



## Bitfarms Provides December 2024 Production and Operations Update

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- Increased hashrate 97% Y/Y to 12.8 EH/s -
- Improved efficiency 40% Y/Y to 21 w/TH -
- Earned 2,914 BTC for full-year 2024 -
- Expanded operational MW 35% Y/Y to 324MW -
- Acquisition of Stronghold Digital Mining on track to close in Q1 2025 -

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TORONTO, Ontario and BROSSARD, Québec, Jan. 02, 2025 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Bitfarms Ltd. (NASDAQ/TSX: BITF), a global leader in vertically integrated Bitcoin data center operations, today issued its latest monthly production report. All financial references are in U.S. dollars.

CEO Ben Gagnon stated, “2024 was a transformative year for Bitfarms. While we did not meet our original growth targets, we accomplished a tremendous amount during the year. We doubled our hashrate and improved efficiency by 40%, upgraded 11 data centers, increased active MWs by 35%, revamped and strengthened our board of directors and management team, assumed control of our first U.S. large scale site in Sharon, PA with access to up to 120MW, negotiated a settlement to a hostile takeover attempt, and announced our proposed acquisition of Stronghold Digital Mining, Inc. (“Stronghold”), which represents the largest acquisition between two public companies in the Bitcoin mining sector.

“Consistent with our strategy to shift our portfolio towards the U.S., the Stronghold acquisition, expected to close in Q1 2025, will expand and rebalance our energy portfolio in the attractive PJM region, with visibility on a target multi-year expansion capacity of up to 1.6 GW with approximately 66% in the U.S., an eleven-fold increase from approximately 6% today. By vertically integrating with power generation, expanding our energy trading capabilities and acquiring two high potential sites for HPC/AI with significant multi-year expansion potential, we are also executing our strategy to diversify beyond Bitcoin mining to create greater long-term shareholder value.

“Importantly, the changes we have implemented over the last six months since I became CEO have laid the foundation for a better future. We enter 2025 as a stronger, more diversified company with tremendous opportunities and a promising future. I look forward to leading the company and our amazing team in executing on this important transition from the international Bitcoin miner to a North American energy and compute company to capitalize on the massive growth opportunities in both HPC/AI and Bitcoin mining.”

“With liquidity exceeding \$145 million at December 31<sup>st</sup>, these transformative initiatives have presented us with efficient capital-raising opportunities to fund our growth in the U.S.,” noted Jeff Lucas, Chief Financial Officer. “We remain disciplined in raising and deploying capital, prioritizing minimal dilution and maximizing shareholder value.”

Jeff Lucas concluded, “Our Synthetic HODL program, launched as a pilot program in October 2023, has been a key source of low-cost capital, enabling superior returns and outperformance to Bitcoin. We took advantage of the higher Bitcoin prices in December to close out our positions and realize profits before the end of the year. Since the program’s inception, we have achieved a 135% return in U.S. dollar terms, generating a trading profit of approximately \$18 million. Having delivered such strong performance with the Synthetic HODL program to date, we are excited to launch our expanded program in 2025.”

### Mining Review

December mining operations generated 211 BTC compared to 207 BTC in November, reflecting a 4% increase in average operating EH and a 7% increase in Bitcoin difficulty.

Key Performance Indicators	December 2024	November 2024	December 2023
Total BTC earned	211	207	446
Month End Operating EH/s	12.8	12.8	6.5
BTC/Avg. EH/s	19	19	72
Average Operating EH/s	11.1	10.7	6.2
Operating Capacity (MW)	324	324	240
Hydropower (MW)	256	256	186
Watts/Terahash Efficiency (w/TH)	21	21	35
BTC Sold	147	174	444

December 2024 Select Operating Highlights

- 12.8 EH/s operational at December 31, 2024, up 97% Y/Y.
- 11.1 EH/s average operational, up 79% Y/Y and up 4% M/M.
- 19 BTC/average EH/s, 74% lower Y/Y.
- 211 BTC earned, up 2% M/M and 53% lower Y/Y.
- 6.8 BTC earned daily on average, equal to ~\$639,200 per day based on a BTC price of \$94,000 at December 31, 2024.

Bitfarms’ BTC Monthly Production

Month	BTC Earned 2024	BTC Earned 2023
January	357	486
February	300	387
March	286	424
April	269	379
May	156	459
June	189	385
July	253	378
August	233	383
September	217	411
October	236	398
November	207	392
December	211	446
YTD Totals	2,914	4,928

December 2024 Financial Update

- Sold 147 of the 211 BTC earned as part of the Company’s regular treasury management practice for total proceeds of \$14.3 million.
- Total liquidity of \$147 million, including approximately \$60 million in cash at December 31, 2024.
- Added 64 BTC, bringing Treasury to 934 BTC, up from 870 BTC last month and representing \$87.8 million based on the Bitcoin price of \$94,000 at December 31, 2024.
- Capitalized on BTC price near all-time highs to close out all Synthetic HODL™ positions in December for a 135% USD denominated return since the program’s inception.

Upcoming Conferences and Events

- January 14-15, 2025: Needham Growth Conference (NYC)
- Feb 12, 2025: AGP Virtual Tech conference
- March 17-18, 2025: 37<sup>th</sup> Annual ROTH Conference (Dana Point, CA)

About Bitfarms Ltd.

