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# **Pure Storage Announces Fiscal Fourth Quarter and Full Year** 2024 Financial Results

February 28, 2024

FY24 TCV sales growth of Evergreen//One and Evergreen//Flex offerings exceeding 100% Q4 RPO growing 31% year-over-year

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Feb. 28, 2024 / PRNewswire / -- Today Pure Storage (NYSE: PSTG), the IT pioneer that delivers the world's most advanced data storage technology and services, announced financial results for its fiscal fourth quarter and full year 2024 ended February 4, 2024.



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### Fourth Quarter and Full Year Financial Highlights

- Q4 revenue \$789.8 million, a decrease of 3% year-over-year
- Full-year revenue \$2.8 billion, up 3% year-over-year
- Q4 subscription services revenue \$328.9 million, up 24% year-over-year
- Full-year subscription services revenue \$1.2 billion, up 26% year-over-year
- Q4 subscription annual recurring revenue (ARR) \$1.4 billion, up 25% year-over-year
- Remaining performance obligations (RPO) \$2.3 billion, up 31% year-over-year
- Q4 GAAP gross margin 72.0%; non-GAAP gross margin 73.7%
- Full-year GAAP gross margin 71.4%; non-GAAP gross margin 73.2%
- Q4 GAAP operating income \$57.4 million; non-GAAP operating income \$157.8 million
- Full-year GAAP operating income \$53.6 million; non-GAAP operating income \$458.4 million
- Q4 GAAP operating margin 7.3%; non-GAAP operating margin 20.0%
- Full-year GAAP operating margin 1.9%; non-GAAP operating margin 16.2%
- Q4 operating cash flow \$244.4 million; free cash flow \$200.9 million
- Full-year operating cash flow \$677.7 million; free cash flow \$482.6 million
- Total cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities \$1.5 billion
- Returned approximately \$21.4 million and \$135.7 million in Q4 and FY24, respectively, to stockholders through share repurchases of 0.6 million shares and 4.7 million shares, respectively.
- Authorized incremental share repurchases of up to an additional \$250 million under its stock repurchase program.

"We closed FY24 delivering strong RPO growth, and exceeded our revenue and operating margin guidance in Q4," said Kevan Krysler, Chief Financial Officer, Pure Storage. "Looking to FY25, we expect double-digit revenue growth and strong growth of RPO, fueled by our highly differentiated data storage platform, and strength of our Evergreen and Portworx consumptions."

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E//Family with FlashBlade//E, followed by FlashArray//E, enabling customers to leverage flash storage for any workload. Additionally, Pure delivered its largest ever performance, efficiency, and security advancements with the next generation FlashArray//X and FlashArray//C, expanded its strategic partnership with Microsoft with the introduction of Pure Cloud Block Store for Azure VMware Solution, and delivered the first and only native, unified block and file experience purpose-built for flash storage with the GA of File Services for FlashArray.

- Al Customer Impact: Among the first enterprise data storage vendors to receive the NVIDIA DGX BasePOD certification, and delivering critical validated designs with key alliance partners, Pure Storage continued to add to its 100+ customers across a wide variety of Al use cases, including self-driving cars, financial services, genomics, gaming, manufacturing, and many more.
- Industry Recognition and Accolades: In FY24, Pure Storage was recognized as a leader for the tenth consecutive year in the <u>Gartner Magic Quadrant for Primary Storage</u>, and the third consecutive year in the <u>Gartner Magic Quadrant for Distributed File Systems and Object Storage</u>. Additionally, Pure Storage was named a leader in the inaugural <u>IDC MarketSpace</u>: Worldwide Container Data Management 2023 Vendor Assessment.

#### First Quarter and FY25 Guidance

Q1 and FY25 revenue and revenue growth rates are reflective of continuing outperformance and increased momentum in Evergreen//One Storage-as-a-Service.

Q1FY25									
Revenue	\$680M								
Revenue YoY Growth Rate	15.4 %								
Non-GAAP Operating Income	\$68M								
Non-GAAP Operating Margin	10 %								

FY25	
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Revenue	\$3.1B
Revenue YoY Growth Rate	10.5 %
TCV Sales for Evergreen//One &	
Evergreen//Flex Subscription Service	\$600M
Offerings	
TCV Sales for Evergreen//One &	
Evergreen//Flex Subscription Service	Approximately 50%
Offerings YoY Growth Rate	

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operating income and non-GAAP operating margin to their most directly comparable GAAP measures because certain items that impact these measures are not within Pure's control and/or cannot be reasonably predicted. Accordingly, reconciliations of these non-GAAP financial measures guidance to the corresponding GAAP measures are not available without unreasonable effort.

