



# INVESTOR PRESENTATION

OCTOBER 16, 2024 NYSE AMEX: AIRI

A leading manufacturer of precision components and assemblies used in flight-critical military and commercial applications.

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## Air Industries Group Overview

**NYSE AMEX: AIRI** 

**TAKING OFF** 

#### AIR INDUSTRIES OVERVIEW - LOCATIONS AND CAPABILITIES

Ensuring the safety of our warfighters and commercial passengers since 1941.

Strategic Locations = Access to Customers, Deep Talent Pool, Suppliers and Processors



## BARKHAMSTED, CT *Turbine Engine Components*

- Jet Engine Components
- Ground Power Turbines
- Helicopter Assemblies
- Special Processes New Initiative!



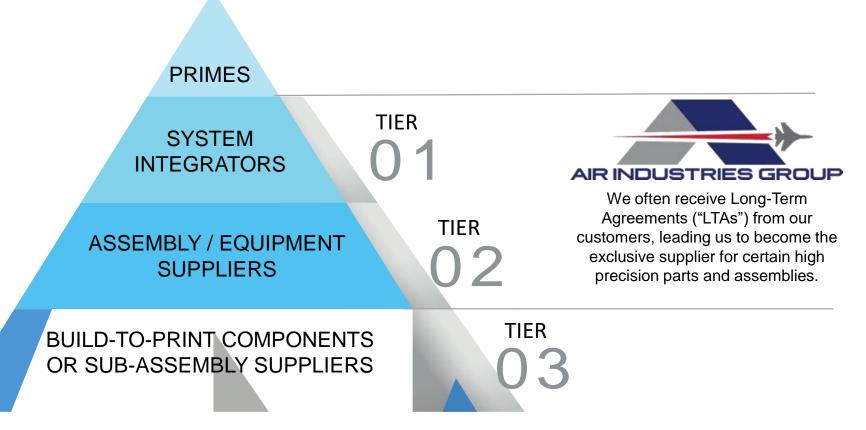
## BAY SHORE, NY Complex Machining

- Landing & Arresting Gear
- Flight Safety Controls
- Aircraft Structural Assemblies
- Helicopter Assemblies



#### **ESSENTIAL SUPPLIER IN THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY**

We play a critical role in the supply chains of military and commercial primes, U.S government, international users, tier 1 and tier 2 integrators, as well as suppliers.



#### **CUSTOMERS AND END-USERS**

**Aerospace & Defense Primes** 

**U.S. Government** 































# KEY PROGRAMS <u>AIRI IS VITAL TO U.S. DEFENSE AND COMMERICAL AEROSPACE</u>

F-18 HORNET E-2D Advanced Hawkeye

UH-60 Black Hawk PW-1000G Geared Turbofan

CH-53K King Stallion F-35 Lighting II (JSF)

#### (6) PROGRAMS DROVE 83% of 2023 NET SALES OF \$51.5 MILLION















F-18 Hornet



**Advanced E-2D Hawkeye** 



**UH-60 Blackhawk** 





CH-53K King Stallion



F-35 Lightning II (JSF)

#### A FEW OF OUR PRODUCTS - RELIABILITY YOU CAN COUNT ON



E-2D Advanced Hawkeye Main Landing Gear Strut



F-18 Hornet Landing Gear



F35 Lightning II JSF NLG Steering Collar



CH-53K King Stallion Chaff Pod Assembly



PW1000G (GTF)
Thrust Strut

# Why Buy the Stock? And Why Now?

**Turning Sales Into Profits** 

**TAKING OFF** 

#### STRATEGIC PLAN - THREE PILLARS OF GROWTH

# The Company is successfully executing an integrated approach for organic growth through three initiatives:

#### 1) Portfolio Expansion:

- Quality, delivery performance, increased demand, have improved market share, evidenced by recently announced \$110M contract extension.
- Securing long-term customer agreements yields predictability and mitigates risk.
- Large investment in CAP-EX enhances efficiency and competitiveness.

