

# Q1: Quarterly Industry Update

AS OF March 31, 2024



## Energy Storage Industry Summary

**COGENT VALUATION** identified **Energy Storage** publicly traded companies, IPOs, and recent M&A transactions within the Energy Storage industry, which provides a basis for market and transaction pricing that can be used by your firm in estimating market sentiment and its impact on your firm's value. Over the last year since March 31, 2023, the median 52-week share price return of the Energy Storage industry decreased from -.26% to -.18%, and the median YTD return increased from 4.1% to 12.3%. Between March 31, 2023 and March 31, 2024, the median EV/Revenue multiple decreased from 15.6 to 14.2 and the median EV/EBITDA multiple decreased from 13.8 to 11.5. The median price-to-earnings multiple increased from 11.5 to 17.4 and the median EV/Gross profit multiple decreased from 26.7 to 22.4 over the same period. The median MVIC/Earnings multiple increased from 1.2% to 1.2%. The median Price/Revenue multiple increased from 10.2x to 11.3x over the same period.

### Public Company Key Statistics

Median 52-Week Return	Median YTD Return	Median EV/Revenue Multiple	Median EV/EBITDA Multiple
<b>-.18%</b>	<b>12.3%</b>	<b>2x</b>	<b>18.1x</b>
Median Price/Earnings Multiple	Median EV/Gross Profit Multiple	Median MVIC/Earnings Multiple	Median Price/Revenue Multiple
<b>17.4x</b>	<b>22.4x</b>	<b>1.2x</b>	<b>11.3x</b>

## Public Company Median Multiples by Quarter

	3/31/24	12/31/23	9/30/23	6/30/23	3/31/23	12/31/22	9/30/22	6/30/22
<b>Median EV/Revenue Multiple</b>	2x	3.2x	3.4x	1.7x	3.1x	3.2x	2.9x	3.0x
<b>Median EV/EBITDA Multiple</b>	18.1x	18.0x	17.6x	13.4x	14.6x	14.6x	19.4x	10.7x
<b>Median Price/Earnings Multiple</b>	17.4x	30.1x	20.3x	21.2x	20.8x	19.7x	17.9x	17.7x
<b>Median EV/Gross Profit Multiple</b>	22.4x	22.2x	21.3x	23.6x	24.5x	13.3x	20.4x	25.9x
<b>Median MVIC/Earnings Multiple</b>	1.2x	11.6x	12.7x	13.7x	15.4x	16.5x	12.2x	13.2x
<b>Median Price/ Revenue Multiple</b>	11.3x	3.2x	3.4x	2.7x	10.6x	2.5x	3.2x	3.2x

■ Highest Multiple    
 ■ Median Multiple    
 ■ Lowest Multiple

## Comparable Public Company Market Price Returns as of March 31, 2024

Company Name	Q1 2024	12-months 2023	Two Year <sup>1</sup>	Three Year <sup>1</sup>	2022	2021	2020
<b>EnerSys</b>	25.1%	0.4%	-40.5%	-34.3%	4.8%	-49.9%	51.9%
<b>Goldstar Power Limited</b>	-32.3%	-12.1%	12.0%	2.0%	-10.8%	39.6%	-9.4%
<b>Highpower International, Inc.</b>	-27.0%	-5.1%	N/A	N/A	57.4%	-21.7%	-39.6%
<b>mPLUS Corp.</b>	6.0%	83.5%	27.1%	-7.0%	32.3%	-23.4%	106.4%
<b>Shanghai Putailai New Energy Technology Co., Ltd.</b>	-17.6%	-1.8%	N/A	N/A	-11.5%	-17.0%	-26.5%
<b>Median of Industry Public Companies</b>	<b>25.1%</b>	<b>-1.8%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>-7.3%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>-21.7%</b>	<b>-9.4%</b>

[1] Calculated as the average annual return.

■ Highest Return
 ■ Lowest Return
 ■ Median Return

## Industry Initial Public Offerings – Energy Storage (dollars in millions, except share prices)

Effective Date	Company Name	Offer Price	Shares Offered	Amount Raised	Total Assets <sup>1</sup>	Debt <sup>1</sup>	LTM Revenue <sup>1</sup>	LTM EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	LTM Net Income <sup>1</sup>	LTM Cash Flows <sup>1</sup>
3/14/24	<b>NIO Inc.</b>	\$6.26	0.5	\$1.7	\$51.9	\$15.7	\$318.9	\$6.4	\$2.9	\$7.0
1/7/24	<b>Akasol AG</b>	\$56.23	15.0	\$285.0	\$1,410.5	\$1,057.1	\$279.7	\$142.0	(\$26.1)	\$182.0
9/8/23	<b>Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Limited</b>	\$3.93	3.0	\$21.0	\$32.0	\$11.7	\$35.4	\$3.3	\$1.4	\$3.4
12/26/22	<b>Shanghai Putailai New Energy Technology Co.</b>	\$2.49	12.0	\$4.6	\$8.1	\$4.2	\$8.5	(\$3.5)	(\$4.0)	(\$3.3)
10/18/22	<b>Varta AG</b>	\$20.60	7.0	\$84.0	\$6.7	\$4.1	\$94.1	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/10/22	<b>Voltabox AG</b>	\$15.90	8.0	\$136.0	\$23.3	\$0.0	\$43.3	(\$15.4)	(\$18.8)	(\$14.7)
10/5/22	<b>Highpower International, Inc.</b>	\$3.25	5.0	\$70.0	\$78.3	\$39.5	\$79.6	\$15.7	\$5.3	\$18.0
	<b>Median of all IPOs</b>	<b>nm</b>	<b>nm</b>	<b>\$70.0</b>	<b>\$32.0</b>	<b>\$11.7</b>	<b>\$79.6</b>	<b>\$4.8</b>	<b>(\$1.3)</b>	<b>\$5.2</b>