#### **Share Repurchase Authorization**

Pure's audit committee has approved incremental share repurchases of up to an additional \$250 million under its stock repurchase program, in addition to the \$145 million remaining under the existing program authorization. The authorization allows Pure to repurchase shares of its Class A common stock opportunistically and will be funded from available working capital. Repurchases may be made at management's discretion from time to time on the open market through privately negotiated transactions, transactions structured through investment banking institutions, block purchase techniques, 10b5-1 trading plans, or a combination of the foregoing. The repurchase program does not have an expiration date, does not obligate Pure to acquire any of its common stock, and may be suspended or discontinued by the company at any time without prior notice.

#### **Conference Call Information**

Pure will host a teleconference to discuss the fiscal fourth quarter and full year 2024 results at 2:00 pm PT today, February 28, 2024. A live audio broadcast of the conference call will be available on the <u>Pure Storage Investor Relations website</u>. Pure will also post its earnings presentation and prepared remarks to this website concurrent with this release.

A replay will be available following the call on the Pure Storage Investor Relations website or for two weeks at 1-800-770-2030 (or 1-647-362-9199 for international callers) with passcode 5667482.

Additionally, Pure is scheduled to participate at the following investor conferences:

#### **KeyBanc Capital Markets Emerging Technology Summit**

Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Time: 11:30 a.m. PT / 2:30 p.m. ET

Chief Financial Officer Kevan Krysler and Chief Technology Officer Rob Lee

#### Morgan Stanley Technology, Media & Telecom Conference

Date: Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Time: 10:15 a.m. PT / 1:15 p.m. ET

Chairman and CEO Charles Giancarlo and Chief Financial Officer Kevan Krysler

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and expense of managing the infrastructure behind it. Pure's commitment to providing true storage as-a-service gives customers the agility to meet changing data needs at speed and scale, whether they are deploying traditional workloads, modern applications, containers, or more. Pure believes it can make a significant impact in reducing data center emissions worldwide through its environmental sustainability efforts, including designing products and solutions that enable customers to reduce their carbon and energy footprint. And with the highest Net Promoter Score in the industry, Pure's ever-expanding list of customers are among the happiest in the world. For more information, visit <u>www.purestorage.com</u>.

#### **Analyst Recognition**

<u>Leader in the 2023 Gartner Magic Quadrant for Primary Storage</u> <u>Leader in the 2023 Gartner Magic Quadrant for Distributed File Systems & Object Storage</u>

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#### **Forward Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements regarding our products, business and operations, including but not limited to our views relating to future period financial and business results, demand for our products and subscription services, including Evergreen//One, our technology and product strategy, specifically customer priorities around sustainability, the benefits to our customers of using our products, our ability to perform during current macro conditions and expand market share, our sustainability goals and benefits, the timing and magnitude of large orders, the impact of inflation, economic or supply chain disruptions, our expectations regarding our product and technology differentiation, including the E//Family, new customer acquisition, the continued success of the Portworx technology, and other statements regarding our products, business, operations and results. Forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties and are based on potentially inaccurate assumptions that sould enurge. actual results to differ materially from those expected or implied by the forward-looking. statements.

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information is also set forth in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 5, 2023. All information provided in this release and in the attachments is as of February 28, 2024, and Pure undertakes no duty to update this information unless required by law.

#### **Key Performance Metrics**

Subscription ARR is a key business metric that refers to total annualized contract value of all active subscription agreements on the last day of the quarter, plus on-demand revenue for the quarter multiplied by four.

Total Contract Value (TCV) Sales, or bookings, of Pure's Evergreen//One and Evergreen//Flex offerings is an operating metric, representing the value of orders received and/or expected to be received during the fiscal year.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

To supplement our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements, which are prepared and presented in accordance with GAAP, Pure uses the following non-GAAP financial measures: non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP operating income (loss), non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP net income (loss), non-GAAP net income (loss) per share, and free cash flow.

