

#### Universities

LSEVs are growing increasingly common on university and college campuses due to a number of factors. LSEVs fulfill the versatile needs of campuses better than golf carts or standard combustion vehicles because not only do LSEVs' low speed thresholds promote safer driving among pedestrians, but the vehicles are also street legal with on-road safety features, enabling drivers to drive on roads and free up pedestrian space along sidewalks and smaller pathways. Additionally, the significantly reduced carbon imprint of LSEVs compared to internal combustion engine vehicles appeals to environmentally aware students and professors looking to promote environmental sustainability on campus. By transitioning from internal combustion engine vehicles to LSEVs, campuses should be able to significantly reduce the costs spent on fuel, oil, parts, and maintenance. We believe the AYRO Vanish Fleet will provide all of these benefits to university and college campuses. We estimate that in the U.S., there are over 1,800 higher education campuses with over 10,000 students each with over 400 on-campus vehicles that are ideal targets for the AYRO Vanish Fleet as campuses transition from fossil-fueled campus fleet vehicles to LSEVs.

#### Food Delivery Services

As the millennial generation and subsequent generations assume a more substantial portion of the consumer population, customers increasingly favor convenience and timeliness, spurring dramatic growth in online ordering and delivery services across a wide swath of industries, including food delivery and restaurant ordering services. Every major urban environment having a 35mph or less speed limit is a target market for our current and future LSEV fleet.

#### Last Mile Delivery Service

Retail focus on last mile delivery—the movement of goods from a transportation hub to the final delivery destination—has grown exponentially over the past few years due to the rise in online ordering and e-commerce. Consumers' ability to pick and choose products based on delivery, speed, and availability makes last mile delivery a key differentiator among retailers. Last mile delivery provides retailers more timely and more convenient delivery options not offered by the main three shipping services in the U.S. (the U.S. Postal Service, FedEx, and UPS). Additionally, given the increasing designation of low emission zones in urban centers, retailers will need to continue to deploy eco-friendly vehicles. Retailers will likely expand the use of LSEV fleets to make deliveries in low emission zones due to their zero gas emissions and lower price than competing electric vehicles.

#### **Municipalities**

As more city governments adopt regulations geared toward reducing pollution from vehicles, cities are increasingly looking to replace their municipal vehicles with zeroemission fleets. Such fleet overhauls, however, can be costly. LSEVs are a cheaper and more practical option for cities daunted by the cost of standard electronic vehicles. Our LSEVs have both on and off-road capabilities, making them particularly versatile for municipalities.

#### **On-Road and Personal Transportation**

LSEVs offer a feasible and practical method of transportation, especially in urban centers. Because our LSEVs are street-legal, they offer city dwellers a more sustainable, costefficient, easily maneuverable, compact and light weight option compared to internal combustion engine vehicles. Our LSEVs also offer a variety of specifications and equipment, meaning that consumers do not have to sacrifice comfort or convenience.



We primarily focus on the LSEV North American market, which is highly competitive. We have examined various considerations with regard to our market impact, including cost comparisons to existing vehicles in the market, market validation and target commercial markets.

#### Intellectual Property

As we expand our vehicle and service roadmaps, and integrated technologies, our focus on identifying specific market and customer needs continues to drive purpose-built engineering efforts.

Leveraging the all-electric AYRO Vanish Fleet LSVs, we intend to develop applications or use case solutions optimized for the logistics of storing and delivering food, beverages, merchandise, equipment, tools and related goods. This is accomplished by integrating application-specific appliances, storage facilities, vehicle wraps and related items. We will leverage either integrated traction or a separate battery power system to provide AC power to the various appliances and solution elements. We have filed a number of provisional utility and/or design patents applications associated with the aforementioned development, and we have filed for both domestic and international trademarks to cover the company name, company logo, and certain other key product and service marks. We continue to focus on innovative and applicable electric vehicle optimization designs that serve an expanding customer and application use base.

#### Patents

As of December 31, 2024, we held 11 granted United States patents, nine of which were granted in 2023. Of the 11 patents, four are design patents, and seven are utility patents. In addition to these granted patents, as of December 31, 2024, we had two pending patent applications on file with the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO").

All patent applications have been filed under accelerated consideration criteria due to the age (65) of the named inventor.

#### Trademarks

Our products are marketed under a variety of valuable trademarks. Some of the more important trademarks used in our global operations include AYRO, our company logo, Valet, Vapor, Vanish, and The Art of Sustainability. We protect these marks as appropriate through registrations in the United States and other jurisdictions, including Canada, Mexico, and the European Union.

As of December 31, 2024, we own more than 30 trademark registrations and pending applications. Depending on the jurisdiction, trademarks generally remain valid and can be renewed indefinitely as long as they are in use or their registrations are properly maintained.

#### **Government Regulations**

Many governmental standards and regulations relating to safety, fuel economy, emissions control, noise control, vehicle recycling, substances of concern, vehicle damage, and theft prevention are applicable to new motor vehicles, engines, and equipment manufactured for sale in the United States, Europe, and elsewhere. In addition, manufacturing and other automotive assembly facilities in the United States, Europe, and elsewhere are subject to stringent standards regulating air emissions, water discharges, and the handling and disposal of hazardous substances. The most significant standards and regulations affecting AYRO are discussed below.

#### Mobile Source Emissions Control

The federal Clean Air Act imposes stringent limits on the amount of regulated pollutants that may be lawfully emitted by new vehicles and engines produced for sale in the United States. The current ("Tier 2") emissions regulations promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") set standards for motorcycles. Tier 2 emissions standards also establish durability requirements for emissions components up to five years or 30,000 kilometers.

California has received a waiver from the EPA to establish its own unique emissions control standards for certain regulated pollutants. New vehicles and engines sold in California must be certified by the California Air Resources Board ("CARB"). CARB's emissions standards for motorcycles are in line with those of the EPA. We currently expect that our vehicles will meet and exceed both the EPA's and CARB's standards.

#### Motor Vehicle Safety

The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966, or "Safety Act," regulates vehicles and vehicle equipment in two primary ways. First, the Safety Act prohibits the sale in the United States of any new vehicle or equipment that does not conform to applicable vehicle safety standards established by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ("NHTSA"). Meeting or exceeding NHTSA safety standards is costly, in part because the standards tend to conflict with the need to reduce vehicle weight in order to meet emissions and fuel economy standards. Second, the Safety Act requires that defects related to motor vehicle safety be remedied through safety recall campaigns. A manufacturer is obligated to recall vehicles if it determines the vehicles do not comply with a safety standard. If we or NHTSA determine that either a safety defect or noncompliance exists with respect to any of our vehicles, the cost of such recall campaigns could be substantial.

#### U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") Certification

Our product programs are built on plug-in electric, zero emissions platforms. We report federal and state emissions data consistent with 10 CFR 474 and CARB requirements for Zero-Emission Vehicle certification.

#### Electromagnetic Compatibility

The Federal Communications Commission is the federal agency responsible for implementing and enforcing communications law and regulations, including Part 15 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations which regulates unlicensed radio-frequency transmissions, both intentional and unintentional. With very few exceptions, all electronic devices must be reviewed to comply with Part 15 before they can be advertised or sold in the U.S. market.

#### Motor Vehicle Manufacturer and Dealer Regulation

As with helmet laws and driver's license requirements, state laws that regulate the manufacture, distribution, and sale of motor vehicles are a patchwork. For our electric vehicles, outside of our collaboration with a third-party sales/distribution white label partner, we plan on a multi-faceted approach to sales, including exploring the following: (i) developing an expanded network of channel partners; (ii) entering into direct sales via a national leasing company that will in turn consummate sales with end users in a variety of states; and/or (iii) opening facilities in high growth states and delivering the vehicle to the end user via a common carrier. We commenced low-rate initial production of the Vanish in the second quarter of 2023 and commenced initial sales and delivery of the Vanish in the third quarter of 2023. We are currently actively reengineering the Vanish. While we remain committed to bringing the Vanish to market, we do not yet have an established customer base, and the reengineering process is still ongoing. The Vanish will share no commonality with the legacy 411 platform and will be the product of a supply chain evolution from Asian suppliers to North America.

We are registered as a manufacturer in Texas, California, Colorado, Louisiana, Florida and Arizona.

#### **Pollution Control Costs**

We are required to comply with stationary source air pollution, water pollution, and hazardous waste control standards that are now in effect or are scheduled to come into effect with respect to our manufacturing operations.

#### **Research and Development**

Our product development and engineering efforts align with the Society of Automotive Engineering ("SAE") J2258\_201611 standards for Light Utility Vehicles (the "J2258 Standard"). The J2258 Standard provides key compliance criteria for Gross Vehicle Weight Rating ("GVWR"), occupant protection and safety restraint systems, lateral and longitudinal stability, center of gravity and operating controls, among others. Our test validation and inspection standards follow Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards ("FMVSS") 49 CFR 571.500 for LSVs with the additions of SAE J585 and FMVSS 111 for rear visibility, lighting, signaling, reflectors, changes in direction of movement, back-up camera response timing and field of view.

Our development standards and test compliance validation processes are supported by a variety of test documentation, including supplier self-reporting, third party laboratory test reports and regional compliance validation with CARB for speed, range and environmental performance.

Our production system follows a lean, cell-based manufacturing model. The process involves the following five sequential cells: (1) cab preparation, (2) chassis preparation, (3) system integration and testing, (4) final assembly and integration test, and (5) quality assurance and FMVSS Compliance. Assembly quality and shift efficiency metrics are measured daily by our production staff at the end of every shift.

We maintain a certification and compliance checklist for each vehicle. Our vehicles use an automotive style steering wheel, turn signal stalk, headlight, running light and reverse light controls, a multi-speed windshield wiper and washer, and an accelerator and brake pedal consistent with controls employed in standard passenger cars.



#### Segment Information

The Company currently operates as one business segment, which is also the sole reportable segment, focusing on the manufacturing and sales of environmentally-conscious, minimal-footprint EVs. The Company's business offerings have similar economic and other characteristics, including the nature of products, manufacturing, types of customers, and distribution methods. The determination of a single business segment is consistent with the consolidated financial information regularly provided to the Company's chief operating decision maker ("CODM"). The Company's CODM is its Executive Chairman and Principal Executive Officer, who reviews and evaluates consolidated profit and loss and total assets for the purpose of assessing performance, making operating decisions, allocating resources, and planning and forecasting for future periods.

#### Employees

As of December 31, 2024, the Company did not have any direct, full-time employees. Instead, the Company engaged a network of independent contractors, consultants, and other third-party service providers who perform various functions for our business, including sales, product development, and administrative support.

#### Geographic Areas

We operate in the United States, and all our revenue was generated in the United States during the fiscal years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

#### **Corporate Information**

Our corporate headquarters is located at 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036. Our phone number is 512-994-4917. Our website address is www.ayro.com. The information on, or that can be accessed through, our website is not incorporated by reference into this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We currently lease approximately 23,927 square feet of office space in Round Rock, Texas under a lease that expires in February 2027 (the "Round Rock Lease"). The Round Rock Lease provides for a base monthly rent, and we are also responsible for real estate taxes, maintenance and other operating expenses applicable to the leased premises.

On March 11, 2025, the Company entered into a sublease agreement (the "Sublease Agreement") of the Round Rock Lease with a third-party, commencing on April 1, 2025, and expiring on February 28, 2027, with substantially the same terms as the Round Rock Lease. The Company remains bound to the Landlord of the Round Rock Lease for all liabilities and obligations under the Round Rock Lease.

#### Available Information

We are required to file Annual Reports on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on a regular basis, and are required to disclose certain material events in Current Reports on Form 8-K. The SEC maintains an Internet website that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. The SEC's Internet website is located at http://www.sec.gov. We also make available, free of charge, our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and amendments to these reports on our website at www.ayro.com as soon as reasonably practicable after those reports and other information is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.

Our business, financial condition and operating results can be affected by a number of factors, whether currently known or unknown, including but not limited to those described below, any one or more of which could, directly or indirectly, cause our actual financial condition and operating results to vary materially from past, or from anticipated future, financial condition and operating results. Any of these factors, in whole or in part, could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, operating results and stock price. The following discussion of risk factors contains forward-looking statements. See "Forward-Looking Statements; Risk Factor Summary." These risk factors may be important to understanding other statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **Risks Related to Our Business**

### Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis; we must raise additional capital to fund our operations in order to continue as a going concern.

In its report dated March 31, 2025, Marcum LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, expressed substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern as we have suffered recurring losses from operations and have insufficient liquidity to fund our future operations. If we are unable to improve our liquidity position, we may not be able to continue as a going concern. The accompanying consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result if we are unable to continue as a going concern and, therefore, be required to realize our assets and discharge our liabilities other than in the normal course of business which could cause investors to suffer the loss of all or a substantial portion of their investment. As of December 31, 2024, we had approximately \$16.0 million of cash and cash equivalents and \$4.1 million in marketable securities. In order to have sufficient cash to fund our operations in the future, we will need to raise additional equity or debt capital and cannot provide any assurance that we will be successful in doing so. If are unable to raise sufficient capital to fund our operations, we may need to delay, reduce or eliminate certain research and development programs or other operations, sell some or all of our assets or merge with another entity.



#### We have a history of losses and have never been profitable. We expect to incur additional losses in the future and may never be profitable.

We have never been profitable or generated positive cash flow from our operations. We have incurred a net loss each year since our inception in 2016 and have generated limited revenues since inception, principally as a result of our investments in building infrastructure in support of our manufacturing and business operations and plans for growth. We incurred net loss of approximately \$1.8 million and net loss of \$34.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. As of December 31, 2024, we had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$117 million. We may incur significant additional losses as we continue to focus our resources on scaling up our operations for growth and incur significant future expenditures for research and development, sales and marketing, and general and administrative expenses, capital expenses and working capital fluctuations.

Our ability to generate revenue and achieve profitability depends mainly upon our ability, alone or with others, to successfully market our products to meet the market demand and maintain compliance with the rules, regulations and laws of federal, state, local and international governmental bodies. We may be unable to achieve any or all of these goals with regard to our products. Our future vehicle roadmap requires significant investment prior to commercial introduction, but these vehicles may never be successfully designed, engineered, manufactured or sold. Moreover, scaling up of our operations, launching additional products and expanding our sales territories will require significant additional investment. We will continue to incur losses until such time that our vehicle sales volume supports our underlying overhead costs. As a result, we may never be profitable or achieve significant and/or sustained revenues. Even if we are successful in generating revenue and increasing our customer base, we may not become profitable in the future or may be unable to maintain any profitability achieved if we fail to increase our revenue and manage our operating expenses or if we incur unanticipated liabilities.

#### The market for our products is developing and may not develop as expected.

The market for our electric vehicles is developing and may not develop as expected. The market for alternative fuel vehicles is relatively new, rapidly evolving, characterized by rapidly changing technologies, price competition, additional competitors, evolving multi-level government regulations and industry standards, frequent new vehicle announcements and changing consumer demands and behaviors. The electric vehicle market is in its early stage where many standards and best practices have not been established or are constantly evolving, and it may take many years for the market to fully mature.

We believe our future success will depend in large part on our ability to quickly and efficiently adapt to both the market demand for products and features, as well as adapt to newly created statutory laws at federal, state, local and international levels. Due to the nature of the electronic vehicle market still in development, it is difficult to predict the demands for our electric vehicles and ancillary services and products, as well as the size and growth rate for this market, the entry of competitive products, or the success of existing competitive products. If a meaningful market for our vehicles does not develop, we will not be successful.

### We are currently evaluating our product development strategy, which may result in significant changes and have a material impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Following the hiring of our former Chief Executive Officer, in the third quarter of 2021, we initiated a strategic review of our product development strategy. This process has resulted, and may further result, in us modifying or discontinuing current or planned products, reallocating time and resources among existing products, exploring new products or making other operational changes, including adjusting our reliance on internal and external resources. Most recently, on January 31, 2024, we implemented an internal restructuring in order to achieve greater efficiency in pursuit of our strategic goals. As part of the restructuring, amongst other things, we eliminated a substantial number of positions as we re-evaluate our sales, marketing and manufacturing functions. Following the internal restructuring, as of December 31, 2024, we did not have any direct, full-time employees. Instead, we engaged a network of independent contractors, consultants, and other third-party service providers who perform various functions for our business, including sales, product development, and administrative support. Any decisions on advancing, reprioritizing or eliminating any of our products will be based on an evaluation of a number of factors, including our assessment of internal and external resources, the potential market for such products, the costs and complexities of manufacturing, the potential of competing products, as well as the likelihood of any challenges to our intellectual property, regardless of merit.

#### Our business is subject to general economic and market conditions, including trade wars and tariffs.

Our business is significantly affected by general economic and market conditions, including but not limited to global economic downturns, shifts in consumer demand, and fluctuations in capital markets. In addition, trade disputes, the imposition of tariffs, and other protectionist policies enacted by various governments have, and may continue to have, a material adverse impact on our business operations. For instance, trade tensions and tariff measures may result in increased costs of raw materials, disruptions in our supply chain, and reduced demand for our products or services. In periods of economic uncertainty or during the escalation of trade conflicts, we may experience reduced access to credit markets, increased input costs, and diminished revenue as consumers and businesses cut back on spending.

Any future intensification of these economic and political factors, or the imposition of additional tariffs and trade restrictions, could materially adversely affect our operating results, liquidity, and capital resources. While we continually assess and manage these risks through our strategic planning and operational adjustments, the inherent uncertainty associated with economic conditions and trade policies means that we cannot be certain of our ability to mitigate the adverse effects of these challenges.

### If disruptions in our transportation network continue to occur or our shipping costs continue to increase, we may be unable to sell or timely deliver our products, and our gross margin could decrease.

A majority of our raw materials have historically been shipped via container from overseas vendors in China, such as Cenntro, which has historically been our largest supplier. Although we have reduced our reliance on offshore suppliers by primarily sourcing components for the Vanish from vendors in North America and Europe, our vendors may be reliant on offshore suppliers. We rely heavily on third parties, including ocean carriers and truckers, in that process. The global shipping industry has experienced a shortage of shipping capacity, trucking shortages, increased ocean shipping rates and increased trucking and fuel costs. As a result, our receipt of imported products has been, and may continue to be, disrupted or delayed.

Currently and in the past, we have experienced business disruptions due to factors such as supply and demand imbalance, a shortage of warehouse workers, truck drivers, transport equipment (tractors and trailers) and other causes, which have resulted in heightened congestion, bottlenecks and gridlock, leading to abnormally high transportation delays. This has materially and adversely affected our business and financial results for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024 and could continue to materially and adversely affect our business and financial results throughout 2025. If significant disruptions along these lines continue, this could lead to further significant disruptions in our business, delays in shipments to us and our vendors, and revenue and profitability shortfalls, which could adversely affect our business, prospects, financial condition and operating results.

The global shipping industry has experienced and continues to experience unprecedented increases in shipping rates from the trans-Pacific ocean carriers due to various factors, including limited availability of shipping capacity. We may find it necessary to rely on an increasingly expensive spot market and other alternative sources to make up any shortfall in shipping needs. Additionally, if increases in fuel prices occur, our transportation costs would likely further increase. Similarly, supply chain disruptions such as those described in the preceding paragraphs may lead to an increase in transportation costs. Such cost increases have adversely affected our business and could have additional adverse effects on our business, prospects, financial condition and operating results.

#### Our limited operating history makes evaluating our business and prospects difficult and may increase the risk of any investment in our securities.

Our limited operating history makes evaluating our business and prospects difficult and may increase the risk of investment. Our operating results have fluctuated in the past and may fluctuate significantly in the future, which makes it difficult to predict our future operating results. Any substantial adjustment to overhead expenses to account for lower levels of sales is difficult and takes time, thus we may not be able to reduce our costs sufficiently to compensate for a shortfall in net sales, and even a small shortfall in net sales could disproportionately and adversely affect our operating margin and operating results for a given period.

Our operating results may also fluctuate due to a variety of other factors, many of which are outside our control, including the changing and volatile local, national, and international economic environments. In addition to the other risks in this "Risk Factors" section, factors that may affect our operations include:

- fluctuations in demand for our products;
- the inherent complexity, length, and associated unpredictability of product development windows and product lifecycles;
- changes in customers' budgets for technology purchases and delays in their purchasing cycles;
- changes in customer preferences;
- changing market conditions;
- any significant changes in the competitive dynamics of our markets, including new entrants or further consolidation;
- our ability to continue to broaden our customer and dealer base beyond our traditional customers and dealers;
- our ability to broaden our geographical markets;
- · the timing of product releases or upgrades by us or our competitors; and
- our ability to develop, introduce, and ship in a timely manner new products and product enhancements and anticipate future market demands that meet customers' requirements.



Each of these factors individually, or the cumulative effect of two or more of these factors, could result in large fluctuations in our quarterly and annual operating results. As a result, comparing our operating results on a period-to-period basis may not be meaningful, and our operating results for any given period may fall below expectations or our guidance. You should not rely on our past results as an indication of future performance.

#### If we are unable to effectively implement or manage our growth strategy, our operating results and financial condition could be materially and adversely affected.

Our ability to generate and grow revenue will depend, in part, on our ability to execute our business plan, expand our business model and develop new products in a timely manner. As part of our growth strategy, we may modify our distribution channels, engage in strategic transactions with third parties to access additional sales and distribution channels, accelerate product adoption for particular vertical markets, open new manufacturing, research or engineering facilities or expand our existing facilities. We also plan to add additional product lines and expand our businesses into new geographical markets. There is a range of risks inherent in such a strategy that could adversely affect our ability to successfully achieve these objectives, including, but not limited to, the following:

- the potential failure to successfully operate our dealer-distribution channels;
- an inability to attract and retain customers, employees, suppliers and/or marketing partners;
- the uncertainty that we may not be able to generate, anticipate or meet consumer demand;
- the potential disruption of our business;
- the increased scope and complexity of our operations could require significant attention from management and impose constraints on our operations or other projects;
- inconsistencies between our standards, procedures and policies and those of new points of sale or dealerships, and costs or inefficiencies associated with the integration of our operational and administrative systems, if necessary;
- unforeseen expenses, delays or conditions, including the potential for increased regulatory compliance or other third-party approvals or consents, or provisions in contracts with third parties that could limit our flexibility to take certain actions;
- the costs of compliance with local laws and regulations and the implementation of compliance processes, as well as the assumption of unexpected labilities, litigation, penalties or other enforcement actions;
- the uncertainty that new product lines or ancillary services will generate anticipated sales;
- the uncertainty that the expanded operations will achieve anticipated operating results;
- the difficulty of managing the operations of a larger company;
- the difficulty of competing for growth opportunities with companies that have greater financial resources than us; and
- the ability of our suppliers to support consumer demand.

Any one of these factors could impair our growth strategy, result in delays, increased costs or decreases in the amount of expected revenues derived from our growth strategy and could adversely impact our prospects, business, financial condition or results of operations.

#### Developments in alternative technologies or improvements in the internal combustion engine may have a materially adverse effect on the demand for our electric vehicles.

Significant developments related to ethanol or compressed natural gas, or improvements in the fuel economy of the internal combustion engine or hybrids may materially and adversely affect our business and prospects in ways we do not currently anticipate. For example, types of fuel that are abundant and relatively inexpensive in North America, such as compressed natural gas, may emerge as consumers' preferred alternative to petroleum-based propulsion. If alternative energy engines or low gasoline prices make existing four-wheeled vehicles with greater passenger and cargo capacities less expensive to operate, we may not be able to compete with manufacturers of such vehicles. Furthermore, given the rapidly changing nature of the electric vehicle market, there can be no assurance that our vehicles and technology will not be rendered obsolete by alternative or competing technologies. Any material change in the existing technologies may cause delays in our development and introduction of new or upgraded vehicles, which could result in the loss of competitiveness of our vehicles, decreased revenue and a loss of market share to competions.

### The markets in which we operate are highly competitive, and we may not be successful in competing in these industries. We currently face competition from new and established domestic and international competitors and expect to face competition from others in the future, including competition from companies with new technology.

We face significant competition, and there is no assurance that our vehicles will be successful in the respective markets in which they compete. The worldwide vehicle market, particularly for alternative fuel vehicles, is highly competitive today and we expect it will become even more so in the future. Established automobile manufacturers such as General Motors, Ford, Nissan, Tesla and Toyota, as well as other newer companies such as Arcimoto and Electrameccanica, have entered or are reported to have plans to enter the alternative fuel vehicle market, including hybrid, plug-in hybrid and fully electric vehicles. In some cases, such competitors have announced an intention to now or at some point in the future produce electric vehicles exclusively.

As the LSEV market grows increasingly saturated, we expect to experience significant competition. The most competitive companies in the global LSEV market include HDK Electric Vehicles, Bradshaw Electric Vehicles, Textron Inc., Polaris Industries, Yamaha Motors Co. Ltd., Ingersoll Rand, Inc., Speedway Electric, AGT Electric Cars, Bintelli Electric Vehicles and Ligier Group. Many of our existing or potential competitors have substantially greater financial, technical and human resources than us, and significantly greater experience in manufacturing, designing and selling electric vehicles, as well as in clearing regulatory requirements for those vehicles in the United States and in foreign countries. Many of our current and potential future competitors also have significantly more experience designing, building and selling electric vehicles at the commercial, or fleet, scale. Large automobile or equipment manufacturers with greater purchasing power allow them to acquire raw materials at a much lower cost. Additionally, the large traditional manufacturers has more ready access to efficient design, testing and service facilities. We do not have the company history, facilities or capital to properly compete with large traditional manufacturers should they decide to enter our market. Mergers and acquisitions in the electric vehicle market could result in even more resources being concentrated among a smaller number of our competitors.

Increased competition could result in lower vehicle unit sales, price reductions, revenue shortfalls, loss of customers and loss of market share, which could harm our business, prospects, financial condition and operating results. Additionally, industry overcapacity has resulted in many manufacturers offering marketing incentives on vehicles in an attempt to maintain and grow market share. These incentives historically have included a combination of subsidized financing or leasing programs, price rebates, and other incentives. As a result, we are not necessarily able to set our prices to offset higher costs. Continuation of or increased excess capacity could have a substantial adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

New entrants seeking to gain market share by introducing new technology, attractive feature sets, new products and development of longer-life power packs may make it more difficult for us to sell our vehicles and earn design wins which could create increased pricing pressure, reduced profit margins, increased sales and marketing expenses, or the loss of market share or expected market share, any of which may significantly harm our business, operating results and financial condition.

#### Our future growth depends on customers' willingness to adopt electric vehicles.

If there is lower market demand for our electric vehicles than we expect in the target markets, which include universities, food delivery services, last mile delivery service, municipalities and on-road and personal transportation, our business, prospects, financial condition and operating results will be negatively impacted. Potential customers may be reluctant to adopt electric vehicles as an alternative to traditional internal combustion engine vehicles or other electric vehicles due to various factors, which include but are not limited to:

- perceptions or negative publicity about electric vehicle quality, dependability, safety, stability of lithium-ion battery packs, utility, performance and cost regarding our vehicles or electric vehicles sold by other manufacturers, especially if accidents or certain events create a negative public perception;
- local, regional, national and international investment in charging infrastructure, standardization of electric vehicle charging systems and cost of charging that may
  impact adaptability for the overall electric vehicle market;
- the limited range of the vehicle on a single battery charge cycle;
- the impact of driving habits and terrain on the battery life, especially the differences with internal combustion engines;
- the deterioration rate of the battery packs, which are impacted by many external factors, including, but not limited to, overall life, environmental conditions, dormant time, the number of lifetime charge cycles and these factors' impacts on the batteries' ability to maintain an adequate charge;
- the access to knowledgeable service locations to support our electric vehicles;

- the price of alternative fuel sources, such as gasoline, as an alternative to the cost of charging electricity; and
- the availability of governmental incentives, including tax deductions and credits offered to consumers for purchasing and using electric vehicles.

Any of the above factors may hinder widespread adoption of electric vehicles and influence prospective customers and dealers to decide not to purchase our electric vehicles. Such issues would have an adverse material effect on our consolidated financial statements of operations, financial conditions, ability to develop strategic partnerships and ability to raise additional funding.

#### We may experience lower-than-anticipated market acceptance of our current models and the vehicles in development.

Our projected growth depends upon the end-consumers' mass adoption of our purpose-built electric vehicles. Although we have conducted some market research regarding our electric vehicles we currently sell or are developing, many factors both within and outside our control affect the success of our vehicles in the marketplace. At this time, it is difficult to measure consumers' willingness to adopt purpose-built electric vehicles, particularly two-passenger electric vehicles. Offering fuel-efficient vehicles that consumers want and value can mitigate the risks of increasing price competition and declining demand, but vehicles that are perceived to be less desirable (whether in terms of price, quality, styling, safety, overall value, or other attributes) can exacerbate these risks. For example, if a new vehicle encountered quality issues at the time of launch, the vehicle's perceived quality could be affected even after the issues had been corrected, resulting in lower than anticipated sales volumes, market share, and profitability. Moreover, if a new vehicles are not adopted or there is a reduction in demand for our products caused by a lack of customer acceptance, a slowdown in demand for electronic transportation solutions, battery safety concerns, technological challenges, battery life issues, competing technologies and products, decreases in discretionary spending, weakening economic conditions, or otherwise, the reduction in demand could result in reduced customer orders, early order cancellations, the loss of customers, or decreased sales, any of which would adversely affect our business, operating results, and financial condition.

#### If we are unable to manage our growth and expand our operations successfully, our business and operating results will be harmed, and our reputation may be damaged.

We have been expanding our operations significantly since our inception and anticipate that further significant expansion will be required to achieve our business objectives. The growth and expansion of our business and product offerings places a continuous and significant strain on our management, operational and financial resources. Any such future growth would also add complexity to and require effective coordination throughout our organization. Our future operating results depend to a large extent on our ability to manage this expansion and growth successfully. Risks that we face in undertaking this expansion include:

- establishing sufficient sales, service and service facilities in a timely manner;
- forecasting production and revenue;
- training new personnel;
- controlling expenses and investments in anticipation of expanded operations;
- establishing or expanding design, manufacturing, sales and service facilities;
- implementing and enhancing administrative infrastructure, systems and processes;
- addressing new markets;
- expanding operations and finding and hiring a significant number of additional personnel, including manufacturing personnel, design personnel, engineers and service technicians; and
- · securing sub-assemblies and other raw materials from our suppliers to support growth.

In this regard, we will be required to continue to improve our operational, financial and management controls and our reporting procedures, and we may not be able to successfully implement improvements to these systems and processes in a timely or efficient manner, which could result in additional operating inefficiencies and could cause our costs to increase more than planned. If we do increase our operating expenses in anticipation of the growth of our business and this growth does not meet our expectations, our operating results and gross margin will be negatively impacted. If we are unable to manage future expansion, our ability to provide high quality products could be harmed, damage our reputation and brand, and may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.



#### If we fail to include key feature sets relative to the target markets for our electric vehicles, our business will be harmed.