#### 2) Aftermarket Strategy:

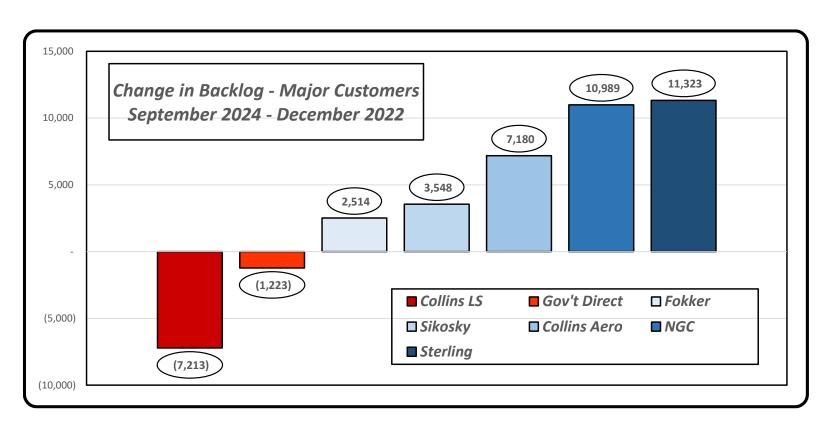
- Partnered with a major DoD supplier to expand aftermarket business. This has yielded \$5M in new orders at high margins. Additional proposals before customers now.
- The Company announced an exclusive distribution agreement covering 17 foreign countries a new and largely untapped market.

#### 3) Industry Outreach:

- Numerous & successful trade shows, and customer visits yielding unprecedented level of interest and demand.
- We have added some of the world's premier, Tier 1 Aerospace companies as customers.

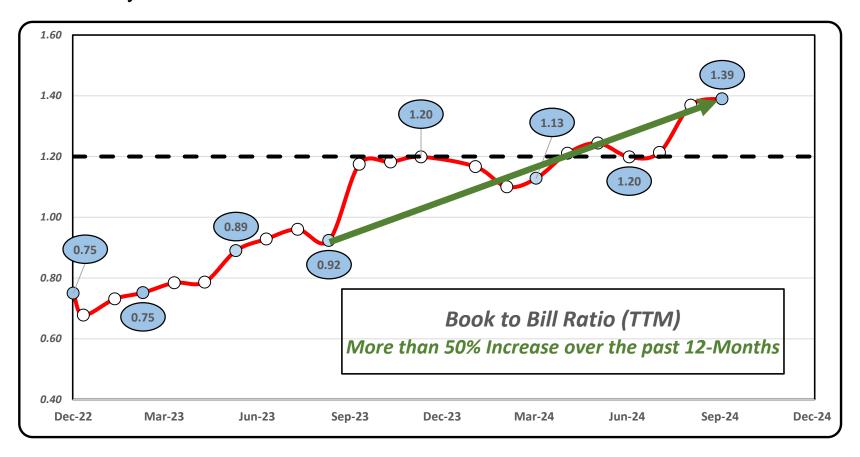
#### **CUSTOMER TRANSITION 2022 - 2024**

Backlog reduction of nearly \$9M with two legacy customers from 2022-2023 has been more than offset by increases in backlog with five new and legacy customers in 2024.