We use these non-GAAP financial measures for financial and operational decision-making and as a means to evaluate period-to-period comparisons. Our management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide meaningful supplemental information regarding our performance and liquidity by excluding certain expenses and expenditures such as stock-based compensation expense, payments to former shareholders of acquired companies, payroll tax expense related to stock-based activities, amortization of debt issuance costs related to debt, amortization of intangible assets acquired from acquisitions, acquisition-related transaction and integration expenses, restructuring costs related to severance and termination benefits, and costs associated with the impairment and early exit of certain leased facilities that may not be indicative of our ongoing core business operating results. Pure believes that both management and investors benefit from referring to these non-GAAP financial measures in assessing our performance and when analyzing historical performance and liquidity and planning, forecasting, and analyzing future periods. The presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures is not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for our financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP, and our non-GAAP measures may be different from non-GAAP measures used by GET STAPTERNOW

For a reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to GAAP measures, please see the tables captioned "Reconciliations of non-GAAP results of operations to the nearest comparable

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#### (in thousands, unaudited)

		At the En	d of	Fiscal
		2024		2023
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	702,536	\$	580,854
Marketable securities		828,557		1,001,352
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$1,060 and \$1,057		662,179		612,491
Inventory		42,663		50,152
Deferred commissions, current		88,712		68,617
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		173,407		161,391
Total current assets		2,498,054		2,474,857
Property and equipment, net		352,604		272,445
Operating lease right-of-use assets		129,942		158,912
Deferred commissions, non-current		215,620		177,239
Intangible assets, net		33,012		49,222
Goodwill		361,427		361,427
Restricted cash		9,595		10,544
Other assets, non-current		55,506		38,814
Total assets	\$	3,655,760	\$	3,543,460
Liabilities and stockholders' equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	82,757	\$	67,121
Accrued compensation and benefits		250,257		232,636
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		135,755		123,749
Operating lease liabilities, current		44,668		33,707
Deferred revenue, current		852,247		718,149
Debt, current				574,506
Total current liabilities		1,365,684		1,749,868
Long-term debt		100,000		_
Operating lease liabilities, non-current		123,201		142,473
Deferred revenue, non-current		742,275		667,501
Other liabilities, non-current		54,506		42,385
Total liabilities		2,385,666		2,602,227
Stockholders' equity:	5	KIP to Ma		content

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#### PURE STORAGE, INC.

#### **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations**

(in thousands, except per share data, unaudited)

	Fo	urth Quar	ter	of Fiscal		Fiscal Ye	ear Ended	
		2024		2023		2024		2023
Revenue:								
Product	\$	460,891	\$	545,108	\$ 1	,622,869	\$ 1,	792,153
Subscription services		328,914		265,099	1	,207,752		961,281
Total revenue		789,805		810,207	2	,830,621	2	753,434
Cost of revenue:								
Product (1)		128,842		174,471		472,430		569,793
Subscription services (1)		92,459		74,419		337,000		285,995
Total cost of revenue		221,301		248,890		809,430		855,788
Gross profit		568,504		561,317	2	,021,191	1,	897,646
Operating expenses:								
Research and development (1)		186,841		185,557		736,764		692,528
Sales and marketing <sup>(1)</sup>		248,136		246,480		945,021		883,609
General and administrative <sup>(1)</sup>		59,299		64,696		252,243		237,996
Restructuring, impairment and other <sup>(2)</sup>		16,846				33,612		
Total operating expenses		511,122		496,733	1	,967,640	1,	814,133
Income from operations		57,382		64,584		53,551		83,513
Other income (expense), net		13,416		16,705		37,035		8,295
Income before provision for income taxes		70,798		81,289		90,586		91,808
Income tax provision		5,360		6,818		29,275		18,737
Net income	\$	65,438	\$	74,471	\$	61,311	\$	73,071
Net income per share attributable to common								
stockholders, basic	\$	0.21	\$	0.25	\$	0.20	\$	0.24
Net income per share attributable to common								
stockholders, diluted	\$	0.20	\$	0.22	\$	0.19	\$	0.23
Weighted-average shares used in computing net								
income per share attributable to common								
stockholders, basic		317,731		303,614		311,831		299,478

Weighted-average shares used in computing net

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Research and development	4	1,069	41,212	167,294	161,694	
Sales and marketing	1	8,863	17,767	74,746	72,507	
General and administrative		7,573	15,081	54,305	60,541	
Total stock-based compensation	on expense \$ 7	76,184	\$ 82,503	\$ 331,427	\$ 327,617	

 $<sup>^{(2)}</sup>$  Includes expenses for severance and termination benefits related to workforce realignment and lease impairment and abandonment charges associated with cease-use of our former corporate headquarters.