Achieving design wins to support the needs of our target markets is an important success factor for our business. In order to achieve design wins, we must:

- anticipate the features and functionality that OEMs, customers and consumers will demand;
- successfully incorporate those features and functionalities into products that meet the exacting design requirements of our customers; and
- price our products competitively.

Failure to maintain our expertise and inability to deliver custom, specific design systems could harm our business.

#### Unanticipated changes in industry standards could render our vehicles incompatible with such standards and adversely affect our business.

The emergence of new industry standards and technical requirements could render our vehicles incompatible with vehicles developed by competitors or make it difficult for our products to meet the requirements of our end-customers. Moreover, the introduction of new industry standards, or changes to existing industry standards, could cause us to incur substantial development costs to adapt to these new or changed standards, particularly if we were to achieve, or be perceived as likely to achieve, greater penetration in the marketplace. If our vehicles are not in compliance with prevailing industry standards and technical requirements for a significant period of time, we could miss opportunities to achieve crucial design wins, our revenue may decline, and we may incur significant expenses to redesign our vehicles to meet the relevant standards, which could adversely affect our business, results of operations and prospects.

### Our future success depends on our ability to identify additional market opportunities and develop and successfully introduce new and enhanced products that address such markets and meet the needs of customers in such markets.

We may not be able to successfully develop new electric vehicles, address new market segments or develop a broader customer base. We currently sell one four-wheeled truck, service parts, and payload options from which all our revenues are derived. Our future success will be dependent on our ability to address additional markets, anticipate our existing and prospective customers' needs and develop new vehicle models that meet those needs. We will have to incorporate the latest technological improvements and enhancements into our future vehicles to be able to compete in the rapidly evolving electric vehicle industry and the target markets. There can be no assurance that we will be able to design future models of vehicles, or develop future services, that will meet the expectations of our customers or address market demands, or that our future models will achieve market acceptance or become commercially viable.

In order to introduce new products and product enhancements, we will have to coordinate with our suppliers and other third parties to design a new model or an enhanced version of an existing model that offer features desired by our customers and a level of performance, functionality, or cost-effectiveness superior to the vehicles offered by our competitors. If we fail to coordinate these efforts and achieve market introduction and acceptance of new or upgraded vehicle models that address the needs of our customers in a timely manner, our operating results will be materially and adversely affected, and our business and prospects will be harmed.

Furthermore, we will need to address additional markets and expand our customer demographic to further grow our business. Our failure to address additional market opportunities could materially harm our business, financial condition, operating results and prospects.

### Unforeseen or recurring operational problems at our facilities, or a catastrophic loss of our manufacturing facilities, may cause significant lost or delayed production and adversely affect our results of operations.

Our manufacturing process could be affected by operational problems that could impair our production capability and the timeframes within which we expect to produce our vehicles. Disruptions or shutdowns at our assembly facility could be caused by:

- maintenance outages to conduct maintenance activities that cannot be performed safely during operations;
- prolonged power failures or reductions;
- breakdown, failure or substandard performance of any of our machines or other equipment;
- noncompliance with, and liabilities related to, environmental requirements or permits;
- disruptions in the transportation infrastructure, including railroad tracks, bridges, tunnels or roads;



- fires, floods, snow or ice storms, earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, microbursts or other catastrophic disasters, national emergencies, political unrest, economic sanctions, war or terrorist activities;
- other operational problems; or
- availability of parts, including both batteries and semiconductors, which are used to produce many components of our vehicles.

If our manufacturing facility is compromised or shut down, we may experience prolonged startup periods, regardless of the reason for the compromise or shutdown. Those startup periods could range from several days to several weeks or longer, depending on the reason for the compromise or shutdown and other factors. Any disruption in operations at our facility could cause a significant loss of production, delays in our ability to produce our vehicles and adversely affect our results of operations and negatively impact our customers. Further, a catastrophic event could result in the loss of the use of all or a portion of our manufacturing facility. Although we carry property insurance, our coverage may not be adequate to compensate us for all losses that may occur. Any of these events individually or in the aggregate could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and operating results.

### We may become subject to product liability claims, which could harm our financial condition and liquidity if we are not able to successfully defend or insure against such claims.

We may become subject to product liability claims, which could harm our business, prospects, operating results and financial condition. The automobile industry experiences significant product liability claims, and we face an inherent risk of exposure to claims in the event our vehicles do not perform as expected or malfunction resulting in personal injury or death. Our risks in this area are particularly pronounced given that our vehicles have a limited commercial history. A successful product liability claim against us that exceeds our product liability insurance limits could require us to pay a substantial monetary award. Moreover, a product liability claim could generate substantial negative publicity about our vehicles and business and inhibit or prevent commercialization of other future vehicles, which would have a material adverse effect on our brand, business, prospects and operating results. We maintain product liability claims. Any lawsuit seeking significant monetary damages either in excess of our coverage, or outside of our coverage, may have a material adverse effect on our reputation, business and financial condition. We may not be able to secure additional product liability insurance coverage on commercially acceptable terms or at reasonable costs when needed, particularly if we do face liability for our vehicles and are forced to make a claim under our policy.

#### If our vehicles fail to perform as expected due to defects, our ability to develop, market and sell our electric vehicles could be seriously harmed.

Our vehicles have in the past and may in the future contain defects in design and manufacturing that may cause them not to perform as expected or that may require repair, including a result of defective parts received from our former supplier. The discovery of defects in our vehicles would result in delays in new model launches, recall campaigns, reputational damage, or increased warranty costs that may negatively affect our business. Moreover, if one of our vehicles is a cause, or perceived to be the cause, of injury or death to an operator, passenger or bystander, we would likely be subject to a claim. If we were found responsible, we could incur substantial liability which could interrupt or even cause us to terminate some or all of our operations.

Meeting or exceeding many government-mandated safety standards is costly and often technologically challenging. Government safety standards also require manufacturers to remedy defects related to vehicle safety through safety recall campaigns, and a manufacturer is obligated to recall vehicles if it determines that the vehicles do not comply with a safety standard. The costs of recall campaigns or warranty costs to remedy such defects in vehicles that have been sold could be substantial. Further, adverse publicity surrounding actual or alleged safety-related or other defects could damage our reputation and confidence in our vehicles, which would adversely affect sales of our vehicles.

### We depend on key personnel to operate our business, and the loss of one or more members of our management team, or our failure to attract, integrate and retain other highly qualified personnel in the future, could harm our business.

We believe our future success will depend in large part upon our ability to attract and retain highly skilled managerial, technical, finance and sales and marketing personnel. We have only one line of business and are highly dependent upon the continued service of our key executive officers and other employees. The loss of and failure to replace key management and personnel could have a serious adverse effect on sales bookings, strategic relationships, manufacturing operations, order fulfilment and customer service, and may adversely impact the achievement of our objectives. Despite our efforts to retain valuable employees, members of our management may terminate their employment with us at any time. Although we have written employment agreements with our executive officers, these employment agreements do not bind these executives for any specific term and allow executive officers to leave at any time, for any reason, with or without cause. We do not maintain any "key-man" insurance policies on any of the key employees nor do we intend to obtain such insurance.



Recruiting and retaining qualified employees, consultants, and advisors for our business, including sales or technical personnel, is crucial to continue to execute our growth strategy. Because the pool of qualified personnel with engineering or manufacturing experience and/or experience working in the electric vehicle market is limited overall, recruitment and retention of senior management and skilled technical, sales and other personnel is very competitive. Many of the companies with which we compete for experienced personnel have greater resources than us. We are also at a disadvantage in recruiting and retaining key personnel, as our small size and limited resources may be viewed as providing a less stable environment with fewer opportunities than would be offered at one of our larger competitors. As a result, we may not be successful in either attracting or retaining such personnel and/or on acceptable terms given the competition and may be required to increase the level of compensation paid to existing and new employees, which could materially increase our operating expenses. In addition, failure to succeed in the expansion of our operations may make it more challenging to recruit and retain qualified personnel.

#### Transitioning from an offshoring to an onshoring business model carries risks.

We recently transitioned from a supply chain that is heavily reliant on Chinese imports to a supply chain that relies primarily upon North American and European sources. If our new materials suppliers are not managed properly to support vehicle demand, our results of operations and working capital can be adversely affected. If we are unable to implement our business plans in the timeframe estimated by management and successfully transition into a mass-producing electric vehicle manufacturing business, we will not be able to scale up our operations to generate greater profit. As a result, our business, prospects, operating results and financial condition will be negatively impacted and our ability to grow our business will be harmed.

Furthermore, as the scale of our vehicle production increases, we will need to accurately forecast, purchase, warehouse and transport to our manufacturing facilities components at much higher volumes than we have done in the past. If we are unable to accurately match the timing and quantities of component purchases to our actual production plans or capabilities, or successfully implement automation, inventory management and other systems to accommodate the increased complexity in our supply chain, we may have to incur unexpected storage, transportation and write-off costs, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and operating results.

### We currently have limited electric vehicles marketing and sales experience, and if we are unable to establish sales and marketing capabilities or enter into dealer agreements to market and sell our vehicles, we may be unable to generate any revenue.

We have limited experience selling and marketing our vehicles, and we currently have minimal marketing or sales organization. To successfully expand our operations, we will need to invest in and develop these capabilities, either on our own or with others, which would be expensive, difficult and time consuming. Any failure or delay in the timely development of our internal sales and marketing capabilities could adversely impact the potential for success of our products.

Further, given our lack of prior experience in marketing and selling electric vehicles, we rely on third-party dealers to market our vehicles. If these dealers do not commit sufficient resources to market our vehicles and we are unable to develop the necessary marketing and sales capabilities on our own, including developing a direct sales channel with our end-customers, we will be unable to generate sufficient revenue from the sale of our vehicles to sustain or grow our business. We may be competing with companies that currently have extensive and well-funded marketing and sales operations, particularly in the markets we are targeting. Without appropriate capabilities, whether directly or through third-party dealerships, we may be unable to compete successfully against these more established companies.

#### Failure to maintain the strength and value of our brand could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our success depends, in part, on the value and strength of our brand. Maintaining, enhancing, promoting and positioning our brand, particularly in new markets where we have limited brand recognition, will depend largely on the success of our marketing and merchandising efforts and our ability to provide high-quality services, warranty plans, products and resources and a consistent, high-quality customer experience. Our brand could be adversely affected if we fail to achieve these objectives, if we fail to comply with laws and regulations, if we are subject to publicized litigation or if our public image or reputation were to be tarnished by negative publicity. Some of these risks may be beyond our ability to control, such as the effects of negative publicity regarding our suppliers or third-party providers of services or other electric transportation companies or their products or negative publicity related to members of management. Any of these events could hurt our image, resulting in reduced demand for our products and a decrease in sales. Further, maintaining, enhancing, promoting and positioning our brands' images may require us to make substantial investments in marketing and employee training, which could adversely affect our cash flow, and which may ultimately be unsuccessful. These factors could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### The range of our electric vehicles on a single charge declines over time, which may negatively influence potential customers' decisions whether to purchase our vehicles.

The range of our electric vehicles on a single charge declines principally as a function of usage, time and charging patterns. For example, a customer's use of their vehicle, as well as the frequency with which they charge the battery of their vehicle, can result in additional deterioration of the battery's ability to hold a charge. Additionally, over time, a battery's ability to hold its initial charge will degrade. While expected in electric vehicle applications, such battery deterioration and the related decrease in range may negatively influence potential customer decisions as to whether to purchase our vehicles, which may harm our ability to market and sell our vehicles.

#### An unexpected change in failure rates of our products could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, and operating results.

We offer product warranties that generally extend for two years from date of sale that require us to repair or replace defective products returned by the customer during the warranty period at no cost to the customer. While defects in the individual parts for our vehicles are currently reimbursed by our supply chain, warranty labor is our responsibility. We record an estimate for anticipated warranty-related costs at the time of sale based on historical and estimated future product return rates and expected repair or replacement costs. While such costs and failure rates have historically been within management's expectations and the provisions established and we receive warranty coverage from our vendors, unexpected changes in failure rates could have a material adverse impact on our business requiring additional warranty reserves. These failures could adversely impact our operating results.

#### Increases in costs, disruption of supply or shortage of raw materials, including but not limited to lithium-ion battery cells, chipsets and displays, could harm our business.

We may experience increases in the cost or a sustained interruption in the supply or shortage of raw materials, including lithium-ion battery cells, semiconductors, and integrated circuits. Any such increase or supply interruption could materially negatively impact our business, prospects, financial condition and operating results.

We use various raw materials, including aluminum, steel, carbon fiber, non-ferrous metals (such as copper), and cobalt. The prices for these raw materials fluctuate depending on market conditions, and global demand, and could adversely affect our business and operating results. For instance, we are exposed to multiple risks relating to price fluctuations for lithium-ion cells. These risks include:

- the inability or unwillingness of current battery manufacturers to build or operate battery cell manufacturing plants to supply the numbers of lithium-ion cells required to support the growth of the electric vehicle industry as demand for such cells increases;
- disruption in the supply of cells due to quality issues or recalls by the battery cell manufacturers; and
- an increase in the cost of raw materials, such as cobalt, used in lithium-ion cells.

Any disruption in the supply of lithium-ion battery cells, semiconductors, or integrated circuits could temporarily disrupt production of our vehicles until a different supplier is fully qualified. Moreover, battery cell manufacturers may refuse to supply electric vehicle manufacturers if they determine that the vehicles are not sufficiently safe. Furthermore, fluctuations or shortages in petroleum and other economic conditions may cause us to experience significant increases in freight charges and raw material costs. Substantial increases in the prices for our raw materials would increase our operating costs and could reduce our margins if the increased costs cannot be recouped through increased electric vehicle prices. There can be no assurance that we will be able to recoup increasing costs of raw materials by increasing vehicle prices.

### Customer financing and insuring our vehicles may prove difficult because retail lenders are unfamiliar with our vehicles and our vehicles have a limited loss history for determining residual values within the insurance industry.

The availability and terms of financing and insurance for our vehicles may be limited due to the relative novelty of our brand and vehicle models. Retail lenders and financial institutions may be hesitant to offer competitive financing options to customers due to a lack of familiarity with our vehicles and uncertainty regarding their long-term resale values. Additionally, insurers may face challenges in accurately assessing risk and determining appropriate coverage premiums due to the limited loss history of our vehicles. If customers face difficulties obtaining financing or reasonably priced insurance, demand for our vehicles could be adversely affected, which could negatively impact our sales, financial performance and overall business growth.

#### Our electric vehicles make use of lithium-ion battery cells, which, if not appropriately managed and controlled, have occasionally been observed to catch fire or vent smoke and flames. If such events occur in our electric vehicles, we could face liability associated with our warranty, for damage or injury, adverse publicity and a potential safety recall, any of which would adversely affect our business, prospects, financial condition and operating results.

The battery packs in our electric vehicles use lithium-ion cells. On occasion, if not appropriately managed and controlled, lithium-ion cells can rapidly release the energy they contain by venting smoke and flames in a manner that can ignite nearby materials. Highly publicized incidents of laptop computers and cell phones bursting into flames have focused consumer attention on the safety of these cells. These events also have raised questions about the suitability of these lithium-ion cells for automotive applications. There can be no assurance that a field failure of our battery packs will not occur, which could damage the vehicle or lead to personal injury or death and may subject us to lawsuits. Furthermore, there is some risk of electrocution if individuals who attempt to repair battery packs on our vehicles do not follow applicable maintenance and repair protocols. Any such damage or injury would likely lead to adverse publicity and potentially a safety recall. Any such adverse publicity could adversely affect our business, prospects, financial condition and operating results.



#### Our business may be adversely affected by labor and union activities.

Although none of our employees are currently represented by a labor union, it is common throughout the automobile industry generally for many employees at automobile companies to belong to a union, which can result in higher employee costs and increased risk of work stoppages. We rely on other companies in the supply chain with work forces that may or may not be unionized and are thus subject to work stoppages or strikes organized by such unions, which could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition or operating results. If a work stoppage occurs within our business, or within that of our key suppliers' businesses, it could delay the manufacturing, sale and shipment of our electric vehicles and have a material adverse effect on our business, prospects, operating results or financial condition.

### We rely on our dealers for the service of our vehicles and have limited experience servicing our vehicles. If we are unable to address the service requirements of our future customers, our business will be materially and adversely affected.

Currently, our vehicles are serviced by the selling dealer. If the dealer is unable to successfully address the service requirements of our customers, customer confidence in both the vehicles and our brand will erode and our prospects and operating results will be materially and adversely affected. In addition, we anticipate the level and quality of service the dealers will provide to our customers will have a direct impact on the success of our future vehicles. If our dealers are unable to satisfactorily service our customers, our ability to generate customer loyalty, grow our business and sell additional vehicles could be significantly impaired.

Our dealers have very limited experience servicing our vehicles. Servicing electric vehicles is different than servicing vehicles with internal combustion engines and requires specialized skills, including high voltage training and servicing techniques.

#### If we fail to deliver vehicles and accessories to market as scheduled, our business will be harmed.

A significant amount of our revenue is seasonal. By missing product delivery schedules, we may miss that year's opportunity to bring and sell a new product to market. Seasonality could be affected by many factors including, but not limited to, governmental fiscal years, as municipalities tend to order vehicles at the end of their fiscal year when they know they have funds remaining, and tourist season for geographically diverse destination fleet operators, as such customers tend to place their entire orders for delivery in time for the beginning of that season. Any change in fleet replacement timing, average fleet age, or fleet maintenance demands may have a material impact on the business.

#### Failure in our information technology and storage systems could significantly disrupt the operation of our business.

Our ability to execute our business plan and maintain operations depends on the continued and uninterrupted performance of our information technology ("IT") systems. We must routinely update our IT infrastructure and our various IT systems throughout the organization, or we may not continue to meet our current and future business needs. Modification, upgrade or replacement of such systems may be costly. Furthermore, IT systems are vulnerable to risks and damages from a variety of sources, including telecommunications or network failures, malicious human acts and natural disasters. Moreover, despite network security and back-up measures, some of our and our vendors' servers are potentially vulnerable to physical or electronic break-ins, computer viruses and similar disruptive problems. Despite precautionary measures to prevent unanticipated problems that could affect our IT systems, sustained or repeated system failures that interrupt our ability to generate and maintain data could adversely affect our ability to operate our business.

#### Risks Relating to Our Financial Position and Need for Additional Capital

### We must raise additional capital to fund our operations in order to continue as a going concern, and such funding may be costly or difficult to obtain and could dilute our stockholders' ownership interests.

The design, manufacture, sale and servicing of vehicles is a capital-intensive business, and we may need to raise additional funds to expand our operations and reach vehicle production goals. If our cash on hand and our sales revenue are not sufficient to cover our cash requirements, we will need to raise additional capital, whether through the sale of equity or debt securities, the entry into strategic business collaborations, the establishment of other funding facilities, licensing arrangements, or asset sales or other means, in order to support our business plan. In addition, we may need to raise additional capital for strategic acquisitions or transactions. Such additional capital may not be available on reasonable terms or at all.

Our ability to obtain the necessary financing to carry out our business plan is subject to a number of factors, including general market conditions, performance of our vehicles, market demand for our vehicles and investor acceptance of our business plan. These factors may make the timing, amount, terms and conditions of such financing unattractive or unavailable to us. If we are unable to obtain additional financing on a timely basis, we may have to curtail, delay or eliminate our development activities and growth plans, and/or be forced to sell some or all assets, perhaps on unfavorable terms, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations, and ultimately we could be forced to discontinue our operations and liquidate, in which event it is unlikely that stockholders would receive any distribution on their shares. Further, we may not be able to continue operating if we do not generate sufficient revenues from operations to stay in business.

We have raised capital in the past primarily through public offerings, as well as debt and private placements of our convertible preferred stock. We may in the future pursue the sale of additional equity and/or debt securities, or the establishment of other funding facilities including asset-based borrowings. There can be no assurances, however, that we will be able to raise additional capital through such an offering on acceptable terms, or at all. Issuances of additional debt or equity securities could impact the rights of the holders of our common stock and may dilute their ownership percentage. The terms of any securities issued by us in future capital transactions may be more favorable to new investors, and may include preferences, superior voting rights and the issuance of warrants or other derivative securities, which may have a further dilutive effect on the holders of any of our securities then outstanding.

The terms of debt securities we may have to issue or future borrowings we may have to incur to fund our operations could impose significant restrictions on our operations. The incurrence of indebtedness or the issuance of certain equity securities could result in increased fixed payment obligations and could also result in restrictive covenants, such as limitations on our ability to incur additional debt or issue additional equity, limitations on our ability to acquire or license intellectual property rights, and other operating restrictions that could adversely affect our ability to conduct our business.

If we raise additional funds through collaboration and licensing arrangements with third parties, it may be necessary to relinquish some rights to our technologies or our products, to grant licenses on terms that are not favorable to us, or to issue equity instruments that may be dilutive to our stockholders.

In addition, we may incur substantial costs in pursuing future capital financing, including investment banking fees, legal fees, accounting fees, securities law compliance fees, printing and distribution expenses and other costs. We may also be required to recognize non-cash expenses in connection with certain securities we issue, such as convertible notes and warrants, which may adversely impact our financial condition.

#### Our long-term capital requirements are subject to numerous risks.

Our long-term capital requirements are expected to depend on many potential factors, including, among others:

- the number of vehicles being manufactured and future models in development;
- the regulatory compliance and clarity of each of our vehicles;
- the progress, success and cost of our development programs, including manufacturing;
- the costs of manufacturing, developing sales, marketing and distribution channels;
- the costs of enforcing our issued patents and defending intellectual property-related claims;
- our ability to successfully grow sales, including securing strategic partner and distribution agreements and favorable pricing and market share; and
- our consumption of available resources more rapidly than currently anticipated, resulting in the need for additional funding sooner than anticipated.

### We may invest in or acquire other businesses, and our business may suffer if we are unable to successfully integrate acquired businesses into our company or otherwise manage the growth associated with multiple acquisitions.

As part of our business strategy, we may make acquisitions as opportunities arise to add new or complementary businesses, products, brands or technologies. In some cases, the costs of such acquisitions may be substantial, including as a result of professional fees and due diligence efforts. There is no assurance that the time and resources expended on pursuing a particular acquisition will result in a completed transaction, or that any completed transaction will ultimately be successful. In addition, we may be unable to identify suitable acquisitions or strategic investment opportunities or may be unable to obtain any required financing or regulatory approvals, and therefore may be unable to complete such acquisitions or strategic investments on favorable terms, if at all. We may decide to pursue acquisitions with which our investors may not agree, and we cannot assure investors that any acquisition or investment will be successful or otherwise provide a favorable return on investment. In addition, acquisitions and the integration thereof require significant time and resources and place significant demands on our management, as well as on our operational and financial infrastructure. In addition, if we fail to successfully close transactions or integrate new teams, or integrate the products and technologies associated with these acquisitions into our company, our business could be seriously harmed. Acquisitions may expose us to operational challenges and risks, including:

- the ability to profitably manage acquired businesses or successfully integrate the acquired businesses' operations, personnel, financial reporting, accounting and internal controls, technologies and products into our business;
- increased indebtedness and the expense of integrating acquired businesses, including significant administrative, operational, economic, geographic or cultural challenges in managing and integrating the expanded or combined operations;
- entry into jurisdictions or acquisition of products or technologies with which we have limited or no prior experience, and the potential of increased competition with new or existing competitors as a result of such acquisitions;
- diversion of management's attention and the over-extension of our operating infrastructure and our management systems, information technology systems, and internal controls and procedures, which may be inadequate to support growth;
- the ability to fund our capital needs and any cash flow shortages that may occur if anticipated revenue is not realized or is delayed, whether by general economic or market conditions, or unforeseen internal difficulties; and
- the ability to retain or hire qualified personnel required for expanded operations.

Our acquisition strategy may not succeed if we are unable to remain attractive to target companies or expeditiously close transactions. Issuing shares of our common stock to fund an acquisition would cause economic dilution to existing stockholders. If we develop a reputation for being a difficult acquirer or having an unfavorable work environment, or target companies view our common stock unfavorably, we may be unable to consummate key acquisition transactions essential to our corporate strategy and our business may be seriously harmed.

#### **Risks Related to Regulatory Matters**

#### Increased safety, emissions, fuel economy, or other regulations may result in higher costs, cash expenditures, and/or sales restrictions.

The motorized vehicle industry is governed by a substantial amount of government regulation, which often differs by state and region. Government regulation has arisen, and proposals for additional regulation are advanced, primarily out of concern for the environment, vehicle safety, and energy independence. In addition, many governments regulate local product content and/or impose import requirements as a means of creating jobs, protecting domestic producers, and influencing the balance of payments. The cost to comply with existing government regulations is substantial, and future additional regulations could have a substantial adverse impact on our financial condition.

#### Our vehicles are subject to multi-jurisdictional motor vehicle standards.

All vehicles sold must comply with federal, state and country-specific motor vehicle safety standards. Rigorous testing and the use of approved materials and equipment are among the requirements for achieving federal certification. Failure of the AYRO Vanish Fleet or future vehicle models to satisfy motor vehicle standards would have a material adverse effect on our business and operating results.

#### We may fail to comply with evolving environmental and safety laws and regulations.

Our business is subject to a complex web of environmental and safety laws that are continually changing. Failure to anticipate or comply with new or more stringent requirements may lead to significant fines, operational restrictions, and reputational harm. Moreover, compliance may require substantial capital expenditures, facility modifications, or operational changes, which could adversely impact our financial condition and operating results

#### Changes in regulations could render our vehicles incompatible with federal, state or local regulations, or use cases.

Many governmental standards and regulations relating to safety, fuel economy, emissions control, noise control, vehicle recycling, substances of concern, vehicle damage, and theft prevention are applicable to new motor vehicles, engines, and equipment manufactured for sale in the United States, Europe, and elsewhere, including our electric vehicles. In addition, manufacturing and other automotive assembly facilities in the United States, Europe, and elsewhere are subject to stringent standards regulating air emissions, water discharges, and the handling and disposal of hazardous substances. Therefore, any unanticipated changes in regulations applicable to our electric vehicles could render our vehicles incompatible, which may prevent us from selling such vehicles and, as a result, we could lose market share.

#### Unusual or significant litigation, governmental investigations or adverse publicity arising out of alleged defects in our vehicles, or otherwise, may derail our business.

Although we plan to comply with governmental safety regulations, mobile and stationary source emissions regulations, and other standards, compliance with governmental standards does not necessarily prevent individual or class action lawsuits, which can entail significant cost and risk. In certain circumstances, courts may permit tort claims even when our vehicles comply with federal law and/or other applicable law. Furthermore, simply responding to actual or threatened litigation or government investigations of our compliance with regulatory standards, whether related to our vehicles, business or commercial relationships, may require significant expenditures of time and other resources. Litigation also is inherently uncertain, and we could experience significant adverse results if litigation is ever brought against us. In addition, adverse publicity surrounding an allegation of a defect, regulatory violation or other matter (with or without corresponding litigation or governmental investigation) may cause significant reputational harm that could have a significant adverse effect on our sales.

### We have identified a material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting, and if we are unable to remediate the material weakness, or if we experience additional material weaknesses in the future, our business may be harmed.

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting and for evaluating and reporting on the effectiveness of our system of internal control. Our internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the United States ("GAAP"). As a public company, we are required to comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and other rules that govern public companies. In particular, we are required to certify our compliance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, which requires us to furnish annually a report by management on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting.

Our management performed an assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2024 and concluded our internal control over financial reporting was not effective as of December 31, 2024, due to the fact that: (i) we were unable to document, formalize, implement and revise where necessary controls, policies and procedure documentation to evidence a system of controls, inclusive of IT controls, including testing of such controls that is consistent with our current personnel and available resources; (ii) we failed to document, maintain and test effective control activities over our control environment, risk assessment, information technology and monitoring components; and (iii) we had insufficient segregation of duties, oversight of work performed and lack of compensating controls in our finance and accounting functions, including, without limitation, the processing, review and authorization of all routine and non-routine transactions, due to limited personnel and resources.

Remediation efforts place a significant burden on management and add increased pressure to our financial resources and processes. If we are unable to successfully remediate our existing material weakness or any additional material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting that may be identified in the future in a timely manner, the accuracy and timing of our financial reporting may be adversely affected; our liquidity, our access to capital markets, the perceptions of our creditworthiness may be adversely affected; we may be unable to maintain or regain compliance with applicable securities laws, the listing requirements of the Nasdaq Stock Market; we may be subject to regulatory investigations and penalties; investors may lose confidence in our financial reporting; our reputation may be harmed; and our stock price may decline.

#### **Risks Related to Our Series H-7 Preferred Stock**

Holders of our Series H-7 Preferred Stock are entitled to certain payments under the Certificate of Designations that may be paid in cash or in shares of common stock depending on the circumstances. If we make these payments in cash, we may be required to expend a substantial portion of our cash resources. If we make these payments in common stock, it may result in substantial dilution to the holders of our common stock.

Under the Certificate of Designations (the "Certificate of Designations") of our Series H-7 Preferred Stock we are required to redeem the shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock in monthly installments. Holders of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are also entitled to receive dividends, payable in arrears monthly, and dividends payable on installment dates shall be paid as part of the applicable installment amount. Installment amounts are payable, at the company's election, in shares of common stock or, subject to certain limitations, in cash. Installment amounts paid in cash must be paid in the amount of 105% of the applicable payment amount due. For installment amounts paid in shares of common stock, the number of shares of common stock shall be calculated by dividing the applicable payment amount due by the "installment conversion price." The installment conversion price shall be equal to the lower of (i) the Conversion Price (as defined in the Certificate of Designations) in effect as of the applicable payment date and (ii) the greater of (A) 80% of the average of the three lowest closing prices of our common stock during the thirty trading day period immediately prior to the date the payment is due or (B) \$0.744 (subject to adjustment for stock splits, stock dividends, stock combinations, recapitalizations or other similar events) or, in any case, such lower amount as permitted, from time to time, by the Nasdaq Stock Market (the "Floor Price").

Our ability to make payments due to the holders of Series H-7 Preferred Stock using shares of common stock is subject to certain limitations set forth in the Certificate of Designations. If we are unable to make installment payments in shares of common stock, we may be forced to make such payments in cash. If we do not have sufficient cash resources to make these payments, we may need to raise additional equity or debt capital, and we cannot provide any assurance that we will be successful in doing so. If are unable to raise sufficient capital to meet our payment obligations, we may need to delay, reduce or eliminate certain research and development programs or other operations, sell some or all of our assets or merge with another entity.

Our ability to make payments due to the holders of Series H-7 Preferred Stock using cash is also limited by the amount of cash we have on hand at the time such payments are due, as well as certain provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law. Further, we intend to make the installment payments due to holders of Series H-7 Preferred Stock in the form of common stock to the extent allowed under the Certificate of Designations and applicable law in order to preserve our cash resources. The issuance of shares of common stock to the holders of our Series H-7 Preferred Stock will increase the number of shares of common stock outstanding and could result in substantial dilution to the existing holders of our common stock.