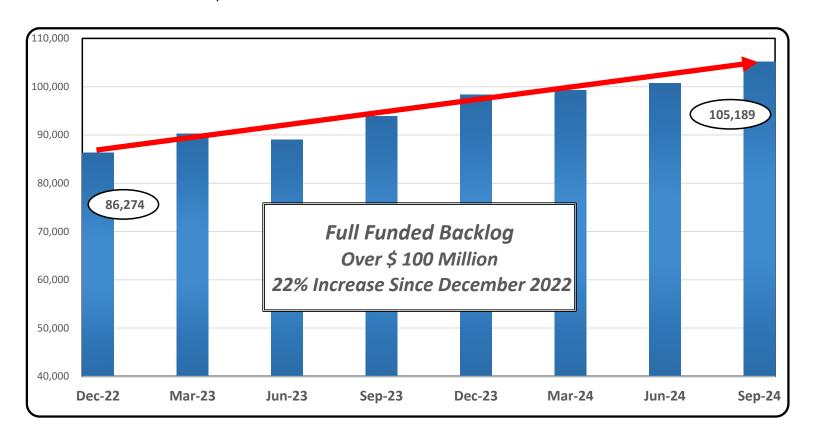
#### IMPROVING BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS

Our Book to Bill ratio (new bookings/sales) has increased by 50% in the last twelve months, and by 85% since December 2022, and is significantly above the industry standard.



#### IMPROVED BD EFFORTS LEADS TO GROWING BACKLOG

- Our improved bookings of new business results in a growing backlog.
- Since December 2022 our full "funded" backlog, supported by confirmed customer orders, has grown by nearly \$20 million or 22%.
- It now exceeds \$100 million.



#### **CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES - PROSPECTS**

- The Company's pipeline is full, with over \$250M in outstanding bids:
  - Production Opportunities: \$200M
  - Aftermarket Opportunities: \$50M
  - While the Company does not expect to be awarded all of this business, a reasonable capture rate would move the revenue needle significantly.
- The Company is also pursuing numerous other prospects for future business.
  - Commercial Landing Gear
  - Future Vertical Lift
  - Hypersonic Drones
  - Urban Air Mobility



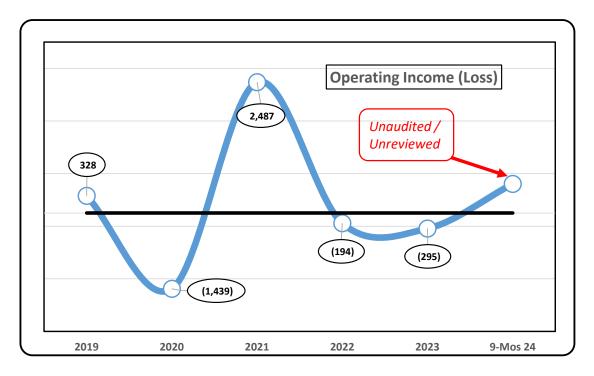






#### **OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) 2019 TO 9/30/2024**

- Operating income is the primary measure of operating performance.
   Results have been highly variable.
  - In 2020 & 2021 varying greatly due to the COVID-19 disruption.
  - In 2022 & 2023 due to customer transition.
- Preliminary results for the nine months ended September are very encouraging.



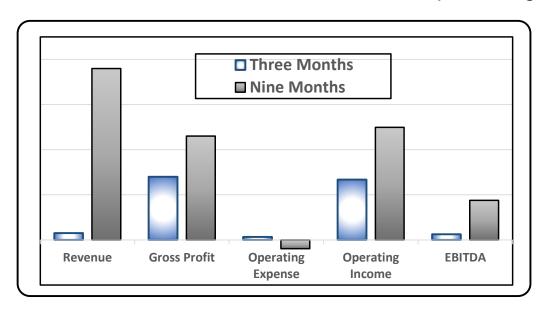
# PRELIMINARY QUARTERLY & NINE MONTHS RESULTS (preliminary, unaudited / un-reviewed):

#### THREE MONTHS SEPTEMBER

- Sales Just over \$12.5 million, marginally higher than 2023
- Gross Profit and Margin Improved significantly compared to 2023
- Operating Expense Well controlled despite inflationary environment
- Operating Loss Reduced dramatically
- EBITDA Improved