# PURE STORAGE, INC. **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows** (in thousands, unaudited)

	Fourth Qua	rter of Fiscal	Fiscal Yea	r Ended
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net income	\$ 65,438	\$ 74,471	\$ 61,311	\$ 73,071
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by				
operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	32,856	28,164	124,416	100,432
Stock-based compensation expense	76,184	82,503	331,427	327,617
Lease impairment and abandonment charges	_	_	16,766	_
Other	7,403	4,882	1,559	7,355
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of				
acquisition:				
Accounts receivable, net	(25,728)	(176,940)	(49,687)	(70,724)
Inventory	1,532	5,722	6,810	(10,619)
Deferred commissions	(39,415)	(10,724)	(58,476)	451
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(45,355)	24,584	(25,669)	(31,580)
Operating lease right-of-use assets	8,230	7,740	35,499	33,813
Accounts payable	(20,376)	(29,611)	13,468	(7,075)
Accrued compensation and other liabilities	96,074	89,823	43,317	72,084
Operating lease liabilities	(10,434)	(5,020)	(3 <mark>1.891)</mark>	(33.359)
Deferred revenue	98,016	137,432	20 <mark>8,87<b>6</b> E</mark>	T STARTED NOV
Net cash provided by operating activities	244,425	233,026	677,722	/6/,234
Cash flows from investing activities	Skin to ma	in content		

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Cash flows from financing activities						
Net proceeds from exercise of stock options		6,866	5,647	39,770	24,778	
Proceeds from issuance of common stock under emp	oloyee stock					
purchase plan		_	_	45,089	39,965	
Proceeds from borrowings		_	_	106,890	_	
Principal payments on borrowings and finance lease	obligations	(1,617)	(1,095)	(586,199)	(257,240)	
Tax withholding on equity awards		(13,402)	(3,471)	(29,984)	(19,601)	
Repurchases of common stock		(21,460)	(67,504)	(135,801)	(219,068)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(29,613)	(66,423)	(560,235)	(431,166)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalent	s and					
restricted cash		172,980	(215,077)	120,733	114,655	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning	g of period	539,151	806,475	591,398	476,743	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of p	eriod \$	712,131	\$ 591,398	\$ 712,131	\$ 591,398	

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes capitalized internal-use software costs of \$3.7 million and \$3.2 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2024 and 2023 and \$19.4 million and \$13.7 million for fiscal 2024 and 2023.

## Reconciliations of non-GAAP results of operations to the nearest comparable GAAP measures

The following table presents non-GAAP gross margins by revenue source before certain items (in thousands except percentages, unaudited):

		Fou	rth Qu	arter o	f Fisc	cal			Fou	rth Q	uarter o	f Fisc	al
			2	2024							2023		
							Non-						
		GAAP				Non-	GAAP		GAAP				Non-
	GAAP	gross				GAAP	gross	GAAP	gross				GAAP
	results	margin (a)	Adju	stment	t _	results	margin (b)	results	margin (a)	Adj	ustment	: <u> </u>	results
			\$	2,614	(c)					\$	2,791	(c)	
			Ť	58	(d)					Ť	37	(d)	
				177	(e)						_		
				_					GET ST	ADT	292		
				3,306	(g)				GET STA	ARI	3,306	(g)	
Gross profit -	-												
product	\$ 332,049	72.0 %	\$	6,155	5	338,204	main <sub>3</sub> 40%te	\$ 370,637	68.0 %	\$	6,426	\$	377,06

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Gross profit															
subscription	n														
services	\$ 236,455	71.9 %	\$	7,326	\$	243,781		74.1 %	\$	190,680	71.9 %	\$	6,133	5	\$ 196,81
			\$	8,679	(c)							\$	8,443	(c)	
				334	(d)								196	(d)	
				1,162	(e)								_		
				_									598	(f)	
				3,306	(g)								3,306	(g)	
				_	_		_						16	(h)	
Total gross							_							_	
profit	\$ 568,504	72.0 %	\$	13,481	\$	581,985		73.7 %	\$	561,317	69.3 %	\$	12,559		\$ 573,87