# The Certificate of Designations for the Series H-7 Preferred Stock and the Series H-7 Warrants issued concurrently therewith contain anti-dilution provisions that may result in the reduction of the conversion price of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock or the exercise price of such Series H-7 Warrants in the future. These features may increase the number of shares of common stock being issuable upon conversion of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock or upon the exercise of the Series H-7 Warrants.

The Certificate of Designations the Series H-7 Warrants contain anti-dilution provisions, which provisions require the lowering of the applicable conversion price or exercise, as then in effect, to the purchase price of equity or equity-linked securities issued in any subsequent offerings. If in the future, while any shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock or Series H-7 Warrants are outstanding, we issue securities for a consideration per share of common stock (the "New Issuance Price") that is less than the Conversion Price of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock or the exercise price of the Series H-7 Warrants, as then in effect, we will be required, subject to certain limitations and adjustments as provided in the Certificate of Designations or the Series H-7 Warrants, to reduce the Conversion Price or the exercise price to be equal to the New Issuance Price, which will result in a greater number of shares of common stock being issuable upon conversion of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock and the exercise of the Series H-7 Warrants, which in turn will increase the dilutive effect of such conversions or exercises of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock or the exercise of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock or the exercise of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock or the exercise of the Series H-7 Warrants, which in turn will increase the dilutive effect of such conversions or exercises of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock and the exercise of the Series H-7 Warrants, which in turn will increase the dilutive effect of such conversions or exercises of the Series H-7 Warrants if we enter into a future transaction that reduces the applicable Conversion Price or exercises price. If we do not have a sufficient number of available shares for any Series H-7 Preferred Stock conversions or Series H-7 Warrant express the price of our common stock, which may not be possible and will be time consuming and expensive. The potential for such additional issuances may depress the price of our common stock regardless of our business performance and may make it d

#### Under the Purchase Agreement we are subject to certain restrictive covenants that may make it difficult to procure additional financing.

The Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of August 7, 2023, by and among the Company and the investors signatory thereto ("Purchase Agreement"), in which we issued the Series H-7 Preferred Stock and Series H-7 Warrants, contains the following restrictive covenants: (i) until no shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are outstanding, we agreed not to enter into any variable rate transactions; (ii) for approximately six months after the date on which the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock and upon exercise of the Series H-7 Warrants are eligible for sale by the Investors under a registration statement declared effective by the SEC or pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, we agreed not to issue or sell any equity security or convertible security, subject to certain exceptions; and (iii) until the later of no shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock being outstanding and the maturity date of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock, we agreed to offer to the investors party to the Purchase Agreement the opportunity to participate in any subsequent securities offerings by us. If we require additional funding while these restrictive covenants remain in effect, we may be unable to effect a financing transaction while remaining in compliance with the terms of the Purchase Agreement, or we may be forced to seek a waiver from the investors party to the Purchase Agreement.

#### **Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property**

#### If we are unable to adequately protect our proprietary designs and intellectual property rights, our competitive position could be harmed.

Our ability to compete effectively is dependent in part upon our ability to obtain patent protection for our designs, products, methods, processes and other technologies, to preserve our trade secrets, to prevent third parties from infringing on our proprietary rights and to operate without infringing the proprietary rights of third parties. We rely on design patents, trademarks, trade secret laws, confidentiality procedures and licensing arrangements to protect our intellectual property rights. There can be no assurance these protections will be available in all cases or will be adequate to prevent our competitors from copying, reverse engineering or otherwise obtaining and using our designs, technology, proprietary rights or products. For example, the laws of certain countries in which our products, components and sub-assemblies are manufactured or licensed do not protect our proprietary rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States.



To prevent substantial unauthorized use of our intellectual property rights, it may be necessary to prosecute actions for infringement and/or misappropriation of our trade secrets and/or proprietary rights against third parties. Any such action could result in significant costs and diversion of our resources and management's attention, and there can be no assurance we will be successful in such action. Furthermore, our current and potential competitors may have the ability to dedicate substantially greater resources to enforce their intellectual property rights than we do. Accordingly, despite our efforts, we may not be able to prevent third parties from infringing upon or misappropriating our trade secrets and/or intellectual property.

In addition, third parties may seek to challenge, invalidate or circumvent our patents, trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets, or applications for any of the foregoing. There can be no assurance that our competitors or customers will not independently develop technologies that are substantially equivalent or superior to our technology or design around our proprietary rights. In each case, our ability to compete could be significantly impaired.

### We may need to license intellectual property from third parties in the future. If we fail to obtain licenses we need or fail to comply with our obligations in agreements under which we license intellectual property and other rights from third parties, we could lose our ability to manufacture our vehicles.

We may need to license intellectual property from third parties in the future for new vehicle models. No assurance can be given that we will be able to obtain such license or meet our obligations to maintain the licenses we may have to obtain from third parties in the future. If we were to lose or otherwise be unable to maintain these licenses for any reason, it would halt our ability to manufacture and sell our vehicles or may prohibit development of our future models, which could result in a material adverse effect on our business or results of operations.

In addition, if we do not own the patents or patent applications that we license, as was the case with the AYRO 411x's patents, we may need to rely upon our licensors to properly prosecute and maintain those patent applications and prevent infringement of those patents. If our licensors are unable to adequately protect their proprietary intellectual property we license from legal challenges, or if we are unable to enforce such licensed intellectual property against infringement or alternative technologies, we will not be able to compete effectively in the electric vehicle markets we are targeting.

#### Many of our proprietary designs are in digital form, and a breach of our computer systems could result in these designs being stolen.

If our security measures are breached or unauthorized access to private or proprietary data is otherwise obtained, our proprietary designs could be stolen. Because we hold many of these designs in digital form on our servers, there exists an inherent risk that an unauthorized third party could conduct a security breach resulting in the theft of our proprietary information. While we have taken steps to protect our proprietary information, because techniques used to obtain unauthorized access or sabotage systems change frequently and generally are not identified until they are launched against a target, we may be unable to anticipate these techniques or to implement adequate preventative measures. Any or all of these issues could negatively impact our competitive advantage and our ability to obtain new customers, thereby adversely affecting our financial results.

#### Our proprietary designs are susceptible to reverse engineering by our competitors.

Much of the value of our proprietary rights is derived from our vast library of design specifications. While we consider our design specifications to be protected by various proprietary, trade secret and intellectual property laws, such information is susceptible to reverse engineering by our competitors. We may not be able to prevent our competitors from developing competing design specifications, and the cost of enforcing these rights may be significant. If we are unable to adequately protect our proprietary designs, our financial condition and operating results could suffer.

#### If we are unable to protect the confidentiality of our trade secrets or know-how, such proprietary information may be used by others to compete against us.

We consider trade secrets, including confidential and unpatented know-how and designs important to the maintenance of our competitive position. We protect trade secrets and confidential and unpatented know-how, in part, by customarily entering into non-disclosure and confidentiality agreements with parties who have access to such knowledge, such as our employees, outside technical and commercial collaborators, consultants, advisors and other third parties. We also enter into confidentiality and invention or patent assignment agreements with our employees and consultants that obligate them to maintain confidentiality and assign their inventions to us. Despite these efforts, any of these parties may breach the agreements and disclose our proprietary information, including our trade secrets, and we may not be able to obtain adequate remedies for such breaches.

### Legal proceedings or third-party claims of intellectual property infringement and other challenges may require us to spend substantial time and money and could harm our business.

The vehicle design and manufacturing industry is characterized by vigorous protection and pursuit of intellectual property rights, which has resulted in protracted and expensive litigation for many companies. We may become subject to lawsuits alleging that we have infringed the intellectual property rights of others. The nature of claims contained in unpublished patent filings around the world is unknown to us, and it is not possible to know which countries patent holders may choose for the extension of their filings under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, or other mechanisms. To the extent that we have previously incorporated third-party technology and/or know-how into certain products for which we do not have sufficient license rights, we could incur substantial litigation costs, be forced to pay substantial damages or royalties, or even be forced to cease sales in the event any owner of such technology or know-how were to challenge our subsequent sale of such products (and any progeny thereof). In addition, to the extent that we discover or have discovered third-party patents that may be applicable to products or processes in development, we may need to take steps to avoid claims of possible infringement, including obtaining non-infringement or invalidity opinions and, when necessary, re-designing or re-engineering products. However, we cannot assure you that these precautions will allow us to successfully avoid infringement claims. We may also be subject to claims based on the actions of employees and consultants with respect to the usage or disclosure of intellectual property learned from other employers. Third parties may in the future assert claims of infringement of intellectual property rights against us or against our customers or channel partners for which we may be liable.

Our involvement in intellectual property litigation could result in significant expense to us, adversely affect the development of sales of the challenged product or intellectual property and divert the efforts of our technical and management personnel, whether or not such litigation is resolved in our favor. Uncertainties resulting from the initiation and continuation or defense of intellectual property litigation or other proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our ability to compete in the marketplace. In the event of an adverse outcome in any such litigation, we may, among other things, be required to:

- pay substantial damages;
- cease the development, manufacture, use, sale or importation of products that infringe upon other patented intellectual property;
- expend significant resources to develop or acquire non-infringing intellectual property;
- discontinue processes incorporating infringing technology; or
- obtain licenses to the infringing intellectual property, which licenses may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all.

## We are generally obligated to indemnify our sales channel partners, customers, suppliers and contractors for certain expenses and liabilities resulting from intellectual property infringement claims regarding our products, which could force us to incur substantial costs.

We have agreed, and expect to continue to agree, to indemnify our sales channel partners and customers for certain intellectual property infringement claims regarding our products. As a result, in the case of infringement claims against these sales channel partners and end-customers, we could be required to indemnify them for losses resulting from such claims or to refund amounts they have paid to us. Our sales channel partners and other end-customers in the future may seek indemnification from us in connection with infringement claims brought.

#### **Risks Related to Our International Operations**

#### We are subject to exposure from changes in the exchange rates of local currencies.

Our operations are exposed to fluctuations in the exchange rates of local currencies, which may adversely affect our revenues, operating results, and financial condition. Significant currency volatility can increase costs and reduce competitiveness, and our ability to mitigate these effects may be limited. Investors should consider these risks when evaluating our business.

### We are subject to governmental export and import controls that could impair our ability to compete in international markets due to licensing requirements and subject us to liability if we are not in compliance with applicable laws.

Our products are subject to export control and import laws and regulations, including the U.S. Export Administration Regulations, U.S. Customs regulations and various economic and trade sanctions regulations administered by the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Controls. Exports of our products must be made in compliance with these laws and regulations. If we violate these laws and regulations, we and certain of our employees could be subject to substantial civil or criminal penalties, including the possible loss of export or import privileges, fines which may be imposed on us and responsible employees or managers, and, in extreme cases, the incarceration of responsible employees or managers. In addition, if our channel partners, agents or consultants fail to obtain appropriate import, export or re-export licenses or authorizations, we may also be adversely affected through reputational harm and penalties. Obtaining the necessary authorizations, including any required license, for a particular sale may be time-consuming, is not guaranteed and may result in the delay or loss of sales opportunities. Changes in our products or changes in applicable export or import laws and regulations, shift in the enforcement or scope of existing laws and regulations, or change in the countries, governments, persons or technologies targeted by such laws and regulations, shift in the enforcement or scope of existing laws and regulations, or change in the countries, governments, persons or technologies targeted by such laws and regulations, could also result in decreased use of our products, or in our decreased ability to export or sell our products to existing or potential end-customers with international operation and operations. Any decreased use of our products or limitation on our ability to export or sell our products would likely adversely affect our business, financial condition and operating results.

#### **General Risk Factors**

#### Our stock price may be volatile.

The market price of our common stock is likely to be highly volatile and could fluctuate widely in price in response to various factors, many of which are beyond our control, including the following:

- results of our operations and product development efforts;
- our ability to obtain working capital financing;
- additions or departures of key personnel;
- limited "public float" in the hands of a small number of persons whose sales or lack of sales could result in positive or negative pricing pressure on the market price for our common stock;
- our ability to execute our business plan;
- sales of our common stock and decline in demand for our common stock;
- regulatory developments;
- economic and other external factors;
- investor perception of our industry or our prospects; and
- period-to-period fluctuations in our financial results.

In addition, the securities markets have from time-to-time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that are unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies.

#### Our failure to meet the continued listing requirements of the Nasdaq Capital Market ("Nasdaq") could result in a delisting of our common stock.

Our common stock is currently listed for trading on The Nasdaq Capital Market. We must satisfy Nasdaq's continued listing requirements, including, among other things, a minimum closing bid price of \$1.00 per share or risk delisting, which would have a material adverse effect on our business. A delisting of our common stock from The Nasdaq Capital Market could materially reduce the liquidity of our common stock and result in a corresponding material reduction in the price of our common stock. In addition, delisting could harm our ability to raise capital through alternative financing sources on terms acceptable to us, or at all, and may result in the potential loss of confidence by investors, suppliers, customers and employees and fewer business development opportunities.

On July 18, 2024, the Company received a letter from the Listing Qualifications Department of the Nasdaq Stock Market indicating that, based upon the closing bid price of the Company's common stock for the 30 consecutive business days between June 3, 2024, to July 17, 2024, the Company did not meet the minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share required for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2). The letter also indicated that the Company will be provided with a compliance period of 180 calendar days or until January 14, 2025, in which to regain compliance pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A).

On January 15, 2025, the Company received notice from the Staff granting the Company's request for a 180-day extension to regain compliance with the Rule, or, until July 14, 2025 (the "Compliance Period"). In order to regain compliance with Nasdaq's minimum bid price requirement, the Company's common stock must maintain a minimum closing bid price of \$1.00 for at least ten consecutive business days during the Compliance Period. However, if it appears to Nasdaq that the Company will be unable to cure the deficiency Nasdaq will provide notice that the Company's common stock will be subject to delisting. There can be no assurance that the Nasdaq staff would grant the Company's request for continued listing subsequent to any delisting notification. In the event of such a notification, the Company may appeal the Nasdaq staff's determination to delist its securities.



There is no assurance that we will maintain compliance with such minimum listing requirements. If our common stock were delisted from Nasdaq, trading of our common stock would most likely take place on an over-the-counter market established for unlisted securities, such as the OTCQB or the Pink Market maintained by OTC Markets Group Inc. An investor would likely find it less convenient to sell, or to obtain accurate quotations in seeking to buy, our common stock on an over-the-counter market, and many investors would likely not buy or sell our common stock due to difficulty in accessing over-the-counter markets, policies preventing them from trading in securities not listed on a national exchange or other reasons. In addition, as a delisted security, our common stock would be subject to SEC rules as a "penny stock," which impose additional disclosure requirements on broker-dealers. The regulations relating to penny stocks, coupled with the typically higher cost per trade to the investor of penny stocks due to factors such as broker commissions generally representing a higher percentage of the price of a penny stock than of a higher-priced stock, would further limit the ability of investors to trade in our common stock. In addition, delisting could harm our ability to raise capital through alternative financing sources on terms acceptable to us, or at all, and may result in the potential loss of confidence by investors, suppliers, customers and employees and fewer business development opportunities. For these reasons and others, delisting would adversely affect the liquidity, trading volume and price of our common stock, causing the value of an investment in us to decrease and having an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations, including our ability to attract and retain qualified employees and to raise capital.

#### We may in the future be named in legal proceedings, become involved in regulatory inquiries or be subject to litigation, all of which are costly, distracting to our core business and could result in an unfavorable outcome or a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or the market price for our common stock

We may in the future be involved in legal proceedings and/or receive inquiries from government and regulatory agencies from time to time. Additionally, we have in the past and may in the future be subject to claims, litigation and other proceedings. Defending these lawsuits and becoming involved in these investigations or other proceedings may divert management's attention and may cause us to incur significant expenses. In addition, we may be required to pay damage awards, penalties or settlements, or become subject to injunctions or other equitable remedies, which could have a materially adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

In the event that we are involved in significant disputes or are the subject of a formal action by a regulatory agency, we could be exposed to costly and time-consuming proceedings that could result in any number of outcomes. Any future claims or regulatory actions initiated by or against us, whether successful or not, could result in significant costs, costly damage awards or settlement amounts, injunctive relief, increased costs of business, fines or orders to change certain business practices, significant dedication of management time, diversion of significant operational resources, or otherwise harm our business, financial condition and results of operations. If we are not successful in any such legal proceedings and litigation, we may be required to pay significant monetary damages, which could hurt our results of operations. Lawsuits are time-consuming and expensive to resolve and divert management's time and attention. We also cannot predict how the courts will rule in any potential lawsuit against us. Decisions in favor of parties that bring lawsuits against us could subject us to significant liability for damages, adversely affect our results of operations and harm our reputation.

#### An active trading market for our Common Stock may not be sustained.

The listing of our Common Stock on The Nasdaq Capital Market does not assure that a meaningful, consistent and liquid trading market exists. An active trading market for shares of our Common Stock may not be sustained. If an active market for our Common Stock is not sustained, it may be difficult for investors to sell their shares either without depressing the market price for the shares or at all.

### We incur increased costs and demands on management as a result of compliance with laws and regulations applicable to public companies, which could harm our operating results.

As a public company, we incur significant legal, accounting and other expenses that we did not incur as a private company, including costs associated with public company reporting requirements. In addition, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the Dodd-Frank Act, as well as rules implemented by the SEC and Nasdaq, impose a number of requirements on public companies, including with respect to corporate governance practices. Our management and other personnel need to devote a substantial amount of time to these compliance and disclosure obligations. Moreover, compliance with these rules and regulations has increased our legal, accounting and financial compliance costs and has made some activities more time-consuming and costly. It is also more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance.



#### We do not anticipate paying cash dividends on our Common Stock and, accordingly, stockholders must rely on stock appreciation for any return on their investment.

We have never declared or paid cash dividends on our Common Stock and do not expect to do so in the foreseeable future. So long as any shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are outstanding, as they are at this time, we are not able to declare or pay any cash dividend or distribution on any of our capital stock (other than as required by the Certificate of Designation) without the prior written consent of the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designation). The declaration of dividends is further subject to the discretion of our board of directors and limitations under applicable law, and will depend on various factors, including our operating results, financial condition, future prospects and any other factors deemed relevant our board of directors. You should not rely on an investment in us if you require dividend income from your investment in us. The success of your investment will likely depend entirely upon any future appreciation of the market price of our Common Stock, which is uncertain and unpredictable. There is no guarantee that our Common Stock will appreciate in value.

# A failure in or breach of our or our operational or security systems or infrastructure, or those of third parties with which we do business, including as a result of cyberattacks, could disrupt our businesses, result in the disclosure or misuse of confidential or proprietary information, damage our reputation, increase our costs and cause losses.

Information security risks in our industry have significantly increased in recent years in part because of the proliferation of new technologies, the use of the Internet and telecommunications technologies to conduct operations, and the increased sophistication and activities of organized crime, hackers, terrorists and other external parties, including foreign state actors. Our technologies, systems, networks, may have been subject to, and are likely to continue to be the target of, cyberattacks, computer viruses, malicious code, phishing attacks or information security breaches that could result in the unauthorized release, gathering, monitoring, misuse, loss or destruction of our confidential, proprietary and other information, or otherwise disrupt third parties' business operations.

We may suffer material losses relating to cyberattacks or other information security breaches. Our risk and exposure to these matters remain heightened because of, among other things, the evolving nature of these threats, the continued uncertain global economic environment, threats of cyberterrorism, and system and customer account conversions. As a result, cybersecurity and the continued development and enhancement of our controls, processes and practices designed to protect our systems, computers, software, data and networks from attack, damage or unauthorized access remain a priority for us. As cyber threats continue to evolve, we may be required to expend significant additional financial, technical and operational resources to continue to modify or enhance our protective measures or to investigate and remediate any information security vulnerabilities.

In addition, we also face the risk of operational failure, termination or capacity constraints of any of the third parties with which we do business or that facilitate our and our subsidiaries' business activities. Any such failure, termination or constraint could adversely affect our and our subsidiaries' ability to provide our services and products, service the customers, manage the exposure to risk or expand our businesses and could have an adverse impact on our liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.

Disruptions or failures in the physical infrastructure or operating systems that support our business, or cyberattacks or security breaches of the networks, systems or devices that products use could result in the loss of customers and business opportunities, significant disruptions to our operations and business, misappropriation of our confidential information and/or that of our customers, or damage to our computers or systems and those of our customers and/or counterparties, and could result in violations of applicable privacy laws and other laws, litigation exposure, regulatory fines, penalties or intervention, loss of confidence in our security measures, reputational damage, reimbursement or other compensatory costs, and additional compliance costs.

# Anti-takeover provisions of our certificate of incorporation, our bylaws and Delaware law could make an acquisition of us, which may be beneficial to our stockholders, more difficult and may prevent attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove the current members of our board and management.

Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws could discourage, delay or prevent a merger, acquisition or other change of control that stockholders may consider favorable, including transactions in which you might otherwise receive a premium for your shares. Furthermore, these provisions could prevent or frustrate attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove members of our board of directors. These provisions also could limit the price that investors might be willing to pay in the future for our securities, thereby depressing the market price of our securities. Stockholders who wish to participate in these transactions may not have the opportunity to do so. These provisions, among other things:

- allow the authorized number of directors to be changed only by resolution of our board of directors;
- authorize our board of directors to issue, without stockholder approval, preferred stock, the rights of which will be determined at the discretion of the board of directors and that, if issued, could operate as a "poison pill" to dilute the stock ownership of a potential hostile acquirer to prevent an acquisition that our board of directors does not approve;
- establish advance notice requirements for stockholder nominations to our board of directors or for stockholder proposals that can be acted on at stockholder meetings; and
- limit who may call a stockholder meeting.



In addition, we are governed by the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law that may, unless certain criteria are met, prohibit large stockholders, in particular those owning 15% or more of the voting rights on our common stock, from merging or combining with us for a prescribed period of time.

#### ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS.

None.

#### ITEM 1C. CYBERSECURITY.

We operate in the electric vehicle manufacturing sector, which is subject to various cybersecurity risks that could adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations, including intellectual property theft; fraud; extortion; harm to employees or customers; violation of privacy laws and other litigation and legal risk; and reputational risk. We recognize the importance of assessing, identifying, and managing material risks associated with cybersecurity threats. Both our executive management team and our board of directors are involved in the assessment, identification, and management of such risks, including prevention, mitigation, detection, and remediation of cybersecurity incidents.

Our executive management team is responsible for day-to-day assessment, identification and management of material risks from cybersecurity threats, including the prevention, mitigation, detection, and remediation of cybersecurity incidents. The individual currently serving in this role is our Executive Chairman. The executive management team monitors current events in order to remain aware of current cybersecurity threats and is informed of cybersecurity incidents as they arise by our frontline personnel.

We engage a third-party consultant to review our cybersecurity defense measures, inform our executive management team of emerging cybersecurity threats, and assist our executive management team in responding to any potential cybersecurity incidents. The executive management team is also responsible for overseeing and identifying risks from cybersecurity threats associated with our use of any third-party service providers.

Our board of directors is responsible for oversight of risks from cybersecurity threats in conjunction with our executive management team. Our board of directors receives updates from our management team with respect to risks from cybersecurity threats and are notified of any new significant cybersecurity threats or incidents as they arise. Additionally, our board of directors considers risks from cybersecurity threats as part of its overall assessment of risk management, including its general oversight of the Company's business strategy, risk management policies, and financials.

To date, no cybersecurity incident (or aggregation of incidents) or cybersecurity threat has materially affected our business strategy, results of operations or financial condition, and we are not aware of any cybersecurity incidents that are reasonably likely to materially affect the Company, including our business strategy, results of operations, or financial condition. For further information regarding the risks associated with cybersecurity incidents, see "Risk Factors — Failure in our information technology and storage systems could significantly disrupt the operation of our business" in Item 1A of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES.**

Our corporate headquarters is located at 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036. We currently lease approximately 23,927 square feet of office space in Round Rock, Texas under a lease that expires in February 2027. The Round Rock Lease provides for a base monthly rent, and we are also responsible for real estate taxes, maintenance and other operating expenses applicable to the leased premises.

On March 11, 2025, the Company entered into the Sublease Agreement of the Round Rock Lease with a third-party, commencing on April 1, 2025, and expiring on February 28, 2027, with substantially the same terms as the Round Rock Lease. The Company remains bound to the Landlord of the Round Rock Lease for all liabilities and obligations under the Round Rock Lease.

We believe that this facility is adequate for our present operations.

#### ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

We are subject to various legal proceedings and claims, either asserted or unasserted, which arise in the ordinary course of business, that we believe are incidental to the operation of our business. While the outcome of these claims cannot be predicted with certainty, management does not believe that the outcome of any of these legal matters will have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial positions or cash flows.

On March 23, 2018, the Company was made aware of an audit being conducted by the New York State Department of Labor (the "DOL") regarding a claim filed by an individual that was an employee of the Company. The DOL is investigating whether the Company properly paid overtime, for which the Company has raised several defenses. In addition, the DOL is conducting its audit to determine whether the Company owes spread of hours pay (non-exempt worker whose workday is longer than ten hours must receive an extra hour of pay at the basic minimum hourly rate).



On October 20, 2023, Club Car filed a complaint against the Company in the Superior Court of Columbia County, Georgia (Civil Action File No.2023ECV0838) (the "Club Car Complaint"), alleging that the Company had breached its contractual obligations to Club Car under a master procurement agreement (the "MPA") entered into by and among AYRO Operating Company, Inc., the Company's subsidiary ("AYRO Operating"), and Club Car on March 5, 2019 due to alleged defects in the vehicles sold to Club Car and the Company's termination of warranty support following termination of the MPA. During December 2024, the Company entered into a \$1.5 million settlement agreement with Club Car, resolving all claims asserted in or arising from the litigation (the "Club Car Settlement"). As of December 31, 2024, the related accrued warranty reserve balance of \$403,778 was no longer required and applied against the \$1.5 million Club Car Settlement. The warranty reserve was for Club Car product warranty, and upon the Club Car Settlement, all claims were released against future warranties.

In February of 2024, Inventus Power, Inc. filed a complaint against the Company in the Circuit Court of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, County of DuPage, Illinois, alleging that the Company failed to pay invoices for certain battery packs and related equipment. In April of 2024, the Company filed counterclaims asserting that the battery packs in question were defective and not in compliance with contractual specifications. In August of 2024, the parties entered into a confidential settlement agreement, pursuant to which they agreed to dismiss with prejudice the claims and counterclaims in this lawsuit. The settlement agreement did not have a material impact on the Company's results of operations or financial condition.

#### ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES.

Not applicable.

#### PART II

## ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES.

#### **Market Information**

Our common stock trades on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol "AYRO."

#### Stockholders

As of March 28, 2025, there were approximately 91 stockholders of record of our common stock.

#### Dividends

We have not paid any cash dividends to our common stockholders since inception and do not plan to pay cash dividends in the foreseeable future. So long as any shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are outstanding, as they are at this time, we are not able to declare or pay any cash dividend or distribution on any of our capital stock (other than as required by the Certificate of Designations) without the prior written consent of the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designations). Any future declaration of dividends will depend on our earnings, capital requirements, financial condition, prospects and any other factors that our board of directors deems relevant, as well as compliance with the requirements of state law. In general, as a Delaware corporation, we may pay dividends out of surplus capital or, if there is no surplus capital, out of net profits for the fiscal year in which a dividend is declared and/or the preceding fiscal year. We currently intend to retain earnings, if any, for reinvestment in our business.

#### **Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities**

All sales of unregistered securities during the year ended December 31, 2024 were previously disclosed in a Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q or a Current Report on Form 8-K, except for the below.

On October 10, 2024, the Company issued 75,000 shares of common stock to Bancroft Capital, LLC ("Bancroft") in connection with an advisory agreement with Bancroft. The Company relied upon the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Regulation D promulgated thereunder for transactions not involving a public offering.

#### **Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

The table below sets forth information regarding repurchases of our common stock during the period of October 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024:

	Total Number of	Average Price Paid		Total Number of Shares Purchased As Part of a Publicly Announced	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet be Purchased Under the	
Period	Shares Purchased		Per Share	Program(1)		Program
October 1, 2024 - October 31, 2024	418,478	\$	0.90	-	\$	-
November 1, 2024 – November 30, 2024	-	\$	-	-	\$	-
December 1 2024 – December 31, 2024	-	\$	-	-	\$	-
Fourth Quarter 2024	418,478	\$	-	-	\$	-

(1) On October 29, 2024, the Company entered into a stock repurchase agreement (the "Repurchase Agreement") with a certain beneficial owner (the "Seller") of 418,478 shares of the Company's common stock. Pursuant to the Repurchase Agreement, the Company agreed to repurchase from the Seller 418,478 shares of common stock beneficially owned by the Seller, constituting all of the Seller's ownership interest in the Company, for an aggregate cash purchase price of \$376,630.20 (equal to \$0.90 per share).

#### ITEM 6. [RESERVED].

#### ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

The following management's discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with our historical financial statements and the related notes thereto. This management's discussion and analysis contains forward-looking statements, such as statements of our plans, objectives, expectations and intentions. Any statements that are not statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements. When used, the words "believe," "plan," "intend," "anticipate," "target," "estimate," "expect" and the like, and/or future tense or conditional constructions ("will," "may," "could," "should," etc.), or similar expressions, identify certain of these forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, including those under "Risk Factors" in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Our actual results and the timing of events could differ materially from those forward-looking statements as a result of several factors. See "Forward-Looking Statements; Risk Factor Summary."

References in this management's discussion and analysis to "we," "us," "our," "the Company," "our Company" or "AYRO" refer to AYRO, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

#### Overview

#### Business

We design and manufacture compact, sustainable electric vehicles for closed campus mobility, low speed urban and community transport, local on-demand and last mile delivery and government use. Our four-wheeled purpose-built electric vehicles are geared toward commercial customers, including universities, business and medical campuses, last mile delivery services and food service providers.

#### Strategic Review

For the past several years, AYRO's primary supplier for the AYRO 411x has been Cenntro Automotive Group, Ltd. ("Cenntro"), which operates a large electric vehicle factory in the automotive district in Hangzhou, China. As a result of rising shipping costs, quality issues with certain components and persistent delays, the Company ceased production of the AYRO 411x from Cenntro in September 2022 in order to focus its resources on the development and launch of the new 411 fleet vehicle model year 2023 refresh, the Vanish (the "Vanish").

The Company began the design and development of the Vanish in December 2021, including updates to its supply chain, the offshoring/onshoring mix, and its manufacturing strategy. The Company commenced low-rate initial production of the Vanish in the second quarter of 2023 and commenced initial sales and delivery of the Vanish in the third quarter of 2023.