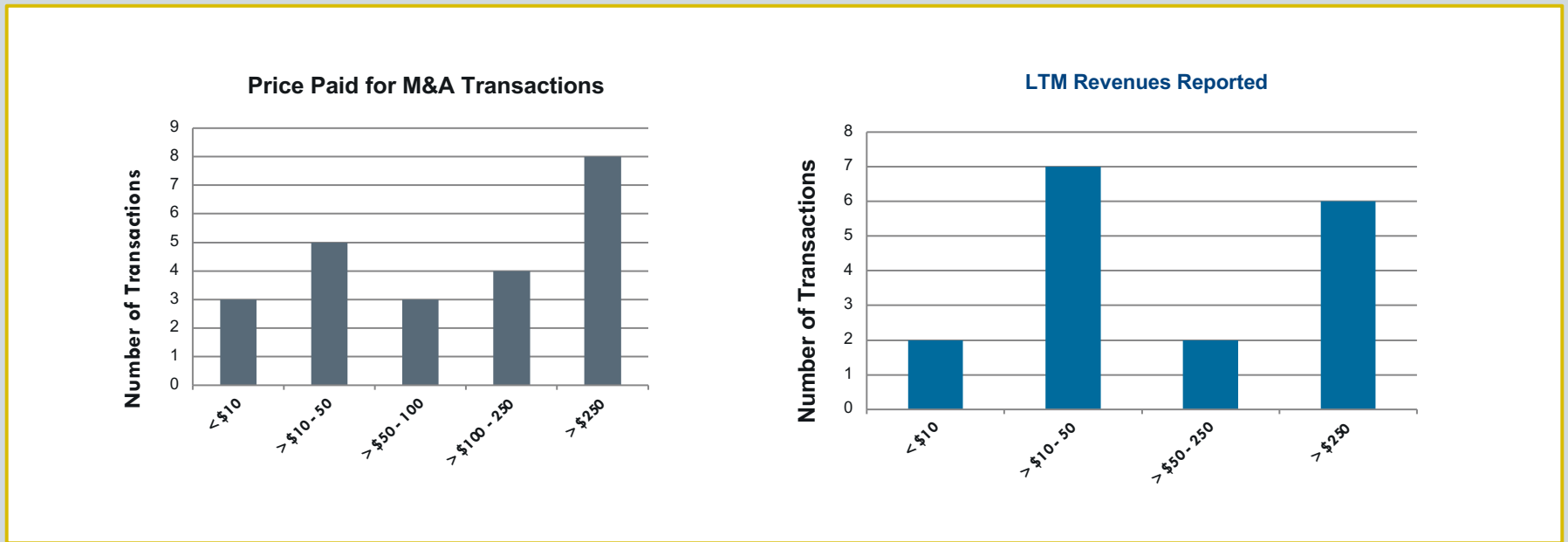
[1] As of the effective date of the IPO

## Size of Recent Merger and Acquisition Transactions for a Majority Stake (dollars in millions)

Transaction Date	Target	Acquirer	Transaction Size	% Bought
3/13/24	Fuelcon AG	HORIBA Automotive Test Systems GmbH	\$18.1	100%
10/2/23	ACCURATE Smart Battery Solutions GmbH	Voltabox AG	\$5.9	100%
9/1/23	Zhejiang Youchuang Technology Co.	Zhejiang Youchuang Venture Capital Co., Ltd.	\$84.6	100%
6/18/23	Liyang Yuequan Electric Energy Co.	Shanghai Putailai New Energy Technology Co., Ltd.	\$39.5	51%
12/28/22	Pure Vanadium Corp.	Stina Resources Ltd. (nka:CellCube Energy Storage Systems Inc.)	\$0.1	100%
7/31/22	IABÖ Global Holding	J2L	\$4.4	100%
7/25/22	Jinhua An Kao Power	Zhejiang Kandi Vehicles Co.	\$21.8	100%
6/16/22	Wuhan Fanso Technology	EVE Energy Co., Ltd	\$167.0	100%
6/5/22	Red Shield Acquisition LLC	Nurendale Limited	\$2.2	100%
3/24/22	Energy Research Pte. Ltd.	Shenzhen Selen Science	\$86.4	100%
11/30/21	SK Continental E-motion	SK Innovation Co., Ltd.	\$14.9	100%
11/24/21	LS9, Inc.	OM Group Inc.	\$24.0	100%
5/16/21	Verenium Corporation	NEC Corporation	\$100.0	100%
12/27/20	Energy Park Sutton Bridge	N/A	\$1.7	100%
11/1/20	Quallion LLC	EnerSys	\$30.0	100%
10/2/20	Eltek Electric Vehicles	Valeo SA	\$20.3	100%
9/23/20	Millennium Power Solutions	Blue Earth Inc.	\$15.2	100%
Median of the M&A Transaction Targets			\$18.6	100%

■ USA ■ International

## Recent Merger and Acquisition Transactions for a Majority Stake (dollars in millions) as March 31, 2024



**Definitions of Financial Terms Used in this Quarterly Industry Update:**

**Enterprise Value (EV):** Market Value of Equity + Market Value of Debt - Cash

**Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA):** Profitability metric sometimes also referred to as operating profit or operating earnings.

**Gross Cash Flows:** Net Income + Depreciation and Amortization Expense

**Latest Twelve Months (LTM):** Financial information is as of the latest twelve months through the date of this Quarterly Industry Update.

**Market Value of Invested Capital (MVIC):** Market Value of Equity + Market Value of Debt

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