- (a) GAAP gross margin is defined as GAAP gross profit divided by revenue.
- (b) Non-GAAP gross margin is defined as non-GAAP gross profit divided by revenue.
- (c) To eliminate stock-based compensation expense.
- (d) To eliminate payroll tax expense related to stock-based activities.
- (e) To eliminate expenses for severance and termination benefits related to workforce realignment.
- (f) To eliminate duplicate lease costs during the transition of our corporate headquarters.
- (g) To eliminate amortization expense of acquired intangible assets.
- (h) To eliminate payments to former shareholders of acquired company.

The following table presents non-GAAP gross margins by revenue source before certain items (in thousands except percentages, unaudited):

		Fisc	al Year End	ded						
	2024									
						Non-				
					Non-	GAAP				
GAAP	GAAP gross				GAAP	gross				
results	margin (a)	Ad	justment	_	results	margin (b)				
		\$	9,670	(c)						
			415	(d)						
			402	(e)		GET STARTED NOW				
			177	(f)						
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					18	(h)			
Gross profit subscription	services \$	870,752	72.1 %	\$	28,252		\$	899,004	74.4 %
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				\$	35,082	(c)			
					1,839	(d)			
					815	(e)			
					1,162	(f)			
					13,224	(g)			
				\$	18	(h)			
Total gross profit	\$	2,021,191	71.4 %	\$	52,140		\$ 2	2,073,331	73.2 %

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The following table presents certain non-GAAP consolidated results before certain items (in thousands, except per share amounts and percentages, unaudited):

				Fourth Quarter of Fiscal											
		2024				2023									
					Non-										
	GAAP			Non-	GAAP		GAAP		Non-						
GAAP	operating			GAAP	operating	GAAP	operating		GAAP						
results r	margin (a)	Adjustment	: 	results	margin (b)	results	margin (a)	Adjustment	results						
		\$ 76,184	(c)					\$ 82,503 (c)							
		_						888 (d)							
		2,722	(e)					1,799 (e)							
		3,536	(f)					3,839 (f)							
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		18,009	(h)												

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		_				5,0	004 (g)	
		18,009	(h)				_	
		154	(i)			8	804 (i)	
		_				;	357 (j)	
Net income	\$ 65,438	\$ 100,605	<b>-</b> \$ 1	166,043	\$ 74,471	\$ 95,	94	\$ 169,665
Net income								
per share								
diluted	\$ 0.20		\$	0.50	\$ 0.22			\$ 0.53
Weighted-								
average								
shares used ir	า							
per share								
calculation								
diluted	332,014	_	3	332,014	339,699	(21,8	884) (k)	317,815

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- (f) To eliminate amortization expense of acquired intangible assets.
- (g) To eliminate duplicate lease costs during the transition of our corporate headquarters.
- (h) To eliminate expenses for severance and termination benefits related to workforce realignment.
- (i) To eliminate amortization expense of debt issuance costs related to our debt.
- (j) To eliminate net loss from legal settlement in connection with a facility abandoned in the second quarter of fiscal 2021.
- (k) To exclude the dilutive effect from convertible note due to the related capped call hedge.

The following table presents certain non-GAAP consolidated results before certain items (in thousands, except per share amounts and percentages, unaudited):

Fiscal Year Ended						
2024						
	GAAP			Non- GAAP		
GAAP	operating		Non- GAAP	operating		
results	margin (a)	Adjustment	results	margin (b)		

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Operating income \$ 53,551

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16.2 %

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- (i) To eliminate amortization expense of acquired intangible assets.

## Reconciliation from net cash provided by operating activities to free cash flow (in thousands except percentages, unaudited):

	 Fourth Quarter of Fiscal			Fiscal Year Ended			
	2024		2023		2024		2023
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 244,425	\$	233,026	\$	677,722	\$	767,234
Less: purchases of property and equipment <sup>(1)</sup>	(43,570)		(60,229)		(195,161)		(158,139)
Free cash flow (non-GAAP)	\$ 200,855	\$	172,797	\$	482,561	\$	609,095

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes capitalized internal-use software costs of \$3.7 million and \$3.2 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2024 and 2023 and \$19.4 million and \$13.7 million for fiscal 2024 and 2023.

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