On January 31, 2024, the Company began to implement an internal restructuring to achieve greater efficiency in pursuit of its strategic goals. As part of the restructuring, the Company eliminated a substantial number of positions and re-evaluated its sales, marketing, and manufacturing functions. Additionally, in connection with its internal restructuring, the Company appointed Gilbert Villarreal as President of its subsidiary, Ayro Operating Company, Inc. on August 21, 2024, and has been leading the review of the Vanish, working closely with vendors and third-party consultants to achieve the Company's objectives of lowering the bill of materials ("BOM") and overall manufacturing expenses. These efforts aim to lower the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price ("MSRP") of the Vanish, with additional updates expected in the near term.



In December 2024, the Company entered into a partnership with GLV Ventures ("GLV") for the engineering and manufacturing of the Company's electric vehicle, the Vanish. The relationship will launch the re-engineering and manufacturing of the Vanish in the United States using its original specifications.

In December 2024, the Company was named a tier one supplier for General Motors ("GM") through its partnership with GLV and has secured its first purchase order from one of the top three automotive manufacturers in the United States. The Company and GLV intend to supply GM as part of an increase in scope of their previously announced low-cost manufacturing and engineering efforts.

In February 2025, the Company announced the launch of its new robotics division, which will be focused on AI-driven, automated manufacturing of EVs and accompanying accessories.

#### Nasdaq Deficiency

On July 18, 2024, the Company received a letter from the Listing Qualifications Department of the Nasdaq Stock Market indicating that, based upon the closing bid price of the Company's common stock for the 30 consecutive business days between June 3, 2024, to July 17, 2024, the Company did not meet the minimum bid price of 1.00 per share required for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2). The letter also indicated that the Company will be provided with a compliance period of 180 calendar days, or until January 14, 2025, in which to regain compliance pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A).

On January 15, 2025, the Company received notice from the Staff granting the Company's request for a 180-day extension to regain compliance with the Rule, or, until July 14, 2025 (the "Compliance Period"). In order to regain compliance with Nasdaq's minimum bid price requirement, the Company's common stock must maintain a minimum closing bid price of \$1.00 for at least ten consecutive business days during the Compliance Period. However, if it appears to Nasdaq that the Company will be unable to cure the deficiency Nasdaq will provide notice that the Company's common stock will be subject to delisting. There can be no assurance that the Nasdaq staff would grant the Company's request for continued listing subsequent to any delisting notification. In the event of such a notification, the Company may appeal the Nasdaq staff's determination to delist its securities.

There is no assurance that we will maintain compliance with such minimum listing requirements. If Nasdaq delists our common stock from trading on its exchange for failure to meet the listing standards, an investor would likely find it significantly more difficult to dispose of or obtain our shares, and our ability raise future capital through the sale of our shares could be severely limited. Delisting could also have other negative results, including the potential loss of confidence by employees, the loss of institutional investor interest and fewer business development opportunities.

#### **Recent Developments**

On January 31, 2024, we implemented an internal restructuring in order to achieve greater efficiency in pursuit of our strategic goals. As part of the restructuring, amongst other things, we eliminated a substantial number of positions as we re-evaluate our sales, marketing and manufacturing functions. In connection with the restructuring, the Company began working closely with consultants to complete a thorough review of its new 411 fleet vehicle model year 2023 refresh, the Vanish (the "Vanish"), to achieve the Company's objective of lowering the bill of materials ("BOM") and overall manufacturing expenses, which in turn will reduce the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price ("MSRP") of the Vanish.

As part of this effort, in August 2024, Gilbert Villarreal was appointed as President of the Company's subsidiary, Ayro Operating Company, Inc., and has been leading the review of the Vanish, including working with the Company's vendors and partners in connection with the Vanish.

#### **Products**

Our vehicles provide the end user an environmentally friendly alternative to internal combustion engine vehicles (cars powered by gasoline or diesel oil), for light duty uses, including low-speed logistics, maintenance services, cargo services, and personal/group transport in a quiet, zero emissions vehicle with a lower total cost of ownership.

#### Manufacturing Agreement with Linamar

On July 28, 2022, the Company partnered with Linamar Corporation ("Linamar") a Canadian manufacturer, in a manufacturing agreement (the "Linamar MLA") to provide certain sub assembly and assembly parts, including the cabin frame and skate for the Vanish (collectively, the "Products"). During the term of the Linamar MLA, Linamar has the exclusive right to supply the Products to the Company, subject to certain exceptions. The Linamar MLA had an initial term of three years, with automatic renewal for successive two-year terms unless either party has given at least 12 months' written notice of nonrenewal. Either party may terminate the Linamar MLA at any time upon 12 months' written notice, and in the event of a change in control of the Company prior to the end of the initial term, the Company may terminate upon written notice within three days of completion of such change in control. On June 21, 2024, the Company notified Linamar of its intention not to renew the Linamar MLA. As a result, the Linamar MLA was effectively terminated in accordance with its terms on December 17, 2024. On January 13, 2025, the Company received \$401,675 in cash as part of the final settlement of the Company's obligations against funds advanced to Linamar, under the Linamar MLA.



#### Manufacturing Agreement with Lithion

On August 27, 2024, the Company partnered with Lithion Battery Inc. ("Lithion"), a manufacturer of certain iron phosphate and lithium-ion battery cells, modules and battery packs, and entered into a purchase agreement with Lithion, pursuant to which, the Company agreed to purchase batteries from Lithion for an aggregate of \$1,211,150 through 2025. As of December 31, 2024, the Company expensed \$669,990 in prepaid inventory, with \$541,160 under the agreement remained outstanding.

#### Supply Chain Agreement

On December 21, 2023, the Company entered into a supply agreement (the "Athena Supply Agreement") with Athena Manufacturing, LP ("Athena"), a provider of customizable sophisticated metal products. As part of the Athena Supply Agreement, the Company was able to submit requests for devices, component, component assembly, material part, or piece that is custom to the Company. On August 30, 2024, we terminated the Athena Supply Agreement with Athena pursuant to the terms of the Athena Supply Agreement, and in full settlement, we paid an amount of \$289,205 for materials purchased.

#### **Product Development and Future Strategy**

As part of our ongoing evaluation of our business and product development strategy, we have written down our inventory to a carrying value of \$0. This decision reflects the fact that we are actively reengineering the Vanish. While we remain committed to bringing the Vanish to market, we do not yet have an established customer base, and the reengineering process is still ongoing. Given that the final design, pricing and the timing of commercialization of the reengineered Vanish are still being determined, and there can be no assurances when any of the foregoing stages will be consummated, the usage of our inventory is currently uncertain. As a result, we have written down the inventory at this stage. However, we remain committed to bringing the Vanish to market and are committed to the reengineering process and progress toward commercialization.

#### **Factors Affecting Results of Operations**

# Internal Restructuring

On January 31, 2024, the Company began implementing an internal restructuring to achieve greater efficiency in pursuit of its strategic goals. As part of the Company's internal restructuring, among other things, the Company eliminated a substantial number of positions at the Company, which may impact its financial position and results of operations, as the Company re-evaluates its sales, marketing, and manufacturing functions. In connection with the restructuring, the Company began working closely with consultants to complete a thorough review of its new 411 fleet vehicle model year 2023 refresh, the Vanish (the "Vanish"), to achieve the Company's objective of lowering the bill of materials ("BOM") and overall manufacturing expenses, which in turn will reduce the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price ("MSRP") of the Vanish.

As part of this effort, in August 2024, Gilbert Villarreal was appointed as President of the Company's subsidiary, Ayro Operating Company, Inc., and has been leading the review of the Vanish, including working with the Company's vendors and partners in connection with the Vanish.

#### **Inventory Obsolescence**

During the year ended December 31, 2024, \$4,909,190 impairment of inventory adjustment was recorded in cost of goods sold, related to the Vanish, which was part of a net realizable value adjustment related to the ongoing evaluation of our business and product development. Included in the impairment of inventory adjustment during the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$476,340 related to physical inventory stock adjustments. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company wrote down \$732,129 in prepaid inventory to cost of goods sold.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, a \$2,433,394 net realizable value adjustment was recorded related to the Vanish, spare inventory for the 411x was written-off of \$615,091, and \$3,048,485 was expensed for impairment of inventory to cost of goods sold.

## Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company recognized impairment losses totaling \$1,659,835. This consisted of a \$1,615,660 loss due to write down of idle fixed assets that were intended to be used in production of the Vanish, and \$44,175 on impairment of right-of-use assets. The Company is actively engaged in refining the design and market positioning of the Vanish, and until a definitive sales price can be established for the re-engineered product, the impairment loss on fixed assets have been recorded. In addition, the impairment of the right-of-use asset is due to a sublease arrangement that necessitated a remeasurement of the asset's carrying value.

# **Components of Results of Operations**

#### Revenue

We derive revenue from the sale of our four-wheeled electric vehicles, and, to a lesser extent, shipping, parts, and service fees. In the past we have also derived rental revenue from vehicle revenue sharing agreements with tourist destination fleet operators, and, to a lesser extent, shipping, parts, and service fees. Provided that all other revenue recognition criteria have been met, we typically recognize revenue upon shipment, as title and risk of loss are transferred to customers and channel partners at that time. Products are typically shipped to dealers, directly to end customers, or in some cases to our international distributors. These international distributors assist with import regulations, currency conversions and local language. Our vehicle product sales revenues vary from period to period based on, among other things, the customer orders received and our ability to produce and deliver the ordered products. Customers often specify requested delivery dates that coincide with their need for our vehicles.

Because these customers may use our products in connection with a variety of projects of different sizes and durations, a customer's orders for one reporting period generally do not indicate a trend for future orders by that customer. The Company continues to work on the engineering of the Vanish, while the Company evaluates the commercialization of the product during the internal restructuring.

## Cost of Goods Sold

Cost of goods sold primarily consists of costs of materials and personnel costs associated with manufacturing operations, and an accrual for post-sale warranty claims. Personnel costs consist of wages and associated taxes and benefits. The cost of goods sold also includes freight and changes to our warranty reserves. Allocated overhead costs consist of certain facilities and utility costs. We expect the cost of revenue to increase in absolute dollars as product revenue increases.

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## **Operating Expenses**

Our operating expenses consist of general and administrative, sales and marketing and research and development expenses. Salaries and personnel-related costs, benefits, and stock-based compensation expense are the most significant components of each category of operating expenses. Operating expenses also include allocated overhead costs for facilities and utility costs.

#### Stock-Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation expense in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 718, Compensation — Stock Compensation, which requires the measurement and recognition of compensation expense for share-based awards based on the estimated fair value on the date of grant.

The fair value of each stock option granted to employees is estimated on the date of the grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, and the related stock-based compensation expense is recognized over the vesting period during which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award. The fair value of the options granted to non-employees is measured and expensed as the options vest.

Restricted stock grants are stock awards that entitle the holder to receive shares of our common stock as the award vests over time. The fair value of each restricted stock grant is based on the fair market value price of common stock on the date of grant, and it is measured and expensed as the restricted stock vests.



#### **Research and Development Expense**

Research and development expense consists primarily of employee compensation and related expenses, prototype expenses, depreciation associated with assets acquired for research and development, amortization of product development costs, product strategic advisory fees, third-party engineering and contractor support costs and allocated overhead. We expect our research and development expenses to increase in absolute dollars as we continue to invest in new and existing products.

#### Sales and Marketing Expense

Sales and marketing expenses consist primarily of employee compensation and related expenses, sales commissions, marketing programs, travel and entertainment expenses and allocated overhead. Marketing programs consist of advertising, trade shows, events, corporate communications, and brand-building activities. We expect sales and marketing expenses to increase in absolute dollars as we expand our sales force, expand our product lines, increase marketing resources, and further develop potential sales channels.

#### General and Administrative Expense

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of employee compensation and related expenses for administrative functions including finance, legal, human resources, and fees for third-party professional services, and allocated overhead. We expect our general and administrative expense to increase in absolute dollars as we continue to invest in growing our business.

# Other (Expense) Income

Other (expense) income consists of income received or expenses incurred for activities outside of our core business. Other (expense) income consists primarily of interest expense, unrealized gain/loss on marketable securities, the changes in fair value of the warrant and the derivative liability, vendor and legal settlements, and write-off of prepaid inventory as a result of vendor bankruptcy.

#### **Provision for Income Taxes**

Provision for income taxes consists of estimated income taxes due to the United States government and to the state tax authorities in jurisdictions in which we conduct business. In the case of a tax deferred asset, we reserve the entire value for future periods.

#### **Results of Operations**

## Year Ended December 31, 2024 Compared with Year Ended December 31, 2023

The following table sets forth our results of operations for each of the years set forth below:

	2024			2023	Change		
Revenue	\$	63,777	\$	498,917	\$	(435,140)	
Cost of goods sold		6,650,979		5,133,996		1,516,983	
Gross loss		(6,587,202)		(4,635,079)		(1,952,123)	
Operating expenses:							
Research and development		1,493,202		7,418,026		(5,924,824)	
Sales and marketing		990,471		1,721,191		(730,720)	
General and administrative		8,646,301		14,382,132		(5,735,831)	
Loss on impairment of long-lived assets		1,659,835		_		1,659,835	
Total operating expenses		12,789,809		23,521,349		(10,731,540)	
Loss from operations		(19,377,011)		(28,156,428)		8,779,417	
Other income (expense):							
Interest income		484,325		441,443		42,882	
Change in fair value - warrant liability		10,956,900		(3,350,320)		14,307,220	
Change in fair value - derivative liability		6,739,000		(4,253,000)		10,992,000	
Unrealized gain (loss) on marketable securities		(98,315)		215,900		(314,215)	
Realized gain on marketable securities		1,322,971		941,950		381,021	
Legal settlement		(1,096,222)		—		(1,096,222)	
Vendor settlement		(647,833)		_		(647,833)	
Other income (expense), net		(39,294)				(39,294)	
Net loss	\$	(1,755,479)	\$	(34,160,455)	\$	32,404,976	



#### Revenue

Revenue was \$63,777 for the year ended December 31, 2024, as compared to \$498,917 for the year ended December 31, 2023, a decrease of 87.2%, or \$435,140. The decrease in revenue was primarily due to a reduction of \$426,612 in sales of vehicles deriving from the termination the MPA with Club Car and \$11,640 decrease in shipping revenue.

#### Cost of goods sold and gross loss

Cost of goods increased by \$1,516,983, or 29.5% for the year ended December 31, 2024, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2023. The increase in cost of goods sold was mainly due to an increase of \$1,860,705 in impairment of inventory adjustment related to the Vanish, which was part of a net realizable value adjustment related to the ongoing evaluation of the Company's business and product development, an increase of \$732,129 related to write-off in prepaid inventory, offset by a decrease of \$983,953 in materials due to decrease in sales.

#### **Research and development expenses**

Research and development ("R&D") expense was \$1,493,202 for the year ended December 30, 2024, as compared to \$7,418,026 for the year ended December 31, 2023, a decrease of \$5,924,824, or 79.9%. The Company had a decrease of \$3,363,078, \$1,775,232, and \$728,284 in R&D design costs, salaries and related personnel costs, and shop supplies, respectively. The decrease was primarily due to the Company being substantially complete with the R&D on the Vanish at the end of 2023, offset by the increase in re-engineering work and design changes in the current year associated with the Company's objective of lowering the bill of material and overall manufacturing expenses of the Vanish.

#### Sales and marketing expense

Sales and marketing expense was \$990,471 for the year ended December 31, 2024, as compared to \$1,721,191 for the year ended December 31, 2023, a decrease of \$730,720, or 42.5%. The Company had a decrease of \$667,046 in salaries and related expenses, a decrease of \$62,641 in bad debt expenses, and a decrease of \$65,895 in travel and entertainment, offset by an increase of \$317,229 associated with depreciation of fleet inventory.

#### General and administrative expenses

The majority of our operating losses from continuing operations resulted from general and administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses consist primarily of costs associated with our overall operations and with being a public company. These costs include personnel, legal and financial professional services, insurance, investor relations, and compliance related fees. General and administrative expense was \$8,646,301 for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to \$14,382,132 for the year ended December 31, 2023, a decrease of \$5,735,831, or 39.9%. Salaries and related expenses decreased by \$3,514,048 for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the decrease in headcount associated with the internal restructuring. Travel and entertainment decreased by \$161,390 for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, due to reduced activities stemming from internal restructuring. Insurance decreased by \$4,876 for the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, due to adjustments of underutilized memberships and subscriptions. Consultants and professional services decreased by \$127,859 for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2024, and professional services decreased by \$127,859 for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared to the year ended December 31, 2023, and licenses and business taxes decreased by \$202,846 for the year ended December 31, 2024 compared t

#### Impairment of long-lived assets

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company recorded an increase of \$1,659,835 related to loss on impairment of long-lived assets, consisted of a \$1,615,660 loss due to write down of idle fixed assets that were intended to be used in the production of the Vanish, and \$44,175 increase in impairment of right-of-use asset due to a remeasurement of the asset's carrying value.

#### Other income and expense

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company recorded a \$23,625,559 increase of net other income from a \$42,882 increase in interest income on cash accounts, an increase in realized gains of \$381,021 on marketable securities, offset by a decrease of \$314,215 in the unrealized gain on marketable securities, an increase in vendor settlement expense of \$647,833 from write-off due to vendor bankruptcy, and an increase in legal settlement expense of \$1,500,000 reduced by \$403,778 in release of warranty accrual due to the Club Car Settlement.

For the year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company recognized a gain of \$6,739,000 and a loss of \$4,253,000, respectively, for the change in fair value - derivative liability, an increase of \$10,992,000 mainly due to the decrease in the trading price of the Company's common stock and the decrease in carrying amount of derivative liability from redemptions of Series H-7 Preferred Stock. The gain for the change in fair value – derivative liability was due to the decrease in the fair value of the derivative liability associated with the Series H-7 Preferred Stock that were issued in August 2023.



The Company recognized a gain of \$10,956,900 and a loss of \$3,350,320 for the year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, for the change in fair value - warrant liability, an increase of \$14,307,220 primarily due to the decrease in the trading price of the Company's common stock and the increase in the risk-free rate.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of December 31, 2024, we had \$16,035,475 in cash and cash equivalents, \$164,682 in restricted cash, \$4,089,832 in marketable securities and working capital of \$17,100,605. As of December 31, 2023, we had \$33,440,867 in cash and cash equivalents, and \$10,000,000 in restricted cash, and working capital of \$44,670,150. The decrease in cash and cash equivalents and working capital was primarily a result of the payment of Series H-7 preferred stock redemptions, the Company's operating loss, impairment write down of inventory and fixed assets, and internal restructuring. Our sources of cash since inception have been predominately from the sale of equity and debt.

Our business is capital-intensive, and future capital requirements will depend on many factors, including our growth rate, the timing and extent of spending to support development efforts, the results of our strategic review, the expansion of our sales and marketing teams, the timing of new product introductions and the continuing market acceptance of our products and services. We are working to control expenses and deploy our capital in the most efficient manner.

We are evaluating other options for the strategic deployment of capital beyond our ongoing strategic initiatives, including potentially entering other segments of the electric vehicle market. We anticipate being opportunistic with our capital, and we intend to explore potential partnerships and acquisitions that could be synergistic with our competitive stance in the market.

We are subject to a number of risks similar to those of earlier stage commercial companies, including dependence on key individuals and products, the difficulties inherent in the development of a commercial market, the potential need to obtain additional capital, and competition from larger companies, other technology companies and other technologies. Based on the foregoing, management believes that the existing cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities at December 31, 2024 will not be sufficient to fund operations for at least the next twelve months following the date of this report. The Company has incurred recurring losses from operations and have insufficient liquidity to fund our future operations.

#### Series H-7 Preferred Stock

On August 7, 2023, the Company entered into the Securities Purchase Agreement with certain accredited investors (the "Investors"), pursuant to which it agreed to sell to the Investors (i) an aggregate of 22,000 Series H-7 Preferred Stock with a stated value of \$1,000 per share, initially convertible into up to 2,750,000 shares of the Company's common stock at an initial conversion price of \$8.00 per share, and (ii) warrants ("Warrants") initially exercisable for up to an aggregate of 2,750,000 shares of common stock.

The shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are convertible into common stock (the "Conversion Shares") at the election of the holder at any time at an initial conversion price of \$8.00 (the "Conversion Price"), which, following the Company's one-for-eight reverse stock split effected on September 15, 2023 (the "Reverse Stock Split") and pursuant to the stock combination event adjustment provisions in the Certificate of Designations, was subsequently reduced to \$2.00. The Conversion Price is subject to adjustments for stock dividends, stock splits, reclassifications and the like, and subject to price-based adjustment in the event of any issuances of common stock, or securities convertible, exercisable or exchangeable for common stock, at a price below the then-applicable Conversion Price (subject to certain exceptions). The Company is required to redeem the Series H-7 Preferred Stock in 12 equal monthly installments from, and including, the applicable Installment Date (as defined in the Certificate of Designations). On February 9, 2024, the Company filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware a Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Designations of Series H-7 Preferred Stock, which became effective upon filing, which amended the commencement of the monthly installment dates, to be between May 7, 2024, and August 7, 2025. The first such installment date was May 7, 2024 and August 7, 2024, as elected by the applicable investor.

The amortization payments due upon redemption of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock are payable, at the Company's election, in cash at 105% of the Installment Redemption Amount (as defined in the Certificate of Designations), or subject to certain limitations, in shares of common stock valued at the lower of (i) the Conversion Price then in effect and (ii) the greater of (A) 80% of the average of the three lowest closing prices of the Company's common stock during the thirty consecutive trading day period immediately prior to the date the amortization payment is due and (B) \$0.744 (as adjusted for the Company's Reverse Stock Split and subject to adjustment for stock splits, stock dividends, stock combinations, recapitalizations or other similar events) or, in any case, such lower amount as permitted, from time to time, by the Nasdaq Stock Market. The holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock have the option to defer amortization payments or, subject to certain limitations as specified in the Certificate of Designations, can elect to accelerate installment conversion amounts.

The holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock are entitled to dividends of 8.0% per annum, compounded monthly, which are payable in cash or shares of common stock at the Company's option, in accordance with the terms of the Certificate of Designations. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a Triggering Event (as defined in the Certificate of Designations), the Series H-7 Preferred Stock will accrue dividends at the rate of 15% per annum. Upon conversion or redemption, the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock are also entitled to receive a dividend make-whole payment.



The Certificate of Designations provides that, except as required by applicable law, the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock will be entitled to vote with holders of the common stock on an as converted basis, with the number of votes to which each holder of Series H-7 Preferred Stock is entitled to be determined by dividing the Stated Value by a conversion price equal to \$5.76 per share (as adjusted for the Reverse Stock Split), which was the "Minimum Price" (as defined in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(d)) applicable immediately before the execution and delivery of the Purchase Agreement, subject to certain beneficial ownership limitations and adjustments for any stock splits, stock dividends, stock combinations, recapitalizations or other similar transactions, as set forth in the Certificate of Designations.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company's ability to settle conversions and make amortization and dividend make-whole payments using shares of common stock is subject to certain limitations set forth in the Certificate of Designations. Further, the Certificate of Designations contains a certain beneficial ownership limitation after giving effect to the issuance of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of, or as part of any amortization payment or dividend make-whole payment under, the Certificate of Designations or Warrants.

The Certificate of Designations includes certain triggering events including, among other things, the suspension from trading or the failure of the common stock to be trading or listed (as applicable) on an eligible market for a period of five (5) consecutive trading days, the Company's failure to pay any amounts due to the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock when due. In connection with a triggering event, each holder of Series H-7 Preferred Stock will be able to require the Company to redeem in cash any or all of the holder's Series H-7 Preferred Stock at a premium set forth in the Certificate of Designations.

On December 2, 2024, the Company entered into a Wavier and Amendment Agreement (the "Amendment") with the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designations). Pursuant to the Amendment, the Company and the Required Holders agreed (i) to amend (a) the Certificate of Designations, by filing a Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Designations with the Secretary of the State of the State of Delaware (the "Certificate of Amendment"), and (b) the Purchase Agreement, such that, in each case, certain grants made to the Company's directors on December 2, 2024, in the form of RSUs and fully vested restricted shares of common stock (the "Director Equity Grants") under the AYRO, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan (as amended, the "Plan"), are deemed to constitute "Excluded Securities" under the Transaction Documents (as such term is defined in the Purchase Agreement), and (ii) that the Required Holders waive the applicability of certain other provisions of the Transaction Documents with respect to such Director Equity Grants.

On March 30, 2025, the Company entered into an Omnibus Waiver and Amendment Agreement ("Waiver and Amendment Agreement") with the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designations), pursuant to which, the Required Holders agreed (A) to amend (i) the Certificate of Designations, as described below, by filing a Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Designations with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the "March 2025 Certificate of Amendment"), and (ii) the Purchase Agreement, to amend the definition of "Excluded Securities" such that the definition includes the issuance of common stock issued after the date of the Purchase Agreement pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan (as defined in the Purchase Agreement), which in the aggregate does not exceed more than 2% of the shares of common stock issued and outstanding on the date immediately prior to the date of the Purchase Agreement (the "Excluded Securities Modification"), and (B) to waive certain restrictive covenants contained in the Purchase Agreement as described therein.

The March 2025 Certificate of Amendment amends the Certificate of Designations to (i) amend the restrictive covenant of the Certificate of Designations such that the Company is required from January 1, 2025 until no shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are outstanding, to maintain unencumbered, unrestricted cash and cash equivalents on hand in amount equal to at least 120% of the aggregate Stated Value (as defined in the Certificate of Designations) of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock then outstanding, (ii) amend the definition of "Excluded Securities" substantially similar to the Excluded Securities Modification, and (iii) remove the restrictive covenant provision relating to the Segregated Cash (as defined in the Certificate of Designations) requirement. The March 2025 Certificate of Amendment was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, effective as of March 31, 2025.

# Summary of Cash Flows

The following table summarizes the Company's cash flows:

	For the Years Ended December 31,					
	 2024		2023			
Cash Flows:						
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (13,315,402)	\$	(26,181,465)			
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$ (3,064,499)	\$	8,893,614			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$ (10,860,809)	\$	21,632,156			

# **Operating** Activities

During the year ended December 31, 2024, we used \$13,315,402 in cash from operating activities, a decrease in use of \$12,866,063 compared to the cash used in operating activities of \$26,181,465 during the year ended December 31, 2023. The decrease in cash used in operating activities was primarily a result of the decrease in operating loss adjusted for non-cash items, as the Company proceeds with the internal restructuring.

Our ability to generate cash from operations in future periods will depend in large part on profitability, the rate and timing of collections of our accounts receivable, inventory turnovers and our ability to manage other areas of working capital.

#### **Investing** Activities

During the year ended December 31, 2024, we used \$3,064,499 in cash from investing activities as compared to \$8,893,614 of cash provided by investing activities during the year ended December 31, 2023, a decrease of \$11,958,113. We used \$68,997,205 to invest in marketable securities, and received \$66,132,029 in proceeds from the sale of marketable securities, as compared to net cash provided of \$11,006,654 from sale proceeds of marketable securities during the year ended December 31, 2023. The Company purchased \$199,323 in property plant and equipment during the year ended December 31, 2024 as compared to \$2,142,836 during the year ended December 31, 2023.

# **Financing** Activities

During the year ended December 31, 2024, we used cash of \$10,860,809 from financing activities as compared to \$21,632,156 of cash provided by financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2023, a decrease of \$32,492,965. The decrease in cash used was due to cash redemptions of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock of \$10,198,929, payment for shares buyback of \$376,630, and no proceeds from a private placement of preferred stock as of the year ended December 31, 2024, as compared to \$21,632,156 of proceeds from the private placement of preferred stock, no cash redemptions of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock, and no payment of shares buyback for the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### Known Trends, Events, and Uncertainties

The emergence and effects of public health crises, such as pandemics and epidemics, along with geopolitical conflicts, including the consequences of the ongoing war between Russia and Ukraine and between Israel and various factors in the Middle East, including related sanctions and countermeasures, are difficult to predict, and could adversely impact geopolitical and macroeconomic conditions, the global economy, and contribute to increased market volatility, which may in turn adversely affect our business and operations.

Other than as discussed above and elsewhere in this report, we are not aware of any trends, events or uncertainties that are likely to have a material effect on our financial condition.

#### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

Our management's discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based on our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The preparation of our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures requires us to make estimates, assumptions and judgments that affect the reported amount of assets, liabilities, revenue, costs and expenses and related disclosures. We base our assumptions, estimates and judgments on historical experience, current trends and other factors that management believes to be relevant at the time our consolidated financial statements are prepared. Accordingly, we evaluate our estimates and assumptions on an ongoing basis. Our actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions and conditions.

We consider an accounting estimate to be critical if: (1) the accounting estimate requires us to make assumptions about matters that were highly uncertain at the time the accounting estimate was made, and (2) changes in the estimate that are reasonably likely to occur from period to period, or use of different estimates that we reasonably could have used in the current period, would have a material impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

Management has discussed the development and selection of these critical accounting estimates with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors.

# Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities - Derivative Instruments

We measure the fair value of financial assets and liabilities in accordance with GAAP, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and requires certain disclosures about fair value measurements. We do not use derivative financial instruments to hedge exposures to cash-flow, market or foreign-currency risks. However, we have entered into certain financial instruments and contracts, such as debt financing arrangements, the issuance of preferred stock with detachable common stock warrants features that are either i) not afforded equity classification, ii) embody risks not clearly and closely related to host contracts, or iii) may be net-cash settled by the counterparty. These instruments are required to be carried as derivative liabilities, at fair value.

## Warrant Liabilities

We account for warrants as either equity-classified or liability-classified instruments based on an assessment of the warrant's specific terms and applicable authoritative guidance in ASC 480, Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity ("ASC 480") and ASC 815, Derivatives and Hedging ("ASC 815"). The assessment considers whether the warrants are freestanding financial instruments pursuant to ASC 480, meet the definition of a liability pursuant to ASC 480, and whether the warrants meet all of the requirements for equity classification under ASC 815, including whether the warrants are indexed to the Company's own common stock and whether the warrant holders could potentially require "net cash settlement" in a circumstance outside of the Company's control, among other conditions for equity classification. This assessment, which requires the use of professional judgment, is conducted at the time of warrant issuance and as of each subsequent quarterly period end date while the warrants are outstanding.

For issued or modified warrants that meet all of the criteria for equity classification, the warrants are required to be recorded as a component of additional paid-in capital at the time of issuance. For issued or modified warrants that do not meet all the criteria for equity classification, the warrants are required to be recorded at their initial fair value on the date of issuance, or date of modification, and each balance sheet date thereafter. Changes in the estimated fair value of the warrants are recognized as a non-cash gain or loss on the statements of operations.

# ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

Not applicable.

# ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA.

The information required by this Item 8 is included at the end of this Annual Report on Form 10-K beginning on page F-1.

# ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE.

None.

## ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

#### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our principal executive and principal financial officers, we evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2024. The term "disclosure controls and procedures," as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), means controls and other procedures of a company that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by a company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by a company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving their objectives and management necessarily applies its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

Based on the evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2024, our Executive Chairman concluded that, as of such date, our disclosure controls and procedures were ineffective due to the material weakness in internal control over financial reporting discussed below. A material weakness is a significant deficiency or a combination of significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

## Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management performed an assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2024 and concluded our internal control over financial reporting was not effective as of December 31, 2024, due to the fact that (i) we were unable to document, formalize, implement and revise where necessary controls, policies and procedure documentation to evidence a system of controls, inclusive of IT controls, including testing of such controls that is consistent with our current personnel and available resources; (ii) we failed to document, maintain and test effective control activities over our control environment, risk assessment, information technology and monitoring components; and (iii) we had insufficient segregation of duties, oversight of work performed and lack of compensating controls in our finance and accounting functions, including, without limitation, the processing, review and authorization of all routine and non-routine transactions, due to limited personnel and resources.

# Planned Remediation of Material Weaknesses

Our management has been engaged in developing and implementing remediation plans to address the material weaknesses described above. Until we have sufficient technical accounting resources, we have engaged external consultants to provide support and to assist us in our evaluation of more complex applications of GAAP to aid in the remediation efforts of the material weakness.

We continue to enhance corporate oversight over process-level controls and structures to ensure that there is appropriate assignment of authority, responsibility, and accountability to enable remediation of our material weaknesses. As we continue to evaluate, and work to improve, our internal control over financial reporting, management may determine that additional measures to address control deficiencies or modifications to the remediation plan are necessary.

# Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Except as disclosed above, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act) during the most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

# Resignation of David E. Hollingsworth

On March 1, 2024, David E. Hollingsworth, who served as Chief Financial Officer of the Company, tendered his resignation from his roles as an officer and employee of the Company, effective as of March 1, 2024. Mr. Hollingsworth's resignation from the Company was not in connection with any disagreement between Mr. Hollingsworth and the Company, its management, the Board, or any committee of the Board on any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices, or any other matter.

# The Appointment of Joseph Ramelli

On August 21, 2024, the Company appointed Joseph Ramelli to the position of Chief Financial Officer of the Company.

# ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION.

On March 30, 2025, the Company entered into an Omnibus Waiver and Amendment Agreement ("Waiver and Amendment Agreement") with the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designations), pursuant to which, the Required Holders agreed (A) to amend (i) the Certificate of Designations, as described below, by filing a Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Designations with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the "March 2025 Certificate of Amendment"), and (ii) the Purchase Agreement, to amend the definition of "Excluded Securities" such that the definition includes the issuance of common stock issued after the date of the Purchase Agreement pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan (as defined in the Purchase Agreement), which in the aggregate does not exceed more than 2% of the shares of common stock issued and outstanding on the date immediately prior to the date of the Purchase Agreement (the "Excluded Securities Modification"), and (B) to waive certain restrictive covenants contained in the Purchase Agreement as described therein.

The March 2025 Certificate of Amendment amends the Certificate of Designations to (i) amend the restrictive covenant of the Certificate of Designations such that the Company is required from January 1, 2025 until no shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are outstanding, to maintain unencumbered, unrestricted cash and cash equivalents on hand in amount equal to at least 120% of the aggregate Stated Value (as defined in the Certificate of Designations) of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock then outstanding, (ii) amend the definition of "Excluded Securities" substantially similar to the Excluded Securities Modification, and (iii) remove the restrictive covenant provision relating to the Segregated Cash (as defined in the Certificate of Designations) requirement. The March 2025 Certificate of Amendment was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, effective as of March 31, 2025.

# ITEM 9C. DISCLOSURE REGARDING FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS THAT PREVENT INSPECTIONS.

Not applicable.

## PART III

## ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE.

The information required under this item is incorporated herein by reference to our definitive proxy statement pursuant to Regulation 14A, which proxy statement will be filed with the SEC not later than 120 days after the close of our fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Information relating to this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K if the Company's definitive proxy statement is not filed within such time.

## ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.

The information required under this item is incorporated herein by reference to our definitive proxy statement pursuant to Regulation 14A, which proxy statement will be filed with the SEC not later than 120 days after the close of our fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Information relating to this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K if the Company's definitive proxy statement is not filed within such time.

# ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS.

The information required under this item is incorporated herein by reference to our definitive proxy statement pursuant to Regulation 14A, which proxy statement will be filed with the SEC not later than 120 days after the close of our fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Information relating to this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K if the Company's definitive proxy statement is not filed within such time.

# ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE.

The information required under this item is incorporated herein by reference to our definitive proxy statement pursuant to Regulation 14A, which proxy statement will be filed with the SEC not later than 120 days after the close of our fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Information relating to this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K if the Company's definitive proxy statement is not filed within such time.

# ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES.

The Company's independent registered public accounting firm is Marcum LLP (PCAOB Firm ID No.: 688) located in Morristown, New Jersey. The information required under this item is incorporated herein by reference to our definitive proxy statement pursuant to Regulation 14A, which proxy statement will be filed with the SEC not later than 120 days after the close of our fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Information relating to this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K if the Company's definitive proxy statement is not filed within such time.

PART IV

# ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES.

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:

(1) Financial Statements:

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (PCAOB ID#688)	F-2
Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2024 and 2023	F-4
Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023	F-5
Consolidated Statements of Changes in Mezzanine Equity and Stockholders' Equity for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023	F-6
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023	F-7
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements	F-8

## (2) Financial Statement Schedules:

None. Financial statement schedules have not been included because they are not applicable, or the information is included in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

## (3) Exhibits:

See "Index to Exhibits" for a description of our exhibits.

#### ITEM 16. FORM 10-K SUMMARY.

Not applicable.



# Index to Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization by and among DropCar, Inc., ABC Merger Sub, Inc. and AYRO, Inc. dated December 19, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 20, 2019)
2.2	Asset Purchase Agreement, by and among DropCar, Inc., DropCar Operating Company, Inc., DC Partners Acquisition, LLC, Spencer Richardson and David Newman, dated December 19, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 20, 2019).
2.3	Amendment to Asset Purchase Agreement, by and among DropCar, Inc., DropCar Operating Company, Inc., DC Partners Acquisition, LLC, Spencer Richardson and David Newman, dated May 28, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2020)
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, effective May 28, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2020)
3.1.1	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, effective May 28, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2020)
3.1.2	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, effective September 15, 2023 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 15, 2023).
3.1.3	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, effective September 15, 2023 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 15, 2023)
3.2	Certificate of Designations of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10 Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 20, 2023)
3.2.1	Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Designations of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock of AYRO, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 9, 2024).
3.2.2	Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Designations of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 2, 2024).
3.2.3**	Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Designations of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock.
3.3	Amended and Restated Bylaws, effective May 28, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2020)
3.3.1	First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Bylaws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 8, 2020)
3.3.2	Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Bylaws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 19, 2021)

- 3.3.3 Third Amendment to the Amended and Restated Bylaws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 12, 2023)
- 3.4 Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of the Series H Convertible Preferred Stock, filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on June 30, 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 1, 2015)
- 3.5 Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of the Series H-3 Convertible Preferred Stock, filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on March 30, 2017 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 4, 2017).
- 3.6 Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 5, 2020).
- 4.1 Palladium Holdings, LLC Finder's Warrant issued in connection with the June 2020 Registered Direct Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.2 Form of Spartan Capital Securities, LLC Finder's Warrant issued in connection with the June 2020 Registered Direct Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.3 Palladium Holdings, LLC Advisor's Warrant issued in connection with the July 2020 Registered Direct Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.4 Form of Spartan Capital Securities, LLC Advisor's Warrant issued in connection with the July 2020 Registered Direct Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.5 Palladium Holdings, LLC Advisor's Warrant issued in connection with the July 23, 2020 Registered Direct Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.6 Form of Pre-Funded Warrant issued in connection with the AYRO Private Placements (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.6 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.7 Form of Warrant issued in connection with the \$850K AYRO Private Placement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.7 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.8 Form of Warrant issued in connection with the \$1.15M AYRO Private Placement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.8 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.9 Form of Warrant issued in connection with the AYRO Bridge Loan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.9 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.10 Form of Penny Warrant issued in connection with the Secured Loan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.10 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 4.11 Form of Series A Warrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 23, 2020)
- 4.12 Form of Series B Warrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 23, 2020)
- 4.13 Form of Investor Warrant issued in connection with the January 2021 Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 26, 2021)



- 4.14 Form of Palladium Warrant issued in connection with the January 2021 Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 26, 2021)
- 4.15 Form of Placement Agent Common Stock Purchase Warrant issued in connection with the February 2021 Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 16, 2021)
- 4.16 Form of Spartan Common Stock Purchase Warrant issued in connection with the February 2021 Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 16, 2021)
- 4.17 Form of Warrant issued in connection with the August 2023 Offering (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 8, 2023)
- 4.18\*\* Description of Capital Stock.
- 10.1 Form of AYRO Operating Private Placement Registration Rights Agreement, dated May 28, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2020)
- 10.2† <u>AYRO, Inc. 2020 Long-Term Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 3, 2020)</u>
- 10.2.1<sup>†</sup> First Amendment to the AYRO, Inc. 2020 Long-Term Incentive Plan, dated December 17, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 22, 2020)
- 10.2.2† Second Amendment to the AYRO, Inc. 2020 Long-Term Incentive Plan, dated September 14, 2023 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 15, 2023).
- 10.2.3 Third Amendment to the AYRO, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 31, 2024).
- 10.3<sup>†</sup> Form of ISO Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2020)
- 10.4<sup>+</sup> Form of NQSO Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2020)
- 10.5<sup>†</sup> Form of RSU Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2020)
- 10.6
   Form of Securities Purchase Agreement, dated June 17, 2020, by and among the Company and the purchasers thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 19, 2020)
- 10.7 Form of Securities Purchase Agreement, dated July 6, 2020, by and among the Company and the purchasers thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 8, 2020)

- 10.8
   Form of Securities Purchase Agreement, dated July 21, 2020, by and among the Company and the purchasers thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 23, 2020)
- 10.9+
   Master Procurement Agreement, dated March 5, 2019, by and among the Company and Club Car LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.16 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 10.10<sup>†</sup> AYRO Operating, Inc. 2017 Long-Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 10.11<sup>†</sup> Form of NQSO Award Agreement under the AYRO Operating, Inc. 2017 Long-Term Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.18 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 10.12 Advisory Agreement, dated January 1, 2019, by and among the Company and Sustainability Consultants, LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2020)
- 10.12+ Form of Addendum to the Securities Purchase Agreement, dated October 16, 2020 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 16, 2020)
- 10.13
   Form of Securities Purchase Agreement, dated November 22, 2020, by and among the Company and the purchasers thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 23, 2020
- 10.14
   Form of Securities Purchase Agreement, dated January 25, 2021, by and among the Company and the purchasers thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 26, 2021)
- 10.15
   Form of Securities Purchase Agreement, dated February 11, 2021, by and among the Company and the purchasers thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 16, 2021)
- 10.16
   Employment Agreement, by and between the Company and David E. Hollingsworth, effective as of August 23, 2022 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 26, 2022)
- 10.17 Form of Purchase Agreement, dated August 7, 2023, by and among the Company and the purchasers thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 8, 2023)
- 10.18
   Form of Registration Rights Agreement, dated August 7, 2023, by and among the Company and the purchasers thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 8, 2023)

- 10.19† General Release and Severance Agreement, by and between the AYRO, Inc. and David E. Hollingsworth, dated as of March 1, 2024 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 7, 2024)
- 10.20<sup>†</sup> Form of Restricted Stock and Cash-Settled Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 2, 2024).
- 10.21 Form of Waiver and Amendment, dated December 2, 2024, by and between AYRO, Inc. and the investors party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 2, 2024).
- 10.22 Stock Repurchase Agreement, dated as of October 29, 2024 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 29, 2024)
- 10.23 Form of Omnibus Waiver and Amendment Agreement, dated March 30, 2025, by and between AYRO, Inc. and the investors party thereto.
- 19.1 AYRO, Inc. Insider Trading Policy (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 19.1 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 26, 2024).
- 21.1 Subsidiaries of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 21.1 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 30, 2020)
- 23.1\*\* Consent of Marcum LLP
- 31.1\*\* Certification of the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1\*\*\* Certification of the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 97.1 <u>AYRO, Inc. Compensation Recovery Policy (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 97.1 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 1, 2024)</u>
- 101 INS\*\* Inline XBRL Instance Document
- 101 SCH\*\* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
- 101 CAL\*\* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Calculation Linkbase Document
- 101 DEF\*\* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
- 101 LAB\*\* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Labels Linkbase Document
- 101 PRE\*\* Inline XBRL Taxonomy Presentation Linkbase Document
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File The cover page iXBRL tags are embedded within the inline XBRL document.
- \*\* Filed herewith.
- \*\*\* Furnished herewith.
- + Certain portions of this exhibit have been redacted pursuant to Item 601(b)(10)(iv) of Regulation S-K. The omitted information is (i) not material and (ii) would likely cause competitive harm to the Company if publicly disclosed. The Company agrees to furnish supplementally an unredacted copy of the exhibit to the SEC upon its request.
- \* Management or compensatory plan or arrangement

# SIGNATURES

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

	AYRO, INC.
Dated: March 31, 2025	By: /s/ Joshua Silverman Joshua Silverman Executive Chairman (Principal Executive Officer)
Dated: March 31, 2025	By: /s/ Joseph Ramelli Joseph Ramelli Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated below.

Name	Name Title					
/s/ Joshua Silverman Joshua Silverman	Executive Chairman (Principal Executive Officer)	March 31, 2025				
/s/ George Devlin George Devlin	Director	March 31, 2025				
/s/ Sebastian Giordano Sebastian Giordano	Director	March 31, 2025				
/s/ Zvi Joseph Zvi Joseph	Director	March 31, 2025				
/s/ Greg Schiffman Greg Schiffman	Director	March 31, 2025				
/s/ Wayne R. Walker Wayne R. Walker	Director	March 31, 2025				

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#### **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Stockholders and Board of Directors of AYRO, Inc.

# **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of AYRO, Inc. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in mezzanine equity and stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, based on our audits, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the two years in the period ended December 31, 2024, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Explanatory Paragraph – Going Concern**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As more fully described in Note 2, the Company has incurred significant losses and needs to raise additional funds to meet its obligations and sustain its operations. These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management's plans in regard to these matters are also described in Note 2. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### **Critical Audit Matters**

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.

#### **Redeemable Preferred Stock and Derivative Liability**

Critical Audit Matter As discussed in Note 9 to the financial statements, the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement during the year ended December 31, 2023, pursuant to which the Company agreed to sell to investors 22,000 shares of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock for \$22 million gross proceeds and were partially redeemed or converted to common stock during the year ended December 31, 2024. The Certificate of Designations includes certain triggering events that would require the Company to redeem in cash any or all of the holder's Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock at a premium set forth in the Certificate of Designations, as well as features that are not clearly and closely related to the Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock.

Auditing the fair value of the embedded derivative liability at December 31, 2024 discussed above was challenging because of the complex provisions and required extensive audit effort. The determination of fair value requires significant judgment by management and third-party valuation specialists to develop significant estimates and assumptions. Auditing those estimates and assumptions involved especially challenging auditor judgment.

How We Addressed the Matter in Our Audit We obtained an understanding and evaluated the procedures over management's valuation process. We inspected the governing agreements for the transaction and, with the assistance of our valuation specialists, we evaluated the reasonableness of the valuation methodology used, the reasonableness of the inputs and assumptions, and verified the accuracy and completeness of the underlying data utilized in the valuation of the embedded derivative liability. We also performed sensitivity analysis of the significant assumptions used in the valuation model to evaluate the change in fair value resulting from changes in the significant assumptions to determine reasonableness of the valuation conclusions.

/s/ Marcum LLP

Marcum LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2020.

Morristown, New Jersey March 31, 2025

# AYRO, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	December 31,				
		2024		2023	
ASSETS					
Current assets:	•		<b>^</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	16,035,475	\$	33,440,867	
Restricted cash		164,682		10,000,000	
Marketable securities		4,089,832		—	
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for credit losses of \$20,805 and \$53,696 at December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively		_		219,000	
Inventory		—		3,431,982	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		972,245		1,887,782	
Total current assets		21,262,234		48,979,631	
Property and equipment, net		—		3,117,164	
Operating lease – right-of-use asset		429,819		671,451	
Deposits and other assets		46,665		95,532	
Total assets	\$	21,738,718	\$	52,863,778	
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LIABILITIES, MEZZANINE EQUITY AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	1,863,045	\$	2,456,258	
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	Э		\$		
Accrued expenses and other current natifilities Accrued preferred stock redemption payable (H-7)		793,819 1,285,680		1,656,541	
Current portion lease obligation – operating lease				106 692	
Total current liabilities		<u>219,085</u> 4,161,629		196,682	
		4,101,029		4,309,481	
Derivative liability		2,661,000		9,400,000	
Warrant liability		2,362,900		13,319,800	
Lease obligation - operating lease, net of current portion		283,742		502,831	
Total liabilities		9,469,271		27,532,112	
Mezzanine equity:					
Redeemable Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock, (\$0.0001 par value per share and \$1,000 face value per					
share; authorized - 22,000 shares; issued and outstanding – 10,167 and 22,000 shares, at December 31, 2024					
and 2023, respectively). Liquidation preference of \$11,821,748 as of December 31, 2024.		7,587,518		11,193,939	
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Stockholders' equity:					
Preferred Stock, (authorized – 20,000,000 shares)		—		—	
Series H Convertible Preferred Stock, (\$0.0001 par value per share; authorized – 8,500 shares; issued and					
outstanding – 8 shares as of December 31, 2024, and 2023, respectively)					
Liquidation preference of \$1 as of December 31, 2024.		—		—	
Convertible Preferred Stock Series H-3, (\$0.0001 par value; authorized – 8,461 shares; issued and outstanding					
- 1,234 shares as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively)					
Liquidation preference of \$88 as of December 31, 2024.		—		—	
Series H-6 Convertible Preferred Stock, (\$0.0001 par value per share; authorized – 50,000 shares; issued and outstanding – 50 shares as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively)					
Liquidation preference of \$425 as of December 31, 2024.					
Common Stock, (\$0.0001 par value; authorized – 200,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding – 8,541,466 and		0.5-			
4,913,907 shares as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively)		855		492	
Additional paid-in capital		121,766,592		129,467,274	
Accumulated deficit		(117,085,518)		(115,330,039)	
Total stockholders' equity		4,681,929		14,137,727	
Total liabilities, mezzanine equity and stockholders' equity	\$	21,738,718	\$	52,863,778	

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

# AYRO, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Years Ended December 31,				
		2024		2023	
Revenue	\$	63,777	\$	498,917	
Cost of goods sold		6,650,979		5,133,996	
Gross loss		(6,587,202)		(4,635,079)	
Operating expenses:					
Research and development		1,493,202		7,418,026	
Sales and marketing		990,471		1,721,191	
General and administrative		8,646,301		14,382,132	
Loss on impairment of long-lived assets		1,659,835		_	
Total operating expenses		12,789,809		23,521,349	
Loss from operations		(19,377,011)		(28,156,428)	
Other income (expense):					
Interest income		484,325		441,443	
Change in fair value - warrant liability		10,956,900		(3,350,320)	
Change in fair value - derivative liability		6,739,000		(4,253,000)	
Unrealized gain (loss) on marketable securities		(98,315)		215,900	
Realized gain on marketable securities		1,322,971		941,950	
Legal settlement		(1,096,222)		_	
Vendor settlement		(647,833)		_	
Other income (expense), net		(39,294)		_	
Total other income (expense), net		17,621,532		(6,004,027)	
Net loss prior to provision for income taxes	\$	(1,755,479)	\$	(34,160,455)	
Provision for income taxes		_	_	_	
Net loss	\$	(1,755,479)	\$	(34,160,455)	
		(2.425.500)		((07.001)	
Dividends earned on Series H-7 convertible preferred stock		(2,425,599)		(697,991)	
Accretion of discounts to redemption value of Series H-7 convertible preferred stock Deemed dividend (Series H-5 warrants)		(8,255,150)		(3,980,274) (199,000)	
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$	(12,436,228)	\$	(39,037,720)	
Net loss per share basic	\$	(2.02)	\$	(8.19)	
Net loss per share diluted	\$	(2.02)	\$	(8.19)	
	.p	(2.02)	φ	(6.19)	
Basic weighted average Common Stock outstanding		6,170,439		4,764,494	
Diluted weighted average Common Stock outstanding		6,170,439		4,764,494	

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

# AYRO, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEZZANINE EQUITY AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023												
		Series H-7		ies H	Series H-3 Series H-6						Additional		
		red Stock		ed Stock		red Stock		ed Stock	Commo		Paid-in	Accumulated	<b>T</b> ( )
Balance, January	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Capital	(Deficit)	Total
1, 2023 Stock based	_	\$	8	\$ —	1,234	\$	50	\$	4,655,205	\$ 466	\$ 133,227,507	\$ (81,169,584)	\$ 52,058,389
compensation Vested restricted	—	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	59,624	_	59,624
stock Issuance of convertible preferred stock, net of discounts and	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	85,172	9	858,425	-	858,434
transaction costs of \$15,484,324	22,000	6,515,674	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Issuance of rounded shares as a result of the reverse stock split	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	173,530	17	(17)	_	
Dividends (accrued Series H-7									175,555	1,			
Preferred) Accretion of	_	697,991		_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(697,991)	_	(697,991)
discounts to redemption value of Series H-7 convertible													
preferred stock Net loss		3,980,274									(3,980,274)	(34,160,455)	(3,980,274) (34,160,455)
Balance,		G 11 102 020							1012.005	e 102	© 100 1/2 051	e (11 = 220, 020)	
December 31, 2023 Stock based	22,000	\$ 11,193,939	8	s –	1,234	s –	50	\$ —	4,913,907	\$ 492	\$ 129,467,274	\$ (115,330,039)	\$ 14,137,727
compensation	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	8,160	_	8,160
Vested restricted stock									914,551	91	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	705,589
Repurchase of cash-settled									. ,		,		,
restricted stock	_	_	_	_	_	_	_		(375,329)	(38	) (285,212)	_	(285,250)
Shares buy-back Shares issued for	—	—	_	—	_	—	—	_	(418,478)	(42	) (376,588)	—	(376,630)
services									75,000	8	125,992		126,000
Preferred stock redemptions and conversions including cash													
premium Deemed dividend	(11,833)	(13,740,284)		_	_	_	_	_	3,431,815	344	(		2,802,561 (546,886)
Preferred stock dividends	_	1,878,713	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(1,878,713)	_	(1,878,713)
Accretion of discounts to redemption value of Series H-7 convertible													
preferred stock Net loss	_	8,255,150		_	_	_	_	_		_	(8,255,150)	(1,755,479)	(8,255,150) (1,755,479)
Balance,										-			
December 31, 2024	10,167	\$ 7,587,518	8	<u>\$                                    </u>	1,234	<u>s                                    </u>	50	<u>\$                                    </u>	8,541,466	<u>\$ 855</u>	\$ 121,766,592	<u>\$ (117,085,518)</u>	<u>\$ 4,681,929</u>

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

# AYRO, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

		Years Ended	December	<u>- 31,</u> 2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		2021		2020
Net loss	\$	(1,755,479)	\$	(34,160,455
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		1 700 005		1 002 020
Depreciation and amortization		1,709,985		1,093,039
Loss on disposal of fixed asset Loss on impairment of long-lived assets		359,965 1,659,835		_
Stock-based compensation		713,749		918,058
Shores issuance for services		126,000		918,038
Change in fair value - derivative liability		(6,739,000)		4,253,000
Change in fair value - warrant liability		(10,956,900)		3,350,320
Amortization of right-of-use asset		197,457		147,950
Bad debt expense		189,092		344,492
Unrealized gain (loss) on marketable securities		98,315		(215,900)
Realized gain on marketable securities		(1,322,971)		(941,950)
Impairment of inventory		4,909,190		3,048,485
Impairment of prepaid inventory		731,129		
Realized loss on sale of fixed assets		_		40,181
Vendor settlements		547,847		
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		,		
Accounts receivable		29,908		(53,421)
Inventory		(1,794,806)		(5,510,086)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(76,484)		(408,937)
Deposits and other assets		22,491		500
Accounts payable		(618,362)		1,349,043
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		(1,149,677)		724,246
Lease obligations - operating leases		(196,686)		(160,030)
Net cash used in operating activities		(13,315,402)		(26,181,465)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchase of property and equipment		(199,323)		(2,142,836)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities, net		66,132,029		11,006,654
Purchase of marketable securities		(68,997,205)		_
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		—		70,500
Purchase of intangible assets		_		(40,704)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(3,064,499)		8,893,614
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Proceeds from private placement of preferred stock, net of transaction costs		—		21,632,156
Payment of preferred stock redemption (Series H-7)		(10,198,929)		
Payment of shares buyback		(376,630)		—
Repurchase of cash-settled restricted stock		(285,250)		
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(10,860,809)		21,632,156
Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(27,240,710)		4,344,305
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period		43,440,867		39,096,562
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	16,200,157	\$	43,440,867
Supplemental disclosure of cash and non-cash transactions:				
Fixed asset additions included in accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	57,791	\$	32,642
Accrual of Series H-7 convertible preferred stock dividends	\$	1,878,713	\$	697,991
Accretion of discounts to redemption value of H-7 convertible preferred stock	\$	8,255,150	\$	3,980,274
Accrued Series H-7 preferred stock redemption payable	\$	1,285,680	\$	
Non-cash redemption of Series H-7 preferred stock	\$	2,802,561	\$	
Prepaid insurance financed through accrued expenses	\$	286,955	\$	_
Initial fair value of warranty liability	\$	—	\$	9,969,480
Initial fair value of derivative liability	\$	_	\$	5,147,000
Deemed dividend Series H-5 Warrants	\$	—	\$	199,000
Deemed dividend Series H-7 warrants	\$	546,886	\$	_
Supplemental disclosure of restricted cash:	*	14005	¢	<b>AA 1 1 A A -</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	16,035,475	\$	33,440,867
Restricted cash	-	164,682	<b></b>	10,000,000
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$	16,200,157	\$	43,440,867

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

## AYRO, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF OPERATIONS

AYRO, Inc. ("AYRO" or the "Company"), a Delaware corporation formerly known as DropCar, Inc. ("DropCar"), a corporation headquartered outside Austin, Texas, is the merger successor of AYRO Operating Company, Inc. ("AYRO Operating"), which was formed under the laws of the State of Texas on May 17, 2016 as Austin PRT Vehicle, Inc. and subsequently changed its name to Austin EV, Inc. under an Amended and Restated Certificate of Formation filed with the State of Texas on March 9, 2017. On July 24, 2019, the Company changed its name to AYRO, Inc. and converted its corporate domicile to Delaware. The Company was founded on the basis of promoting resource sustainability. The Company, and its wholly owned subsidiaries, are principally engaged in manufacturing and sales of environmentally conscious, minimal-footprint electric vehicles. The all-electric vehicles are typically sold both directly to customers and to dealers in the United States.

#### Strategic Review

For the past several years, AYRO's primary supplier for the AYRO 411x has been Cenntro Automotive Group, Ltd. ("Cenntro"), which operates a large electric vehicle factory in the automotive district in Hangzhou, China. As a result of rising shipping costs, quality issues with certain components and persistent delays, the Company ceased production of the AYRO 411x from Cenntro in September 2022 in order to focus its resources on the development and launch of the new 411 fleet vehicle model year 2023 refresh, the Vanish (the "Vanish").

The Company began the design and development of the Vanish in December 2021, including updates to its supply chain, the offshoring/onshoring mix, and its manufacturing strategy. The Company commenced low-rate initial production of the Vanish in the second quarter of 2023 and commenced initial sales and delivery of the Vanish in the third quarter of 2023.

On January 31, 2024, the Company began to implement an internal restructuring to achieve greater efficiency in pursuit of its strategic goals. As part of the restructuring, the Company eliminated a substantial number of positions and re-evaluated its sales, marketing, and manufacturing functions. Additionally, in connection with its internal restructuring, the Company appointed Gilbert Villarreal as President of its subsidiary, AYRO Operating on August 21, 2024, and has been leading the review of the Vanish, working closely with vendors and third-party consultants to achieve the Company's objectives of lowering the bill of materials ("BOM") and overall manufacturing expenses. These efforts aim to lower the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price ("MSRP") of the Vanish, with additional updates expected in the near term.

In December 2024, the Company entered into a partnership with GLV Ventures ("GLV") for the engineering and manufacturing of the Company's electric vehicle, the Vanish. The relationship will launch the re-engineering and manufacturing of the Vanish in the United States using its original specifications.

In December 2024, the Company was named a tier one supplier for General Motors ("GM") through its partnership with GLV and has secured its first purchase order from one of the top three automotive manufacturers in the United States. The Company and GLV intend to supply GM as part of an increase in scope of their previously announced low-cost manufacturing and engineering efforts.

In February 2025, the Company announced the launch of its new robotics division, which will be focused on AI-driven, automated manufacturing of EVs and accompanying accessories.

# NOTE 2. LIQUIDITY AND OTHER UNCERTAINTIES

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"), which contemplates continuation of the Company as a going concern. The Company is subject to a number of risks similar to those of earlier stage commercial companies, including dependence on key individuals and products, the difficulties inherent in the development of a commercial market, the potential need to obtain additional capital, competition from larger companies, other technology companies and other technologies. The Company has a limited operating history and the sales and income potential of its business and market are unproven.

As of December 31, 2024, the Company had cash and cash equivalents balance totaling \$16,035,475, restricted cash of \$164,682, and marketable securities of \$4,089,832. The Company incurred net loss of \$1,755,479, and had negative cash flow used in operations of \$13,315,402 for the year ended December 31, 2024. In addition, overall working capital decreased by \$27,569,545 during the year ended December 31, 2024. Management believes that the existing cash as of December 31, 2024 will not be sufficient to fund operations for at least the next twelve months following the issuance of these consolidated financial statements. These factors raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of one year from the issuance of these consolidated financial statements. In order to have sufficient cash to fund the Company's operations in the future, the Company will need to raise additional equity or debt capital and cannot provide any assurance that the Company will be successful in doing so. If the Company is unable to raise sufficient capital to fund the Company's operations, the Company is unable to raise sufficient capital to fund the Company's operations, the Company may need to delay, reduce or eliminate certain research and development programs or other operations, sell some or all of its assets or merge with another entity. As a result of these factors, management has concluded that there is substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of one year after the date of the financial statements. The Company's consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.



On July 18, 2024, the Company received a letter from the Listing Qualifications Department of the Nasdaq Stock Market indicating that, based upon the closing bid price of the Company's common stock for the 30 consecutive business days between June 3, 2024, to July 17, 2024, the Company did not meet the minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share required for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2). The letter also indicated that the Company will be provided with a compliance period of 180 calendar days, and subsequently received an additional 180 calendar-day extension, or until July 14, 2025, in which to regain compliance pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5510(c)(3)(A).

Delisting could harm the Company's ability to raise capital through alternative financing sources on terms acceptable to us, or at all, and may result in the potential loss of confidence by investors, suppliers, customers and employees and fewer business development opportunities.