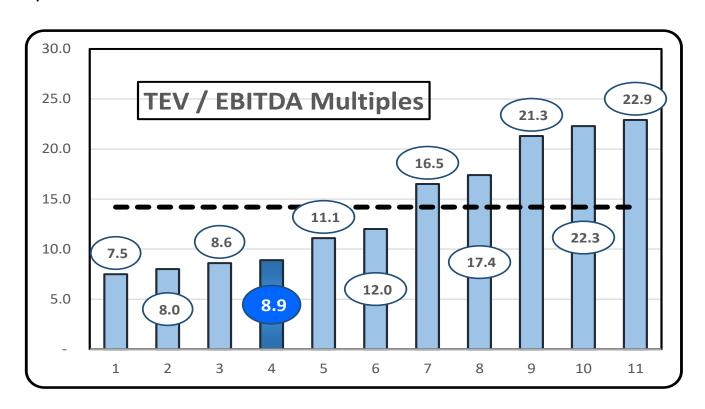
#### NINE MONTHS SEPTEMBER

- Sales Increased by \$2M compared to 2023
- Gross Profit and Margin Improved compared to 2023
- Operating Expense Well controlled despite inflationary environment
- Operating Loss Reverted to profit
- *EBITDA* Improved significantly



#### ATTRACTIVE SHARE PRICE MULITIPLE & VALUATION

- Shares trade at an attractive valuation. A major investment bank calculates the average multiple of similar defense suppliers at 14.2X EBITDA (as of 10/02/2024).
- AIRI shares trade at 8.9X, a 37% discount. If the multiple expands to the average, it extrapolates to a price of above \$ 9.00 per share, or a nearly 60% increase from recent prices.





# Taking Off and Positioned for Growth

#### **KEY TAKEAWAYS**

- ✓ The Company is successfully executing it's five-year strategic plan.
- ✓ The three pillars of our growth initiative continue to solidify:
  - ✓ Portfolio expansion (existing customers)
  - ✓ New customers
  - ✓ Aftermarket
- ✓ Strategic investments in new equipment have positioned us to win new contracts and expand our market presence
- ✓ The Company is focused on financial performance and driving shareholder value.



# The Market Supports Our Multi-Year Strategy to Grow

**Taking Off and Positioned for Growth** 



#### **OUR GROWTH POTENTIAL IS UNLIMITED**



With FY 2023 net sales of \$51.5 million, we have plenty of room to grow, and we are confident that we can achieve sustainable and profitable growth in 2024.



We operate in the market of High Precision Machined Components with over \$100B in annual spend. Based on our skills, our capabilities, and our industry assessment, we believe our addressable market in the near term is ~\$6.0 billion expanding to ~\$10.9 billion over the next 5 years.



# FOCUS ON CORE MARKET EXPANSION

Near-Term (0-1 year) - \$4.6B Addressable

TARGET THE DEFENSE (DLA) AFTERMARKET

Near-Term (0-1 year) - \$1.4B Addressable

TARGET LEGACY
COMMERCIAL

Mid-Term (1-3 years) - \$1.6B Addressable

**CONSTRAINED MARKETS** 

Mid-Term (1-3 years) - \$1.8B Addressable

BUSINESS JET LANDING GEAR

Mid-Term (3-5 years) - \$1.5B Addressable

# SUMMARY – WHY BUY THE STOCK? AND WHY NOW?

- > OPERATING RESULTS ARE IMPROVING.
- > OUR FUTURE IS SUPPORTED BY A GROWING BACKLOG.
- > GROWTH IS EVIDENT IN BOTH LEGACY AND NEW CUSTOMERS AND THE COMPANY IS ACTIVELY PURSUING PROGRAMS THAT REPRESENT THE CORE OF FUTURE FLIGHT.
  - > THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW MAJOR AWARDS IS EXPECTED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
  - > SHARE PRICE IS NOW STABILIZED AT NEARLY 50% HIGHER THAN EARLIER IN THE YEAR AND IS TRADING AT A LOWER MULTIPLE THAN PEERS



### Thank You

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