Founded in 2017, Bitfarms is a global vertically integrated Bitcoin data center company that contributes its computational power to one or more mining pools from which it receives payment in Bitcoin. Bitfarms develops, owns, and operates vertically integrated mining facilities with in-house management and company-owned electrical engineering, installation service, and multiple onsite technical repair centers. The Company’s proprietary data analytics system delivers best-in-class operational performance and uptime.

Bitfarms currently has 12 operating Bitcoin data centers and two under development, as well as hosting agreements with two data centers, in four countries: Canada, the United States, Paraguay, and Argentina. Powered predominantly by environmentally friendly hydro-electric and long-term power contracts, Bitfarms is committed to using sustainable and often underutilized energy infrastructure.

To learn more about Bitfarms' events, developments, and online communities:

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## **Glossary of Terms**

- Y/Y or M/M= year over year or month over month
- BTC or BTC/day = Bitcoin or Bitcoin per day
- EH or EH/s = Exahash or exahash per second
- MW or MWh = Megawatts or megawatt hour
- w/TH = Watts/Terahash efficiency (includes cost of powering supplementary equipment)
- Synthetic HODL <sup>™</sup> = the use of instruments that create BTC equivalent exposure
- HPC/AI = High Performance Computing / Artificial Intelligence
- PJM = PJM Interconnection LLC, a regional transmission organization (RTO) which is part of the Eastern Interconnection grid operating an electric transmission system serving all or parts of Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

*This news release contains certain "forward-looking information" and "forward-looking statements" (collectively, "forward-looking information") that are based on expectations, estimates and projections as at the date of this news release and are covered by safe harbors under Canadian and United States securities laws. The statements and information in this release regarding projected growth, target hashrate, opportunities relating to the Company's geographical diversification and expansion, deployment of miners as well as the timing thereof, closing of the Stronghold acquisition on a timely basis and on the terms as announced, the positive impact of the Stronghold acquisition and the ability to gain access to additional electrical power and grow hashrate of the Stronghold business, performance of the plants and equipment upgrades and the impact on operating capacity including the target hashrate and multi-year expansion capacity, the opportunities to leverage Bitfarms' proven expertise to successfully enhance energy efficiency and hashrate, the benefits of diversification and other statements regarding future growth, plans and objectives of the Company are forward-looking information. Any statements that involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, assumptions, future events or performance (often but not always using phrases such as "expects", or "does not expect", "is expected", "anticipates" or "does not anticipate", "plans", "budget", "scheduled", "forecasts", "estimates", "prospects", "believes" or "intends" or variations of such words and phrases or stating that certain actions, events or results "may" or "could", "would", "might" or "will" be taken to occur or be achieved) are not statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking information and are intended to identify forward-looking information.*

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financial statements if not prevented or detected on a timely basis; any regulations or laws that will prevent Bitfarms from operating its business; historical prices of digital currencies and the ability to mine digital currencies that will be consistent with historical prices; and the adoption or expansion of any regulation or law that will prevent Bitfarms from operating its business, or make it more costly to do so. For further information concerning these and other risks and uncertainties, refer to the Company's filings on [www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca) (which are also available on the website of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)), including the restated MD&A for the year-ended December 31, 2023, filed on December 9, 2024. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended, including factors that are currently unknown to or deemed immaterial by the Company. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking information. The Company undertakes no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking information other than as required by law. Trading in the securities of the Company should be considered highly speculative. No stock exchange, securities commission or other regulatory authority has approved or disapproved the information contained herein. Neither the Toronto Stock Exchange, Nasdaq, or any other securities exchange or regulatory authority accepts responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

### **Additional Information about the Stronghold Acquisition and Where to Find It**

This communication relates to a proposed merger between Stronghold and Bitfarms. In connection with the proposed merger, Bitfarms has filed the registration statement with the SEC. After the registration statement is declared effective, Stronghold will mail the proxy statement/prospectus to its shareholders. This communication is not a substitute for the registration statement, the proxy statement/prospectus or any other relevant documents Bitfarms and Stronghold has filed or will file with the SEC. **Investors are urged to read the proxy statement/prospectus (including all amendments and supplements thereto) and other relevant documents filed with the SEC carefully and in their entirety if and when they become available because they will contain important information about the proposed merger and related matters.**

Investors may obtain free copies of the registration statement, the proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents filed by Bitfarms and Stronghold with the SEC, when they become available, through the website maintained by the SEC at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Copies of the documents may also be obtained for free from Bitfarms by contacting Bitfarms' Investor Relations Department at [investors@bitfarms.com](mailto:investors@bitfarms.com) and from Stronghold by contacting Stronghold's Investor Relations Department at [SDIG@gateway-grp.com](mailto:SDIG@gateway-grp.com).

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### **Participants in Solicitation Relating to the Stronghold Acquisition**

Bitfarms, Stronghold, their respective directors and certain of their respective executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from Stronghold's shareholders in respect of the proposed merger. In connection with the proposed merger, Bitfarms has filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form F-4 on December 19, 2024, which includes a proxy statement of Stronghold that also constitutes a prospectus of Bitfarms. This communication may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed merger. Additional information regarding the interests of such potential participants, including their respective interests by security holdings or otherwise, will be set forth in the proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents filed with the SEC in connection with the proposed merger if and when they become available. These documents are available free of charge on the SEC's website and from Bitfarms using the sources indicated above.

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