The Company may experience increases in the cost or a sustained interruption in the supply or shortage of raw materials, including lithium-ion battery cells, semiconductors, and integrated circuits. Any such increase or supply interruption could materially and negatively impact the business, prospects, financial condition, and operating results. Certain production-ready components may be delayed in shipment to Company facilities, which has and may continue to cause delays in validation and testing for these components, which would in turn create a delay in the availability of saleable vehicles.

The Company uses various raw materials, including aluminum, steel, carbon fiber, non-ferrous metals (such as copper), and cobalt. The prices for these raw materials fluctuate depending on market conditions, and global demand and could adversely affect business and operating results. For instance, the Company is exposed to multiple risks relating to price fluctuations for lithium-ion cells. These risks include:

- the inability or unwillingness of current battery manufacturers to build or operate battery cell manufacturing plants to supply the number of lithium-ion cells required to support the growth of the electric vehicle industry as demand for such cells increases;
- disruption in the supply of cells due to quality issues or recalls by the battery cell manufacturers; and
- an increase in the cost of raw materials, such as cobalt, used in lithium-ion cells.

Any disruption in the supply of lithium-ion battery cells, semiconductors, or integrated circuits could temporarily disrupt production of the Company's vehicles until a different supplier is fully qualified. Moreover, battery cell manufacturers may refuse to supply electric vehicle manufacturers if they determine that the vehicles are not sufficiently safe. Furthermore, fluctuations or shortages in petroleum and other economic conditions may cause the Company to experience significant increases in freight charges and raw material costs. Substantial increases in the prices for raw materials would increase operating costs and could reduce margins if the increased costs cannot be recouped through increased electric vehicle prices. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to recoup the increasing costs of raw materials by increasing vehicle prices.

The Company has made certain indemnities, under which the Company may be required to make payments to an indemnified party, in relation to certain transactions. The Company indemnifies their directors and officers to the maximum extent permitted under the laws of the State of Delaware. In connection with the Company's facility leases, the Company has indemnified their lessors for certain claims arising from the use of the facilities. The duration of the indemnities vary and, in many cases, are indefinite. These indemnities do not provide for any limitation of the maximum potential future payments the Company could be obligated to make. Historically, the Company has not been obligated to make any payments for these obligations and no liabilities have been recorded for these indemnities.

## NOTE 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP and in conformity with the instructions on Form 10-K and Rule 8-02 of Regulation S-X and the related rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments consisting of normal recurring accruals, which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of such statements.



# Use of Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements, in conformity with GAAP, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period.

The Company's most significant estimates include marketable securities, revenue recognition, fair value measurements of warrant and derivative liabilities, accretion of preferred stock, and the measurement of stock-based compensation expenses. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly-liquid investments purchased with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents, including balances held in the Company's money market accounts. The Company maintains total cash balances in accounts which may exceed the federally insured limits. Management does not believe this results in any significant credit risk.

## **Restricted Cash**

As of December 31, 2024, the Company held a restricted cash balance of \$164,682. The Company made a deposit to the bank for their credit cards in the amount of \$53,862 and is classified as restricted cash as of December 31, 2024. The remaining \$110,980 is held in accordance with the Certificate of Designation (as defined in Note 9). As of December 31, 2023, \$10,000,000 of cash was restricted in accordance with the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations.

# Marketable Securities

Marketable securities include investment in fixed income bonds and U.S. Treasury securities that are considered to be highly liquid and easily tradeable. The marketable securities are considered trading securities and are measured at fair value and are accounted for in accordance with ASC 320 *Investments-Debt and Equity Securities*. The marketable securities are valued using inputs observable in active markets for identical securities and are therefore classified as Level 1 within the Company's fair value hierarchy. The Company held \$4,089,832 and \$0 in marketable securities as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

## **Derivative Financial Instruments**

The Company evaluates all its financial instruments to determine if such instruments contain features that qualify as embedded derivatives. Embedded derivatives must be separately measured from the host contract if all the requirements for bifurcation are met. The assessment of the conditions surrounding the bifurcation of embedded derivatives depends on the nature of the host contract. Bifurcated embedded derivatives are recognized at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized in the statement of operations each period. Bifurcated embedded derivatives are classified with the related host contract in the Company's balance sheet. These particular derivatives are assessed under ASC 480, *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity* and ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*, as applicable.

## Fair Value Measurements

In accordance with ASC 820 (Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures), the company uses a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements of certain assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes that distinguishes between market participant assumptions developed from market data obtained from outside sources (observable inputs) and the Company's own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed from the best information available to us in the circumstances (unobservable inputs). The fair value hierarchy is divided into three levels based on the source of inputs as follows:

- Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Level 2 inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability other than quoted prices, either directly or indirectly including inputs in markets that are not considered to be active; and
- Level 3 inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

Categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

## Accounts Receivable, Net

In the normal course of business, the Company extends credit to customers. Accounts receivable, allowance for credit losses, reflect the net realizable value of receivables and approximate fair value. An allowance for credit losses is maintained and reflects the best estimate of probable losses determined principally on the basis of historical experience and specific allowances for known troubled accounts. All accounts or portions thereof that are deemed to be uncollectible or that require an excessive collection cost are written off to the allowance for credit losses. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company had reserved an allowance for credit losses of \$20,805 and \$53,696, respectively. All account receivables are made on an unsecured basis.

Accounts receivable, net consists of amounts due from invoiced customers and product deliveries and were as follows:

	 Years Ended December 31,					
	2024		2023			
Trade receivables	\$ 20,805	\$	272,696			
Less: Allowance for credit losses	(20,805)		(53,696)			
	\$ 	\$	219,000			

#### Inventory

Inventory consists of purchased chassis, cabs, batteries, truck beds and component parts which includes cost of raw materials, freight, direct labor, and related production overhead and are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value, as determined using a first-in, first-out method. Inventory also includes a fleet of internally manufactured vehicles that serve demonstration and other purposes, the balance of which is being depreciated over their useful lives. Management compares the cost of inventory with the net realizable value and, if applicable, an allowance is made for writing down the inventory to its net realizable value, if lower than cost. On an ongoing basis, inventory is reviewed for potential write-down for estimated obsolescence or unmarketable inventory based upon forecasts for future demand and market conditions.

# Warrants and Preferred Shares

The accounting treatment of warrants and preferred share series issued is determined pursuant to the guidance provided by ASC 480, *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity*, and ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*, as applicable. Each feature of a freestanding financial instrument including, without limitation, any rights relating to subsequent dilutive issuances, dividend issuances, equity sales, rights offerings, forced conversions, optional redemptions, automatic monthly conversions, dividends, and exercise is assessed with determinations made regarding the proper classification in the Company's audited consolidated financial statements.

## **Redeemable Preferred Stock**

Applicable accounting guidance requires an equity instrument that is redeemable for cash or other assets to be classified outside of permanent equity if it is redeemable (a) at a fixed or determinable price on a fixed or determinable date, (b) at the option of the holder, or (c) upon the occurrence of an event that is not solely within the control of the issuer.

#### Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment, net, are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is recorded over the shorter of the estimated useful life, of one to ten years, or the lease term of the applicable assets using the straight-line method beginning on the date an asset is placed in service. The Company regularly evaluates the estimated remaining useful lives of the Company's property and equipment, net, to determine whether events or changes in circumstances warrant a revision to the remaining period of depreciation. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense when incurred.

The estimated useful lives for significant property and equipment categories are as follows:

Computer Equipment and Software	1-3 years
Furniture and Fixtures	2-7 years
Machinery and Equipment	5-10 years
Leasehold Improvements	Shorter of useful or lease life

#### Leases

Operating lease assets are included within operating lease right-of-use assets, and the corresponding operating lease obligation on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2024 and 2023. The Company has elected not to present short-term leases as these leases have a lease term of 12 months or less at lease inception and do not contain purchase options or renewal terms that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise. All other lease assets and lease liabilities are recognized based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term at commencement date. Because most of the Company's leases do not provide an implicit rate of return, the Company used an incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at adoption date in determining the present value of lease payments.

## Segment Reporting

The Company currently operates as one business segment, which is also the sole reportable segment, focusing on the manufacturing and sales of environmentally-conscious, minimal-footprint EVs. The Company's business offerings have similar economic and other characteristics, including the nature of products, manufacturing, types of customers, and distribution methods. The determination of a single business segment is consistent with the consolidated financial information regularly provided to the Company's chief operating decision maker ("CODM"). The Company's CODM is its Executive Chairman and Principal Executive Officer, who reviews and evaluates consolidated profit and loss and total assets for the purpose of assessing performance, making operating decision, allocating resources, and planning and forecasting for future periods.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

The Company recognizes revenue in accordance with ASC 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, the core principle of which is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration which the entity expects to be entitled to receive in exchange for those goods or services. To achieve this core principle, five basic criteria must be met before revenue can be recognized: (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 performance obligations in the contract; and (5) recognize revenue when or as the Company satisfies a performance obligation.

#### Nature of goods and services

The following is a description of the Company's products and services from which the Company generates revenue, as well as the nature, timing of satisfaction of performance obligations, and significant payment terms for each:

### Product revenue

Product revenue from customer contracts is recognized on the sale of each electric vehicle as vehicles are shipped to customers. The majority of the Company's vehicle sales orders generally have only one performance obligation: the sale and delivery of complete vehicles. Ownership and risk of loss transfers to the customer based on FOB shipping point and freight charges are the responsibility of the customer. Revenue is typically recognized at the point control transfers or in accordance with payment terms customary to the business. The Company provides product warranties to assure that the product assembly complies with agreed upon specifications. The Company's product warranty is similar in all material respects to the product warranties provided by the Company's suppliers, therefore minimizing the warranty liability to the standard labor rates associated with the defective part replacement. Customers do not have the option to purchase a warranty separately; as such, a warranty is not accounted for as a separate performance obligation. The Company's policy is to exclude taxes collected from a customer from the transaction price of automotive contracts.

#### Shipping revenue

Amounts billed to customers related to shipping and handling are classified as shipping revenue. The Company has elected to recognize the cost for freight and shipping when control over vehicles has been transferred to the customer as an operating expense. The Company has reported shipping expenses of \$21,699 and income of \$6,034 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, included in General and Administrative Expenses.

#### Services and other revenue

Services and other revenue consist of non-warranty after-sales vehicle services. Revenue is typically recognized at a point in time when services and replacement parts are provided.

#### Miscellaneous income

Miscellaneous income consists of late fees charged for receivables not paid within the terms of the customer agreement based upon the outstanding customer receivable balance. This revenue is earned when a customer's receivable balance becomes delinquent, and its collection is reasonably assured and is calculated using a stated late fee rate multiplied by the outstanding balance that is subject to a late fee charge.



#### Research and development costs

Costs are incurred in connection with research and development programs that are expected to contribute to future earnings. Such costs include labor, stock-based compensation, training, software subscriptions, and consulting. These amounts are charged to the consolidated statement of operations as incurred. Total research and development expenses included were \$1,493,202 and \$7,418,026 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

#### Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income tax using an asset and liability approach, which allows for the recognition of deferred tax benefits in future years. Under the asset and liability approach, deferred taxes are provided for the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. The accounting for deferred income taxes represents management's best estimate on the most likely future tax consequences of events that have been recognized in the consolidated financial statements or tax returns. A valuation allowance is provided for deferred tax assets if it is more likely than not these items will either expire before the Company is able to realize their benefits, or that future realization is uncertain. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, there were no accruals for uncertain tax positions.

#### Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation in accordance with ASC 718, *Compensation - Stock Compensation* ("ASC 718"). The Company recognizes all employee and non-employee share-based compensation as an expense in the consolidated financial statements on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, based on the terms of the awards. Equity-classified awards principally related to stock options, restricted stock awards ("RSAs") and equity-based compensation, are measured at the grant date fair value of the award. The Company determines grant date fair value of stock option awards using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The fair value of RSAs is determined using the closing price of the Company's common stock on the grant date. For service based vesting grants, expense is recognized ratably over the requisite service period based on the number of options or shares. Stock-based compensation is reversed for forfeitures in the period of forfeiture.

Stock options issued as compensation for services provided to the Company are accounted for based upon the fair value of the underlying equity instrument. The attribution of the fair value of the equity instrument is charged directly to compensation expense over the period during which services are rendered.

# **Basic and Diluted Loss Per Share**

Basic earnings per share excludes dilution for common stock equivalents and is computed by dividing net income or loss attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding for the period. Diluted EPS is calculated based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock plus the effect of dilutive potential common shares outstanding during the period. Potentially dilutive securities consist of common stock options, restricted stock units, contingently issuable shares, and convertible preferred securities. The dilutive effect of stock options, restricted stock units and contingently issuable shares is reflected in diluted EPS by application of the treasury stock method. The dilutive effect of convertible preferred securities is reflected in the diluted EPS by application of the "if-converted" method. The dilutive effect of convertible preferred securities is reflected in the diluted average ordinary shares outstanding during the period. For all periods presented with a net loss, the shares underlying the ordinary share options and warrants have been excluded from the calculation because their effect would be anti-dilutive. Therefore, the weighted-average shares outstanding used to calculate both basic and diluted loss per share is the same for periods with a net loss. For all periods presented with a net loss, the shares underlying the common stock options and warrants have been excluded from the calculation because their effect would be anti-dilutive. Therefore, the weighted-average shares outstanding used to calculate both basic and diluted loss per share is the same for periods with a net loss.

The following potentially dilutive securities have been excluded from the computation of diluted weighted average shares outstanding as they would be anti-dilutive:

	As of Decembe	As of December 31,		
	2024	2023		
Options to purchase Common Stock	7,666	38,696		
Restricted stock unvested	—	36,235		
Warrants outstanding	11,564,174	11,605,758		
Preferred stock outstanding	5,911,629	12,379,067		
Totals	17,483,469	24,059,756		

#### **Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2022, the FASB issued ASU 2022-03, *Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Fair Value Measurement of Equity Securities Subject to Contractual Sale Restrictions* ("ASU 2022-03"), which clarifies the guidance in Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurement* ("Topic 820"), when measuring the fair value of an equity security subject to contractual restrictions that prohibit the sale of an equity security and introduces new disclosure requirements for equity securities subject to contractual sale restrictions that are measured at fair value in accordance with Topic 820. ASU 2022-03 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, including interim periods within those fiscal years, and early adoption is permitted. Management does not believe the adoption of any of these accounting pronouncements has had or will have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In November 2023, the FASB issued Update 2023-07 - Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures, which requires disclosure of the title and position of the Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM"), an explanation of how the CODM uses the reported measure of segment profit or loss in assessing segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources, and disclosure of significant expenses regularly provided to the CODM that are included within the reported measure of segment profit or loss. The amendments of ASU 2023-07 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024. The Company adopted this new guidance for the year-ended December 31, 2024, on a retrospective basis, and the adoption did not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements. (see Note 15)

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In December 2023, the FASB issued Update 2023-09 - *Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures*, which enhances the disclosure requirements for income tax rate reconciliation, domestic and foreign income taxes paid, and unrecognized tax benefits. The amendments of ASU 2023-09 are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024. Early adoption is permitted and should be applied prospectively. The Company is currently evaluating the impact on the consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

In November 2024, the FASB issued ASU 2024-03, Income Statement — Reporting Comprehensive Income — Expense Disaggregation Disclosures (Subtopic 220-40): Disaggregation of Income Statement Expenses, to disclose additional information about specific expense categories. In January 2025, the FASB issued ASU 2025-01 Income Statement—Reporting Comprehensive Income—Expense Disaggregation Disclosures (Subtopic 220-40), which clarified the effective date for ASU 2024-03. These amendments are intended to provided more information about types of expenses in commonly presented expense captions. The amendments in this update are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2026, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2027, and early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact on the consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

# **NOTE 4. REVENUES**

#### **Disaggregation of Revenue**

Revenue disaggregated by type consists of the following:	Years Ended December 31,			
	 2024		2023	
Revenue type:				
Product revenue	\$ 43,200	\$	469,812	
Service revenue	19,511		_	
Miscellaneous income			16,399	
Shipping revenue	1,066		12,706	
Total revenue	\$ 63,777	\$	498,917	

# Warranty Reserve

The Company records a reserve for warranty repairs upon the initial delivery of vehicles to its dealer network. The Company provides a product warranty on each vehicle including powertrain, battery pack and electronics package. Such warranty matches the product warranty provided by its supply chain for warranty parts for all unaltered vehicles and is not considered a separate performance obligation. The supply chain warranty does not cover warranty-based labor needed to replace a part under warranty. Warranty reserves include management's best estimate of the projected cost of labor to repair/replace all items under warranty. The Company reserves a percentage of all dealer-based sales to cover an industry-standard warranty fund to support dealer labor warranty repairs. The warranty reserve is recorded as a component of cost of revenues in the statement of operations.

As of December 31, 2024, the accrued warranty reserve balance of \$403,778 was no longer required. The warranty reserve was for Club Car product warranty, and upon the legal settlement, all claims were released against future warranties. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, warranty reserves were recorded within accrued expenses of \$0 and \$401,440, respectively.



# NOTE 5. INVENTORY

Inventory consisted of the following:

	Α	As of December 31			
	2024			2023	
Raw materials	\$		\$	3,252,280	
Work-in-progress		—		179,702	
Finished goods		—		_	
Total inventory, net	\$	_	\$	3,431,982	

During the year ended December 31, 2024, depreciation for fleet inventory was \$317,598. There were no vehicles in fleet inventory during the year ended December 31, 2023.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, \$4,909,190 impairment of inventory adjustment was recorded in cost of goods sold, related to the Vanish, which was part of a net realizable value adjustment related to the ongoing evaluation of the Company's business and product development. Included in the impairment of inventory adjustment during the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$476,340 related to physical inventory stock adjustments. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company wrote down \$732,129 in prepaid inventory to cost of goods sold.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company determined that the 411x vehicle and all spare parts that were in inventory sourced from China that were specific to the 411x vehicle were obsolete as they are sold exclusively through Club Car. As a result, all inventory associated with the 411x vehicle was written off. During the year ended December 31, 2023, a \$2,433,394 net realizable value adjustment was recorded related to the Vanish, spare inventory for the 411x was written off of \$615,091, and \$3,048,485 was expensed for impairment of inventory to cost of goods sold.

# NOTE 6. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

Prepaid expenses and other current assets consisted of the following:

		As of December 31,			
	2024			2023	
Prepayments for inventory	\$	401,675	\$	1,524,831	
Prepayments for insurance		172,221		227,945	
Prepayments for software		93,316		37,203	
Prepaid other		305,033		97,803	
Total prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	972,245	\$	1,887,782	

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company expensed \$547,847 in prepaid inventory pursuant to a vendor bankruptcy, and a separate write down in prepaid inventory of \$732,129 related to the Vanish, which was part of a net realizable value adjustment related to the ongoing evaluation of the Company's business and product development recorded to cost of goods sold.

## NOTE 7. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET

Property and equipment, net consisted of the following:

	As of December 31,			
	 2024		2023	
Computer and equipment	\$ 3,626,649	\$	3,619,041	
Lease improvements	1,094,025		1,094,025	
Computer software	113,575		495,295	
Furniture and fixtures	357,280		395,703	
	5,191,529		5,604,064	
Less: Impairment of long-lived assets	(1,615,660)		_	
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(3,575,869)		(2,486,900)	
Total property and equipment, net	\$ _	\$	3,117,164	

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, was \$1,366,011 and \$1,074,684, respectively. Depreciation expense is allocated to cost of goods sold and operating expenses. As part of the Company's ongoing evaluation of business and product development strategy, the Company recorded a \$1,615,660 loss due to write down of idle fixed assets that were intended to be used in the production of the Vanish for the year ended December 31, 2024.

During the years ended December 31, 2024, the Company disposed of certain fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation, of \$359,965 and recognized a realized a loss on disposal of \$32,928.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company sold fixed assets and recognized realized loss on disposal of \$40,181.

# NOTE 8. ACCRUED EXPENSES AND OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities consisted of the following:

	Dec	cember 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Accrued professional and consulting fees	\$	40,009	\$ 497,719
Accrued severance		277,126	575,111
Accrued cash-settled restricted stock tax withholding		285,250	_
Accrued warranty reserve			401,440
Accrued expenses other		122,565	77,802
Accrued current liabilities		68,869	104,469
Total accrued expenses and other current liabilities	\$	793,819	\$ 1,656,541

# NOTE 9. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

#### **Common Stock**

On September 14, 2023, the Company amended its certificate of incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 100,000,000 to 200,000,000 and made a corresponding change to the number of authorized shares of capital stock, effective September 15, 2023.

On September 15, 2023, the Company issued 173,530 shares of common stock as round up shares resulting from the Rreverse Stock Split (as defined herein).

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company issued 85,172 shares of common stock upon the vesting of restricted stock.

On October 29, 2024, the Company entered into a Stock Repurchase Agreement with a certain beneficial owner (the "Seller") to repurchase a total of 418,478 shares of common stock from the Seller, at a purchase price of \$0.90 per share, for an aggregate cash purchase price of \$376,630. Pursuant to ASC 505-30-30-3, *Acquisition of Treasury Stock*, the repurchased shares are recorded at cost, with no gain or loss recognized upon the acquisition of treasury stock, regardless of any premium paid over the prevailing market price. As a result of the repurchase, the shares were immediately cancelled, thereby reducing total stockholder' equity at their recorded cost.

On December 2, 2024, the Company modified certain restricted stock units granted under its *Ayro 2020 Long Term Incentive Plan*. As part of this modification, the Company granted 938,321 restricted stock units effective as of the modification date, to members of the Board of Directors, and concurrently cancelled 47,541 previously vested restricted stock units, of which 23,770 were issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023, resulting in a net issuance of 914,551 shares of common stock. The incremental compensation expense from the restricted awards modification was \$657,275. The modification was accounted for in accordance with ASC 718-20-35-8, *Compensation — Stock Compensation: Modifications of Awards*, which provides guidance on accounting for modifications that result in an incremental change in the fair value of the awards.

Upon the vesting of restricted stock awards, the Company allows recipients to satisfy their tax withholding obligations by electing to have the Company withhold a portion of the vested shares, rather than receiving the full amount of shares. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company withheld 375,329 shares of common stock with a total fair value of \$285,250 for recipients tax withholding obligations, based on closing market price of the Company's stock on the vesting date. The shares withheld for tax withholding obligations were immediately cancelled. At the end of December 31, 2024, the tax withholding liability of \$285,250 was included in accrued expenses. During the year ended December 31, 2023, no common shares were withheld from vested restricted stock awards by the Company for tax withholding obligations.

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company issued 3,431,815 shares of common stock upon the redemption and/or conversion of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock. There were no shares of common stock issued from the Serie H-7 Preferred Stock redemptions and conversions for the year ended December 31, 2023.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company issued 75,000 shares of common stock related to vendor services obligations of \$126,000.

#### Series H Convertible Preferred Stock

Under the terms of the Series H Certificate of Designation, each share of the Company's Series H Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series H Preferred Stock") has a stated value of \$154.00 and is convertible into shares of the Company's common stock, equal to the stated value divided by the conversion price of \$1,478.40 per share (subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits or dividends). The Company is prohibited from effecting the conversion of the Series H Preferred Stock to the extent that, as a result of such conversion, the holder would beneficially own more than 9.99%, in the aggregate, of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company's common stock calculated immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of common stock upon such conversion. In the event of liquidation, the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock into common stock, to receive a payment in the amount the holder would receive if such holder converted the Series H Preferred Stock into common stock immediately prior to the date of such payment.



## Series H-3 Convertible Preferred Stock

Pursuant to the Series H-3 Certificate of Designation (as defined below), the holders of the Company's Series H-3 Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series H-3 Preferred Stock") are entitled to elect up to two members of a seven-member Board, subject to certain step downs; pursuant to the Series H-3 securities purchase agreement, the Company agreed to effectuate the appointment of the designees specified by the Series H-3 investors as directors of the Company. Under the terms of the Series H-3 Certificate of Designation, each share of the Series H-3 Preferred Stock has a stated value of \$138.00 and is convertible into shares of common stock, equal to the stated value divided by the conversion price of \$1,324.80 per share (subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits and dividends). The Company is prohibited from effecting the conversion of the Series H-3 Preferred Stock to the extent that, as a result of such conversion, the holder or any of its affiliates would beneficially own more than 9.99%, in the aggregate, of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock calculated immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of common stock upon the conversion of the Series H-3 Preferred Stock.

In the event of liquidation, the holders of the Series H-3 Preferred Stock are entitled, pari passu with the holders of common stock, to receive a payment in the amount the holder would receive if such holder converted the Series H-3 Preferred Stock into common stock immediately prior to the date of such payment.

## Series H-6 Convertible Preferred Stock

On February 5, 2020, the Company filed the Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock (the "Series H-6 Certificate of Designation") with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, establishing and designating the rights, powers and preferences of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock. The Company designated up to 50,000 shares of Series H-6 Preferred Stock and each share has a stated value of \$72.00 (the "H-6 Stated Value"). Each share of Series H-6 Preferred Stock is convertible at any time at the option of the holder thereof, into a number of shares of common stock of the Company determined by dividing the H-6 Stated Value by the initial conversion price of \$28.80 per share, which was then further reduced to \$20.00 under the anti-dilution adjustment provision, subject to a 9.99% blocker provision and then decreased to \$5.76 upon the Company's one-for-eight reverse stock split effective on September 15, 2023 ("Reverse Stock Split"). The Series H-6 Preferred Stock has the same dividend rights as the common stock, except as provided for in the Series H-6 Preferred Stock be permitted to exercise a greater number of votes than such holder would have been entitled to cast if the Series H-6 Preferred Stock had immediately been converted into shares of common stock at a conversion price equal to \$5.76. In addition, a holder (together with its affiliates) may not be permitted to vote Series H-6 Preferred Stock held by such holder to the extent that such holder would beneficially own more than 9.99% of the Company common stock. In the event of any liquidation or dissolution, the Series H-6 Preferred Stock ranks senior to the common stock in the distribution.

The holders of Series H-6 Preferred Stock are entitled to certain anti-dilution adjustments if the Company issues shares of its common stock at a lower price per share than the applicable conversion price of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock. If any such dilutive issuance occurs prior to the conversion of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock, the conversion price will be adjusted downward to a price that cannot be less than \$5.76.

# Series H-7 Preferred Stock

On August 7, 2023, the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the "Series H-7 Purchase Agreement"), pursuant to which it agreed to sell to certain existing investors (the "Series H-7 Investors") in a private placement (the "Series H-7 Private Placement") (i) an aggregate of 22,000 shares of the Company's newly designated Series H-7 convertible preferred stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, with a stated value of \$1,000 per share ("Series H-7 Preferred Shares"), and (ii) warrants (the "Series H-7 Investor Warrants") initially exercisable for up to an aggregate of 2,750,000 shares of common stock at a conversion price of \$8.00 per share. The Company raised gross proceeds of \$22,000,000 from the sale, which closed on August 10, 2023.

In connection with the Private Placement, pursuant to an Engagement Letter (the "Palladium Engagement Letter"), dated August 7, 2023, between the Company and Palladium Capital Group, LLC (the "Placement Agent"), the Company agreed to pay the Placement Agent (i) a cash fee equal to 6% of the gross proceeds from any sale of securities in the Private Placement and (ii) warrants ("Placement Agent Warrants," and together with the Investor Warrants, the "Warrants") to purchase shares of common stock equal to 2% of the number of shares of common stock that the Preferred Shares are initially convertible into, with an initial exercise price of \$8.00 per share (subsequently reduced to \$2.00 per share pursuant to a Stock Combination Event Adjustment following the Reverse Stock Split) and a five-year term.

The Series H-7 Preferred Shares are convertible into common stock (the "Conversion Shares") at the election of the holder at any time at an initial conversion price of \$8.00 (the "Conversion Price"), which, following the Company's Reverse Stock Split and pursuant to the stock combination event adjustment provisions in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations, was subsequently reduced to \$2.00. The Conversion Price is subject to adjustments for stock dividends, stock splits, reclassifications and the like, and subject to price-based adjustment in the event of any issuances of common stock, or securities convertible, exercisable or exchangeable for common stock, at a price below the thenapplicable Conversion Price (subject to certain exceptions). The Company is required to redeem the Series H-7 Preferred Shares in 12 equal monthly installments from, and including, the applicable Installment Date (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations). On February 9, 2024, the Company filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware a Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Designations of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock, which became effective upon filing, which amended the commencement of the monthly installment dates, to be between May 7, 2024, and August 7, 2025. The first such installment dates were May 7, 2024 and August 7, 2024, as elected by the applicable investor.

The amortization payments due upon redemption of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares are payable, at the Company's election, in cash at 105% of the Installment Redemption Amount (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations), or subject to certain limitations, in shares of common stock valued at the lower of (i) the Conversion Price then in effect and (ii) the greater of (A) 80% of the average of the three lowest closing prices of the Company's common stock during the thirty consecutive trading day period immediately prior to the date the amortization payment is due and (B) \$0.744 (as adjusted for the Company's Reverse Stock Split and subject to adjustment for stock splits, stock dividends, stock combinations, recapitalizations or other similar events) or, in any case, such lower amount as permitted, from time to time, by the Nasdaq Stock Market. The holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares have the option to defer amortization payments or, subject to certain limitations as specified in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations, can elect to accelerate installment conversion amounts.

The holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares are entitled to dividends of 8.0% per annum, compounded monthly, which are payable in cash or shares of common stock at the Company's option, in accordance with the terms of the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a Triggering Event (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations), the Series H-7 Preferred Shares will accrue dividends at the rate of 15% per annum. Upon conversion or redemption, the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares are also entitled to receive a dividend make-whole payment.

The Series H-7 Certificate of Designations provides that, except as required by applicable law, the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares will be entitled to vote with holders of the common stock on an as converted basis, with the number of votes to which each holder of Series H-7 Preferred Shares is entitled to be determined by dividing the Stated Value by a conversion price equal to \$5.76 per share (as adjusted for the Reverse Stock Split), which was the "Minimum Price" (as defined in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(d)) applicable immediately before the execution and delivery of the Series H-7 Purchase Agreement, subject to certain beneficial ownership limitations and adjustments for any stock splits, stock dividends, stock combinations, recapitalizations or other similar transactions, as set forth in the Certificate of Designations.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company's ability to settle conversions and make amortization and dividend make-whole payments using shares of common stock is subject to certain limitations set forth in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations. Further, the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations contains a certain beneficial ownership limitation after giving effect to the issuance of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of, or as part of any amortization payment or dividend make-whole payment under, the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations or Series H-7 Warrants.

The Series H-7 Certificate of Designations includes certain triggering events including, among other things, the suspension from trading or the failure of the common stock to be trading or listed (as applicable) on an eligible market for a period of five (5) consecutive trading days, the Company's failure to pay any amounts due to the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares when due. In connection with a triggering event, each holder of Series H-7 Preferred Shares will be able to require the Company to redeem in cash any or all of the holder's Series H-7 Preferred Shares at a premium set forth in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations.

The Series H-7 Preferred Shares were determined to be more akin to a debt-like host than an equity-like host. The Company identified the following embedded features that are not clearly and closely related to the debt host instrument: 1) make-whole interest upon a contingent redemption event, 2) make-whole interest upon a conversion event, 3) an installment redemption upon an Equity Conditions Failure (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations), and 4) variable share-settled installment conversion, see Note 13. These features were bundled together, assigned probabilities of being affected and measured at fair value. Subsequent changes in fair value of these features are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. The Company estimated the \$5,147,000 fair value of the bifurcated embedded derivative at issuance using a Monte Carlo simulation model, with the following inputs: (i) estimated equity volatility of 75.0%, (ii) the time to maturity of 1.48 years, (iii) a discounted market interest rate of 12.2%, (iv) dividend rate of 8.0%, (v) a penalty dividend rate of 15.0%, and (vi) probability of default of 14.8%. The fair value of the bifurcated derivative liability was estimated utilizing the with and without method which uses the probability weighted difference between the scenarios with the derivative and the plain vanilla maturity scenario without a derivative.

The discount to the fair value is included as a reduction to the carrying value of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recorded a total discount of \$15,484,324 upon issuance of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares, which was comprised of the issuance date fair value of the associated embedded derivative of \$5,147,000, stock issuance costs of \$563,324, of which \$367,844 was paid in cash and \$195,480 was allocated as the Placement Agent Warrants both of which were recorded to mezzanine equity, and the fair value of the Investor Warrants of \$9,774,000. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, it is probable that the Series H-7 Preferred Shares will be redeemed. In accordance with ASC 480-10-S99-3A the Company is accreting the discount on the effective interest method and \$8,255,150 and \$3,980,274, respectively, was recorded as a deemed dividend during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023. (Note 13)

The certificate of designations for the Series H-7 Preferred Shares (the "Series H-7 Certificate of Designations") contains certain restrictive provisions, including (i) a requirement to maintain unencumbered, unrestricted cash and cash equivalents on hand in an amount equal to (a) until December 31, 2023, at least \$20,000,000 plus the net proceeds from the sale of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares pursuant to the Series H-7 Purchase Agreement, and (b) from January 1, 2024 and until an aggregate of eighty percent (80%) of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares have been converted into shares of common stock, at least \$21,000,000, and (ii) a requirement to deposit an amount equal to \$10,000,000 from the Private Placement proceeds into a newly established segregated deposit account of the Company ("Segregated Cash"), and to use such Segregated Cash solely for the purpose of performing the Company's monetary obligations to the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares, provided, however, that the Company may use the Segregated Cash for any purpose, including general corporate purposes, with the prior written consent of holders of at least 75% of the outstanding Series H-7 Preferred Shares. As of December 31, 2024, the Company was not in compliance with the restrictive provisions as discussed below.

On December 2, 2024, the Company entered into a Wavier and Amendment Agreement (the "Amendment") with the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designations). Pursuant to the Amendment, the Company and the Required Holders agreed (i) to amend (a) the Certificate of Designations, by filing a Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Designations (the "Certificate of Amendment"), and (b) the Purchase Agreement, such that, in each case, the Director Equity Grants are deemed to constitute "Excluded Securities" under the Transaction Documents (as such term is defined in the Purchase Agreement), and (ii) that the Required Holders waive the applicability of certain other provisions of the Transaction Documents with respect to such Director Equity Grants. The Certificate of Amendment was filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware, effective as of December 2, 2024.

On March 30, 2025, the Company entered into an Omnibus Waiver and Amendment Agreement ("Waiver and Amendment Agreement") with the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designations), pursuant to which, the Required Holders agreed (A) to amend (i) the Certificate of Designations, as described below, by filing a Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Designations with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the "March 2025 Certificate of Amendment"), and (ii) the Series H-7 Purchase Agreement, to amend the definition of "Excluded Securities" such that the definition includes the issuance of common stock issued after the date of the Series H-7 Purchase Agreement pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan (as defined in the Series H-7 Purchase Agreement), which in the aggregate does not exceed more than 2% of the shares of common stock issued and outstanding on the date immediately prior to the date of the Purchase Agreement (the "Excluded Securities Modification"), and (B) to waive certain restrictive covenants contained in the Series H-7 Purchase Agreement as described therein.

The March 2025 Certificate of Amendment amends the Certificate of Designations to (i) amend the restrictive covenant of the Certificate of Designations such that the Company is required from January 1, 2025, until no shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are outstanding, to maintain unencumbered, unrestricted cash and cash equivalents on hand in amount equal to at least 120% of the aggregate Stated Value (as defined in the Certificate of Designations) of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock then outstanding, (ii) amend the definition of "Excluded Securities" substantially similar to the Excluded Securities Modification, and (iii) remove the restrictive covenant provision relating to the Segregated Cash (as defined in the Certificate of Designations) requirement. The March 2025 Certificate of Amendment was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, effective as of March 31, 2025.

As of December 31, 2024, the Company has notified the investors of its intention to redeem the upcoming installments due in cash and recorded a liability of \$1,285,680 representing the cash payable to investors which includes \$1,049,222 of the stated value of the Series H-7 Preferred Shares, \$175,235 of accrued dividends payable, and \$61,233 for the cash premium which was recognized as a deemed dividend. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company redeemed a total of 11,833 Series H-7 Preferred Shares for cash equal to \$10,198,929 and issued 3,431,815 shares of Common Stock, elected pursuant to the terms of the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations, worth \$2,802,561.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company recognized \$2,425,599 of net preferred dividends which is comprised of \$1,878,713 and \$546,886 of accrued and deemed dividends for cash premium for installment redemptions ultimately settled in shares of Common Stock.

#### **Common Stock Warrants**

## H-7 Warrants

Pursuant to the Private Placement described above, the Company issued to Investors, H-7 Warrants initially exercisable for 2,750,000 shares of common stock. In addition, pursuant to the Palladium Engagement Letter in connection with the Private Placement, the Company issued Placement Agent Warrants initially exercisable for 55,000 shares of common stock with the same terms. The Placement Agent Warrants are within the scope of ASC 718 pursuant to ASC 718-10-20 but are subject to liability classification as they would be required to be classified as liabilities in accordance with ASC 815.

The H-7 Warrants are entitled to certain anti-dilution adjustments if the Company issues shares of its common stock at a lower price per share than the applicable exercise price. The exercise price of the H-7 Warrants are subject to adjustments for stock dividends, stock splits, reclassifications and the like, and subject to price-based adjustment in the event of any issuances of common stock, or securities convertible, exercisable or exchangeable for common stock, at a price below the then-applicable exercise price. As a result of the Reverse Stock Split, the exercise price of the Series H-7 Warrants was adjusted from \$8.00 to \$2.00 and the number of shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants was adjusted proportionally to an additional 8,415,000 shares of common stock.

The H-7 Warrants were determined to be subject to liability classification as they are considered to be indexed to the Company's own stock but fail to meet the requirements for equity classification in accordance with ASC 815. As such, the Company recorded the H-7 Warrants as a liability at fair value with subsequent changes in fair value recognized in earnings. The Company utilized the Black Scholes Model to calculate the value of these H-7 Warrants issued during the year ended December 31, 2023. The fair value of the H-7 Warrants of \$9,969,480 was estimated at the date of issuance using a stock price of \$5.20, an exercise price of \$8.00, and the following weighted average assumptions: (i) dividend yield 0%; (ii) expected term of 5.0 years; (iii) equity volatility of 96.0%; and (iv) a risk-free interest rate of 4.21%.

Transaction costs incurred attributable to the issuance of the H-7 Warrants of \$1,275,543 were immediately expensed to general and administrative expense.

# H-5 Warrants

The H-5 Warrants are entitled to certain anti-dilution adjustments if the Company issues shares of its common stock at a lower price per share than the applicable exercise price (subject to a floor price of \$6.336 per share). Anti-dilution adjustments were triggered resulting in an adjusted exercise price per share from \$20.00 to \$8.00 as the result of the issuance of Series H-7 Preferred Shares and from \$8.00 to \$6.336 as of result of the Reverse Stock Split. An additional 93,940 warrants exercisable at \$6.336 per share were issued.

The Company considers the change in exercise price due to the anti-dilution trigger related to the Series H-5 Warrants to be of an equity nature, as the issuance allowed the warrant holders to exercise warrants in exchange for common stock, which represents an equity for equity exchange. Therefore, the change in the fair value before and after the effect of the anti-dilution triggering event and the fair value of the Series H-5 warrants will be treated as a deemed dividend in the amount of \$199,000 during the year ended December 31, 2023. The Company valued the initial deemed dividend as the difference between: (a) the modified fair value of the Series H-5 Warrants in the amount of \$165,000 and (b) the fair value of the original award prior to the modification of \$21,000.

The Company valued the second deemed dividend as the difference between: (a) the modified fair value of the Series H-5 Warrants in the amount of \$141,000 and (b) the fair value of the original award prior to the modification of \$86,000. The warrants were valued using the Black-Scholes option pricing model on the date of the modification and issuance using the following assumptions for the initial deemed dividend: (a) fair value of common stock of \$5.20 per share, (b) expected volatility of 76.00%, (c) dividend yield of 0%, (d) risk-free interest rate of 4.91%, and (e) expected life of 1.82 years. The warrants were valued using the Black-Scholes option pricing model on the date of the modification and issuance using the following assumptions for the second deemed dividend: (a) fair value of common stock of \$3.90 per share, (b) expected volatility of 76.00%, (c) dividend yield of 0%, (d) risk-free interest rate of 5.13%, and (e) expected life of 1.73 years.

A summary of the Company's warrants to purchase common stock activity is as follows:

	Shares Underlying Warrants	V	Veighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (in Years)
Outstanding at December 31, 2022	763,253	\$	58.40	1.32
Granted	11,313,940		2.00	_
Expired	(471,435)		58.40	—
Outstanding at December 31, 2023	11,605,758		3.42	4.42
Expired	(41,584)	\$	58.68	—
Outstanding at December 31, 2024	11,564,174	\$	3.19	3.44

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As of December 31, 2024, all H-7 Warrants to purchase common stock are all exercisable.



#### NOTE 10. STOCK BASED COMPENSATION

## AYRO 2020 Long Term Incentive Plan

On May 28, 2020, the Company's shareholders approved the AYRO, Inc. 2020 Long Term Incentive Plan for future grants of incentive stock options, nonqualified stock, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance and other awards. The Company has reserved a total of 1,229,956 shares of its common stock pursuant to the AYRO, Inc. 2020 Long-Term Incentive Plan, including shares of restricted stock that have been issued. On December 30, 2024, the Company's stockholder approved an amendment to the AYRO, Inc. 2020 Long-Term Incentive Plan to increase the reserved shares of its common stock by 3,000,000, to a total of 4,229,956 shares. The Company has 3,038,916 shares available for future issuance remaining under this plan as of December 31, 2024.

#### AYRO 2017 Long Term Incentive Plan

The Company has reserved a total of 59,748 shares of its common stock pursuant to the AYRO, Inc. 2017 Long-Term Incentive Plan. At December 31, 2024, no shares remained available for grant under future awards under the 2017 Long-Term Incentive Plan, and in connection with the 2020 Long-Term Incentive Plan, the remaining unissued amounts were cancelled.

# DropCar Amended and Restated 2014 Equity Incentive Plan

The Company's equity incentive plan created in 2014 (the "2014 Plan") was amended in 2018 to increase the number of shares of Company common stock available for issuance. Pursuant to the 2014 Plan, 17,666 shares of common stock were reserved for issuance. The Company had 7,666 shares of common stock outstanding and no shares available for grant under the 2014 Plan at December 31, 2024.

Stock-based compensation, including restricted stock awards and stock options is included in the consolidated statement of operations as follows:

		Years Ended December 31,			
	2024			2023	
Research and development	\$	3,810	\$	24,240	
Sales and marketing		453		6,053	
General and administrative		709,486		887,765	
Total	\$	713,749	\$	918,058	

At December 31, 2024, all stock-based compensation expense had been fully recognized by the Company.

#### **Options**

The following table reflects a summary of stock option activity:

	Weighted Average				
	Number of Shares		<b>Exercise Price</b>	Contractual Life (Years)	
Outstanding at December 31, 2022	97,240	\$	49.20	7.56	
Forfeitures	(58,544)		23.57	—	
Outstanding at December 31, 2023	38,696	\$	90.99	6.53	
Forfeitures	(31,030)		16.54		
Outstanding at December 31, 2024	7,666	\$	330.00	3.45	

Of the outstanding options, stock options to purchase up to 7,666 were vested and exercisable as of December 31, 2024. At December 31, 2024, the aggregate intrinsic value of stock options vested and exercisable was \$0.

The Company recognized \$8,158 and \$59,624 of stock option expense for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

#### **Restricted Stock**

The following table reflects the restricted stock activity:

		Weighted A	verage Grant
	Number of Shares	P	rice
Outstanding at December 31, 2023	36,235	\$	4.01
Granted	938,321		0.78
Vested	(938,321)		0.78
Forfeited	(36,235)		4.01
Outstanding at December 31, 2024		\$	_

On December 2, 2024, pursuant to the AYRO, Inc. 2020 Long-Term Incentive Plan, the Company granted 938,321 shares of restricted stock to non-executive directors. As of December 31, 2024, all shares of restricted stock were vested and issued. (See Note 9)

The Company recognized compensation expense related to all restricted stock during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, of \$705,591 and \$858,434, respectively.

#### NOTE 11. CONCENTRATIONS AND CREDIT RISK

#### Revenues

There were no significant revenue concentrations for the year ended December 31, 2024.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company's revenues from the company's four largest customers were approximately 23%, 18%, 16%, and 11%.

#### Accounts Receivable

As of December 31, 2024, there were no significant accounts receivable concentrations. Four customers accounted for approximately 82% of the Company's gross accounts receivable for the year ended December 31, 2023. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company's accounts receivable for the four customers were approximately 32%, 27%, 12%, and 11%.

#### Purchasing

There were no significant supplier concentrations for the year ended December 31, 2024. One supplier accounted for approximately 36% of the Company's purchases of raw materials for the year ended December 31, 2023.

# NOTE 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Manufacturing Agreements

On July 28, 2022, the Company partnered with Linamar Corporation ("Linamar") a Canadian manufacturer, in a manufacturing agreement (the "Linamar MLA") to provide certain sub assembly and assembly parts, including the cabin frame and skate for the Vanish (collectively, the "Products"). During the term of the Linamar MLA, Linamar has the exclusive right to supply the Products to the Company, subject to certain exceptions. The Linamar MLA has an initial term of three years and will automatically renew for successive two-year terms unless either party has given at least 12 months' written notice of nonrenewal. Either party may terminate the Linamar MLA at any time upon 12 months' written notice, and in the event of a change in control of the Company prior to the end of the initial term, the Company may terminate upon written notice within three days of completion of such change in control. On June 21, 2024, the Company notified Linamar of its intention not to renew the Linamar MLA. As a result, the Linamar MLA was terminated in accordance with its terms on December 17, 2024. On January 13, 2025, the Company received \$401,675 in cash as part of the final settlement of the Company's obligations against funds advanced to Linamar, under the Linamar MLA.

On August 27, 2024, the Company partnered with Lithion Battery Inc. ("Lithion"), a manufacturer of certain iron phosphate and lithium-ion battery cells, modules and battery packs, and entered into a purchase agreement with Lithion (the "Lithion Purchase Agreement"), pursuant to which, the Company agreed to purchase batteries from Lithion for an aggregate of \$1,211,150 through 2025. As of December 31, 2024, the Company expensed \$669,990 in prepaid inventory, with \$541,160 under the Lithion Purchase Agreement remained outstanding.

#### Supply Chain Agreements

On December 21, 2023, the Company entered into a supply agreement (the "Athena Supply Agreement") with Athena Manufacturing, LP ("Athena"), a provider of customizable sophisticated metal products. As part of the Athena Supply Agreement, the Company was able to submit requests for devices, component, component assembly, material part, or piece that is custom to the Company. On August 30, 2024, the Company terminated the Athena Supply Agreement with Athena, and in full settlement, the Company paid an amount of \$289,205 for materials purchased.

#### Litigation

The Company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims, either asserted or unasserted, which arise in the ordinary course of business, that it believes are incidental to the operation of its business. While the outcome of these claims cannot be predicted with certainty, management does not believe that the outcome of any of these legal matters will have a material adverse effect on its results of operations, financial positions, or cash flows.



On March 23, 2018, the Company was made aware of an audit being conducted by the New York State Department of Labor (the "DOL") regarding a claim filed by an employee. The DOL is investigating whether the Company properly paid overtime, for which the Company has raised several defenses. In addition, the DOL is conducting its audit to determine whether the Company owes spread of hours pay (non-exempt worker whose workday is longer than ten hours must receive an extra hour of pay at the basic minimum hourly rate).

On October 20, 2023, Club Car filed a complaint against the Company in the Superior Court of Columbia County, Georgia (Civil Action File No.2023ECV0838) (the "Club Car Complaint"), alleging that the Company had breached its contractual obligations to Club Car under a master procurement agreement (the "MPA") entered into by and among AYRO Operating Company, Inc., the Company's subsidiary ("AYRO Operating"), and Club Car on March 5, 2019 due to alleged defects in the vehicles sold to Club Car and the Company's termination of warranty support following termination of the MPA. During December 2024, the Company entered into a \$1.5 million settlement agreement with Club Car, resolving all claims asserted in or arising from the litigation. As of December 31, 2024, the related accrued warranty reserve balance of \$403,778 was no longer required and applied against the \$1.5 million legal settlement. The warranty reserve was for Club Car product warranty, and upon the legal settlement, all claims were released against future warranties.

In February of 2024, Inventus Power, Inc. filed a complaint against the Company in the Circuit Court of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, County of DuPage, Illinois, alleging that the Company failed to pay invoices for certain battery packs and related equipment. In April of 2024, the Company filed counterclaims asserting that the battery packs in question were defective and not in compliance with contractual specifications. In August of 2024, the parties entered into a confidential settlement agreement, pursuant to which they agreed to dismiss with prejudice the claims and counterclaims in this lawsuit. The settlement agreement did not have a material impact on the Company's results of operations or financial condition.

#### Lease Agreements

In 2019, the Company entered into a new lease agreement for office and manufacturing space (the "2019 Lease"). The 2019 Lease commencement date was January 16, 2020. Prior to the commencement date of the 2019 Lease, the Company leased other office and manufacturing space on a short-term basis. The Company determined if an arrangement is a lease at inception of the contract and whether a contract is or contains a lease by determining whether it conveys the right to control the use of identified asset for a period of time. These leases provide the right to substantially all the economic benefits from the use of the identified asset and the right to direct use of the identified asset, as such, the contract is, or contains, a lease. In connection with the adoption of ASC 842, *Leases* (ASC 842), the Company has elected to treat the lease and non-lease components as a single component.

Leases were classified as an operating lease at inception. An operating lease results in the recognition of a Right-of-Use ("ROU") assets and lease liability on the balance sheet. ROU assets and operating lease liabilities are recognized based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term as of the commencement date. Because the lease does not provide an explicit or implicit rate of return, the Company determines an incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments on an individual lease basis.

The incremental borrowing rate for a lease is the rate of interest the Company would have to pay on a collateralized basis to borrow an amount equal to the lease payments for the asset under similar terms, which is 10.41%. Lease expense for the lease is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The Company's leases do not contain any residual value guarantees or material restrictive covenants. Leases with a lease term of 12 months or less are not recorded on the balance sheet and lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The Company currently has no finance leases.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company reassessed the carrying value of its right-of-use asset due to a sublease arrangement and concluded that the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset exceeded its estimated recoverable amount. Consequently, an impairment charge of \$44,175 was recognized in the consolidated statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2024.

During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities - operating cash flows from operating lease were \$254,277 and \$247,533, respectively. Total lease expense is allocated to selling, general and administration expense, and cost of goods sold. The components of lease expense (within different expense groupings) consist of the following:

	Years Ended December 31,			
	2024		2023	
Operating lease expense	\$ 244,785	\$	244,785	
Short-term lease expense	190,203		479,695	
Total lease cost	\$ 434,988	\$	724,480	

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Balance sheet information related to leases consists of the following:

	December 31,			
		2024		2023
Assets				
Operating lease – right-of-use asset	\$	429,819	\$	671,451
Total lease assets	\$	429,819	\$	671,451
Liabilities				
Current liabilities:				
Lease obligation – operating lease	\$	219,085	\$	196,682
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Lease obligation - operating lease, net of current portion		283,742		502,831
Total lease liability	\$	502,827	\$	699,513
As of December 31, 2024, the weighted-average remaining lease term and discount rate is as follows:				

Weighted average remaining lease term (in years) – operating lease	2.20
Weighted average discount rate – operating lease	10.41%

Future minimum lease payment under non-cancellable lease as of December 31, 2024 are as follows:

	<b>Operating Leases</b>
2025	\$ 261,223
2026	268,378
2027	44,929
Total minimum lease payments	574,530
Less: effects of discounting	(71,703)
Present value of future minimum lease payments	\$ 502,827

# NOTE 13. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value measurements discussed herein are based upon certain market assumptions and pertinent information available to management as of and during the year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023. The carrying amounts of cash equivalents, accounts receivable, other current assets, other assets, accounts payable, and accrued expenses approximated their fair values as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, due to their short-term nature. The fair value of the bifurcated embedded derivative related to the convertible preferred stock was estimated using a Monte Carlo simulation model, which uses as inputs the fair value of the Company's common stock and estimates for the equity volatility and traded volume volatility of the Company's common stock, the time to maturity of the convertible preferred stock, the risk-free interest rate for a period that approximates the time to maturity, dividend rate, a penalty dividend rate, and the Company's probability of default. The fair value of the warrant liability was estimated using the Black Scholes Model which uses as inputs the following weighted average assumptions, as noted above: dividend yield, expected term in years, equity volatility, and risk-free interest rate.

#### Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The Company follows the guidance in ASC 820 for its financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at each reporting period, and non-financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at least annually. The estimated fair value of marketable securities and money market accounts represents a Level 1 measurement. The estimated fair value of the warrant liability and bifurcated embedded derivatives represent Level 3 measurements. The following table presents information about the Company's liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2024 and 2023, and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation inputs the Company utilized to determine such fair value:

The following table sets forth a summary of the Company's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

Description	Level	December 31, 2024		December 31, 2023	
Assets:					
Marketable securities	1	\$	4,089,832	\$	-
Cash and cash equivalent - money market account	1	\$	13,891,997	\$	1,805,597
Liabilities:					
Warrant liability	3	\$	2,362,900	\$	13,319,800
Derivative liability	3	\$	2,661,000	\$	9,400,000
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The following tables set forth a summary of the change in the fair value of the warrant liability, which is considered a Level 3 investment, which is measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

Balance on December 31, 2022	\$ —
Issuance of warrants	9,969,480
Change in fair value of warrant liability	3,350,320
Balance on December 31, 2023	\$ 13,319,800
Change in fair value of warrant liability	(10,956,900)
Balance on December 31, 2024	\$ 2,362,900

During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company recorded income of \$10,956,900 and loss of \$3,350,320, respectively, related to the change in fair value of the H-7 Warrant liability which is recorded in other income (expense) on the consolidated statements of operations. The fair value of the H-7 Warrants of \$2,362,900 was estimated at December 31, 2024, utilizing the Black Scholes Model using a stock price of \$0.68, an exercise price of \$2.00, and the following weighted average assumptions: (i) dividend yield 0%; (ii) remaining term of 3.61 years; (iii) equity volatility of 75.0%; and (iv) a risk-free interest rate of 4.30%. The fair value of the H-7 Warrants of \$13,319,800 was estimated at December 31, 2023, utilizing the Black Scholes Model using a stock price of \$1.76, an exercise price of \$2.00, and the following weighted average assumptions: (i) dividend yield 0%; (ii) remaining term of 4.61 years; (iii) equity volatility of 90.00%; and (iv) a risk-free interest rate of 3.87%.

The following tables set forth a summary of the change in the fair value of the derivative liability, which is considered a Level 3 investment, that is measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

Balance on December 31, 2022	\$ _
Issuance of convertible preferred stock with bifurcated embedded derivative	5,147,000
Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative	4,253,000
Balance on December 31, 2023	\$ 9,400,000
Change in fair value of derivative liability	(6,739,000)
Balance on December 31, 2024	\$ 2,661,000

During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company recorded income of \$6,739,000 and loss \$4,253,000, respectively, related to the change in fair value of the derivative liability which is recorded in other income (expense) on the consolidated statements of operations. The Company estimated the \$2,661,000 fair value of the bifurcated embedded derivative at December 31, 2024, using a Monte Carlo simulation model, with the following inputs: (i) estimated equity volatility of 70.0%; (ii) the time to maturity of 0.58 years; (iii) a discounted market interest rate of 9.1%; (iv) dividend rate of 8.0%; (v) a penalty dividend rate of 15.0%; and (vi) probability of default of 15.1%. As of December 31, 2024, the Series H-7 Preferred Shares are convertible into 5,910,874 shares of the Company's common stock.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company estimated \$9,400,000 fair value of the bifurcated embedded derivative using a Monte Carlo simulation model, with the following inputs: (i) estimated equity volatility of 85%, (ii) the time to maturity of 1.1 years, (iii) a discounted market interest rate of 5.9%, (iv) dividend rate of 8%, (v) a penalty dividend rate of 15%, and (vi) probability of default of 5.2%. As of December 31, 2023, the Series H-7 Preferred Shares were convertible into 12,378,321 shares of the Company's common stock.

# NOTE 14. INCOME TAXES

The following is a reconciliation of the statutory federal income tax rate applied to pre-tax net loss compared to the income taxes in the statement of operations as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Dec	December 31, 2024		cember 31, 2023
Income tax benefit at statutory U.S. federal rate	\$	(368,651)	\$	(7,165,506)
Equity issuance costs		_		267,864
Warrant liability		(2,300,949)		703,567
Derivative liability		(1,415,190)		884,940
Equity based compensation		217,188		874,366
Income tax expense/(benefit) attributable to U.S. states		(2,372)		(28,316)
Change in valuation allowance		4,024,907		4,348,711
Change in state tax rate		(64,328)		114,374
Return to provision adjustments		(91,202)		_
Other		597		—
Total tax expense	\$	_	\$	_

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Deferred income taxes reflect the net effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. The following table sets forth deferred income tax assets and liabilities as of the date shown:

	Decer	December 31, 2024		ember 31, 2023
Deferred tax assets:				
Net operating losses	\$	24,007,075	\$	19,958,440
Intangible assets		78,264		80,797
Capitalized research and development expense		2,203,714		2,437,176
Equity based compensation		_		74,109
Lease liability		108,573		147,709
Warrants		22,405		116,639
Other		531,543		180,979
Deferred tax assets		26,951,574		22,995,849
Deferred tax liabilities				
ROU asset		(92,809)		(141,783)
Other		(25,020)		(45,228
Deferred tax liabilities		(117,829)		(187,011)
Valuation allowance		(26,833,745)		(22,808,838)
Net deferred tax asset/(liability)	\$		\$	_

The valuation allowance recorded by the Company as of December 31, 2024, and 2023 resulted from the uncertainties of the future utilization of deferred tax assets relating primarily to net operating loss ("NOL") carryforwards for federal and state income tax purposes. Realization of the NOL carryforwards is contingent on future taxable earnings. The deferred tax asset was reviewed for expected utilization using a "more likely than not" approach by assessing the available positive and negative evidence surrounding its recoverability. Accordingly, a full valuation allowance continues to be recorded against the Company's deferred tax assets, as it was determined based upon past and projected future losses that it was "more likely than not" that the Company's deferred tax assets would not be realized. The cumulative valuation allowance as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, is \$26.8 million and \$22.8 million, respectively, which will be reduced if and when the Company determines that the deferred income tax assets are more likely than not to be realized.

Management does not believe that there are significant uncertain tax positions in 2024 and 2023. There are no interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in 2024 and 2023.

The Company has federal net operating loss carryforwards of \$101,941,194 and \$83,120,531 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. \$995,801 of the federal net operating loss is subject to a 20 year carry forward, with a portion beginning to expire in 2036. \$100,945,393 of the federal net operating loss has an indefinite carry forward period. The Company has State net operating loss carryforwards totaling \$56,427,513 and \$66,877,457 at December 31, 2024 and 2023. The Company has various state net operating loss carryforwards. The determination of the state net operating loss carryforwards is dependent upon apportionment percentages and state laws that can change from year to year and impact the amount of such carryforwards. If such net operating loss carryforwards are not utilized, they will begin to expire in 2031.

The following table sets for the tax years subject to examination for the major jurisdictions where the Company conducted business in the prior years and as of December 31, 2024.

Federal	2021 to 2024
Texas and Georgia	2020 to 2024

Federal and state laws impose substantial restrictions on the utilization of NOL carryforwards in the event of an ownership change for income tax purposes, as defined in Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). Pursuant to IRC Section 382, annual use of the Company's NOL carryforwards may be limited in the event a cumulative change in ownership of more than 50% occurs within a three-year period. The Company has not completed an IRC Section 382 analysis regarding the limitation of NOL carryforwards.

However, it is possible that past ownership changes will result in the inability to utilize a significant portion of the Company's NOL carryforward that was generated prior to any change of control. The Company's ability to use its remaining NOL carryforwards may be further limited if the Company experiences an IRC Section 382 ownership change in connection with future changes in the Company's stock ownership.



The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("TCJA") requires taxpayers to capitalize and amortize research and experimental expenditures under IRC Section 174 for tax years beginning after December 31, 2021. This rule became effective for the Company during the year ended December 31, 2022 and resulted in the capitalization of research and development costs of \$1,493,202 and \$7,418,028 during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Before the TCJA, businesses have had the option of deducting Section 174 expenses in the year incurred or capitalizing and amortizing the costs over five years. The Company will amortize these costs for tax purposes over five years if the research and development was performed outside the U.S.

On August 16, 2022, the Inflation Reduction Act was enacted into law. This Act includes a 15.0 percent book minimum tax on the adjusted financial statement income of applicable corporations, a number of clean-energy tax credits, and a 1.0 percent excise tax on certain stock buybacks. The Company does not expect these changes to have a material impact on the provision for income taxes or the financial statements.

# NOTE 15. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Company currently operates as one business segment, which is also the sole reportable segment, focusing on the manufacturing and sales of environmentally-conscious, minimal-footprint EVs. The Company's business offerings have similar economic and other characteristics, including the nature of products, manufacturing, types of customers, and distribution methods. The determination of a single business segment is consistent with the consolidated financial information regularly provided to the Company's chief operating decision maker ("CODM"). The Company's CODM is its Executive Chairman and Principal Executive Officer, who reviews and evaluates consolidated profit and loss and total assets for the purpose of assessing performance, making operating decision, allocating resources, and planning and forecasting for future periods.

In addition to the significant expense categories included within net loss presented on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations, see below for disaggregated amounts that comprise consulting and personnel expenses:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2024		2023
Consulting expenses	\$ 4,578,735	\$	8,048,238
Personnel expenses	3,336,242		9,322,570
Other expenses*	4,874,832		6,150,541
Total operating expenses	\$ 12,789,809	\$	23,521,349

\* Other expenses materially comprised of rent, property taxes, insurance, depreciation, licenses and business taxes, software subscription fees, issuance cost, bad debt, dues and subscriptions, travel and entertainment, and marketing.

# NOTE 16. RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Gilbert Villarreal, the president of AYRO Operating, through GLV Ventures and Electric Power, entities owned and controlled by Mr. Villarreal, has been providing consulting services to the Company in connection with the reengineering of the Company's Vanish at a rate of \$30,000 per month. As of December 31, 2024, the Company has paid Mr. Villarreal an aggregate of \$270,325 for such services performed, which is in addition to the compensation paid to Mr. Villarreal as President of AYRO Operating. As of December 31, 2024, the Company has accrued a related party liability of \$103,717.

# NOTE 17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

As of March 31, 2025, the Company made payments totaling \$3,545,971 for redemptions of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock pursuant to the terms of the Series H-7 Convertible preferred Stock Certificate of Designation.

On March 11, 2025, the Company entered into a sublease agreement (the "Sublease Agreement") for the Company's Round Rock, Texas, location with a third-party (the "Sublessee"). Per the terms of the Sublease Agreement the sublease shall commence on April 1, 2025, and expire on February 28, 2027 with an escalating rent schedule. The Sublessee will pay rent to the Company at a monthly rate of \$19,971.31 for the first 12 months and then \$20,570.46 for the remaining 11 months. The Company remains bound to the Landlord for all liabilities and obligations of the Company under the original lease.



# CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATIONS OF SERIES H-7 CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK OF AYRO, INC.

# PURSUANT TO SECTION 242 OF THE DELAWARE GENERAL CORPORATION LAW

This Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Designations of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Amendment") is dated as of March 31, 2025.

WHEREAS, the board of directors (the "**Board**") of AYRO, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), pursuant to the authority granted to it by the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (as amended, the "**Certificate of Incorporation**") and Section 151(g) of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "**DGCL**"), has previously fixed the rights, preferences, restrictions and other matters relating to a series of the Company's preferred stock, consisting of 22,000 authorized shares of preferred stock, classified as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock (the "**Preferred Stock**") and the Certificate of Designations of the Preferred Stock (as amended, the "**Certificate of Designations**") was initially filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on August 9, 2023 evidencing such terms;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 32(b) of the Certificate of Designations, the Certificate of Designations or any provision thereof may be amended by obtaining the affirmative vote at a meeting duly called for such purpose, or written consent without a meeting in accordance with the DGCL, of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of Preferred Stock (the "**Required Holders**"), voting separately as a single class, and with such stockholder approval, if any, as may then be required pursuant to the DGCL and the Certificate of Incorporation;

WHEREAS, the Required Holders pursuant to the Certificate of Designations have consented, in accordance with the DGCL, on March 30, 2025, to this Amendment on the terms set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Board has duly adopted resolutions proposing to adopt this Amendment and declaring this Amendment to be advisable and in the best interest of the Company and its stockholders.

NOW, THEREFORE, this Amendment has been duly adopted in accordance with Section 242 of the DGCL and has been executed by a duly authorized officer of the Company as of the date first set forth above to amend the terms of the Certificate of Designations as follows:

1. Section 15(p) of the Certificate of Designations is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

(p) **Cash Minimum**. From January 1, 2025, and until no Preferred Shares are outstanding, the Company shall, at all times, maintain unencumbered, unrestricted cash and cash equivalents on hand in amount equal to at least 120% of the aggregate Stated Value of the Preferred Shares then outstanding. Such cash shall be maintained in one or more domestic deposit accounts, money market accounts or certificates of deposit (with a maturity of no more than three months) with one or more Eligible Banks. For purposes hereof, an "Eligible Bank" is a U.S. chartered commercial bank with total assets in excess of \$300 billion.

2. Section 15(q) of the Certificate of Designations is hereby deleted and removed in its entirety.

3. Section 33(cc) of the Certificate of Designations is hereby amended and restated to read as follows (emphasis added):

(cc) "Excluded Securities" means (i) shares of Common Stock or standard options to purchase Common Stock issued or issuable to directors, officers, employees or other service providers of the Company for services rendered to the Company in their capacity as such pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan (as defined above), provided that (A) all such issuances (taking into account the shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of such options) after the Subscription Date pursuant to this clause (i) do not, in the aggregate, exceed more than 2% of the Common Stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Subscription Date and (B) the exercise price of any such options is not lowered, none of such options are amended to increase the number of shares issuable thereunder and none of the terms or conditions of any such options are otherwise materially changed in any manner that adversely affects any of the Buyers (as defined in the Securities Purchase Agreement; (ii) shares of Common Stock issued or issuable upon the conversion or exercise of Convertible Securities (other than standard options to purchase Common Stock issued or issuable pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan that are covered by clause (i) above) issued prior to the Subscription Date, provided that the conversion price of any such Convertible Securities (other than standard options to purchase shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan that are covered by clause (i) above) is not lowered (other than in accordance with the terms thereof in effect as of the Subscription Date) from the conversion price in effect as of the Subscription Date (whether pursuant to the terms of such Convertible Securities or otherwise), none of such Convertible Securities (other than standard options to purchase Common Stock issued pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan that are covered by clause (i) above) are amended to increase the number of shares issuable thereunder and none of the terms or conditions of any such Convertible Securities (other than standard options to purchase Common Stock issued pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan that are covered by clause (i) above) are otherwise materially changed in any manner that adversely affects any of the Buyers; (iii) the Conversion Shares issuable upon conversion of the Preferred Shares or otherwise pursuant to the terms of this Certificate of Designations; provided, that the terms of this Certificate of Designations are not amended, modified or changed on or after the Subscription Date (other than in accordance with the terms thereof, including antidilution adjustments pursuant to the terms thereof in effect as of the Subscription Date), (iv) the Warrant Shares; provided, that the terms of the Warrants are not amended, modified or changed on or after the Subscription Date (other than antidilution adjustments pursuant to the terms thereof in effect as of the Subscription Date), (v) securities issued as consideration for the acquisition of another entity by the Company by merger, purchase of substantially all of the assets or other reorganization or bona fide joint venture agreement, provided that such issuance is approved by the majority of the disinterested directors of the Company and provided that such securities are issued as "restricted securities" (as defined in Rule 144) and carry no registration rights that require or permit the filing of any registration statement in connection therewith during the Restricted Period and such issuance does not, in the aggregate, exceed more than 5% of the shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the date hereof and (vi) securities issued pursuant to those certain Restricted Stock and Cash-Settled Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreements, dated as of December 2, 2024, by and between the Company and each director of the Company, which includes the issuance of (i) fully vested restricted shares of the Company's Common Stock issued under the AYRO, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended and (ii) fully vested cash-settled restricted stock units of the Company (the "RSUs"), representing shares of Common Stock and shares of Common Stock underlying the RSUs in an aggregate amount equal to the quotient of (i) \$713,125 divided by (ii) the Closing Sale Price of the Company's Common Stock on December 2, 2024.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Amendment to be signed by its duly authorized officer this 31st day of March, 2025.

# AYRO, INC.

By: /s/ Joshua Silverman Name: Joshua Silverman Title: Executive Chairman

### DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following description of the capital stock of AYRO, Inc. ("we," "our," "us" and the "Company") and provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (as amended, the "Articles of Incorporation"), and Amended and Restated Bylaws (as amended, the "Bylaws") are intended as summaries and are qualified by reference to the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws which are filed as exhibits to our Annual Report on Form 10-K and are incorporated herein by reference.

# **Authorized Capital Stock**

Our Articles of Incorporation authorize us to issue 200,000,000 shares of Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share ("Common Stock"), and 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of which 8,500 are designated as Series H Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H Preferred Stock"), 8,461 are designated as Series H-3 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-3 Preferred Stock"), 50,000 are designated as Series H-6 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-6 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-6 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-6 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series H-7 Preferred Stock"), and 22,000 are designated as Series H-7 Convertibl

The authorized and unissued shares of Common Stock and the authorized and undesignated shares of preferred stock are available for issuance without further action by our stockholders, unless such action is required by applicable law or the rules of any stock exchange on which our securities may be listed. Unless approval of our stockholders is so required, our board of directors does not intend to seek stockholder approval for the issuance and sale of our Common Stock or preferred stock.

# **Common Stock**

Holders of our Common Stock are entitled to one vote for each share held on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders and do not have cumulative voting rights. Each election of directors by our stockholders will be determined by a plurality of the votes cast by the stockholders entitled to vote on the election. Holders of Common Stock are entitled to receive proportionately any dividends as may be declared by our board of directors, subject to any preferential dividend rights of outstanding preferred stock. So long as any shares of Series H-7 Preferred Stock are outstanding, as they are at this time, we are not able to declare or pay any cash dividend or distribution on any of our capital stock (other than as required by the Series H-7 Preferred Stock Certificate of Designations ("Series H-7 Certificate of Designations")) without the prior written consent of the Required Holders (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations).

In the event of the Company's liquidation or dissolution, the holders of our Common Stock are entitled to receive proportionately all assets available for distribution to stockholders after the payment of all debts and other liabilities and subject to the prior rights of any of our outstanding preferred stock. Holders of our Common Stock have no preemptive, subscription, redemption or conversion rights. No sinking fund provisions are applicable to our Common Stock. The rights, preferences and privileges of holders of our Common Stock are subject to and may be adversely affected by the rights of the holders of shares of any series of our preferred stock that we may designate and issue in the future. All outstanding shares of our Common Stock are validly authorized and issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The transfer agent and registrar for our Common Stock is Issuer Direct Corporation. The transfer agent's address is One Glenwood Ave, Suite 1001, Raleigh, NC 27603. Our Common Stock is listed on The Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol "AYRO."

#### **Preferred Stock**

Our board of directors is authorized, subject to any limitations prescribed by law, without further vote or action by the stockholders, to issue from time to time shares of preferred stock in one or more series. Each such series of preferred stock shall have such number of shares, designations, preferences, voting powers, qualifications, and special or relative rights or privileges as shall be determined by the board of directors, which may include, among others, dividend rights, voting rights, liquidation preferences, conversion rights and preemptive rights. Issuance of preferred stock by our board of directors may result in such shares having dividend and/or liquidation preferences senior to the rights of the holders of our Common Stock and could dilute the voting rights of the holders of our Common Stock.

Prior to the issuance of shares of each series of preferred stock, our board of directors is required by the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DGCL") and our certificate of incorporation to adopt resolutions and file a certificate of designation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware. The certificate of designation fixes for each class or series the designations, powers, preferences, rights, qualifications, limitations and restrictions, including, but not limited to, some or all of the following:

- the number of shares constituting that series and the distinctive designation of that series, which number may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares then outstanding) from time to time by action of the board of directors;
- the dividend rate and the manner and frequency of payment of dividends on the shares of that series, whether dividends will be cumulative, and, if so, from which date;
- whether that series will have voting rights, in addition to any voting rights provided by law, and, if so, the terms of such voting rights;
- whether that series will have conversion privileges, and, if so, the terms and conditions of such conversion, including provision for adjustment of the conversion rate in such events as the board of directors may determine;
- whether or not the shares of that series will be redeemable, and, if so, the terms and conditions of such redemption;
- whether that series will have a sinking fund for the redemption or purchase of shares of that series, and, if so, the terms and amount of such sinking fund;
- whether or not the shares of the series will have priority over or be on a parity with or be junior to the shares of any other series or class in any respect;
- the rights of the shares of that series in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the corporation, and the relative rights or priority, if any, of payment of shares of that series; and
- any other relative rights, preferences and limitations of that series.

#### Series H Convertible Preferred Stock

Under the terms of the Series H Certificate of Designation, each share of the Company's Series H Preferred Stock has a stated value of \$154.00 and is convertible into shares of the Company's Common Stock, equal to the stated value divided by the conversion price of \$1,478.40 per share (subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits or dividends). The Company is prohibited from effecting the conversion of the Series H Preferred Stock to the extent that, as a result of such conversion, the holder would beneficially own more than 9.99%, in the aggregate, of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company's Common Stock calculated immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock upon such conversion. In the event of liquidation, the holders of the Series H Preferred Stock are entitled, pari passu with the holders of Common Stock, to receive a payment in the amount the holder would receive if such holder converted the Series H Preferred Stock into Common Stock immediately prior to the date of such payment.

# Series H-3 Convertible Preferred Stock

Pursuant to the Series H-3 Preferred Stock Certificate of Designations (the "Series H-3 Certificate of Designation"), the holders of the Company's Series H-3 Preferred Stock were entitled to elect up to two members of the then-seven-member Board, subject to certain step downs. Under the terms of the Series H-3 Certificate of Designation, each share of the Series H-3 Preferred Stock has a stated value of \$138.00 and is convertible into shares of Common Stock, equal to the stated value divided by the conversion price of \$1,324.80 per share (subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits and dividends). The Company is prohibited from effecting the conversion of the Series H-3 Preferred Stock to the extent that, as a result of such conversion, the holder or any of its affiliates would beneficially own more than 9.99%, in the aggregate, of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock calculated immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock upon the conversion of the Series H-3 Preferred Stock.

In the event of liquidation, the holders of the Series H-3 Preferred Stock are entitled, pari passu with the holders of Common Stock, to receive a payment in the amount the holder would receive if such holder converted the Series H-3 Preferred Stock into Common Stock immediately prior to the date of such payment.

#### Series H-6 Convertible Preferred Stock

On February 5, 2020, the Company filed the Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock (the "Series H-6 Certificate of Designation") with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, establishing and designating the rights, powers and preferences of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock. The Company designated up to 50,000 shares of Series H-6 Preferred Stock and each share has a stated value of \$72.00 (the "H-6 Stated Value"). Each share of Series H-6 Preferred Stock is convertible at any time at the option of the holder thereof, into a number of shares of Common Stock of the Company determined by dividing the H-6 Stated Value by the initial conversion price of \$28.80 per share, which was then further reduced to \$20.00 under the anti-dilution adjustment provision, subject to a 9.99% blocker provision and then decreased to \$5.76 upon the Company's one-for-eight reverse stock split effective on September 15, 2023 ("Reverse Stock Split"). The Series H-6 Preferred Stock has the same dividend rights as the Common Stock, except as provided for in the Series H-6 Certificate of Designation or as otherwise required by law. The Series H-6 Preferred Stock also has the same voting rights as the Common stock, except that in no event shall a holder of Series H-6 Preferred Stock be permitted to exercise a greater number of votes than such holder would have been entitled to cast if the Series H-6 Preferred Stock had immediately been converted into shares of Common Stock at a conversion price equal to \$5.76. In addition, a holder (together with its affiliates) may not be permitted to vote Series H-6 Preferred Stock held by such holder to the extent that such holder would beneficially own more than 9.99% of the Company Common Stock. In the event of any liquidation or dissolution, the Series H-6 Preferred Stock ranks senior to the Common Stock in the distribution.

The holders of Series H-6 Preferred Stock are entitled to certain anti-dilution adjustments if the Company issues shares of its Common Stock at a lower price per share than the applicable conversion price of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock. If any such dilutive issuance occurs prior to the conversion of the Series H-6 Preferred Stock, the conversion price will be adjusted downward to a price that cannot be less than \$5.76.

# Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock

The Series H-7 Preferred Stock are convertible into Common Stock (the "Conversion Shares") at the election of the holder at any time at an initial conversion price of \$8.00 (the "Conversion Price"), which, following the Company's Reverse Stock Split and pursuant to the stock combination event adjustment provisions in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations, was subsequently reduced to \$2.00. The Conversion Price is subject to adjustments for stock dividends, stock splits, reclassifications and the like, and subject to price-based adjustment in the event of any issuances of Common Stock, or securities convertible, exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock, at a price below the thenapplicable Conversion Price (subject to certain exceptions). The Company is required to redeem the Series H-7 Preferred Stock in 12 equal monthly installments from, and including, the applicable Installment Date (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations). On February 9, 2024, the Company filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware a Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Designations of Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock, which became effective upon filing, which amended the commencement of the monthly installment dates, to be between May 7, 2024, and August 7, 2025. The first such installment dates were May 7, 2024 and August 7, 2024, as elected by the applicable investor.

The amortization payments due upon redemption of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock are payable, at the Company's election, in cash at 105% of the Installment Redemption Amount (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations), or subject to certain limitations, in shares of Common Stock valued at the lower of (i) the Conversion Price then in effect and (ii) the greater of (A) 80% of the average of the three lowest closing prices of the Company's Common Stock during the thirty consecutive trading day period immediately prior to the date the amortization payment is due and (B) \$0.744 (as adjusted for the Company's Reverse Stock Split and subject to adjustment for stock splits, stock dividends, stock combinations, recapitalizations or other similar events) or, in any case, such lower amount as permitted, from time to time, by the Nasdaq Stock Market. The holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock have the option to defer amortization payments or, subject to certain limitations as specified in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations, can elect to accelerate installment conversion amounts.

The holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock are entitled to dividends of 8.0% per annum, compounded monthly, which are payable in cash or shares of Common Stock at the Company's option, in accordance with the terms of the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a Triggering Event (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations), the Series H-7 Preferred Stock will accrue dividends at the rate of 15% per annum. Upon conversion or redemption, the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock are also entitled to receive a dividend make-whole payment.

The Series H-7 Certificate of Designations provides that, except as required by applicable law, the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock will be entitled to vote with holders of the Common Stock on an as converted basis, with the number of votes to which each holder of Series H-7 Preferred Stock is entitled to be determined by dividing the Stated Value by a conversion price equal to \$5.76 per share (as adjusted for the Reverse Stock Split), which was the "Minimum Price" (as defined in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(d)) applicable immediately before the execution and delivery of the Series H-7 Purchase Agreement, subject to certain beneficial ownership limitations and adjustments for any stock splits, stock dividends, stock combinations, recapitalizations or other similar transactions, as set forth in the Certificate of Designations.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company's ability to settle conversions and make amortization and dividend make-whole payments using shares of Common Stock is subject to certain limitations set forth in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations. Further, the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations contains a certain beneficial ownership limitation after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of, or as part of any amortization payment or dividend make-whole payment under, the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations or Series H-7 Warrants.

The Series H-7 Certificate of Designations includes certain triggering events including, among other things, the suspension from trading or the failure of the Common Stock to be trading or listed (as applicable) on an eligible market for a period of five (5) consecutive trading days, the Company's failure to pay any amounts due to the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock when due. In connection with a triggering event, each holder of Series H-7 Preferred Stock will be able to require the Company to redeem in cash any or all of the holder's Series H-7 Preferred Stock at a premium set forth in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations.

The Series H-7 Certificate of Designations contains certain restrictive provisions, including (i) a requirement to maintain unencumbered, unrestricted cash and cash equivalents on hand in an amount equal to (a) until December 31, 2023, at least \$20,000,000 plus the net proceeds from the sale of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock pursuant to the Series H-7 Purchase Agreement, and (b) from January 1, 2024 and until an aggregate of eighty percent (80%) of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock have been converted into shares of Common Stock, at least \$21,000,000, and (ii) a requirement to deposit an amount equal to \$10,000,000 from the Private Placement proceeds into a newly established segregated deposit account of the Company ("Segregated Cash"), and to use such Segregated Cash solely for the purpose of performing the Company's monetary obligations to the holders of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock, provided, however, that the Company may use the Segregated Cash for any purpose, including general corporate purposes, with the prior written consent of holders of at least 75% of the outstanding Series H-7 Preferred Stock.

On December 2, 2024, the Company entered into a Wavier and Amendment Agreement (the "Amendment") with the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designations). Pursuant to the Amendment, the Company and the Required Holders agreed (i) to amend (a)

On December 2, 2024, the Company filed a Certificate of Amendment to the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, (the "Certificate of Amendment"), which amends the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations such that certain director equity grants are deemed to constitute "Excluded Securities" under the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations. The Certificate of Amendment was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, effective as of December 2, 2024.

On March 30, 2025, the Company entered into an Omnibus Waiver and Amendment Agreement ("Waiver and Amendment Agreement") with the Required Holders (as defined in the Certificate of Designations), pursuant to which, the Required Holders agreed (A) to amend (i) the Certificate of Designations, as described below,

On March 31, 2025, the Company filed a Certificate of Amendment to the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, (the "March 2025 Certificate of Amendment"), which amends the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations to (i) amend the restrictive covenant of the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations such that the Company is required from January 1, 2025, until no shares of Seres H-7 Preferred Stock are outstanding, to maintain unencumbered, unrestricted cash and cash equivalents on hand in amount equal to at least 120% of the aggregate Stated Value (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations) of the Series H-7 Preferred Stock then outstanding, (ii) amend the definition of "Excluded Securities" such that the definition includes the issuance of Common Stock issued after the date of the Purchase Agreement (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations) pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan (as defined in the Purchase Agreement), which in the aggregate does not exceed more than 2% of the shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding on the date immediately prior to the date of the Purchase Agreement, and (iii) remove the restrictive covenant provision relating to the Segregated Cash (as defined in the Series H-7 Certificate of Designations) requirement. The March 2025 Certificate of Amendment was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, effective as of March 31, 2025.

#### Anti-Takeover Effects of Certain Provisions of Delaware Law, our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

#### Delaware Law

We are subject to Section 203 of the DGCL, which prohibits a publicly-held Delaware corporation from engaging in a business combination with an interested stockholder, generally a person which together with its affiliates owns, or within the last three years has owned, 15% of our voting stock, for a period of three (3) years after the date of the transaction in which the person became an interested stockholder, unless the business combination is approved in a prescribed manner. Subject to certain exceptions, Section 203 prevents a publicly held Delaware corporation from engaging in a "business combination" with any "interested stockholder" for three years following the date that the person became an interested stockholder attained such status with the approval of our board of directors, the business combination is approved by our board of directors and stockholders in a prescribed manner or the interested stockholder acquired at least 85% of our outstanding voting stock in the transaction in which it became an interested stockholder. A "business combination" includes, among other things, a merger or consolidation involving the Company and the "interested stockholder" and the sale of more than 10% of the Company's assets. In general, an "interested stockholder" is any entity or person beneficially owning 15% or more of our outstanding voting stock and any entity or person affiliated with or controlling or controlled by such entity or person.

#### Potential Effects of Authorized but Unissued Stock

We have shares of Common Stock and preferred stock available for future issuance without stockholder approval. We may utilize these additional shares for a variety of corporate purposes, including future public offerings to raise additional capital, to facilitate corporate acquisitions or payment as a dividend on the capital stock.

The existence of unissued and unreserved Common Stock and preferred stock may enable our board of directors to issue shares to persons friendly to current management or to issue preferred stock with terms that could render more difficult or discourage a third-party attempt to obtain control of the Company by means of a merger, tender offer, proxy contest or otherwise, thereby protecting the continuity of the Company's management. In addition, our board of directors has the discretion to determine designations, rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions, including voting rights, dividend rights, conversion rights, redemption privileges and liquidation preferences of each series of preferred stock, all to the fullest extent permissible under the DGCL and subject to any limitations set forth in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, as amended. The purpose of authorizing our board of directors to issue preferred stock and to determine the rights and preferences applicable to such preferred stock is to eliminate delays associated with a stockholder vote on specific issuances. The issuance of preferred stock, while providing desirable flexibility in connection with possible financings, acquisitions and other corporate purposes, could have the effect of making it more difficult for a third-party to acquire, or could discourage a third-party from acquiring, a majority of the Company's outstanding voting stock.

#### Limitations of Director Liability and Indemnification of Directors, Officers and Employees

Section 145 of the DGCL permits indemnification of directors, officers, agents and controlling persons of a corporation under certain conditions and subject to certain limitations. Section 145 empowers a corporation to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, officer or agent of the corporation or another enterprise if serving at the request of the Company. Depending on the character of the proceeding, a corporation may indemnify against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if the person indemnified acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation, no indemnification may be made with respect to any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine that despite the adjudication of liability such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnify for such expenses which the court shall deem proper. Section 145 further provides that to the extent a present or former director or officer of a corporation has been successful in the defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to above or in the defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith.

#### FORM OF OMNIBUS WAIVER AND AMENDMENT AGREEMENT

This Omnibus Waiver and Amendment Agreement (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of March 30, 2025, is by and among AYRO, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and each investor listed on the signature page attached hereto (collectively, the "<u>Investors</u>").

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Company and the Investors are party to that certain Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of August 7, 2023 (the "<u>Purchase Agreement</u>"), pursuant to which the Company issued to the Investors shares of the Company's H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "<u>Preferred Stock</u>"), the terms of which are set forth in the Certificate of Designations for the Series H-7 Convertible Preferred Stock (as amended, the "<u>Certificate of Designations</u>"), and warrants (the "<u>Warrants</u>," and, together with the Purchase Agreement and the Certificate of Designations, the "<u>Transaction Documents</u>") to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "<u>Common Stock</u>");

WHEREAS, the undersigned constitute the Required Holders pursuant to each of the Transaction Documents; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the Investors desire to amend certain provisions of the Certificate of Designations and the Purchase Agreement and to waive certain provisions of the Transaction Documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants and obligations hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto, intending legally to be bound, hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Definitions. Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings given such terms in the Purchase Agreement.
- Amendment to the Certificate of Designations. The parties hereto hereby agree to amend the rights of the Preferred Stock as set forth in the Amendment to the Certificate of Designations attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto (the "<u>Amendment</u>"). Upon the effectiveness of this Agreement, the Company shall promptly file the Amendment and provide a copy thereof to each Investor promptly after such filing.
- 3. <u>Waiver of the Certificate of Designations</u>.
  - (a) The parties hereto hereby agree that any failure of the Company to deposit an amount equal to \$10,000,000 from the proceeds received by the Company from the sale of the Preferred Shares into a newly established segregated deposit account of the Company pursuant to Section 15(q) of the Certificate of Designations, is hereby waived effective as of December 31, 2024, and as of the date hereof. In addition, the Investors hereby waive any breach or violation of Certificate of Designations resulting from such failure, effective as of December 31, 2024, and as of the date hereof.

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- (b) The Investor hereby agrees to waive any right such Investor is otherwise entitled to pursuant the Certificate of Designations as a result of the Floor Price exceeding the Installment Conversion Price during any applicable Installment Conversion Price Measuring Period, including, without limitation, such Investor's rights or remedies in connection with a Conversion Floor Price Condition, effective as of December 31, 2024, and as of the date hereof.
- (c) The Investor hereby agrees to waive any Equity Conditions Failure that has occurred prior to the date hereof, including, without limitation, such Investor's rights or remedies in connection with such Equity Conditions Failure, effective as of December 31, 2024, and as of the date hereof. In addition, the Investors hereby waive any breach or violation of Certificate of Designations resulting from any such Equity Conditions Failure, effective as of December 31, 2024, and as of the date hereof.
- (d) The parties hereto hereby agree that any failure of the Company to maintain unencumbered, unrestricted cash and cash equivalents on hand in amount equal to at least \$21,000,000 pursuant to Section 15(p) of the Certificate of Designations is hereby waived effective as of December 31, 2024, and as of the date hereof. In addition, the Investors hereby waive any breach or violation of Certificate of Designations resulting from such failure, effective as of December 31, 2024, and as of the date hereof.
- 4. <u>Amendment to the Purchase Agreement</u>. The parties hereto hereby agree that clause (i) of Section 4(k) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated as follows:

(i) shares of Common Stock or standard options to purchase Common Stock issued or issuable to directors, officers, employees or other service providers of the Company in their capacity as such pursuant to an Approved Stock Plan (as defined below), provided that (1) all such issuances (taking into account the shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of such awards) after the date hereof pursuant to this clause (i) do not, in the aggregate, exceed more than <u>2%</u> of the shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the date hereof and (2) the exercise price of any such options is not lowered and none of such options are amended to increase the number of shares issuable thereunder or extend the term of such options.

- 5. <u>Counterparts; Facsimile Execution</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts (including by electronic mail, in PDF or by DocuSign or similar electronic signature), all of which shall be considered one and the same agreement and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other parties. Counterparts may be delivered via facsimile, electronic mail (including any electronic signature covered by the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000, Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, the Electronic Signatures and Records Act or other applicable law, e.g., www.docusign.com) or other transmission method and any counterpart so delivered shall be deemed to have been duly and validly delivered and be valid and effective for all purposes.
- 6. <u>Governing Law</u>. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS REGARDING GOVERNING LAW SET FORTH IN SECTION 9(A) OF THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT, AND SUCH PROVISIONS ARE INCORPORATED HEREIN BY THIS REFERENCE, *MUTATIS MUTANDIS*.
- 7. <u>Terms and Conditions of the Transaction Documents</u>. Except as modified and amended herein, all of the terms and conditions of the Transaction Documents shall remain in full force and effect.

[Signature pages follow immediately.]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

# Company:

# AYRO, Inc.

By:

Name: Joshua Silverman Title: Executive Chairman

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first above written.

Name of Investor:

By: Name of signatory: Title:

[Investor Signature Page to Waiver and Amendment Agreement]

# INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM'S CONSENT

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements of AYRO, Inc. on Form S-3 (File No.'s 333-274439, 333-236330, 333-136618, 333-140546, 333-142846, 333-146106, 333-149788, 333-165927, 333-207205, 333-215729, 333-217768, 333-224300, 333-240314 and 333-248543) and Form S-8 (File No.'s 333-128488, 333-158232, 333-216145, 333-225790, 333-240316 and 333-251029) of our report, which includes an explanatory paragraph as to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, dated March 31, 2025, with respect to our audits of the consolidated financial statements of AYRO, Inc. as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, which report is included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K of AYRO, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2024.

/s/ Marcum LLP

Marcum LLP Morristown, New Jersey March 31, 2025

# **CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 302**

I, Joshua Silverman, certify that:

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

Date: March 31, 2025

/s/ Joshua Silverman

Joshua Silverman Executive Chairman (Principal Executive Officer)

# **CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 302**

I, Joseph Ramelli, certify that:

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

Date: March 31, 2025

/s/ Joseph Ramelli Joseph Ramelli Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)

# **CERTIFICATIONS UNDER SECTION 906**

Pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), the undersigned officer of AYRO, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge and in the capacity of an officer, that:

The Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2024 (the "Form 10-K") of the Company fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the information contained in the Form 10-K fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company as of, and for, the periods presented in the Form 10-K.

Date: March 31, 2025

Dated: March 31, 2025

By: /s/ Joshua Silverman

Joshua Silverman Executive Chairman (Principal Executive Officer)

By: /s/ Joseph Ramelli

Joseph Ramelli Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)